



New Nevada law requires registration of previously exempt vehicles

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Effective July 1, 2007, concrete pumpers, cranes, well (boring) drilling equipment, and all trailers operated over the public highway are no longer classified as Special Mobile Equipment (SME).

On May 21, 2007, Governor Gibbons signed AB39 into law, which specifically removes these vehicles from the SME classification. Therefore, any person operating the equipment listed above, whether or not you have a current exemption certificate issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles, is required to license these vehicles with the Department as of July 1, 2007, as exemption certificates previously issued for such equipment are no longer valid.

Upon payment of registration fees and governmental services tax (GST), the vehicle will be issued a standard motor carrier cab card and plate(s). Additionally, for **all** motor vehicles with a Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) over 26,000 lbs., mileage and fuel records, including beginning and ending odometer readings, routes of travel, total miles traveled and total fuel purchased in each jurisdiction must be maintained and reported on the Special Fuel User Tax Return for In-State and IFTA carriers. Mileage information must also be included on the Annual Registration Renewal.

Exemptions

Special Mobile Equipment as defined below is exempt from vehicle registration requirements and fees. DMV will issue titles for Special Mobile Equipment. An identification letter and license plate will be issued upon "request."

"Special mobile equipment" means every motor vehicle not designed or used primarily for the transportation of persons or property and only incidentally operated or moved upon a highway, including, but not limited to: scoop mobiles, forklifts, ditch-digging apparatus, well-boring apparatus and road construction and maintenance machinery such as asphalt graders, bituminous mixers, bucket loaders, tractors other than truck tractors, leveling graders, finishing machines, motor graders, road rollers, scarifiers, earth-moving carryalls and scrapers, power shovels and draglines, and earth-moving equipment.

Note: Special Mobile Equipment is **not** exempt from fuel taxes unless it is using dyed diesel and operating incidentally or off-road.

If you have any questions about this change, please contact the Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles, Motor Carrier Division at (775) 684-4711 or access website <http://www.dmvnv.com/mc/sme.htm>