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## SPECIAL PERMIT DELIVERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 633 OF THE HIGHWAY SAFETY CODE

Semi-trailer fitted with loadable axles and legislative conformity

The ministère des Transports (MTQ) wishes to inform you that, as of August 5, 2019, a special permit will be available under section 633 of the *Highway Safety Code*. This permit will authorize the fitting of loadable axles on semi-trailers until the next amendment of the Vehicle Load and Size Limits Regulation (VLSR). It also enables the gouvernement du Québec to align its practices with those of Ontario more quickly.

Regarding legislative conformity, the five types of 633 permits that have already been authorized by the MTQ have a configuration that includes a semi-trailer and were identified to be included in the next VLSR amendment. These five types of permits were merged with the new type of permit:

- Fork lift (free);
- Tridem drive tractor / semi-trailer (free);
- Wheelbase of tractor (\$182.40);
- Wheelbase of type B double road train (\$182.40);
- Car carrier (\$306.40).

Delivered permits of these five types are valid until expiry. Operators of those vehicles who wish to benefit from the abolition of penalties on loadable axles may apply for the replacement of their permit. This new type of permit, being free of charge, will eliminate costs for the five aforementioned permits. The holder of a valid permit of seven days or less may request a refund. Administration fees for each permit delivered, however, are not refundable.

This new permit does not apply to and may not be combined with a permit delivered under the Regulation respecting special permits or the Special Road Train Operating Permits Regulation. Regulatory restrictions on loadable axles in these regulations thus still apply.



Permit applications can be submitted:

by mail at the following address:

**Direction de la normalisation technique**Ministère des Transports
700, boulevard René-Lévesque Est, 16<sup>e</sup> étage
Québec (Québec) G1R 5H1;

• through the MTQ Website at <a href="https://www.transports.gouv.qc.ca/fr/entreprises-partenaires/ent-camionnage/permis-speciaux/Pages/Article-633.aspx">https://www.transports.gouv.qc.ca/fr/entreprises-partenaires/ent-camionnage/permis-speciaux/Pages/Article-633.aspx</a>.

For more information on special permits, visit the MTQ Website at <a href="www.transports.gouv.qc.ca">www.transports.gouv.qc.ca</a> or contact Québec 511.

