

TENNESSEE

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: Acceptable

Preferred wording:

"OVERSIZE LOAD" required

Size:

7' wide by 18" high

Color:

Yellow Background

Letters:

Black

Size of Letters:

10" high with 1-1/2" brush stroke

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

WARNING LIGHTS:

Type:

Rotating or *Strobe

Color:

Amber

Size of Lights:

4" minimum diameter, *9" diameter by 9" high

Number:

(4) Four Minimum, *(1) One Minimum

Location:

Not noted on regulations

Power:

Not noted on regulations

Sight Distance:

500'

Visibility:

360 Degrees

Headlights/Taillights:

Turned on at all times of movement

FLAG REQUIREMENTS:

Color of Flags:

Red or Fluorescent Orange

Size of Flags

18"

Mounting Location:

40 to 70 degree angle on roof rack

COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENT:

Type:

Two-way communication or other acceptable radios

Range:

Not noted on regulations

Use:

All times of load movement

SAFETY EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS:

(2) 5 lb. Fire Extinguishers

Hard Hat

Stop/Go Paddle (18" w/6" letters)

Reflecting Triangles or 18" Traffic Cones

Safety Orange Vest, Shirt or Jacket

(2) "Oversize Load" Banners, black on yellow

Red Hand Held Flag (18" in size)

NUMBER OF ESCORTS REQUIRED:

Movement not exceeding 10' wide, no escort vehicle required. Movements over 10' wide and under 12' wide: No escort required on interstate system, 4-lane highways or 2-lane highways with a minimum road surface of 24 feet. One escort is required in front of movement when the roadway surface is less than 24' wide. A flag person will be required at all bridge structures of less than 20'. Movements over 12' and less than 14' wide: front and rear escort on 2-lane highways. Front escort vehicle not required on interstates or 4-lane highways. Front and rear escort vehicles required on interstates where 2-lanes are travelled. Movements over 14' wide and under 16' wide: front and rear escort required on all highways. Over 15' high, height pole required. No annual permits shall be issued. Mobile homes 16' wide need front and rear escort at all times.

TRAVEL TIMES/RESTRICTIONS:

Daylight is defined as 1/2 hour BEFORE Sunrise to 1/2 hour AFTER Sunset. Permits will normally be issued for movements during daylight hours only on Monday through Saturday. Time of movement may be further restricted by the issuing authority based upon factors such as type of load, traffic volume, roadway conditions, and route of move. Permits issued exclusively for overweight movements may be obtained subject to the restrictions imposed by Rule 1680-7-1-09 for continuous movement 24 hours per day, Monday through Sunday.

Permits will not be issued for movement on Sundays, holidays or night-time except when the necessity for the movement is created by an emergency or in the interest of national defense.

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No travel on Sunday. Travel is prohibited on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day.

Specific Restrictions will be indicated on your Tennessee permit.

CURFEW: Movements will not be allowed within any statewide city limits and all heavily traveled adjoining commercial or residential areas between the hours of 7:00 - 9:00 am and 4:00 - 6:00 pm (Local time) from Monday through Friday because of traffic. Overweight only movements may travel 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Permit still valid 6 days.

TRAVEL PILOTING/ESCORTING DISTANCES:

Front Car: Not Noted, Rear Car: Not Noted

HEIGHT POLE REQUIREMENTS:

Required at load heights: All loads 15'0" and greater

IMPORTANT STATE NUMBERS:

Tennessee Dept. of Safety, Commercial Vehicle Division, 1148 Foster Avenue - Cooper Hall, Nashville TN 37210
(615) 741-3954

Site Location:

www.tdot.state.tn.us/

Pilot Car Info:

www.state.tn.us/sos/rules/1680/1680-07/1680-07-01.pdf