

CHAPTER 32
TRUCK ACCESS

Authority

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See: 38 N.J.R. 1465(a).

Chapter Expiration Date

Chapter 32, Truck Access, expires on April 25, 2006.

Chapter Historical Note

Chapter 32, Designated Routes for Special Categories of Trucks, was adopted as Emergency R.1983 d.124, effective April 6, 1983, expired June 5, 1983. See: 15 N.J.R. 643(a).

Chapter 32, Trucks, was adopted as new rules by R.1983 d.259, effective June 7, 1983. See: 15 N.J.R. 1102(c), 15 N.J.R. 1182(a).

Subchapter 2, Vehicles Exempted from the Table of Maximum Gross Weights, was adopted as R.1985 d.194, effective April 15, 1985. See: 16 N.J.R. 2072(a), 17 N.J.R. 975(a).

Subchapter 3, 102-Inch Standard Trucks, was adopted as R.1987 d.115, effective February 17, 1987. See: 18 N.J.R. 2428(a), 19 N.J.R. 374(a).

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 32, Trucks, was readopted as R.1990 d.155, effective February 8, 1990, and Subchapter 2, Vehicles Exempted from the Table of Maximum Gross Weights, was repealed by R.1990 d.155, effective March 5, 1990. See: 22 N.J.R. 19(a), 22 N.J.R. 836(a).

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 32, Trucks, was readopted as R.1995 d.73, effective January 12, 1995, and Subchapter 1, Designated Routes for Double Trailer Truck Combinations, and Subchapter 3, 102-Inch Standard Trucks, were repealed, and Subchapter 1, Designated Routes for Double-Trailer Truck Combinations and 102-Inch Standard Trucks, was adopted as new rules by R.1995 d.73, effective February 6, 1995. See: 26 N.J.R. 4163(a), 27 N.J.R. 507(a).

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 32, Truck Access, was readopted as R.2000 d.6, effective December 7, 1999. See: 31 N.J.R. 1293(a), 31 N.J.R. 1915(a), 32 N.J.R. 78(a).

Chapter 32, Truck Access, was readopted as R.2005 d.131, effective March 30, 2005. See: 37 N.J.R. 25(a), 37 N.J.R. 1525(a). As a part of R.2005 d.131, Appendices A through C were repealed and Appendices A through C were adopted as New Rules, effective May 2, 2005.

Chapter 32, Truck Access, was repealed, and Chapter 32, Truck Access, was adopted as Emergency New Rules by R.2006 d.118, effective February 24, 2006, to expire April 25, 2006. See: 38 N.J.R. 1465(a).

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**SUBCHAPTER 1. DESIGNATED ROUTES FOR
DOUBLE-TRAILER TRUCK COMBINATIONS
AND 102-INCH WIDE STANDARD TRUCKS**

16:32-1.1 Purpose

This chapter outlines the standards and procedures applicable to double-trailer truck combinations and 102-inch wide standard truck operations within the State of New Jersey with regard to permitted routes, width restrictions, length requirements, access to terminals and other facilities, and appeal procedures. The purpose of this chapter is to protect the public interest by assuring that specified vehicles are operated on suitable roadways.

Case Notes

Genuine issue of material fact as to whether New Jersey regulations requiring double-trailer truck combinations and 102-inch wide standard truck semi-trailers to stay on "National Network" roads when traveling through state, unless they had origin or destination within state, imposed undue burden on interstate commerce precluded summary judgment in trucking association's action challenging regulations under Commerce Clause. *American Trucking Associations and U.S. Xpress v. Christine Todd Whitman*, 136 F.Supp.2d 343 (2001).

New Jersey regulations requiring double-trailer truck combinations and 102-inch wide standard truck semi-trailers to stay on "National Network" roads when traveling through state, except for limited purposes, did not facially discriminate against interstate commerce, even though regulations permitted vehicles with origins or destinations in state to use local roads; regulations applied evenhandedly without regard to citizenship of truck driver or owner. *American Trucking Associations and U.S. Xpress v. Christine Todd Whitman*, 136 F.Supp.2d 343 (2001).

16:32-1.2 Definitions

The following words and terms, when used in this subchapter, shall have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

"Double-trailer truck combination" means a truck tractor-semitrailer-trailer combination, and which meets the equipment length requirement as set forth in N.J.S.A. 39:3-84 and 23 CFR 658.13.

