



# Agricultural Equipment: License and Age Requirements

Per the Highway Traffic Act, “*agricultural equipment*” means: a vehicle designed and used primarily in agricultural, horticultural or livestock operations, but excludes

- (a) any vehicle designed primarily for transporting passengers, cargo or vehicles other than agricultural equipment on a highway, and
- (b) a garden tractor, lawnmower or lawn tractor

The following must be present on self-propelled agricultural equipment:

A service brake system and parking brake system capable of safely stopping the agricultural equipment and holding it stationary.

For self-propelled agricultural equipment manufactured on or after January 1, 1998:

- (a) not less than two headlamps that emit a white light, are mounted so as to provide general illumination ahead of the equipment, and are mounted at the same height and are spaced laterally
- (b) at least one tail lamp that emits a red light, is mounted to the rear and is facing rearward,
- (c) at least two warning lamps that emit an amber light, flash in unison at not less than 60 flashes per minute and not more than 85 flashes per minute and are mounted so as to be visible from both the front and the rear of the equipment. If equipment can signal turns to the left or right, these lamps are to be used as turn signals.

A motor vehicle registered as a farm truck may be equipped with an amber oscillating lamp, but while the vehicle is on a highway the lamp may not be operated except to increase the truck's visibility for agricultural-related purposes.

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In Manitoba, a person with a valid class 5I (Intermediate stage), or 5F (Full stage) licence may:

- Operate class 3 vehicles registered as a farm truck.
- Operate agricultural equipment on a provincial highway, or a highway within the municipal boundaries of a city, town or urban municipality, subject to supervising driver requirements.

Air brake endorsement permits are not required when a person with a class 5 licence is operating a class 3 truck registered as a farm truck equipped with air brakes.

The minimum age for operating the equipment listed above is 16, or 15 ½ so long as they are enrolled in a high school driver's education course.

For further information please call Manitoba Public Insurance at 204-985-7000 or toll-free 1-800-665-2410.