

Alberta Transportation and the Canadian Association of Oilwell Drilling Contractors (CAODC) have signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) in an effort to maximize the productivity for well servicing rig operations while still ensuring a high level of safe operations on the highway. Under strict circumstances, conditional exemptions may be granted to CAODC service rig members through Oil and Gas Well Service Rig Permit which provides regulatory provisions with respect to driver licence concessions and annual program requirements.

All carriers operating under the authority of a "special" permit is required to have and maintain a "Satisfactory" Safety Fitness Rating. Carriers that do not have a "Satisfactory" Rating or new applicants in the process of obtaining their Safety Fitness Rating may be issued an interim permit and provided time to supply Carrier Services with their National Safety Code audit. Further support of the permit will be considered once the audit is received.

This permit is available to CAODC service rig members only.

Due to the nature of the Oil and Gas Well Service Rig Permit, permit holders operating under its authority must comply with the terms and conditions of the permit as stated in the MOA and its associated appendices.

Alberta Transportation retains the right to regulate and monitor carriers under its progressive monitoring program. Where compliance issues are identified, or unacceptable levels of violations and/or collisions are incurred. Transportation may among other actions:

- Refuse to issue a permit identified under this agreement;
- Remove one or more conditional exemptions set out in this permit;
- Cancel or suspend a permit identified under this agreement;
- Change a contractor's safety fitness rating; or
- Cancel or suspend their safety fitness certificate.

For information on National Safety Code standards and regulatory requirements, refer to:
www.transportation.alberta.ca/5608.htm

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