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Oregon Legislature Approves Investments in Transportation

A year ago the governor assembled a Transportation Vision Panel that toured the state with the Legislature's Joint Committee on Transportation. Three themes emerged from those meetings:

- There is a need to preserve and maintain the system and make it resilient to a major earthquake.
- The impacts of congestion, particularly in the Portland metro region, impact businesses across the state.
- There is a need for increased investment in public transportation in both urban and rural areas.

The transportation bill addresses all of these priorities. Additionally, the bill includes requirements for transparency in spending and accountability for results. The bill provides for long-term funding with potential increases every two years until 2024.

Approximately \$1 billion will go to projects that will widen highways and reduce congestion. Projects identified in the bill include new lanes on I-5 at the Rose Quarter, widening sections of OR217 and I-205 to improve reliability.

A large portion of the funding will also go to road maintenance and preservation. The funding will provide lasting fixes that keep Oregon's roads and bridges in good condition today and for the future.

With this large investment in transportation comes an unprecedented level of accountability to ensure money will be spent effectively. Transparency requirements allow the public to see how ODOT and local governments spend the money and the results of that spending.

After an initial increase in fees and taxes, the remaining increases are phased in if ODOT meets accountability requirements outlined in the bill. The bill also increases the Oregon Transportation Commission's oversight responsibility and realigns the Internal Audit process with the Commission.



Many new fees take effect January 1, 2018. Staff at the Motor Carrier Transportation Division are working hard to implement the changes in the bill prior to mailing your 2018 renewals.

If you have questions about which changes apply to your operations, please contact our Phone Service Center at 503-378-6699.

Fees and taxes that changed include: weight-mile taxes, road use assessment fees, weight receipt fees, over-dimension single trip permit and continuous trip permit fees increased.

Fees that did not change include: Continuous operation variance permits (Over-Dimension Annual permits that include county roads), heavy vehicle trip permits, temporary passes and most registration fees.

A detailed table of fees can be found on our web site at: www.oregon.gov/ODOT/MCT/Pages/HB2017_MotorCarrier.aspx.

For more information on the transportation funding package, visit www.oregon.gov/ODOT/Pages/HB2017.aspx.

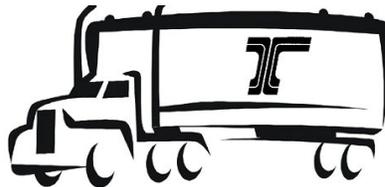
Tips for a Timely Renewal

Oregon’s 2018 renewal season is almost here and thousands of trucking companies will soon receive their renewal forms and documents.

In the coming months, thousands of carriers will avoid headaches by using Oregon Trucking Online to renew their registration and weight-mile tax credentials. Last year, 288,909 vehicles were renewed online.

- Do it online. Not signed up yet? Go to www.oregontruckingonline.com to request a Personal Identification Number (PIN) and get started.
- Avoid transactions by phone. During this busy period, it’s common for staff to receive up to 20,000 calls each month.
- Return the vehicle list with your signed fee calculation renewal summary page.
- Disclose carrier name or ownership changes. Such changes require completion of an Application for Motor Carrier Account (Form 935-9075). Failure to update account information prior to January 1, 2018 may result in processing delays and additional costs.
- Return a completed Power of Attorney form if one needs to be added to your account.

- Don’t post-date checks. Renewal documents received with checks to be cashed on a future date will be rejected and returned to the carrier. Make checks payable to ODOT/MCTD.



- Oregon-based vehicles ONLY**
- Be sure to provide the name of your Drug and Alcohol Testing Consortium or write “IN HOUSE” if you maintain your own program.
 - Don’t forget to provide proof of federal Heavy Vehicle Use Tax (HVUT). A current copy of your IRS Form 2290, Schedule 1 is required to renew Oregon-plated heavy motor vehicles with a taxable weight of 55,000 pounds or more.