"Household goods carrier" means a vehicle being used to transport household goods and effects to or from a private residence or to or from a place of storage.

“102-inch wide standard truck” means a truck that is greater than 96 inches, but not greater than 102 inches in width, exclusive of mirrors and other safety devices, and that meets the equipment length requirements as set forth in N.J.S.A. 39:3-84(3) and (4), as amended.

“Terminal” means any location where freight originates, terminates, or is handled in the transportation process and, when serviced by twin trailers, includes sufficient off-street area for ingress, egress, drop off or pick up and maneuvering of twin trailer combinations. Additionally, a motor carrier operating facility, a distribution center, or a rail, waterborne, or air terminal shall be considered the same as a terminal.

16:32-1.3 General provisions

(a) Double-trailer truck combinations and 102-inch wide standard trucks are permitted to operate in New Jersey only to the extent and under the conditions authorized by the rules of this chapter.

(b) For purposes of clarity, these rules do not supersede other State regulations outside of this chapter, municipal ordinances, or county resolutions that may otherwise restrict or control the movement of double-trailer truck combinations and 102-inch wide standard trucks. An example of such a restriction is a maximum weight posting.

(c) The maximum width permitted on the routes designated in N.J.A.C. 16:32-1.4 and 1.6(c) is 102 inches, exclusive of mirrors and other safety devices.

16:32-1.4 Double-trailer truck network

(a) Except as provided in N.J.A.C. 16:32-1.6, reasonable access to terminals and other facilities, double-trailer truck combinations may be operated in New Jersey only on the following routes, referred to as the “Double-Trailer Truck Network” which comprises approximately 545 miles of roadway:

1. Interstate highways, except I-78 between Henderson Street in Jersey City, Hudson County at milepost 67.03 to the New York State Line (Holland Tunnel) in Hudson County at milepost 67.83;
2. The New Jersey Turnpike (entire length);
3. The Atlantic City Expressway (entire length);
4. NJ Route 42, from I-295 in Bellmawr Borough, Camden County at milepost 14.18 to the Atlantic City Expressway in Washington Township, Gloucester County at milepost 6.35;
5. NJ Route 81 from I-95 in Elizabeth City, Union County at milepost 0.00 to US 1 at Newark Airport in Elizabeth City, Union County at milepost 1.00;
6. US Route 130, from US Route 322 in Logan Township, Gloucester County at milepost 12.21 to I-295 in

Logan Township, Gloucester County at milepost 14.10; and from I-295 in West Deptford Township, Gloucester County at milepost 23.62 to I-295 in West Deptford Township, Gloucester County at milepost 23.95;

7. US Route 322, from the Pennsylvania State Line at the Commodore Barry Bridge in Logan Township, Gloucester County at milepost 0.00 to US Route 130 in Logan Township, Gloucester County at milepost 2.18; and

8. NJ Route 440, from the New Jersey Turnpike (designated as I-95) at the intersection with I-287 in Edison Township, Middlesex County at milepost 0.00 to the Outerbridge Crossing in Perth Amboy City, Middlesex County at milepost 5.15.

(b) Double-trailer truck combinations operating on the New Jersey Turnpike and the Atlantic City Expressway are subject to the regulations of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority and the South Jersey Transportation Authority, respectively.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, double-trailer truck combinations shall enter and exit this State only on those specific routes designated for double-trailer truck combinations as authorized in this section.

16:32-1.5 102-inch truck network

(a) The following routes are designated as appropriate routes for 102-inch wide standard trucks. This system of routes shall be referred to as the “102-Inch Truck Network.” 102-inch wide standard trucks may travel freely for all purposes on these routes.

1. All State and Interstate highway routes with the exception of those listed in chapter Appendix A, and with the exception of the Palisades Interstate Parkway section listed in Appendix A, incorporated herein by reference, approximately 2,405 miles;
2. All county “500” series roads with the exception of those listed in chapter Appendix B, incorporated herein by reference, approximately 1,580 miles;
3. Those county “600” series roads listed under chapter Appendix C, incorporated herein by reference, approximately 76 miles; and
4. The New Jersey Turnpike, the Atlantic City Expressway and the Garden State Parkway south of Exit 105. Use of these routes is subject to the regulation of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, the South Jersey Transportation Authority and the New Jersey Highway Authority (now merged with the New Jersey Turnpike Authority), respectively.

(b) The routes as outlined in (a) above were selected on the basis of the following criteria: