



CDL Exemptions, Effective July 1, 2017

W.S. 31-7-109(d)(iii) will read:

Class "C" consists of any single vehicle or combination of vehicles, except motorcycles, that does **not** require a commercial driver's license. Any person under the age of eighteen (18) is prohibited from operating a vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of twenty-six thousand one (26,001) pounds or more;

W.S. 31-7-109(h)(viii) added and will read:

"Z" authorizes the holder of a class C license under subsection (d) of this section to operate a vehicle or combination of vehicles which have a gross vehicle weight rating of thirty-nine thousand one (39,001) pounds or more. An endorsement under this paragraph *shall not be required for any driver exempted from licensing requirements of this article under W.S. 31-7-303;*

What does this mean?

- Effective July 1, 2017, those drivers in the exempt categories may drive a vehicle over 39,001 pounds with a valid Class of license. Those exempt are as follows;
- Farmers/ranchers and their employees and,
- Fire fighters.

For more information on exemptions please visit FMCSA website at www.fmcsa.dot.gov

Who can apply for the "Z" endorsement?

- A driver that wishes to operate a recreational vehicle or combination of vehicles which have a gross vehicle weight rating of thirty-nine thousand one (39,001) pounds or more (*must be at least 18 years old*)