

SOUTH DAKOTA

CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:	None noted on regulations
PILOT/ESCORT PERSONAL REQUIREMENT:	Driver 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: Acceptable Rear Bumper: Acceptable Roof or Top Mount: Not Acceptable Preferred wording: "WIDE LONG LOAD" or "WIDE LOAD AHEAD" accepted Size: None noted on regulations Color: Yellow Background Letters: Black Size of Letters: 12" high with 1-3/8" brush stroke Signs must be removed, retracted or covered when not in use.
WARNING LIGHTS:	Type: Flashing Color: Amber Size of Lights: 4" minimum diameter Number: (2) Two Minimum Location: Roof or Top Mount Power: None noted on regulations Sight Distance: None noted on regulations Visibility: Front & Rear Headlights/Taillights: Turned on at all times of movement
FLAG REQUIREMENTS:	Color of Flags: Red or Orange Size of Flags: 12" Square Mounting Location: One each side of sign, front and rear
COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENT:	Type: Two-way communication required Range: None noted on regulations Use: All times of load movement
SAFETY EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS:	None noted on regulations
NUMBER OF ESCORTS REQUIRED:	Vehicle and load over 16' wide one front escort on two-lane or one rear escort on divided highways. Over 20' wide travelling on the state highway system require an escort. The permit-issuing authority may also require escort vehicles because of route limitations, traffic conditions, or unusual permit vehicle configuration conditions.
TRAVEL TIMES/RESTRICTIONS:	Daylight travel 1/2 hour BEFORE at Sunrise to 1/2 hour AFTER Sunset. Movement of load or wide farm machinery during darkness is misdemeanor. It is a Class 2 misdemeanor for any person to operate or move, or cause to be operated or moved, upon any public highway on the state trunk system, any load, including farm machinery or implements of husbandry, which exceed the width limitations prescribed by 32-22-3 during the period of day between one-half hour after sunset and one half hour before sunrise on the following day. CURFEW: Black Hills area - when load exceeds width of 10' 1 front escort required. The Black Hills area is that area south and west of Interstate Highway 90 from the Wyoming state line to Rapid City, west of State Trunk Highway 79 from Rapid City to the junction of State Trunk Highway 79 and US Highway 18, west of US Highway 18 from the junction of State Trunk Highway 79 and US Highway 18 to Oelrichs, and west of US Highway 385 from Oelrichs to the Nebraska State line.
TRAVEL PILOTING/ESCORTING DISTANCES:	Front Car: Not Noted, Rear Car: Not Noted
HEIGHT POLE REQUIREMENTS:	Required at load heights: None noted on regulations

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IMPORTANT STATE NUMBERS:

South Dakota Highway Patrol, Motor Carrier Services, 118 West Capitol Avenue, Pierre, SD 57501-2000
(605) 773-4578

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Pilot Car Info:

www.sdtruckinfo.com/motorcarrierhandbook.asp

www.uspilotcars.com/south_dakota_pilot_car_guidelines.html