

**SPECIAL PROVISIONS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS  
GOVERNING SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION OR BUILDING MOVING PERMITS ON THE  
STATE TRUNK LINES**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** These provisions shall be carried at all times in the vehicle for which the special permit is issued, together with the special permit. They are to be made available for inspection, together with the special permit, by any police officer or agent of the Michigan Department of Transportation. The special provisions governing the movement of vehicles are listed on the reverse side of this form and the permit. The special permit for this movement will list applicable provision numbers for this movement; each of these applicable provisions must be complied with. Failure to comply with any of these provisions listed in the special permit or any failure to comply with the conditions and restrictions herein listed shall be just cause for immediate suspension or revocation of any and all permits.

**CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS**

- A. Permits will be issued only for vehicles owned by the applicant or operated under a bona fide lease or rental agreement.
- B. Move to be made with a minimum of interference to traffic, and at no time will the highway be closed to other traffic.
- C. If the movement of a vehicle or load requires a highway sign, structure, or railing to be moved, the applicant shall secure department approval prior to the move and shall be responsible for the cost of removal and replacement.
- D. A vehicle shall not be loaded or unloaded with the highway right-of-way unless permitted by a police officer or agent of the department.
- E. The driver of the vehicle shall carry the permit in the vehicle to which it applies and shall have it available for inspection by any police officer or agent of the Department of Transportation. The driver shall stop at all highway weight stations for permit inspection.
- F. Highways shall be traveled in sequence as listed on the permit.
- G. Any of the following actions shall immediately void the permit and subject the applicant to appropriate legal action: (a) Misrepresentation of information set forth in an application for permit. (b) Any operation of trunkline highways beyond the size or weight limitations shown on the permit. (c) A change or erasure on a permit.
- H. A load shall be arranged to affect the minimum dimensions for height, length, or width. All hydraulic attachments or mechanisms must be securely immobilized with adequate chains and binders. Vehicles must have air or life axles on ground.
- I. Permits are valid only for a single trip. Overweight permits are not valid during the spring weight restriction period.
- J. Insurance coverage required in the laws of this state shall be in effect for moves operating with an overweight or oversize permit.
- K. This permit not valid on County roads or city streets. If the equipment is to be moved on any county road or city street, permission must be obtained from the appropriate authorities.
- L. All weights and dimensions listed in the application for permit are to be the actual weights and dimensions of the described loaded vehicle(s).
- M. Permit not valid for oversize or overweight vehicles which can be (a) Readily dismantled (based on the non-divisible load definition of 23 CFR 658.5), (b) reduced, or (c) rearranged to minimize or eliminate the oversize or overweight characteristics.
- N. Vehicles shall be registered as required by Michigan statute and will not violate any statute or ordinance, rule or regulation of any state agency or subdivision of the state. Vehicles shall comply with all statutory provisions as to other permits, licensing, motor vehicle equipment and operation. Overweight permits valid only if transporting equipment is licensed for maximum legal loadings.
- O. Permits are not valid on highways or structures which are posted for lighter than legal loadings if the vehicle exceeds axle or gross loadings as posted.
- P. The granting of a permit shall not be considered as a guarantee of the sufficiency of a highway; highway width or vertical clearance; or highway structure for transporting on the route.
- Q. Contact the Mackinac Bridge Authority (906)643-7600 not less than 24 hours prior to the planned arrival for all moves crossing the bridge. Permit requires that the vehicle be escorted across the Mackinac Bridge by a Mackinac Bridge Authority vehicle. Permit not valid on the bridge when wind velocity exceeds 25MPH.
- R. The permittee, prior to any movement, shall determine whether there are any construction bulletins issued by the department which restrict the dimensions or weights within the limits authorized by this permit. Constructive notice of the bulletin will be presumed. Information regarding bulletins may be obtained at all district offices, the Lansing office, or [www.michigan.gov/mdot](http://www.michigan.gov/mdot) and select trucker services.
- S. The permittee certifies that he has checked the route as necessary for vertical clearance and overhead obstructions prior to any movement. Striking or damage to any structure or facility will be perceived to be non compliance with this section and will result in termination of this permit.
- T. The permittee shall be responsible for damages to the highway, to persons, and to property caused by or arising from operations covered by this permit. The permittee shall indemnify and save harmless the Transportation Commission, the department and all of their employees from any and all suits, claims, and damages of every kind arising out of, under, or by reason of this permit, or from operations covered by this permit.
- U. Any approvals, reviews, and inspections of any nature by the department, its officers, agents, and employees shall not be construed as a warranty or assumption of liability on the part of the department. It is expressly understood and agreed that any such approvals are for the sole and exclusive purposes of the department, which is acting in a governmental capacity. Any approvals, reviews, and inspections by the department will not relieve the permittee of the permittee's obligations hereunder, nor are such approvals, reviews, and inspections by the department to be construed as a warranty as to the propriety of the permittee's performance.
- V. Self-propelled vehicles must maintain minimum posted speed on non-freeway routes and must maintain 45 MPH on freeway routes.
- W. Contact Blue Water Bridge (810) 984-3131 not less than 24 hours prior to planned arrival for all moves crossing the bridge.
- X. Contact the International Bridge (906) 635-5255 ext. 0 no less than 24 hours prior to planned arrival for all moves crossing the bridge.

