

CALIFORNIA

CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:	None noted on regulations
PILOT/ESCORT PERSONAL REQUIREMENT:	Must be at least 18 years of age and properly licensed May act as a flag person
INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:	None noted on regulations
PILOT/ESCORT VEHICLE SIGNS, LIGHTS AND EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS:	
WARNING SIGNS:	Mounting Location: Front Bumper: Not Acceptable Rear Bumper: Not Acceptable Roof or Top Mount: 4' from bottom of sign to roadway Preferred wording: "OVERSIZE LOAD" preferred, "WIDE or Long Load" acceptable Size: 440 square inches Color: Yellow Background Letters: Black Size of Letters: 6" high with 1" brush stroke Signs must be removed, retracted or covered when not in use. Must be visible from 45 degrees front and rear.
WARNING LIGHTS:	Type: Flashing Color: Amber Number: Not noted on regulations Location: Roof or Top Mount Must be removed or covered when not in use Power: Not noted on regulations Sight Distance: Not noted on regulations Visibility: 360 degrees
FLAG REQUIREMENTS:	Color of Flags: Not noted on regulations Size of Flags: Not noted on regulations Mounting Location: Not noted on regulations
COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENT:	Type: Two-way communication required Range: Not noted on regulation Use: All times of load movement
SAFETY EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS:	(1) 18" Red Hand Held Flag (1) Stop/Slow Hand Held Paddle (1) Orange Vest, Shirt or Jacket

NUMBER OF ESCORTS REQUIRED:

Over 12' wide (depends on routes) - 1 or 2 escorts. Over 85' to 135' long (depends upon routes) over 100' in LA city and LA county - 1 front and 1 rear. 17'6" or more height requires utility clearance and route survey - 1 escort with height pole. If required by trucking company for less height make sure it is noted on permit application or you are subject to a fine. 25' front overhang - 1 escort. 25' overhang beyond trailer rear - 1 or more escorts.

TRAVEL TIMES/RESTRICTIONS:

Travel is allowed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (but must be requested at time or order) UNLESS an escort is required of the load exceeds two configurations, or green loading weight, or other dimensions that are unusual. In this case it is restricted to 1/2 hour BEFORE Sunrise to 1/2 hour AFTER Sunset. Loads over 10' wide are prohibited from moving during early morning hours and late afternoon hours in San Diego, Los Angeles and San Francisco. A slow-moving vehicle emblem must be displayed when the vehicle will be operated at a speed of 25 mph or less.

CURFEW: Loads 10' in width may not travel Monday thru Friday thru the following cities:

Los Angeles and Vicinity:	6:00-9:00 am	3:00-6:00 pm
Sacramento and Vicinity:	7:00-9:00 am	4:00-6:00 pm
San Diego and Vicinity:	7:00-9:00 am	4:00-6:00 pm
San Francisco/Oakland Bay Bridge	6:30-9:00 am	3:30-6:30 pm
San Francisco and Vicinity:	7:00-9:00 am	4:00-6:00 pm

California Highway Patrol is needed when the load is over 15' wide on a 2-lane, 16' on yellow routes.

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Only travel on holiday restriction is Pilot Car required. A pilot car is required on all loads over 12' wide. Travel is prohibited on the following Holidays: New Year's Day, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Christmas Day. If a holiday falls on a Friday or Monday, travel is prohibited on the weekend.

Movement During Darkness: This refers to the 3 am policy that has been replaced by the 24/7 policy, This revised policy allows permittee to choose a "No Night Travel" option when night travel is not desired. This policy will allow non-variance vehicles to travel 24 hours a day, 7 days a week travel on "Yellow & Green" routes. Travel on "Blue & Brown" routes on Saturday and Sunday from 1/2 hour prior to sunrise to 12:00 noon when escorted by a pilot car.

This new policy eliminates the 3 am policy, the requirement that the driver be familiar with a detour prior to moving at night, the restriction of night and weekend movement for Purple hauled weight and multi-vehicle combinations.

Variance Loads: When the loaded width exceeds 15' on Blue, Brown or Red routes, the load will be escorted by the California Highway Patrol (CHP). The CHP will determine the hours of travel. To obtain a route colored book from the North Region Permit Office: P.O. Box 94274, MS 41, Sacramento, CA 94274-0001 or call (916) 445-3520.

TRAVEL PILOTING/ESCORTING DISTANCES:

Front Car: Not Noted, Rear Car: Not Noted

HEIGHT POLE REQUIREMENTS:

Required at load heights of: All loads 14'0" and over

IMPORTANT STATE NUMBERS:

Northern: California Dept. of Transportation, 1823 14th St., Sacramento, CA 95814
(916) 322-1297, fax (916)322-4966

Southern: California Dept. of Transportation, 655 West 2nd St., San Bernardino, CA 92404
(909) 383-4637, fax (909) 388-7001

Site Location:

www.dot.ca.gov/hq/traffops/permits/manual.htm

Pilot Car Info:

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