

HOW DOES 'CVOR' LEGISLATION APPLY TO YOUR OPERATION?

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Commercial Vehicle Operator's Registration (CVOR) is the monitoring system that the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) uses much like a report card to review the operations of the fleet and its drivers who own or operate trucks that are either registered to, or actually weigh more than 4,500 kg (including load, tools, passengers, etc.). Generally anything over a 3/4 ton truck may be a CVOR truck. *CVOR regulation does not apply to vehicles under 4,500 kg.*

How the System Works

MTO monitors the accumulation of demerit points from collisions, convictions or inspections over a rolling five year period. The more serious the incident (collision or conviction), the higher the demerit points.

Should the CVOR accumulate more than the allowable threshold of demerit points or if there is a high profile incident like a serious or fatal collision, MTO is within its rights to conduct a "facility audit" of the employer.

If an unfavourable facility audit occurs, MTO may issue warnings and fines to the corporation, and/or the driver, and/or re-

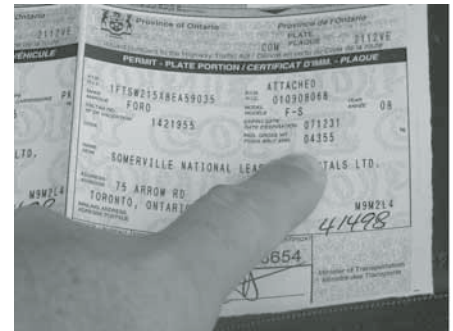
duce the size of the CVOR fleet, and/or withdraw CVOR driving privileges – meaning all vehicles weighing or are registered to weigh more than 4,500 kg will not be permitted to operate at all.

How to Identify Registered Weight

To identify if your truck is a CVOR, look on the mid right panel of the ownership for "Reg Gross Wt (RGW)." If it is higher than 4,500 kg, it is a CVOR truck.

If it is registered under 4,500 kg, but you are unsure of the fully loaded weight of the truck, get it scaled.

In the event the weight of the truck (including its load, passengers and anything



else it carries) or gross weight weighs more than the RGW, you can be charged with an overload violation. If the gross weight is more than 4,500 kg and not registered, you can be charged for operating a truck without a CVOR. ♦



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