

Sec. 14-137-120. Requirements and procedures

(a) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall not issue a temporary registration, in accordance with the provisions of subsection (i) of section 14-12 of the Connecticut General Statutes, to any truck with a gross motor vehicle weight rating in excess of 18,000 pounds, or commercial trailer with a gross vehicle weight rating over 10,000 lbs. except in accordance with the requirements of this section.

(b) Upon completion of the application for registration (DMV Form H-13), presentation of evidence of mandatory, minimum security coverage, and payment of the fee prescribed by subsection (n) of section 14-49 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the applicant shall be issued a distinctive temporary commercial registration marker plate. No such temporary marker plate shall entitle the motor vehicle to be used for commercial operations or be operated with a load. Each such temporary marker plate shall bear the legend "Inspection Only" and the expiration date of the registration period, which shall not exceed ten (10) days from the date of issue. Such registration and marker plate shall authorize the motor vehicle to be operated on any public highway solely for one or more of the following:

(i) operation of the motor vehicle to or from the place of sale or transfer, or to or from a plant, construction site or other job location, or

(ii) obtaining repairs or installation of new or replacement vehicle equipment or components, or

(iii) obtaining a safety inspection in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c) of this section.

(c) Each motor vehicle that is issued an "Inspection Only" temporary marker plate shall, prior to the expiration of such plate, be presented for a safety inspection conducted by the staff of the Department of Motor Vehicles. The inspection shall be scheduled by appointment, or in accordance with a regular schedule of days, hours and locations for commercial motor vehicle inspections, such as may be published by the Department. The inspection shall be conducted using the standards for a North American Standard "Level 1" Inspection as published by the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance. If the motor vehicle fails inspection, the owner shall be entitled to obtain one (1) additional temporary registration for inspection purposes, upon payment of the appropriate registration fee as mandated by section 14-49(n) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

(d) The owner of each motor vehicle who meets the application requirements of subsection (b) of this section and whose vehicle passes inspection in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c) of this section shall be entitled, upon payment of the appropriate registration fee, as mandated by section 14-49(n) of the Connecticut General Statutes, and the administrative fee required by the provisions of section 14-12s of the Connecticut General Statutes, to obtain an unrestricted temporary registration valid for a period of up to sixty (60) days. No additional temporary registration shall be issued to any such motor vehicle unless it passes another safety inspection in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c) of this section.

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