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## **NOTICE TO ALL COMMERCIAL/SERVICE DRIVERS**

Halifax Harbour Bridges (HHB) mission is to provide safe, efficient and reliable cross Harbour passage at an appropriate cost. In achieving these goals, HHB requires that a written letter of permission is mandatory for slow moving vehicles that exceed weight restrictions for the Angus L. MacDonald Bridge, and require crossing the A. Murray MacKay Bridge (AMM).

A letter of permission **MUST** be obtained if driving one of the following slow moving/oversized vehicles:

- Crane
- Backhoe
- Wheel Loader
- Grader
- Asphalt Spreader
- Forklift
- Tractor
- Or any other vehicle which is not a car or a pick-up truck, that HHB believes may impede the normal flow of traffic.

No vehicles in the above listing may cross the A. Murray Mackay Bridge (AMM) during peak period traffic hours.

### **Peak Period Traffic Times:**

06:00hrs – 09:15hrs

03:00hrs – 06:15hrs

\*\*\* Please note that due to weight restrictions, the above vehicles are **not** permitted to cross the Angus L. Macdonald Bridge (ALM) at any time.

A standing letter of permission may be obtained by submitting a written request on company letterhead detailing the following:

- Type of vehicle
- NS license plate number affixed to vehicle
- Date, time of requested crossing (for single crossing requests)

The height, width and weight of any vehicle, will determine if an escort by HHB Bridge Patrol is warranted. All requests will be considered on a case by case basis and will only be approved for emergency or extenuating circumstances. A copy of the permission letter **MUST** be retained by the vehicle's operator, and presented to the Bridge Patrol at the time of the scheduled crossing. It would be prudent for operators to contact HHB's AMM {MacKay Bridge} Operations Centre at least a ½ hour prior to arrival to ensure that no impediments (collisions, incidents, maintenance issues) exist for the scheduled crossing. Operation Centre contact number is **(902) 463-2459**.

Please note that permission is only valid for the date or dates outlined within the subsequently provided authorization letter. Vehicles crossing the bridge without permission are subject to a fine of **\$284.91** for the first offence. Subsequent offences will result in an increased penalty.

Requests should be submitted to the attention of:

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Dartmouth, NS  
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HHB has implemented this process in an effort to decrease congestion and improve safety on the A. Murray MacKay Bridge during peak period traffic hours. Questions regarding this policy may be directed to the under signed.

Operations Manager



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