

“CT” Commercial Tractor & “M” Miscellaneous Plates		Inspection and Enforcement New Brunswick/ Highway Safety Enforcement	3.1.14
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1. Purpose:

To identify the vehicles authorized to register as (Miscellaneous), “M” Plates or “CT” Commercial Tractor Plates.

2. Procedure:

- A. In the past, some vehicles were plated with “M” Plates dependent upon their use. Industrial type vehicles will now be issued Commercial Tractor Plates, with an annual registration fee of \$51.00 regardless of their intended use.
- B. Registrants who currently have industrial type tractors registered with “M” plates will have the option of retaining the “M” or applying for a CT Plate. If the “M” plate needs to be replaced (i.e. lost, damaged, etc.) it must be replaced with a Commercial Tractor plate.

C. “M” Miscellaneous Plates

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| School Bus (BS) | Service Crane, Pulp Loader |
| Church Bus (BC) | Mobile Power Equipment |
| Community Service Bus (MF) | (Well Drivers, Threshing etc.) (MP) |
| Motor Hearse (HR) | Municipal Sidewalk Snow |
| Special Truck Tractor (MT) | Removal (MU) |
| Snowmobile (SM) for grooming snow | Road Construction Equipment |
| Asphalt or Tar Spreader (MF) | (Rock Wagons) |
| Tow Truck (MF) | Ambulance (MU An ambulance |
| ***M Plate Applications for flat | owned or operated by municipal |
| Bed tow trucks must be | governments, MF a private |
| Accompanied by the Flat Bed | ambulance) |
| Truck Affidavit (78-9884) | |

D. “CT” Commercial Tractor Plates

- Back Hoe
- Front End Loader
- Loaders
- Graders
- Excavators

NOTE *Exempt from registration Section 21(d) of the MVA. However, if application to the registrar is made, an “M” Plate is issued.

- i. Buses registered in the name of a bona fide community service organization (i.e. Lions Club) or buses under contract with the Province of New Brunswick, Department of Education.
- ii. Pulp Loader/Slasher this would be a truck cab and chassis with pulp loader mounted on chassis.

- iii. Truck Tractor used exclusively to haul trailer or semi-trailer for transporting machinery employed in the lumber, mining, fishing, or agricultural industries.
- iv. Ramp trucks with “m” Plates may transport vehicles that are damaged in an accident, are disabled for some other reason, abandoned/junked, and being disposed of or are unsafe because of equipment failure. A Ramp Truck may transport anything associated with the load of a vehicle involved in an accident, but not in transporting goods.

Note: Telephone, cable and NV Power type line trucks are used on the highways on a regular/daily basis as opposed to incidentally and as such must display a commercial “L” plate or a prorate plate rather than a “M” plate.

- v. The Motor Vehicle Act defines “special mobile equipment” as every vehicle not designed or used primarily for the transportation of persons or property and incidentally operated or moved over the highways including road construction or maintenance machinery, digging apparatus, well boring apparatus, concrete mixers and any other vehicle of the same general class.

Note: Officers who encounter this scenario during the course of their duties are to collect all the pertinent information and notify their Sergeants in writing. The Sergeants will ensure that the Registrar’s officer is made aware of the incident. The first time that this is encountered it should be resolved by way of warning for improper use of plate.

- vi. Vehicles that may be Incorrectly registered:

Please be advised of the policy Officers will use when encountering vehicles that they believe are incorrectly registered (i.e. “M” Plates)

- a. Write the details and take a picture of the vehicle(s) and licence plates.
- b. Take a picture of the load(s) if any
- c. Write the driver a warning and ask them to explain this to the registered owner
- d. Send this information to your Sergeant as well as the Superintendent. The Superintendent will forward this information to the Registrar of Motor Vehicles.

E. Application and Affidavits:

- i. Application for Miscellaneous Vehicle Plates <http://intranet/ps-sp/divisions/ss/CVEPolicy/Forms/78-9760.pdf>
- ii. Forklift (Industrial Lift Truck) and Skid Steer Affidavit <http://intranet/ps-sp/divisions/ss/CVEPolicy/Forms/78-9956.pdf>
- iii. Flat Bed Tow Truck Affidavit <http://intranet/ps-sp/divisions/ss/CVEPolicy/Forms/78-9884.pdf>