Renewal By the Numbers

Carriers due to receive renewal documents (mail or electronic).....	27,719
<i>7% increase over last year</i>	
Vehicles eligible to renew.....	369,161
<i>1% increase over last year</i>	
Oregon-based carriers.....	8,952
Oregon ONLY commercially plated vehicles.....	15,447
IRP-plated vehicles.....	34,956
Out-of-state carriers.....	20,180
Out-of-state vehicles.....	320,220

Go Green. Go Paperless.

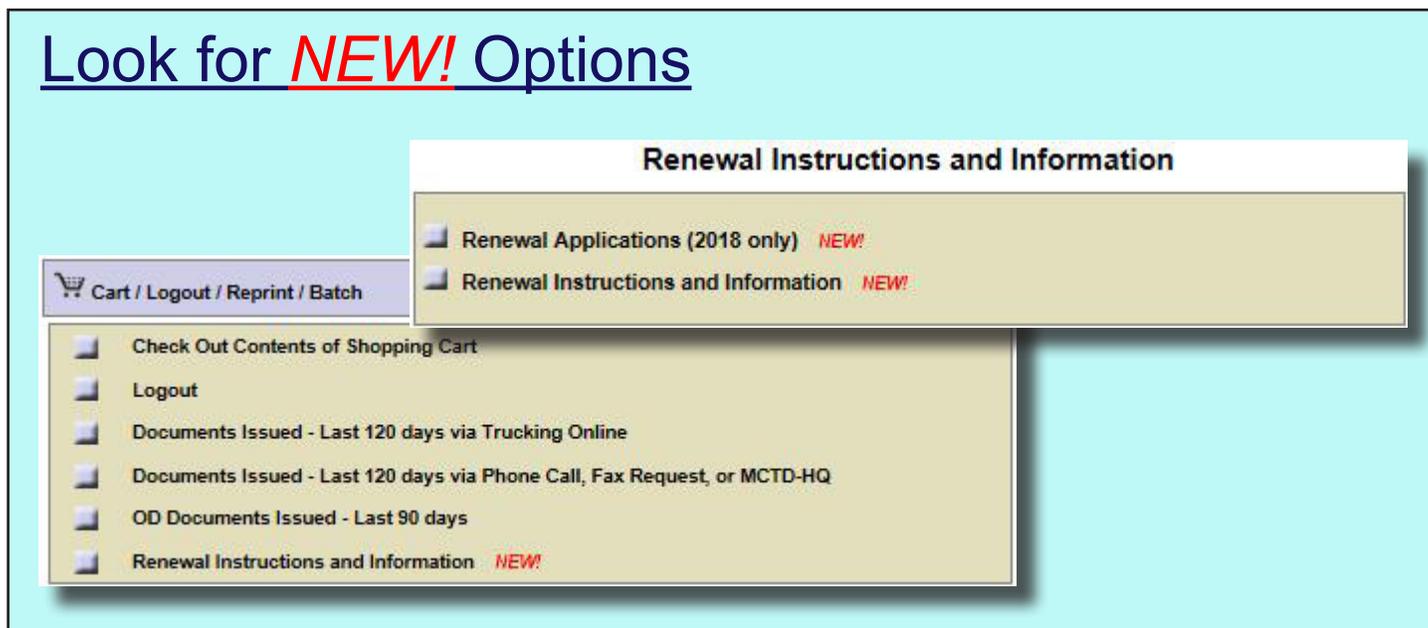
Motor Carrier is excited to announce the launch of our new paperless tax renewals. In October, carriers with tax renewals and an active Oregon Trucking Online (TOL) account will receive postcard notification that renewal documents are ready to view online and print if needed.

In our effort to continue providing great customer service, Motor Carrier asks that carriers become familiar with the updated renewal webpages.

Step by step instructions will be available on our TOL website at www.oregontruckingonline.com. Our Registration Contact Center is also available to assist you during our business hours.

NOTE: Carriers with Oregon-plated vehicles will continue to receive renewal documents via mail but still have the option of using TOL to renew. If you have not yet signed up for TOL access, submit a PIN request at www.oregontruckingonline.com.

