

MULTIPLE TRIP PERMIT CONDITIONS

To Transport Large and/or Heavy Articles

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The following conditions apply unless an exemption is specifically stated.

1. **NONDIVISIBLE LOAD.** Permits are not valid for the transporting of loads or articles which could reasonably be divided in such a manner as to allow transporting of the loads or articles in two or more loads which would not exceed statutory size and weight limits, nor are permits valid for the transporting of more than one article if the vehicle and load exceed statutory weight limits. This does not prohibit the transporting of necessary blocking for a load, nor the transporting of such necessary blocking on the otherwise empty vehicle to and from the origin or destination of the load, but it does prohibit, among other things, the addition of an extra bucket, boom section, etc., to a load being transported under a permit issued for an overweight vehicle and load.
2. **EXCEPTION TO NONDIVISIBLE LOAD.** Property consisting of more than one article, some or all of which exceed statutory size limitations, may be transported under a permit when statutory gross weight limitations are not exceeded and the additional articles transported do not cause the vehicle and load to exceed statutory size limits in any way in which such limits would be exceeded by the largest single article.
3. **TWO VEHICLES AND EXCEPTION.** Permits do not authorize the operation of more than 2 vehicles in combination except that an earth mover may be transported with its power unit resting upon the bed of a semitrailer and its single rear axle trailing on the roadway behind the semitrailer, in which case the gross weight of the rear axle of the earth mover shall not exceed 35,000 pounds. Such transporting of carryall scrapers is prohibited over Interstate Highways, the Milwaukee County Expressway System, and over USH41 from Green Bay to Milwaukee.
4. **SIZE, WEIGHT LIMITS.** The maximum size of vehicle and load, and the maximum gross axle weight as specified on the permit for a vehicle operating under a permit, shall not be exceeded whether the vehicle is used alone or in combination with another vehicle. All vehicles in a vehicle combination shall be limited to the statutory size and weight limits unless valid multiple trip permits are in effect for all such vehicles.
5. **MILWAUKEE COUNTY EXPRESSWAY.** No permit is valid for operation on any part of the Expressway System in Milwaukee County constructed pursuant to s.59.965 Wis. Stats., including the following highways: IH94 from the Waukesha County Line to Layton Avenue; IH894 and IH794 (the entire length); USH45 from IH94 to West Silver Spring Drive; IH43 south of Lexington Avenue; USH41 from West National Avenue to West Garfield Street.
6. **ALL HIGHWAYS.** Permits authorize the use of any of the highways of the state, subject to the limitations stated in the permit.
7. **POSTED ROADS AND BRIDGES.** No permit shall be considered to set aside any regulation limiting loads because of local conditions, including bridges and highways posted for load limits, seasonal weight restrictions, or under construction.
8. **SUFFICIENCY.** The granting of a permit shall not be considered as a guarantee of the sufficiency of any highway or structure for such transporting.
9. **RIGHT-OF-WAY.** Traffic approaching or overtaking a vehicle and load under permit shall be allowed by the driver of the permitted vehicle to pass without undue or protracted delay.
10. **CARRY PERMIT.** The driver shall carry the permit in the vehicle to which it applies and shall have it available for inspection by any police officer or representative of the issuing authority or the authority in charge of the maintenance of the highway.
11. **VEHICLE REGISTRATION.** Transporting vehicle(s) under a permit shall be registered as required by Wisconsin Statutes, and any operational permits required by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Transportation Commission, or other agencies having jurisdiction shall be obtained.
12. The holder of a permit shall not be relieved of compliance with the provisions of the statutes, valid ordinances, rules and regulations of any state agency or subdivision of the state, except to the extent that such statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations are modified by the conditions of the permit.
13. **SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION.** Alteration of a permit, false information given in the application, or failure to comply with conditions of a permit shall be just cause for the summary suspension, upon notice verbally or in writing, of the permit, and for the suspension, upon notice in writing, of other permits held by the permittee. The authority issuing a permit may revoke it for good cause after having given the permittee a reasonable opportunity for a hearing. The length of the suspension, and other matters pertaining to the suspension or revocation of a permit shall be determined by the issuing authority, which may conduct a hearing upon the request of the permittee subsequent to the suspension of the permit. Suspended and revoked permits shall be returned to the issuing authority.
14. **VEHICLE.** A permit is valid only for the vehicle described upon the face of the application and permit. No permit is transferable to another vehicle.
15. **PERMIT NEEDED; AND LOADING.** Any vehicle or vehicle and load to be considered as operating under a permit must be of such size or gross weight, or both, as to require a permit under s.348.25 Wis. Stats., and no vehicle shall be considered to be operating under a permit when transporting an article which could reasonably be divided or relocated on the transporting vehicle when such article, if divided or relocated, would not exceed statutory limitations.
16. **CLASS "B" HIGHWAY.** A permit shall not be valid for the operation of any vehicle upon Class "B" highways (as so classified in accordance with s.348.16 Wis. Stats.), with gross weights exceeding those permitted by statute on Class "B" highways unless written permission has first been obtained for such operation from the officer in charge of the maintenance of the highway.
17. **RETURN TRIP.** Transportation under a permit includes the movement of the empty vehicle, whether or not oversize or overweight, to and from the place of pickup or delivery of the permitted load.
18. **WEIGHT DISTRIBUTION.** The gross load on either axle of a tandem axle of a vehicle under annual permit shall not exceed 60% of the total gross load on both axles of the tandem axle combination. The wheels on one side of the transporting vehicle shall not carry more than 60 percent of the total gross load.
19. **HOLD HARMLESS.** In applying for and accepting a permit, the permittee agrees to pay any claim for any bodily injury and/or property damage for which he is legally responsible resulting from operations under the permit and to save the state and its subdivisions harmless from any claim which may arise from operations over public highways under the permit.
20. **LIABILITY.** Regardless of whether or not insurance, bond or deposit as set forth in this subsection is required, the permittee shall be liable for all damage which any highway or its appurtenances may sustain by reason of any operation under a permit.

