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Title 23 : Motor Vehicles

Chapter 013 : Operation Of Vehicles

Subchapter 015 : Weight, Size, Loads

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§ 1400b. Filing of restrictions, publication

(a) Any municipality that has enacted special weight limits that are other than State legal limits for highways or bridges within its jurisdiction shall file a complete copy of the limitations with the Department of Motor Vehicles each year. The information filed shall contain a concise listing of each highway or bridge posted, the time of the year the restrictions apply, weight limitations in effect on that highway or bridge, and the name, address, and telephone number of the principal person or persons responsible for issuing the local permit. Additions or deletions to the listing may be made from time to time, as required, by filing with the Department.

(b) Any special municipal weight limits on highways or bridges shall be unenforceable unless they are on file with the Department of Motor Vehicles within three working days of the date of posting. It shall be the responsibility of the municipality to keep records documenting the time and date a highway or bridge is posted, and to keep current restrictions on file with the Department. The Department may prescribe the format that is to be used when filing restrictions under this section.

(c) The Department shall publish, on an annual basis, a list of municipal highways or bridges and their current weight limits. This publication shall be based on the information submitted by the municipalities under subsection (a) of this section, as well as information available through the Agency of Transportation, and shall be available to the public, at a charge not in excess of \$25.00, on or before April 1 of each year.

(d) The Department shall also publish, on a quarterly basis, a periodic update of current weight limits for municipal highways and bridges and shall make that available to the general public at a cost of not more than \$5.00.

(e) Any person may request information on specific municipalities from the Department and shall pay the Department a fee of \$3.00 per request. A single request shall be made for information on each municipality. In the event nothing is filed by a particular municipality, the Department shall provide that information, in written form, and charge the \$3.00 fee.

(f) The Commissioner may require prepayments for information requested pursuant to this section. (Added 1993, No. 186 (Adj. Sess.), § 7, eff. Jan. 1, 1995; amended 2021, No. 184 (Adj. Sess.), § 53, eff. July 1, 2022.)