Look for **NEW!** Options



Benefits Include:

- View, save and print documents.
- All documents available in PDF – readily available and free.
- No filing or lost paper documents.
- Reduces paper and helps the environment.
- Secure, 24/7 access for complete convenience.

Moving to a paperless renewal system provides carriers with a secure, cost effective, time efficient, and environmentally responsible renewal process. During the launch period of this new system, we realize that some unexpected issues may arise. Please let us know if you encounter any errors and inconsistencies so that we can improve our service.

Renewal Questions? Require Assistance? Please contact us at (503) 378-6699, or reach us by email at: MCTDRenewals@odot.state.or.us

Electronic Logging Device Mandate December 18, 2017

The Oregon Department of Transportation will begin enforcing the electronic logging device (ELD) mandate requirements for commercial motor vehicle drivers on December 18, 2017. The out-of-service criteria (OOSC) associated with the ELD mandate will go into effect on April 1, 2018.

This phased-in approach has been adopted by other states, and is supported by the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (view the CVSA's letter to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration at <http://cvsa.org/wp-content/uploads/CVSA-ELD-Implementation-Letter.pdf>). States have agreed not to implement the OOSC associated with the ELD mandate until April 1, 2018.

The United States Department of Transportation congressionally mandated ELD compliance deadline is still set for December 18, 2017. On that date, inspectors will begin documenting violations on roadside inspection reports for commercial motor vehicle drivers operating vehicles without a compliant ELD.

Beginning April 1, 2018, inspectors will begin placing commercial motor vehicle drivers out of service if their vehicle is not equipped with the required device.

A motor carrier may continue to use a grandfathered automatic onboard recording device (AOBRD) no later than December 16, 2019. The AOBRD must meet the requirements of 49 C.F.R. 395.15. This announcement does not impact enforcement of the OOSC for other hours-of-service violations.

Setting an April 1, 2018, effective date for applying the ELD OOSC will provide the motor carrier industry with time to adjust to the new requirement before drivers are placed out of service for ELD violations.

For more information about the ELD rule, visit the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's ELD implementation website at www.fmcsa.dot.gov/hours-service/elds/electronic-logging-devices.



Oregon Transportation Commission to Review Interstate Truck Speeds

The Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC) will receive a presentation on Interstate Truck speeds at their September meeting.

In 2016, ODOT was notified of a proposal to introduce legislation to raise interstate truck speeds from 55 miles per hour (mph) to 60 mph. ODOT proposed a speed study be conducted in lieu of legislation.

If the result of the study is a recommendation to increase truck speeds, legislation is unnecessary and the increase can be done through administrative rules.

The investigation began in November 2016 and Portland State University developed an Issues and Impacts report in February 2017. Public meetings were held around the state beginning March 2017.

The Speed Zone Review Panel has made a recommendation to the OTC to increase truck speeds



in certain areas. The OTC is expected to make a final decision at their September meeting.

You can watch it live at: www.youtube.com/user/OregonDOT/live (The YouTube link works best with the Chrome or Safari browsers.)

Your Feedback Wanted on our New Website

ODOT completed a major redesign of its web environment (www.oregon.gov/ODOT) which includes a Motor Carrier site at www.oregon.gov/ODOT/MCT.



The new web environment offers a fresh new look, improved searching and easier navigation. ODOT is now using a responsive design which means you will find the same information whether you are using your desktop, tablet or smart phone.

Other ODOT websites such as Oregon Trucking Online (www.oregontruckingonline.com) and Trip Check (www.tripcheck.com) were not part of the web redesign project. Only the agency websites hosted on Oregon.gov were addressed.

They say that digital ink never dries. Creating a useful

and usable website is a continual process in which user feedback plays a big role.

We welcome your feedback as we continue to work on improving the Motor Carrier website.

If you have questions or comments, call us at 503-378-5849, or email mctdwebeditor@odot.state.or.us.



