

# WISCONSIN

**CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

Certification is required. Now accepting all other State Certifications.

**PILOT/ESCORT PERSONAL REQUIREMENT:**

Must check load permit and observe all restrictions and conditions. 18 years of age minimum. Valid operators license for Wisconsin or base plate state. 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: Acceptable

Preferred wording:

"OVERSIZE LOAD" required, clearly visible at all times

Size:

5' wide by 12" high

Color:

Yellow/Amber 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:

Strobe, Flash, Pulse or Rotate

Color:

Amber

Size of Lights:

Not noted on regulations

Number:

(2) Two Minimum

Location:

Roof or Top Mount and as far apart as possible

Power:

30 to 120 flashes per minute

Sight Distance:

500' during all conditions

Visibility:

360 degree

Headlights/Taillights:

Turned on at all times of movement

**FLAG REQUIREMENTS:**

Color of Flags:

Red or Orange

Size of Flags

18" Square and on a Staff

Mounting Location:

Front Bumper Corners

**COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENT:**

Type:

Two-way communication required

Range:

In good working condition

Use:

All times of load movement

**SAFETY EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS:**

(1) 18" Red Hand Held Flag

**NUMBER OF ESCORTS REQUIRED:**

LOAD DIMENSION

NUMBER OF ESCORTS

TYPE OF ESCORT

140' and Greater

Private Escort or Police

Greater than 15' wide to 16'

Condition A (See Below)

Private Escort

Greater than 16' wide but less than 22'

Condition B (See Below)

Typically private but Traffic Section may decide to require police.

22' wide or greater

Condition B (See Below)

Typically police but Traffic Section may decide to allow private.

Single trip permits greater than 15' require the following special conditions:

Must have radio communication between all units involved in move. Reflectorized striped hazard markers on outside extremities of load, traffic side, front and rear (if night move is allowed as an exception).

**MOBILE HOME/MODULAR**

Nominal 14' wide

On Specified Highway

Private Escort

Condition A (See Below)

Nominal 16' wide

Condition B (See Below)

**ESCORT CONDITIONS:**

A. One private escort required: Ahead on non-divided highway, behind on divided highway.

B. Police/Private Escort(s) required: One behind on divided highways, one ahead and one behind on non-divided highway

**TRAVEL TIMES/RESTRICTIONS:**

Sunrise to Sunset. Night time travel is permitted for loads not exceeding 100' long, 12' wide or over 13'6" high. WEEKEND TRAVEL: Travel is allowed until 12:00 noon Saturday only on loads over 100' long, 12' wide and 13'6" high. Loads that are less than these dimensions are allowed to travel all weekend, from Memorial Day to Labor Day unless otherwise specified on your permit. No travel from 4:00-11:00 pm on Friday or Sunday. No travel allowed on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day. If a holiday falls on a Sunday, the following Monday is the holiday. If a holiday falls on a Saturday, the previous Friday is the holiday. For times of travel too numerous to mention see provision sheet MV2605-394, see times of operation or for more information call 608-266-7320.

**TRAVEL PILOTING/ESCORTING DISTANCES:**

Front Car: 300'-500', Rear Car: 300'

**HEIGHT POLE REQUIREMENTS:**

Required at load heights: Not noted on regulations

**IMPORTANT STATE NUMBERS:**

Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation, Motor Carrier Services, P.O. Box 7980, Madison, WI 53707-7980  
(608) 266-7320, fax (608) 264-7751

Site Location:

[www.dot.state.wi.us/business/carriers/osowgeneral.htm](http://www.dot.state.wi.us/business/carriers/osowgeneral.htm)

Pilot Car Info:

[www.dot.state.wi.us/business/carriers/osow-permit-info.htm](http://www.dot.state.wi.us/business/carriers/osow-permit-info.htm)

[www.dot.state.wi.us/business/carriers/osow-times.htm](http://www.dot.state.wi.us/business/carriers/osow-times.htm)

[www.dot.state.wi.us/business/carriers/osow-requirements.htm](http://www.dot.state.wi.us/business/carriers/osow-requirements.htm)