## **British Columbia Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure** Commercial Vehicle Safety & Enforcement **Vehicle Inspections & Standards Program**

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# Anti-Lock Brake and/or Automatic Slack Adjuster **Declaration of Exemption**

The information contained in this document replaces the "Anti-Lock Brake and/or Automatic Slack Adjuster Declaration of Exemption" document posted April 2012. All content is subject to change.

### **Application**

To qualify for either the Anti-Lock Brake and/or Manual Slack Adjuster exemption, an individual or Carrier's vehicle(s) must operate off-road a minimum of 55% by an overall cumulative total time or distance between mandatory annual or semi-annual inspection intervals. There are two forms, one applicable to an individual or one applicable to a carrier. Both forms cover the application for the Anti-Lock Brake (ABS) System and/or Automatic Slack Adjusters exemption.

#### **Process**

Drivers and Carriers that want to exercise the Anti-Lock Brake and/or Automatic Slack Adjuster exemption as either a new applicant or to renew an existing exemption, must go to the Vehicle Inspections website at <a href="http://cvse.ca/vehicle">http://cvse.ca/vehicle</a> inspections.htm and print or download the ABS and/or Automatic Slack Adjuster Declaration of Exemption. To start the exemption process, the applicant must complete the applicable fillable PDF Declaration of Exemption form including the Vehicle Identification form on page 2. The completed Declaration of Exemption documents along with quantifiable / verifiable proof that each requested vehicle operates 55% off road must be sent to Commercial Vehicle Safety & Enforcement headquarters office in Victoria, BC via fax, mail or email. Once received, the documents will be reviewed by CVSE HQ. If approved, the Anti-Lock Brake and/or Automatic Slack Adjuster Declaration of Exemption form will be certified with a distinctive gold mark and signature. The ABS and/or Automatic Slack Adjuster Declaration and vehicle identification sheet will be returned to the applicants' mailing address noted on the Exemption Declaration.

Supporting documents MUST be included with all new and renewal applications.

#### **Inspection**

On request of CVSE, the Designated Inspection Facility (DIF) or Authorized Inspector, the driver must produce verifiable documentation that clearly supports 55% off-road usage, should the percentage of off-road use be in question. This may include:

- Driver log book<sup>1</sup>;
- Company driver record or chart;
- Charts and/or maps to show the exact routes and comparison of the 'on' to 'off' highway distance driven;
- Timber Marking and Transportation Regulation Division 10 Required Documentation<sup>2</sup>; and
- Off-Highway Refund Application under the *Motor Fuel Tax Act*<sup>3</sup>.

Without this Declaration of Exemption the vehicle presented for inspection to a DIF should not pass a provincial mechanical inspection if equipped with manual slack adjusters and / or nonfunctioning ABS component(s).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Driver Log Book - <a href="http://www.truckerslogbook.com/images/601LD2.gif">http://www.truckerslogbook.com/images/601LD2.gif</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Timber Marking and Transportation Regulation - <a href="http://www.bclaws.ca/EPLibraries/bclaws\_new/document/ID/freeside/253">http://www.bclaws.ca/EPLibraries/bclaws\_new/document/ID/freeside/253</a> 97#section10 1.1 - http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/ftp/hen/external/!publish/web/otherPublication/Road\_Use\_and\_TTR\_Pamphlet.pdf

Off-Highway Refund Application FIN -141 - http://www.sbr.gov.bc.ca/documents\_library/forms/0141FILL.pdf