Oregon's IFTA Program Shines in Peer Review

Just as motor carriers are held accountable for recordkeeping, our agency is no exception.

A recent peer review conducted by IFTA Inc. examined Oregon's International Fuel Tax Agreement program. The results are in and Oregon's program performed well.

"Our IFTA staff work hard to make sure we're being good stewards of the program," said Melody Tavares, Carrier Maintenance Unit Manager for Oregon Motor



Oregon's IFTA Team, from left: Tammy Wright, Barbara Kiesow, Terri Jacobs & Melody Tavares

Carrier. "We aim to provide the best possible service for motor carriers and our IFTA jurisdiction partners."

IFTA is an agreement between the lower 48 states and ten Canadian Provinces. Its purpose is to simplify the reporting and payment of motor fuel use taxes by carriers.

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IFTA auditors from Iowa and Tennessee examined Oregon’s records from the past five years. Their review included data for 30 carriers who filed IFTA returns and 30 carriers who had been audited by our staff. IFTA requires jurisdictions to audit 3 percent of its IFTA accounts every year. Oregon maintains more than 4,300 IFTA accounts.

The review found Oregon met IFTA’s audit requirements and complied with almost all aspects of the agreement.

The only deficiencies were some missed deadlines for manually processed transactions. Although IFTA has an automated transaction clearinghouse, Oregon must manually prepare them for two jurisdictions that do not participate. Oregon missed the deadline for those jurisdictions five months out of the 60 month review period. MCTD staff has a remedy in place to ensure compliance in the next review.

Once published by IFTA, the complete compliance review will be available on MCTD’s website at www.oregon.gov/ODOT/MCT/Pages/Index.aspx.

Weight-Restricted Oregon Bridges on State Routes

As of August 18, 2017, bridge engineers set weight restrictions on 47 bridges for state routes in Oregon.

The complete list of road and bridge restrictions can be found on our website:

www.oregontruckingonline.com/cf/MCAD/pubMetaEntry/restrictionsList/.

If you have questions, please contact the MCTD’s Over-Dimension Permit Unit at 503-373-0000.

We are available Monday-Friday between 7:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time. Our office is closed on all

state holidays, and on Wednesday from 12:00 p.m. (noon) to 1:00 p.m. Pacific Time for staff meetings.



Oversize load restrictions – Labor Day and Thanksgiving Day

SEPTEMBER 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Labor Day - Observed
September 4, 2017

From Memorial Day to Labor Day, over-width loads can't move in Oregon during the daytime after Noon on Saturdays and all day Sunday. Exception: If overall width is 14' or less, then weekend daytime travel is allowed on Interstate routes or on permitted routes east of the summit of the Cascade mountains. Also, triple trailers, mobile/modular homes, towed units, long logs, poles, and piling, and non-divisible overwidth loads are subject to special restrictions on major holidays. Here are the restrictions this year during Labor Day and Thanksgiving holiday periods.

NOVEMBER 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

Thanksgiving Day - Observed
November 23, 2017

Triple trailer combinations can-

not operate on those routes shown as Holiday or Holiday & Weekend restricted on Route Map 5 during the Labor Day period from 4 p.m. Friday, September 1 until Sunrise Tuesday, September 5, and during the Thanksgiving period from Noon Wednesday, November 22 until Sunrise Monday, November 27.



Mobile / modular homes cannot be moved if over 8'6" in width during the Labor Day period from Noon Friday, September 1 until 1/2 hour before Sunrise Tuesday, September 5, and during the Thanksgiving period from Noon Wednesday, November 22 until 1/2 hour before Sunrise Monday, November 27.



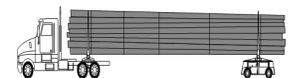
Exceptions: Operations may recommence on Interstates at 12:01 a.m. on the first business day following the observed holiday when width is not in excess of 10' AND the outermost extremities are illuminated by lamps or markers as required by ORS Chapter 816.

