

State of California DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Division of Traffic Operations, Mail Station 36 Transportation Permits Branch

Transportation Permits Policy Memorandum

Subject:

Tridem Bonus Purple

Date:

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Policy:

TPPM 2006-04

Reference:

CTPAC-WG4-111203-002 and WG7-090104-001

Objectives:

This policy will allow:

Up to 60,000-pound bonus purple weight on a qualifying tridem axle group.

To qualify for bonus purple weight under this policy a tridem group must:

- Be no closer than 25'0", measured from center of last axle to center of first axle, to the next tridem axle group using this policy.
- · Be inspected laden if the vehicle contains a mechanical distribution unit.
- Not be close coupled.
- Measure no less than 8'0" and no greater than 10'0" from the center of the first axle to the center of the last axle in the group.
- Have a minimum width of 8'0" at outside tire bulge.
- · Not contain more than two, bonus weight, tridems per vehicle combination.
- · Not be a crane.

Tridems qualifying under this policy shall be routed as follows:

- 5 axle 3 axle tractor 3 axle trailer
- 7 axle 4 axle tractor 3 axle trailer
- 9 axle tridem(s) in a 3 vehicle combination
- 11 axle tridem(s) in 4 vehicle combination

The weight chart below shall be used for assignment of tridem bonus purple group weight.

These weights are drawn from the 8'0" wide 8 tires per axle line of Weight Chart Plate 25-5 of the Transportation Permit Manual.

Ft/In	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
8	57,960	58,061	58,161	58,262	58,363	58,463	58,564	58,664	58,765	58,866	58,966	59,067
9	59,168	59,268	59,369	59,469	59,570	59,671	59,771	59,872	59,973	60,000	60,000	60,000
10	60,000											

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