

(2) Except as provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection, the maximum gross weight limitation for a vehicle registered under this section after [June 1, 1994] DECEMBER ~~1~~, 31, 1994 is:

(i) In Allegany and Garrett Counties for a vehicle with four or more axles in use when loaded — 70,000 pounds; and

(ii) For a vehicle with four axles that is in compliance with regulations adopted by the Department that specify alternative vehicle design configurations based on recommendations of the Dump Truck Technical Task Force — 70,000 pounds.

(d) (1) (i) Subject to the provisions of subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, three-axle vehicles registered before [June 1, 1994] DECEMBER 31, 1994 may continue to be operated at the gross vehicle weight limit specified by the applicable law in effect on [May 31, 1994] DECEMBER 31, 1994 for a period of 20 years beginning:

1. For a new vehicle registered for the first time, the later of the vehicle's model year or date of registration; and

2. For a used vehicle, the vehicle's model year.

(ii) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any vehicle registered under this section before [June 1, 1994] DECEMBER 31, 1994 may continue to be operated until [June 1, 1999] DECEMBER 31, 1999 under the applicable provisions of law in effect on [May 31, 1994] DECEMBER 31, 1994.

(2) (i) A vehicle may continue to be registered under this section, regardless of the vehicle's configuration, and to be operated under the same administrative regulations that were in effect on [June 1, 1994] DECEMBER 31, 1994, for the applicable time periods specified in paragraph (1) of this subsection, if the vehicle:

1. Was registered under this section before [June 1, 1994] DECEMBER 31, 1994; or

2. Is a three-axle vehicle that on [June 1, 1994] DECEMBER 31, 1994 was in the inventory of a dealer licensed under Title 15 of this article and was sold and registered before [January 1, 1995] JUNE 1, 1995.

(ii) Subparagraph (i) of this paragraph does not apply to flat bed trucks used to haul concrete blocks.

(e) The Administration:

(1) Shall stamp the words "dump service" on each registration card issued for a vehicle registered under this section; and

(2) May issue special registration plates to distinguish registrations made under this section.

(f) For each vehicle registered under this section, the annual registration fee is the greater of:

(1) \$18.50 for each thousand pounds of gross weight of the vehicle; or