Towed units cannot be moved if over 8'6" in width or towing a combination of vehicles during the Labor Day period from 2 p.m. Friday, September 1 until 1/2 hour before Sunrise Tuesday, September 5, and during the Thanksgiving period from Noon Wednesday, November 22 until 1/2 hour before Sunrise Monday, November 27.



Exception: The rule does not apply when the tow vehicle is performing the initial emergency removal of a disabled unit from the highway or when the disabled vehicle or combination of vehicles is operating under a rule or variance permit allowing movement prior to the emergency. See Permit Attachment H for specific hauling hours and days for overwidth movements.

Long logs, poles, and piling cannot be moved if over 105' in overall combination length during the Labor Day period from 2 p.m. Friday, September 1 until Sunrise Tuesday, September 5, and during the Thanksgiving period from Noon Wednesday, November 22 until Sunrise Monday, November 27.



Non-divisible loads cannot be moved if over 8'6" in width during the Labor Day period from Noon Friday, September 1 until 1/2 hour before Sunrise Tuesday, September 5, and during the Thanksgiving period from Noon Wednesday, November 22 until 1/2 hour before Sunrise Monday, November 27.



Exceptions: Operations may recommence on Interstates at 12:01 a.m. on the first business day following the observed holiday when width is not in excess of 12' AND the outermost extremities are illuminated by lamps or markers as required by ORS Chapter 816. Operations may recommence on Green Routes on Route Map 2 at 12:01 a.m. on the first business day following the observed holiday when width is not in excess of 10' AND the outermost extremities are illuminated by lamps or markers as required by ORS Chapter 816.

Oversize Load Restrictions — www.oregon.gov/ODOT/MCT/Pages/Over-Dimension.aspx
Permit Attachment H — www.oregon.gov/ODOT/Forms/Motcarr/2362.pdf
Route Maps — www.oregon.gov/ODOT/MCT/Pages/Over-Dimension.aspx

**Enforcement
2nd Quarter 2017**

From April through June 2017, the Safety- Complaint Resolution work group finalized a total of 353 Final Orders.

Safety Violations

The Final Orders issued contain violations of safety, hazardous materials, and/or violation(s) of an out-of-service order or a combination of the three. Violations are found during a Safety Compliance Review conducted by a Safety Investigator.

Of the 74 Motor Carriers that received a Compliance Review; 28 were fined a Civil Monetary Penalty.

- 4 Pointrucking
- 4Star Express, Inc.
- Alliance Transport, LLC
- Alliance Trucking, Inc.
- Alvarez Bros., LLC
- Atlantic Transport, LLC
- Aylwin Construction, LLC
- B T O Forestry Solutions, Inc.
- Best Line Transportation, LLC
- Brentwood Acquisition Corp.
- Calvillo, Victor Trucking (Boardman, OR)
- Cascade Transport, Inc.
- Central Point Materials, LLC
- Cherry City Metals, LLC
- Clark, Ray Trucking, Inc.
- Coastal Forest Products
- Dahl & Dahl, Inc.
- Deese, J & K Excavation, LLC
- Dentinger Feed & Seed Co., Inc.
- Derstine Trucking, Inc.
- Diamond Express, LLC
- Dig N Haul Excavation, Inc.
- Duman, Inc.
- E & E Transport, LLC
- Elguezabal, Omara Trucking (Nyssa, OR)
- Farmers Supply Cooperative
- Farm Supply Distributors, Inc.
- G V M Truck Line, LLC
- Gizmo Trucking, LLC
- Haight Trucking & Excavation, Inc.
- Hammerich Goat Dairy, LLC
- Happy Trucking, LLC
- Hatfield, Clint Trucking, LLC

