

## **TOWN OF MONKTON, VERMONT POLICY ON EXCESS WEIGHT PERMITS**

The purpose of this policy is to establish clear guidelines on the issuance of excess weight permits. Title 23 of Vermont State Statute governs excess weight permit for highways and bridges.

1. No vehicle operating on Class 2, 3 or 4 roads shall exceed 80,000 lbs. In addition, the following weight limits apply:
  - a. 69,000 lbs. for a tri-axle.
  - b. 60,000 lbs. for a tandem.
  - c. 36,000 lbs. for a single axle.
  - d. 24,000 lbs. for all other vehicles.
2. Any vehicle over 80,000 lbs. needs special permission of the Road Foreman or their designee.
3. Emergency service and municipal vehicles are exempt from compliance with excess weight permit requirements per 24 V.S.A. 13§1399.
4. No vehicle (excluding farm vehicles being used for agricultural purposes) shall be driven or moved on any street unless such vehicle is so constructed or loaded so as to prevent its contents from dropping, shifting, leaking or otherwise escaping therefrom. It shall be evidential that the dropping or depositing of any substance on the road from a motor vehicle was done by the operator of that vehicle.
5. All roads are suitable for all vehicles unless otherwise posted.
6. Fuel, trash and utility vehicles are not exempt from road posting unless it is a winter emergency.
7. Commercial vehicles shall only utilize Town roads if they have a delivery or business on that road. Town roads are not to be used as short cuts when safer alternatives exist.
8. The Selectboard, Road Foreman or their designees are authorized to issue excess weight permits.

The foregoing Policy was adopted by the Selectboard of the Town of Monkton, Vermont on May 13, 2019. It is effective as of this date until amended or repealed.

Adopted by the Board of Selectmen

Date

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