



## Task Force on Vehicle Weights and Dimensions Policy Jurisdictional Update - November 27, 2019

## Changes to Highway Traffic Act Will Allow for Further Improvements to Public Safety

Amendments to the Highway Traffic Act to enable the use of image capture systems to help increase road safety on our province's roads and highways have been introduced.

The changes will allow for highway cameras to be used as a means of increasing compliance with the rules of the road and increasing safety for all road users in the province. The use of cameras can also help improve safety in construction zones and school bus zones.

## **Quad Axle Semi Trailer Permits**

Effective July 8, 2019 Service NL removed the requirement for holders and new applicants of Quad Axle Semi Trailer Permits for the transportation of bulk commodities to have a GPS tracking unit installed on the trailer.

## **Online Commercial Driver Training**

In September 2019, our government, in partnership with Bluedrop Performance Learning, launched an online Commercial Driver's Training Program.

This training program is offered free of charge, includes training for all commercial drivers and is available to be utilized by carriers, school boards, drivers or anyone who wishes to take the training package.

The training includes 11 modules including:

- Pre-Trip Inspection
- Coupling and Uncoupling a Trailer
- Cargo Securement



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- Sharing the Road
- Distracted Driving
- Driver Fitness
- Hours of Service
- Detour (Inclement weather, animal avoidance, emergencies)
- Air Brakes
- Weights and Dimensions
- Permits

For more information or to sign up for the online program: <a href="https://myskillspass.com/client/msp/servicent/">https://myskillspass.com/client/msp/servicent/</a>