

OVERSIZE LOAD PERMIT GENERAL PROVISIONS

The COUNTY and any other permit issuing authority assume no responsibility for the property of the permit holder.

During movement under permit, the permit holder must meet the terms and conditions of the permit and must take all reasonable precautions to protect and safeguard the lives and property of the traveling public and adjacent property owners. Permit issuing authorities will not be responsible for any damages that are the result of the move. Movement shall be made only when roads are clear of ice and snow and visibility is at least one-quarter mile. A copy of a current certificate of public liability insurance in the amounts of \$100,000.00 bodily injury each person, \$200,000.00 bodily injury each occurrence and \$50,000.00 property damage must be carried in the vehicle for which the permit has been issued.

Nothing in the permit, except as specifically noted, shall exempt the permit holder from compliance with any load limitations which have been or might be established on any bridge or road that is posted with embargo signs.

The permit and any revisions will be void if the actual weights or dimensions exceeds what is indicated on the permit or its revisions. The permit and any revisions will be void if the weight of the vehicle and load or axles exceeds the weights authorized by the permit.

No vehicle, combination of vehicles or vehicles with loads that exceed legal weights and dimensions may be moved on Iowa highways without a permit.

Permits can be issued only for loads that are a single article that cannot be reasonably broken down to make it legal in size and weight.

The permit and a copy of General Provisions must be carried in the cab of the vehicle for which the permit has been issued and the permit must be made available for inspection at all times. The vehicle that the permit has been issued for shall be open to inspection by any peace officer or to any authorized agent of any permit granting authority.

Movement is allowed only from sunrise to sunset unless it is determined by the issuing authority that the move can be made more safely at another time because of the traffic-volume conditions. Movement is allowed seven days a week except for designated holidays and for special events when abnormally high traffic counts can be expected. The designated holidays are: Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day. No movement will be allowed on these holidays or after 12:00 Noon on days preceding these holidays and holiday weekends which include holidays that fall on Monday, except as provided for in Section 321.457 of the Code.

Speed shall not exceed 45 mph primary / 55 mph interstate, minimum 40 mph interstate. Speed for mobile homes shall not exceed 40 mph primary / 45 mph interstate.

Any reportable accident involving a vehicle under permit must be reported in writing to the WAPELLO COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, 536 Mill St., Ottumwa, Iowa 52501.

Each vehicle and load exceeding the width, height and length provisions of Iowa Code Sections 321.454, 321.456 and 321.457 must display warning devices as stated in Iowa Administrative Code Subrule 511.13.

Annual Permits Only - All vehicles and loads not exceeding 12 feet, 5 inches in width and 75 feet in length shall have unlimited trip distances. All loads not to exceed 14 feet 6 inches in width or 95 feet in length shall need route approval if move exceeds 50 miles. All loads not to exceed 16 feet 0 inches in width or 95 feet in length require route approval irregardless of distance.

One escort shall be provided for the movement of a vehicle and load which exceeds the roadway lane width or exceeds 14 feet 0 inches on the interstate highway system and the discretion of the permit authority.

Either a properly equipped escort vehicle, an amber revolving light or strobe light shall be provided for the movement of a vehicle and load which exceeds 80 feet in length.