- A. The building to be moved must be loaded in a workmanlike and safe manner.
- B. All brick and stone including chimneys shall be removed prior to movement, and the removal of attachments, such as eaves, garages, carports, or porches may be required.
- C. The mover must make prior arrangements with the proper authorities for the handling of wires, cables, signs, and signals, the crossing of railroads, and for necessary trimming and protection of trees.
- D. In the event of a breakdown or unavoidable delay, an attempt shall be made to remove the building from the highway. If the building cannot be removed it shall be clearly marked with warning lights and shall be attended by personnel to assist in directing traffic.
- E. The movement shall be accompanied by a uniformed police officer.
- F. A properly licensed auxiliary power unit consisting of at least 1½ tone vehicle with dual rear wheels is to accompany the move.
- G. A building may be moved between the side rails of bridges if the horizontal clearance between such rails exceeds the width of the building by at least 12". If the width of the building is greater than the horizontal clearance of any bridge, the building must be loaded on the moving equipment in such manner that the under side of supporting cross timbers will clear the rails by at least 12" at all times.
- H. If trees or plants within the highways right-of-way require removal or trimming, the mover shall obtain the approval of the department district forester prior to the move. The cost shall be paid by the mover.
- I. The mover will be held responsible for all damages to wires, signals, trees or other private property and will reimburse the owners for all property damage caused by the movement.

**SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

- 1) Permit valid only if favorable driving and traffic conditions prevail. (Daylight hours only, beginning one half hour before sunrise and ending one half hour after sunset.)
- 2) Route to be checked for vertical clearance and overhead obstructions prior to movement.
- 3) Movement to be made during periods of reduced traffic. Vehicles traveling under this permit shall maintain a distance of not less than 2,000 feet apart.
- 4) To be towed by at least a 1½ ton truck with dual wheels.
- 5) Maximum gauge of mobile home or vehicle transporting a module to be 9'6" or less from center of wheel to center of wheel.
- 6) Loads shall be arranged to affect the minimum width, height and length.
- 7) The movement of an oversize mobile home requires the display of 6 clean plain red flags at least 18" square. One flag shall be displayed on each end of the front bumper of the towing vehicle and shall be supported on a short staff at an angle so as to wave freely. One flag shall be displayed on each corner of the mobile home or building module placed so as to be clearly seen by approaching traffic.
- 8) The movement of an overwidth or overlength vehicle or load requires the display of clear plain red or orange flags at least 18" square. One flag shall be displayed at each of the four corners of the vehicle or load, and if any portion of the load extends beyond the width at the corner flag, one additional flag shall be displayed at the widest point on each side of the vehicle or load. Flags should be securely fastened by at least one corner or securely mounted on a staff.
- 9) Auxiliary power unit required on move.
- 10) All wires, cables, signs, signals, etc., to be raised or lowered prior to movement. Continuous movement of vehicle with load required.
- 11) To be followed by one escort vehicle (passenger car or pickup truck) with at least one flashing or rotating amber light on the roof of the escort vehicle. In addition, there will be displayed on the roof of the escort vehicle, one OVERSIZE LOAD sign 5'x12" with 8" black letters on yellow background. All flashing or rotating amber lights to be visible for a distance of 500'.
- 12) To be preceded by one escort vehicle (passenger car or pickup truck) with at least one flashing or rotating amber light on the roof of the escort vehicle, one OVERSIZE LOAD sign 5'x12" with 8" black letters on yellow background. If height of the vehicle or load exceeds 14'6", the escort vehicle will be required to have a fixed measuring device set at a height to assure clearance of the load. All flashing or rotating amber lights to be visible for a distance of 500'.
- 13) At least 2 flashing or rotating amber lights to be placed on the extreme rear of the load. All flashing or rotating amber lights to be visible for a distance of 500'.
- 14) Police supervision of traffic required on move.
- 15) Permit is not valid for movement from 7AM to 9AM or from 3PM to 6PM in the following counties: Genesee, Ingham, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Kent, Macomb, Muskegon, Oakland, Saginaw, Washtenaw, and Wayne.
- 16) Use caution at all overhead obstructions.
- 17) To be equipped with 2 OVERSIZE LOAD signs (mobile homes that are 16' wide, signs must only read "16' WIDE LOAD") of black, block lettering on interstate yellow background. One 6'x16" sign with 12" lettering on front bumper of towing vehicle. One 8'x18" sign with 16" lettering on rear of load, bottom of sign not less than 7" above highway. Towing vehicle headlights to be turned on low beam.
- 18) Permit not valid for movement when wind velocity exceeds 25 MPH.
- 19) Movement will require the vehicle to be equipped with two OVERSIZE LOAD signs 7'x18" with 10" black letters on yellow background. One sign on the front of the vehicle, the other on the rear of the load. If the sign cannot be attached to or is not legible on the load, the sign is to be attached to the rear of the vehicle.
- 20) Permit valid only if favorable driving and traffic conditions prevail. Movement must not obstruct the normal flow of traffic.
- 21) Radio communication is required between escort vehicles and the towing vehicle.
- 22) The transporting of a mobile home or building module is allowed only when the surface condition of the highway is not slippery.