# THE PERMIT POST

Your go-to source for trucking, permits, and industry updates.



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# INDUSTRY NEWS ROUNDUP

#### STILL RELEVANT

#### **FMCSA Proposes Changes to ELD Regulations**

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration is continuing its review of proposed changes to Electronic Logging Device (ELD) regulations. Proposed adjustments aim to simplify compliance processes, but may also include stricter enforcement protocols. Carriers should monitor this closely to ensure they're prepared for potential regulatory shifts affecting daily operations.

#### **Fuel Prices Fluctuating Again**

Diesel prices are on the rise in certain regions, adding cost pressures to trucking operations. While some states have seen minor drops, experts predict price volatility through the summer. Keeping an eye on fuel costs can help with better trip planning and budgeting.

#### **NEW THIS MONTH**

#### I-40 Bridge Restrictions in Arkansas

Extensive maintenance and inspections are scheduled for bridges along Interstate 40 in Arkansas. Significant lane closures and detours are expected to last through late summer. Truckers hauling oversize loads are advised to check updated routing permits and expect potential delays. Advanced planning will help minimize disruptions.





#### **NEW THIS MONTH**

#### California Air Board Crackdown Expands

California Air Resources Board (CARB) is intensifying enforcement on non-compliant vehicles, especially at ports and major terminals. Increased roadside inspections aim to enforce stricter emissions standards. To avoid hefty fines and disruptions, carriers should verify their trucks meet California's environmental compliance standards before entering high-inspection areas.

### STATE CLOSURES REMINDER

Memorial Day is Monday, May 27th. Most state permit offices will be closed. Plan accordingly and reach out to us if you need support.

Call us at 800-228-7577

# PERMITS 101

#### LET'S TALK TRIP AND FUEL PERMITS

#### What is a Trip Permit?

If you DO NOT have IRP registration and meet any of the following criteria, you WILL need a Trip Permit:

Truck or tractor has 3 or more axles

Vehicle or combination exceeds 26,000 lbs.

Operating in Arizona, California, or Connecticut regardless of weight/axles

Operating in Nevada over 10,000 lbs

#### What is a Fuel Permit?

If you do NOT have an IFTA sticker and meet one of the following conditions, a Fuel Permit is required:

Truck or tractor has 3 or more axles

Gross vehicle/combination weight over 26,000 lbs.

Permit may be required to re-enter your base state





# SAFETY SPOTLIGHT

Tip: Regularly inspect your tires and brakes to ensure they're in top condition. Faulty equipment is a leading cause of roadside violations and dangerous accidents. A quick inspection routine can save time, money, and lives. Stay safe and avoid unnecessary fines by making inspections a priority.

# TRUCKERS TECH CORNER

Featured App: Trucker Path is a must-have app for truckers, offering real-time information on parking availability, fuel prices, weigh station statuses, and rest areas. Simplify your trip planning, avoid unexpected stops, and keep your haul on schedule. Available on iOS and Android—download and roll smarter.

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# Truckers Breakroom EDGY JOKES EDITION

#### Jokes!

- Why don't truckers ever play hide and seek?

  Because he liked to keep his cargo secure!
- What's the difference between a broker and a magician?
  One disappears when the load goes bad—the other does it with flair.
- I told dispatch I needed more sleep.
  They sent me a 1,200-mile run and said, "You can sleep when it's delivered."
- What's the trucker's version of a dating app?
  A CB radio and 400 miles of boredom.
- X Ever notice how rest areas say "no overnight parking"? It's just a suggestion, like "speed limit."

# TOP 10 TRUCKING PERMIT FAQS

- What exactly is a trucking permit?
   A permit authorizing commercial trucks to legally operate, covering trip, fuel, oversize, and overweight loads.
- 2. When do I need a trip permit? Needed if vehicle has 3+ axles, over 26,000 lbs., or operating commercially in specific states without IRP registration.
- 3. When is a fuel permit required? Required if vehicle meets specific weight/axle criteria and lacks an IFTA sticker.
- 4. What's an oversize/overweight permit? Required when dimensions or weight exceed legal limits; varies by state.





# TOP 10 TRUCKING PERMIT FAQS

- 5. Can I obtain a permit over the phone?
- Yes, easily obtained through trusted providers like Transmit America Permit Network. To obtain a permit, give us a call at your earliest convenience at 800/228-7577.
- 6. Can I obtain a permit online?

Yes, just like over the phone, permits can be obtained through providers like Transmit America. You can order online at

- 7. What happens if I operate without permits? Fines, penalties, impounding, and negative impact on safety scores.
- 8. Do permits expire? Yes, clearly specified durations, typically 3-10 days.
- Are permits transferable?
   No, permits are vehicle-specific and non-transferable.
- 10. What information do I need for Trip / Fuel permits? Truck/trailer details, GVW, axle configuration, trip origin/destination, company and driver info. Some states require insurance info and load details—requirements vary by state.

#### Thanks for Reading!

Thanks for reading this issue of The Permit Post!

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