

## The Inter-jurisdictional Trucking Agreement

## Alternative Assessment Procedure

In the past, trucking companies and independent operators traveling between provinces and territories were faced with different rules in each jurisdiction for determining employment relationships and for paying premiums. The result? Excess administration for both the companies and for the Boards/Commissions and, in some cases, the over-charging of premiums.

To address these problems, the Canadian Workers' Compensation Boards and the Canadian Trucking Association worked together to create an Alternative Assessment Procedure for inter-jurisdictional trucking.

The Alternative Assessment Procedure began as a pilot project in 1995.

### **You now have two options:**

- Continue to pay premiums based on the kilometers driven in each jurisdiction (prorating method)
- Choose to pay premiums to the Boards or Commissions in the province in which your workers/brokers reside.

### **How can the Alternative Assessment Procedure reduce your paperwork?**

No more prorating kilometers and paying premiums to the Boards or Commissions in every province your workers/brokers travel through. Now simply report earnings to the Boards or Commissions in the province(s) in which your workers/brokers reside-your **Assessing Board/Commission(s)**. In the provinces your trucks travel through, you will be registered with the local Boards or Commissions for information purposes but will not pay them any premiums-these boards are your **Registering Board/Commission(s)**.

### **How to get started?**

- Determine which province will be your **Assessing Board/Commission(s)** and which will be your **Registering Board/Commission(s)**, based on where your workers/brokers live.
- Complete an "Application for Alternative Assessment Procedure for inter-jurisdictional trucking" and promptly return it to your **Assessing Boards/Commission(s)**.

An application is included and is available from any participating Boards or Commissions office in Canada. Make sure you review the terms and conditions and double-check your completed application to make sure you haven't missed anything.

Your **Assessing Boards/Commission(s)** will inform you when your application has been approved and will notify the appropriate **Registering Board/Commission(s)** of your participation in the plan.

### **Reporting and Payment**

Once accepted into the plan, you will report assessable earnings and pay premiums based on the actual earnings of employees to the Boards or Commissions where your workers/brokers reside [Assessing Board/Commission(s)].

You are required to provide the **Registering Board/Commission(s)** with satisfactory evidence of premium payment when asked.

Please Note: The Alternative Assessment Procedure:

- does not change the protections offered to the employer and the workers/brokers.
- does not change the payment of premiums for workers/brokers who are not involved in inter-jurisdictional trucking
- does not apply to the United States



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**Application for Alternative Assessment Procedure For Inter-jurisdictional Trucking**

**PART A**

Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer #: \_\_\_\_\_

Trade/Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**PART B**

Holder of Operating Authority: \_\_\_\_\_

**PART C**      ✓ In the columns below, please check ( ✓ ) the boxes that apply to your operations:

Province or Territory	Truckers/Workers Traveling In/Through ✓	Truckers/Workers Resident In ✓	Employer Firm Number If registered in that province or Territory
Alberta			
British Columbia			
Manitoba			
New Brunswick			
Newfoundland			
Northwest Territories			
Nova Scotia			
Ontario			
Prince Edward Island			
Quebec			
Saskatchewan			
Yukon			

**PART D**      Terms and Conditions

1. This procedure only applies to inter-jurisdictional trucking.
2. The assessing Boards or Commissions will notify the registering Boards or Commissions on behalf of the applicant. Additional information will be provided to the registering Boards or Commissions upon request.
3. The election to claim benefits from the jurisdiction of residence or the jurisdiction of injury remains unchanged by this procedure.
4. The applicant may not opt-out of the procedure part way through a calendar year. However they may opt-out for the following year by providing two (2) months written notice (by October 31<sup>st</sup>).
5. This procedure began January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1995.

The applicant agrees to abide with the provisions in the Alternative Assessment Procedure for the Inter-jurisdictional Trucking Industry.

**PART E**

I/we (Print Legal Name in space provided) \_\_\_\_\_ apply to pay assessments under the "Inter-jurisdictional Agreement - Alternative Assessment Procedure for Inter-jurisdictional Trucking" to WorkSafeNB.

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_