North Dakota
Special Mobile Equipment
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Special Mobile Equipment is defined as every vehicle not designed or used primarily to transport property or haul product and only incidentally operated or moved over a highway (North Dakota Century Code 39-01-01 (82)).

Some trucks and trailers are considered Special Mobile Equipment and are not titled in North Dakota. Other examples meet the necessary requirements and are permitted to be titled.

This presentation provides several examples of each and defines whether it should or should not be titled in North Dakota.
Trailers

A trailer is defined as every vehicle without motor power designed to carry property or passengers wholly on its own structure and to be drawn by a motor vehicle (North Dakota Century Code (39-01-01(95)).

The following trailers SHOULD BE TITLED in North Dakota.
Coil Trailer

Carries products or goods.
Cable/Reel Trailer
Carries products or goods.
Fuel Tank Trailer
Carries products or goods.
Water Tank
Carries products or goods.
Portable Fuel Station
Carries products or goods.
Trailers that do not meet the definition outlined in North Dakota Century Code should not be titled.

The following trailers SHOULD NOT BE TITLED in North Dakota.
Generator

Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Light Tower
Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Vacuum Excavator
Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Flare Stack

Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Pressure Washer
Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Portable Bathroom & Shower
Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Barge Trailer

Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
DOT Tow Plow Trailer
Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Filter Pod Trailer

Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Portable Ground Heating Trailer
Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Electrical Box Trailer
Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Heat Tech Heaters
Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Flip Axels

Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Car Dollies
Equipment that cannot haul products or goods. NDCC 39-04-19(4)
Stack Movers
Implement of husbandry designed and adapted exclusively for agricultural, horticultural, or livestock raising operations.
NDCC 39-01-01 (31)
Combine Header Trailer
Implement of husbandry designed and adapted exclusively for agricultural, horticultural, or livestock raising operations.
Seed Tender Trailer
Implement of husbandry designed and adapted exclusively for agricultural, horticultural, or livestock raising operations.
Towable Boom Trailer

Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Boat Trailer

Trailers used to transport recreational vehicles are not required to be titled NDCC 39-04-19(4).
Office Job Site Trailer

Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Snowmobile Trailer

Trailers used to transport recreational vehicles are not required to be titled.
Utility Trailer

Not exceeding 1,500 lbs. gross weight and not for hire or commercial use NDCC 39-04-18(2m).
Scissor Lift
Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Self-Enclosed Fuel Station

Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Log Splitter

Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Air Compressor

Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Wood Chipper

Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Evco Swivel Mounted Trailer
Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Drywall Texture Spray Trailer
Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Converter Gears/Dollies

Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Frac Tank Trailer
Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Hydro Seeder

Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Sno Cub

Does not meet the definition of a trailer.
Tree Spade

Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Snubbing Trailer
Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Pup Trailer
Must be used in conjunction with another trailer; cannot be used with a semi tractor alone.
Power Swivel
Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Pipe Wrangler Hydraulic Catwalk

Equipment that cannot haul products or goods.
Some trucks are used as equipment but more than incidentally operated or moved over a highway. These trucks may be titled in ND if it meets all Motor Vehicle safety equipment requirements, has a title or MCO and the registration weight does not exceed 105,000 lbs.

Pictures of the truck, a weight ticket or other information may be requested by Motor Vehicle to verify the truck meets these requirements and is registered correctly.

The following trucks SHOULD BE TITLED in North Dakota.
Bucket Truck

Meets all Motor Vehicle safety equipment requirements and has a title or MCO. Registration weight cannot exceed 105,500 lbs.
Cement Mixer Truck

Meets all Motor Vehicle safety equipment requirements and has a title or MCO. Registration weight cannot exceed 105,500 lbs.
Coil Truck

Meets all Motor Vehicle safety equipment requirements and has a title or MCO. Registration weight cannot exceed 105,500 lbs.
Concrete Pump Truck

Meets all Motor Vehicle safety equipment requirements and has a title or MCO. Registration weight cannot exceed 105,500 lbs.
Cranes (not oversized)
Meets all Motor Vehicle safety equipment requirements and has a title or MCO. Registration weight cannot exceed 105,500 lbs.
Digger Derrick

Meets all Motor Vehicle safety equipment requirements and has a title or MCO. Registration weight cannot exceed 105,500 lbs.
Hydro Vac Truck

Meets all Motor Vehicle safety equipment requirements and has a title or MCO. Registration weight cannot exceed 105,500 lbs.
Line Grooving Truck

Meets all Motor Vehicle safety equipment requirements and has a title or MCO. Registration weight cannot exceed 105,500 lbs.
Snubbing Truck

Meets all Motor Vehicle safety equipment requirements and has a title or MCO. Registration weight cannot exceed 105,500 lbs.
Trucks that do not meet all Motor Vehicle safety requirements or are oversize or over width cannot be titled in North Dakota.

The following trucks SHOULD NOT BE TITLED in North Dakota.
Boom Crane

Does not meet all Motor Vehicle safety equipment requirements.
Self-Propelled Scraper

Does not meet all Motor Vehicle safety equipment requirements.
Military Tanks

Does not meet all Motor Vehicle safety equipment requirements.
Work Over Rig

Does not meet all Motor Vehicle safety equipment requirements.
Oversized Crane
Oversize and over width. Doubled shipping weight exceeds 105,500 lbs.
Hay Truck

Implement of husbandry designed and adapted exclusively for agricultural, horticultural, or livestock raising operations.
North Dakota considers Special Mobile Equipment as every vehicle not designed or used primarily to transport property or haul product and only incidentally operated or moved over a highway (NDCC 39-01-01 (81)).

Trailers designed to carry products or goods should be titled.

Trucks that meet all Motor Vehicle safety equipment requirements and do not exceed the weight limit of 105,500 lbs. should also be titled.

Equipment that does not meet these requirements should not be titled in North Dakota.
Please contact the Motor Vehicle Division or visit our website with questions regarding Special Mobile Equipment.

Phone: 701-328-2725
Website: http://www.dot.nd.gov/public/licensing.htm

This presentation can be found on our website and will be updated periodically with new Special Mobile Equipment as it is received.