- Heavy Metal Trucking & Logistics, LLC
- High Desert Construction & Irrigation, LLC
- Hindman Ranch, LLC
- Hukill's, Inc.
- K&R Plumbing Construction Co., Inc.
- L&K Trucking LLC
- Los Patos Trucking
- Mark Lafayette Farm & Trucking (Dallas, OR)
- Mid Valley Excavation, LLC
- Miller Timber Services, LLC
- Modoc Services, Inc.
- Mountain View Tree Service, LLC
- New Day Trucking
- Northwest Rock, Inc.
- Pacific Aggregate, LLC
- Paks Logistics, LLC
- Perez, Hector (Silverton, OR)
- Phillips & Koch Construction, Inc.
- R R T, Inc.
- Ranes Excavating, Inc.
- Rivera, Rernando Trucking (Ontario, OR)
- Roadway Express, Inc.
- Rodriguez, Roberto (Umatilla, OR)
- Rotas Transport, LLC
- S&T Truck Repair, Inc.
- Sierra Crane & Towing
- Silva Transportation
- Sinai Transport, LLC
- Smart Way Express, LLC
- Southern Oregon Crane Service, LLC
- Sunshine Express, LLC
- TFT Construction, Inc.
- Taylor, Steven M. (Stayton, OR)
- Thunder Trucking, LLC
- TRI-AGG, Inc.
- Troyer, Curtis J. Farms (Cove, OR)
- Tualatin Valley Short Load, Inc.
- Two Way Transport, Inc.
- Wamberg, Phillip J. (White City, OR)
- Wilsey, Fredrick (Enterprise, OR)
- Woolley Equipment, LLC

Other Safety Violations

A total of 279 Final Orders were issued for failure to return a signed copy (which certifies) that the violations listed on the

Driver/Vehicle Examination Report have been corrected. Of the 279 Final Orders issued, seven were fined a Civil Monetary Penalty.

How to Manage Driver/Vehicle Examination Reports:

Motor Carriers can now manage their Oregon safety inspection reports through Oregon Trucking-On-Line. Log in or request a PIN at Oregontruckingonline.com. Once logged in:

1. Select "Inquiry."
2. Select "Driver/Vehicle Inspections"
3. Select "Outstanding Oregon Inspections."

Print the outstanding inspection(s); verify the violations listed on the inspection have been corrected. Sign the printed outstanding inspection and fax it to (503) 373-7481. In three business days re-check the outstanding list to confirm the signed certified copy or copies were received by the Department and removed from the "Outstanding Oregon Inspection listing."

Other Violations

The Economic Regulation and Complaint Resolution Unit finalized a total of 11 actions related to other violations, such as operating in excess of size or weight limits, operating without valid registration credentials, illegally bypassing a weight station, offering or providing unauthorized household goods moving services, or operating in violation of farm registration laws and rules.

- Andrade Transport, Inc.
- C T S, Inc.
- Chipman Corporation
- M Did LLC
- M&M Express, LLC

- MacFarlane, Donald D. L
- Point Trucking, Inc.
- Sonet Transportation & Logistics, Inc.
- Three Star Moving
- U F I Transportation, LLC
- Yaquina Trucking, LLC

Other Enforcement

Summary of work by Motor Carrier Enforcement Officers in the 2nd Quarter 2017:



Trucks Precleared to Pass Green Light Weigh Stations	421,400
Weight-Related Citations	2,257
Weight-Related Warnings	1,383
Size-Related Citations	180
Size-Related Warnings	32
Trucks Required to "Legalize" (Correct) Size and/or Weight	346
Other Citations	497
Other Warnings	1,943
Citations for Operating Without Oregon Weight Receipt & Tax Identifier	2,034
Warnings for Operating Without Oregon Weight Receipt & Tax Identifier	2,290

The enforcement actions conducted by city, county, and Oregon State Police officers are not included in the totals listed here.



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the mission of
ODOT Motor Carrier
TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

PROMOTE a safe, efficient, and responsible transportation industry by:

- Simplifying compliance
- Reducing regulatory requirements when appropriate
- Preserving the infrastructure
- Enhancing private/public partnerships
- Fostering effective two-way communication

DELIVER superior customer service while recognizing the vital economic interests of the commercial transportation industry.



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