

MASSACHUSETTS

CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:	None noted in Regulations
PILOT/ESCORT PERSONAL REQUIREMENT:	None noted in Regulations
INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:	None noted in Regulations
PILOT/ESCORT VEHICLE SIGNS, LIGHTS AND EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS:	
WARNING SIGNS:	Mounting Location: Front Bumper: Acceptable Rear Bumper: Acceptable Roof or Top Mount: Not Acceptable Preferred wording: "OVERSIZE LOAD" preferred Size: 7' wide x 18" tall Color: Yellow Background Letters: Black Size of Letters: 10" high with 1.41" brush stroke Signs must be removed, retracted or covered when not in use.
WARNING LIGHTS:	Type: Flashing Color: Amber Size of Lights: Not noted on regulation Number: (2) Two minimum Location: Highest Point on Vehicle Power: Not noted on regulations Sight Distance: Not noted on regulations Visibility: Not noted on regulations Headlights/Taillights: Turned on at all times of movement
FLAG REQUIREMENTS:	Color of Flags: Red Size of Flags: 12" Square Mounting Location: Right and Left Rear
COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENT:	Type: Citizens Band or other Acceptable Radios Range: None note on regulations Use: All times of load movement
SAFETY EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS:	None noted on regulations

NUMBER OF ESCORTS REQUIRED:

On All Highways: 1 rear escort if length is 80' to 95'; 2 escorts (front & rear) if length is over 95'; 2 escorts (front & rear) plus state police escort if length is 115' or more; 2 escorts (front & rear) if width 12' and up dozer with blade attached; 1 rear escort if width 12' to 13'6"; 2 escorts (front & rear) if width over 13'6"; 1 front escort if height over 13'9" depending on route; 2 escorts (front & rear) if height is over 13'11" depending on route; Height survey if height over 13'8"; At least one escort plus city police if over legal dimensions in the city of Boston.

On MA Turnpikes: 1 rear escort is required if overhang is 4' or more and the load consists of poles, masts, booms or similar shapes; Overhang of 10' or more if load isn't poles, masts or booms - 1 rear escort; 1 rear escort if width is over 12'; 2 escorts (front & rear) if width is over 13'; 2 escorts (front & rear) plus 2 police escorts if width over 15', 1 rear escort if length is over 80'; 2 escorts (front & rear) if length is over 85'; 2 escorts plus 2 police escorts if length is 135' or more; 1 rear is required if vehicle is oversize construction vehicle such as crane or odd-shaped.

TRAVEL TIMES/RESTRICTIONS:

As a general rule, except otherwise provided herein, all overdimensional and overweight vehicles with a permit may travel from Monday morning 12:01 am - 12:00 noon Saturday and to 12:00 noon on Sunday except for special exceptions. Vehicles between 12' and 14' wide and over 80' but not exceeding 115' in length and over 14' high may travel under permit only during daylight hours (Sunrise to Sunset) except that no such travel shall be allowed between the hours of 3:30-7:00 pm Monday-Friday. Vehicles over 14' wide and/or over 115' long may travel between the hours of 9:30 am to 3:30 pm only on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The Department may restrict movement in certain areas and for certain times depending on the dimensions of the vehicle. The restrictions will be printed on the permit.

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Travel is prohibited on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day.

Massachusetts has many turnpike and toll restrictions, for travel times and sizes contact Mass. Turnpike (781) 431-5000 Mon-Fri. 8:00 am to 4:45 pm.

TRAVEL PILOTING/ESCORTING DISTANCES: Front Car: Not noted, Rear Car: Not noted
HEIGHT POLE REQUIREMENTS: Required at load heights: None noted on regulations
IMPORTANT STATE NUMBERS:

Massachusetts Highway Trucking Permits Office, 14 Beach St., Milford, MA 01757 (508) 473-4755
Site Location:

www.mhd.state.ma.us/default.asp?pgid=TruckIndex&sid=level2

Pilot Car Info:

www.mhd.state.ma.us/downloads/oversizedVehiclesFreight/cmv.pdf