

CHAPTER 3
TRUCK ROUTES

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5-3-1: **DEFINITIONS:** For the purposes of this chapter, the following terms, phrases, words, and their derivations shall have the meaning given herein. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words in the plural number include the singular number, and words in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory:

- CITY:** The city of Potlatch, Idaho.
- DEVIATING TRUCK:** A truck which leaves and departs from a truck route while traveling inside the city.
- PERSON:** Any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company or organization of any kind.
- TRUCK:** Any vehicle designated or operated for the transportation of property, and whose body weight or whose combined body and load weight exceeds twenty four thousand (24,000) pounds.
- TRUCK ROUTE:** A way over certain streets, as designated herein, over and along which trucks coming into

and going out of the city must operate. (Ord. 127, 11-11-1975)

5-3-2: **APPLICATION OF REGULATION:**

- A. Required: All trucks within the city shall be operated only over and along the truck routes herein established and on the other designated streets over which truck travel is permitted.
- B. Exceptions: This chapter shall not prohibit:
1. Operation On Street Of Destination: The operation of trucks upon any street where necessary to the conduct of business at a destination point, provided streets upon which such traffic is permitted are used until reaching the intersection nearest the destination point.
 2. Emergency Vehicles: The operation of emergency vehicles upon any street in the city.
 3. Public Utilities: The operation of trucks owned or operated by the city, public utilities, any contractor or materialmen, while engaged in the repair, maintenance or construction of streets, street improvements, or street utilities within the city.
 4. Detoured Trucks: The operation of trucks upon any officially established detour in any case where such truck could lawfully be operated upon the street for which such detour is established. (Ord. 127, 11-11-1975)

5-3-3: **TRUCK ROUTE ESTABLISHED:** There is hereby established within the city the following "truck route":

All trucks entering the city for destination points outside the city and all trucks leaving the city from origin points within the city shall operate only over U.S. highway numbered Alternative Highway 95, and no other street within the city shall be used for truck traffic except as provided in section 5-3-4 of this chapter. (Ord. 127, 11-11-1975)

5-3-4: TRUCK TRAFFIC IN CITY:**A. Outside Origin:**

1. One Inside Destination Point: All trucks entering the city for a destination point in the city shall proceed only over an established truck route and shall deviate only at the intersection with the street upon which such traffic is permitted nearest to the destination point. Upon leaving the destination point, a deviating truck shall return to the truck route by the shortest permissible route.

2. Multiple Inside Destination Points: All trucks entering the city for multiple destination points shall proceed only over established truck route and shall deviate only at the intersection with the street upon which such traffic is permitted nearest to the first destination point. Upon leaving the first destination point, a deviating truck shall proceed to other destination points by the shortest direction and only over streets upon which such traffic is permitted. Upon leaving the last destination point, a deviating truck shall return to the truck route by the shortest permissible route.

B. Inside Origin:

1. Outside Destination Point: All trucks on a trip originating in the city and traveling in the city for a destination point outside the city shall proceed by the shortest direction over streets on which such traffic is permitted to a truck route as herein established.

2. Inside Destination Points: All trucks on a trip originating in the city and traveling in the city for destination points in the city shall proceed only over streets upon which such traffic is permitted. (Ord. 127, 11-11-1975)

5-3-5: ENFORCEMENT:

A. Clerk Maintains Maps: The city clerk shall keep and maintain accurate maps setting out truck routes and streets upon which truck traffic is permitted; the maps shall be kept on file in the office of the city clerk and shall be available to the public.

B. Chief Of Police Maintains Signs: The chief of police of the city shall cause all truck routes and those streets upon which truck traffic is prohibited to be clearly signposted to give notice that this chapter is in effect.

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- C. Failure To Post: No person shall be charged with violating the provisions of this chapter by reason of operating a truck upon a street wherein truck travel is prohibited unless appropriate signs are posted on such street.
- D. Authority To Require Weighing: The chief of police shall have the authority to require any person driving or in control of any commercial vehicle not proceeding over a truck route or street over which truck traffic is permitted to proceed to any public or private scale available for the purpose of weighing and determining whether this chapter has been complied with. (Ord. 127, 11-11-1975)

5-3-6: **VIOLATION; PENALTY:** Any person, firm or corporation, violating any of the provisions of this chapter, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be subject to penalty as provided in section 1-4-1 of this code. Each violation shall constitute a separate offense and shall be punishable as such hereunder. (Ord. 127, 11-11-1975; amd. 2010 Code)