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21. **LIABILITY INSURANCE.** The issuing authority shall be given 10 days advance notice in writing of the cancellation or termination of any insurance required by the terms of a permit.
22. **LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE.** The permittee shall present evidence on a prescribed form that at least the following insurance coverage, is or will be in full force and effect on the vehicle and load designated in the permit while operating on the public highway, except when insurance requirements are specifically waived.

	Group A	Group B
Bodily Injury Liability each person	\$100,000	\$ 50,000
Bodily Injury Liability each accident	300,000	100,000
Property Damage Liability each accident	100,000	25,000
Casualty Insurance in the required form	200,000	25,000

Group B applies when the permitted vehicle and load do not exceed 10 feet in width, 14 feet in height, or 60 feet in length and do not exceed statutory gross weight limits. Group A applies when the permitted load exceeds the size and weight limitations in Group B.

23. **HEIGHT LIMIT ON IH SYSTEM.** Except for the height or width limitations which may be authorized by an individual permit, no vehicle or combination of vehicle and load exceeding 13.5 feet in height or 14 feet in width or which by reason of slow speed or other characteristic is likely to unduly interfere with normal traffic may be operated or transported upon any completed portion of the Interstate Highway System.
24. **WIDTH LIMITS.** Permits do not allow the transporting of loads of pipe or other commodity when two or more pieces are placed end to end across the vehicle, making the width of the load greater than statutory limits.
25. **STEEL REINFORCING MESH.** Overwidth loads of steel reinforcing mesh may be transported under annual permit, provided statutory weight limits are not exceeded. Black and white striped hazard markers not less than 12 inches wide by 36 inches high shall be fastened to or immediately ahead of and behind the load to be fully visible to traffic approaching from the front and rear. Such hazard markers shall be located at right angles to the centerline of the vehicle indicating the widest part of the load on each side of the vehicle.
26. **REDUCE OVERSIZE.** Property transported under a permit shall be loaded to reduce to a minimum the excess over statutory size or gross weight limitations, and an oversize vehicle used for transporting loads under a permit shall be reduced to statutory size limitations if practicable when being operated without load. The load shall be properly secured and fastened to the transporting vehicle.
27. **OVERHEAD FACILITIES.** When a vehicle or article under a permit is in excess of the statutory height limitation, the permittee shall give adequate notice to owners of overhead wires, cable, or other facilities which may be affected by the transportation

under the permit, and shall make arrangements with said owners for alteration of such facilities as may be affected by the transportation authorized by the permit.

28. **POSITIONING OF LOAD.** A load being transported under a permit may extend beyond the front of the towing vehicle, beyond the left fender line of the transporting vehicle, or more than 6 inches beyond the right fender line of the transporting vehicle, provided that such overhang shall be reduced to the practicable minimum by suitable positioning of the load upon the vehicle.
29. **DISTANCE.** The driver of a vehicle operating under a permit shall, whenever reasonable and practicable, maintain a substantial distance of approximately 1,000 feet between his vehicle and any vehicle he is following, unless actually engaged in overtaking and passing such other vehicle.
30. **WARNING FLAG.** A solid color red flag not less than 18 inches square, shall be fastened at each front corner of the towing unit, at each front corner of the load, and at each rear corner of the load. The flags shall be mounted at a height of not less than 2 feet nor more than 6 feet above the roadway. In addition, a solid color red flag shall be placed at the widest point of the load if more than 4 inches wider than the width of load or vehicle at the front or rear.
31. **SPEED RESTRICTION.** The maximum speed of all vehicles being operated under any permit issued pursuant to this Chapter, except for permits issued pursuant to section Hy 30.12, on other highways, including escorted towed units on highways having two or more lanes for traffic going in the same direction as the towed unit, shall be 45 miles per hour, but the speed of a towed unit shall be reduced as necessitated by roadway, traffic, wind and weather conditions, unless another speed is specified in the permit or is required for obedience to a lower speed limit established by statute or indicated by official signs. The right wheels of the towed unit shall not leave the paved portion of the roadway.
32. **HOURS AND DAYS OF OPERATION.** Permits shall not be valid during the hours of darkness nor during periods when adverse weather or road conditions such as fog, smoke, heavy rain, snow or ice, or the velocity of the wind impair the safety of a movement under the permit, nor during the period beginning at 12 noon on the day preceding and continuing until sunrise on the day following every Sunday and holiday as defined below. Permits shall not be valid on Saturday morning from May 15 to September 15, inclusive, each year, nor at any other times when there is not sufficient natural light to render clearly visible any person or vehicle upon a highway at a distance of 500 feet. Vehicles exceeding statutory size or weight limitations shall not be operated on the highway, whether loaded or empty, during those times when the permit is not valid.
- a. "Holiday" means January 1, the last Monday in May, July 4, the first Monday in September, the fourth Thursday of November, and December 25. If a holiday such as January 1, July 4, or December 25 falls on Sunday, the following Monday is the holiday for the purpose of this definition. If a holiday falls on Saturday, the preceding Friday is the holiday for the purpose of this definition.
- b. "Hours of Darkness" are as defined in s.340.01(23) Wisconsin Statutes.