

MONTANA

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: Not Acceptable

Rear Bumper: Not Acceptable

Roof or Top Mount: Acceptable

Preferred wording:

"OVERSIZE LOAD" preferred

Size:

Must be visible from 500'

Color:

Light in Color Background

Letters:

Black

Size of Letters:

8" high

Signs must be removed, retracted or covered when not in use.

WARNING LIGHTS:

Type:

Flashing, Revolving or Strobe

Color:

Amber

Size of Lights:

5" Minimum in Diameter

Number:

(2) Two Minimum

Location:

Roof or Top Mount

Power:

50 CP 60 to 90 Flashes Per Minute

Sight Distance:

500' to 1,000'

Visibility:

Front and Rear

Headlights/Taillights:

Turned on at all times of movement

FLAG REQUIREMENTS:

Color of Flags:

None noted in regulations

Size of Flags

None noted in regulations

Mounting Location:

None noted in regulations

COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENT:

Type:

Two-way Communication Required

Range:

None note on regulations

Use:

All times of load movement

SAFETY EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS:

None noted in regulations

NUMBER OF ESCORTS REQUIRED:

ON INTERSTATE: One flag vehicle is required in the rear, if the load exceeds 16-1/2' wide and/or 120' long. This includes implement of husbandry or a vehicle used in hauling hay.

NON-INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS: One flag vehicle is required at the front when the vehicle or load exceeds 12-1/2' wide. Vehicles or loads not exceeding 16-1/2' wide are not required to have a rear flag vehicle provided they are equipped with "Oversize Load" signs, displayed front and rear, and two amber 5" flashing lights or one revolving or strobe light is mounted on the power unit. One flag vehicle is required front and rear if the vehicle or load exceeds 16-1/2' wide. One flag vehicle is required rear if the length exceeds 110'.

TRAVEL TIMES/RESTRICTIONS:

Daytime travel BEGINS at Sunrise and ENDS at Sunset. Travel daylight hours only 7 days a week, 24 hours a day.. Travel is not allowed when adverse conditions make travelling hazardous, such as ice, sleet, fog, mist, rain, dust, smoke, or maintenance and construction. No travel Saturday, Sunday or Monday if a holiday is on a Sunday or Monday. Holidays are: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Vehicles with load 10' wide or 100' long without overhang or 75' long with overhang or 14'6" high may travel continuously on interstate highways only.

Before you enter the state of MT you must have a permit in hand or subject to a citation. For other travel restrictions on width and movement day and night call 406-444-7262 to obtain a red route restrictions travel map at one of the scales listed below. Armington Jct. 406-738-4262; Billings EB 406-657-0204; Billings WB 406-657-0203; Billing Inspection Barn 406-657-0202; Bozeman 406-587-0727; Broadus 406-436-2531; Butte 406-782-8985; Clearwater 406-244-5460; Alberta, Coutts 403-344-5063; Crow Agency 406-638-2210; Culbertson 406-787-5323; Drummond 406-288-3241; Frannie 307-664-2204; Haugan 406-676-4257 or 4258; Havre 406-265-9033; Kalispell 406-257-2684; Lima 406-276-3429; Wilbaux 406-795-2203.

TRAVEL PILOTING/ESCORTING DISTANCES: Front Car: 500' - 1000', Rear Car: 500' - 1000'
HEIGHT POLE REQUIREMENTS: Required at load heights: Not Noted in Regulations

IMPORTANT STATE NUMBERS:

Montana Dept. of Transportation, Motor Carrier Services Division, P.O. Box 4639, Helena, MT 59604-4639
(406) 444-6130, fax (406) 444-7670

Site Location:

www.mdt.mt.gov/

Pilot Car Info:

www.mdt.mt.gov/publications/manuals.shtml