# **Route 209 Fees**

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE INFORMATION BULLETIN

# Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area

# National Park Service Pennsylvania/New Jersey



### A. LAW

I. *Public Law* 98-63 prohibited the use of U.S.
Route 209 by commercial vehicular traffic.
2. Except for commercial vehicles serving businesses or persons located in or contiguous to the boundaries of the recreation area.
3. Except for commercial vehicles which have originated from or are returning to their base of operation in Pike, Monroe and

Northampton Counties, Pennsylvania, providing thatthe base of operation was established in the three counties prior to July 30, 1983.

- 4. Section 117 also exempted up to 125 northbound and 125 northbound southbound commercial vehicles per day serving businesses or persons in Orange, Rockland, Sullivan, and Ulster Counties, New York.
- 5. *Public Law 98-63* also established a **fee schedule** for use of the roadway.

# B. COMMERCIAL VEHICLE DEFINED

I. Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations(CFR) Section 5.6 (A) defines "Commercial Vehicles:

... shall include but not be limited to trucks, station wagons, pickups, passenger cars, or other vehicles used in transporting movable property for a fee or profit either as a direct charge to another person or used in connection with any business.

# C. CONTIGUOUS AREA DEFINED

The following comprise the contiguous area: **Boroughs:** Matamoras, East Stroudsburg, and Stroudsburg PA

Townships: Lehman, Delaware, Milford, Dingmans, Stroud, Westfall, Middle Smithfield, Smithfield, and Upper Mount Bethel PA.

# D. WHO MUST STOP AT CONTACT STATONS

I. ALL COMMERCIAL VEHICLES must stop at the Contact Stations: Southbound at Milford PA and Northbound at Bushkill PA.
2. EXCEPT park vehicles, vehicles responding to an emergency, government vehicles and those designated by the Superintendent.

3. **NOTE**: the burden of proof of destination and/or origin is the responsibility of the operator of the commercial vehicle 4. Before entering the Park on Rt. 209, each commercial vehicle operator is required to furnish the Visitor Use Assistant on duty adequate documentation to gain access to the road.

# E. DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

- I. Name and address of the company owning the vehicle or independent owner
  2. Registration of the vehicle, operators' license and leasing papers if applicable
  3. Location of delivery, pickup, or service prior to and/or immediately following the trip on Rt. 209 through the national recreation area documented by one or more of the following:
- (a) Bill of Lading,
- (b) Delivery or pickup order
- (c) Service or work order
- (d) Manifest
- (e) Pay card or sheet
- (f) Trip ticket
- (g) Sales slip
- (h) Route sheets
- (i) Logbook

# F. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

I. The commercial vehicle operator shall declare all hazardous materials being transported by name, U.N number and amount in common units of measure. Information is required whether placarded OR NOT.

#### **NOTES**

- \* All information must have current dates
- \* Company names, freight and service provided must be clearly written or printed.
- \* More than one document may be required as proof of delivery, pickup, or service

#### G. FEE SCHEDULE

**FEES** will be assessed for those vehicles not servicing or based in the recreation area or the contiguous areas on the Pennsylvania side of the park. **No Charge** for servicing park or contiguous areas

2 axle vehicles \$ 3.00
2 axle with trailer \$ 5.00
2 axle 6 wheel vehicle \$ 8.00
3 axle vehicle \$10.00
4 axle vehicle \$13.00
5 or more axle vehicle \$18.00

#### NOTE:

All operators of commercial vehicles are required to obtain and keep in the operator's possession a one way receipt pass while using Route 209 through the recreation area.

\* All fees are to be paid in cash.

A minimum amount of cash is on hand at the contact stations, therefore **no bill larger than \$20.00 will be accepted.** 

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#### H. WARNING

Providing a Visitor Use Assistant with false or fraudulent documents or making false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements about the origin, destination, consignment, or any other matter related to the use of Route 209 by commercial vehicles is punishable by a fine of not more than \$10,000.00, or imprisonment of not more than 5 years, or both (18 U8C 1001) and may result in the withdrawal of company privileges for use of the road.

### I. BE ADVISED

# 1. Speed Limits (36 CFR 4.2 I)

**15 mph** -campgrounds, parking area, business or residential areas, and other places of public assemblage

25 mph -Roads under construction

**35 mph** -Posted intersection and congested areas

**45 mph** -Public roads unless otherwise posted

- 2. The use of motor vehicles outside of the established public roads or parking areas is prohibited (36 CFR 4.10)
- 3. Width, height, and length of vehicles (*Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes*)

### \* 4921- Width of Vehicles

The total outside width of a vehicle including any load shall not exceed 102 inches.

### \* 4922- Height of Vehicles

No vehicle, including any load, shall exceed a height of 13 ft. 6 inches.

### \* 4923 -Length of Vehicles

The length of a single trailer shall not exceed 53 ft., provided the distance between the kingpin of the trailer and the centerline of the rear axle or rear axle group does not exceed 41 ft. or, in the case of a trailer used exclusively or primarily to transport vehicles in connection with motor sports competition events, does not exceed 46 ft. Automobile carriers cannot exceed an overall length of 65 ft. including the overhang.

#### NOTE

Oversize vehicles mustobtain prior permission of the park superintendent and a permit from Pennsylvania Dept. of Transportation (PennDOT) to access Rt. 209 in the park.

## J. HELP PRESERVE THE PARK

Federal regulations prohibit the disturbance destruction, or removal of public property, natural, historic or archaeological features or minerals.

Please watch for wildlife crossing the roadway.

#### K. SAFETY

- 1. Be sure your vehicle is well maintained
- 2. Check lights, brakes & tires daily
- 3. Watch out for the other driver
- 4. Drive safely and buckle-up

#### **QUESTIONS**

If you have any question regarding the commercial vehicle policy of Route 209, please contact the National Park Service, Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, at (570) 426-2434

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