VERMONT
Department of Motor Vehicles
Agency of Transportation

Shipping/Empty Weight Adjustment

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This form may be submitted at the time of registration to establish the empty weight of a vehicle or within thirty (30) days after registration to clarify the weight of the vehicle.

Certified scale options include:

- **Local transfer stations, quarries, and scrap yards** that operate Vermont-certified commercial scales.
- **Certified scale service providers (e.g., Farnham Scales)** that install and certify commercial scales and can direct customers to locations offering certified public weighing.

The vehicle must be weighed in an empty condition, with all cargo* removed. The weight slip must identify the business, date, and measured weight. The Department of Motor Vehicles may request additional information if needed to validate weight.

Vehicle Owner

Last Name:_____ First Name:_____ Middle Name:_____

Mailing address:_____ PID # or FEIN_____

City/Town:_____ State:_____ Zip Code:_____

Vehicle Information

Make:_____ Model:_____ Year:_____ Body Style:_____ Color:_____ Mileage:_____

Vehicle Identification Number:_____ Vermont Registration #:_____

Reason for Dispute

☐ The vehicle has been modified in a way that affects shipping weight ☐ Other:_____

If modified, please provide details below:

*Any modification affecting the vehicle's shipping weight must be installed in a manner that complies with state and federal safety requirements. The vehicle must be in roadworthy condition and able to pass inspection in the State of Vermont.

Third-Party Weight Verification

Business Name:_____ Address:_____

Phone Number:_____ Scale Certified On Date:_____

Weight:_____ Certified Through Date:_____

Date Weighed:_____ Scale Certified By:_____

Fuel Level (check one): ☐ Full | ☐ ¾ | ☐ ½ | ☐ ¼ | ☐ Empty

Aftermarket Equipment** Installed: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Fuel Tank Size(gallons):_____

If yes, list:

All Cargo* Removed: ☐ Yes ☐ No (If no, form will be rejected)

Passengers Removed: ☐ Yes ☐ No (If no, form will be rejected)

Provided Weight Slip: ☐ Yes ☐ No (If no, form will be rejected)

I hereby affirm, under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of Vermont, that the information on this form is true and correct. This declaration made under penalties of 23 V.S.A. § 202 & § 203.

Applicant/Dealer Signature:_____ Date:_____

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***Cargo** is *anything placed in or on the vehicle that is not permanently attached and is not part of the vehicle's original or modified configuration.*

****Aftermarket equipment** is *any permanent or semi-permanent modification, accessory, or component added to the vehicle that becomes part of its physical configuration.*

Instructions:
To determine the empty weight, the vehicle must be weighed on a certified third-party scale. A weight slip is required, and all costs are the responsibility of the vehicle owner or the individual presenting the vehicle for weighing. Weight slips must be obtained from a certified commercial scale tested and certified by a licensed Vermont Weights & Measures service provider.

Definitions:

- **Shipping Weight:** Also known as "dry weight," this refers to the total weight of the truck, including all standard equipment, but excluding fuel, coolant, and any cargo.
- **Empty Weight:** The weight of the vehicle when it is not carrying any load. It includes the weight of the truck itself along with all necessary operational fluids, such as fuel, oil, and coolant. Understanding the empty weight is essential for determining how much cargo the truck can safely carry without exceeding legal weight limits.
- **VinTelligence:** The state system that records the shipping weight of the vehicle from the manufacturer.