

- (2) NOT MORE THAN \$2,000 FOR A SECOND OFFENSE; AND
- (3) NOT MORE THAN \$3,000 FOR A THIRD OR SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE.

(S) ANY PERSON WHO IS CONVICTED OF A VIOLATION OF § 24-112 OF THIS ARTICLE IS SUBJECT TO:

- (1) FOR THE FIRST OFFENSE, A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,000;
- (2) FOR A SECOND OFFENSE, A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$2,000; AND
- (3) FOR A THIRD OR SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE, A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$3,000.

27-105.

(a) (1) This section applies to any person charged with a violation of the Maryland Vehicle Law for exceeding, as to any vehicle or combination of vehicles:

(i) The maximum registered weight limit for which the vehicle or combination is registered [under the Maryland Vehicle Law];

(ii) Any statutory weight limit set forth in the Maryland Vehicle Law; or

(iii) The maximum weight limit imposed by signs which have been placed to regulate the weight of any vehicle passing over any bridge or culvert as provided for in § 24-206 of this article; provided that signs posting the restriction are located at the bridge or culvert and also prior to the last available alternate route which bypasses the bridge or culvert.

(2) On conviction of any person for a violation of any of these limits, fines shall be imposed as provided in this section.

(b) Except on interstate highways, a loading error or tolerance of 1,000 pounds over a registered weight limit, statutory weight limit, or weight limit imposed by signs is allowed and only weight in excess of this tolerance is a violation provided that:

(1) An overall gross weight may not exceed 80,000 pounds, including any enforcement or statutory tolerances; or

(2) The vehicle is being operated under a valid permit for gross weight in excess of 80,000 pounds.

[(c) (1) (i) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, for the first 5,000 pounds of a weight violation over the registered weight limit, statutory weight limit, or weight limit imposed by signs, the fine is the greater of:

1. 5 cents for each pound of excess weight; or
2. \$50.