

(ii) All load manifests, including bills of lading or other shipping documents; and

(2) A police officer who stops the driver of a vehicle under this subsection may conduct a safety inspection of the vehicle.

(c) The operation of a vehicle on any highway in this State constitutes the consent of the driver and the owner of the vehicle to the inspection provided for in this section.

(d) The driver of a vehicle shall obey every sign and every direction of a police officer to stop his vehicle and submit to the required inspection.

(e) A sign used to direct vehicles under this section may be displayed only by a police officer who is assigned to enforce this section.

(f) The Motor Vehicle Administration may adopt rules and regulations as are necessary for the safe operation of vehicles THAT EXCEED 10,000 POUNDS REGISTERED GROSS WEIGHT AND ARE engaged in the transportation of property or passengers [for hire] over the highways of this State. Any rule or regulation adopted pursuant to this subsection shall:

(1) Be formulated jointly by the Motor Vehicle Administration and the Maryland State Police;

(2) Duplicate or be consistent with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations contained in 49 CFR, Parts 390 through 398;

(3) Apply to all vehicles over 10,000 pounds registered gross vehicle weight that are subject to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations; and

(4) Apply to vehicles over 10,000 pounds registered gross vehicle weight that are not subjected to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations, if the rule or regulations adopted by the Motor Vehicle Administration specifically states that it applies to the vehicle.

(g) Any person driving a vehicle that is subject to the rules and regulations adopted under this section shall, at all times when operating the vehicle on a highway in this State, comply with the rules and regulations adopted under this section.

(h) The provisions of §§ 391 and 395 of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations do not apply to vehicles being operated in intrastate commerce.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1984.