

**TITLE 415, NEBRASKA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, CHAPTER 3**

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS  
RAIL AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

RULES AND REGULATIONS CONCERNING  
PERMITS FOR MOVEMENT OF OVERWEIGHT  
AND OVERDIMENSIONAL VEHICLES OR LOADS

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##### 001 DEFINITIONS.

001.01 APPLICANT: See PERMIT APPLICANT.

001.02 AXLE GROUP: An assemblage of two or more consecutive axles considered together in determining their combined load effect on a bridge or pavement structure.

001.03 AXLE WEIGHT: See SINGLE AXLE WEIGHT.

001.04 BUSINESS HOURS: 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Monday through Friday except on Holidays.

001.05 CABIN TRAILER: See MOBILE HOME.

001.06 CONNECTING MECHANISM: An arrangement of parts interconnecting two or more consecutive axles to the frame of a vehicle in such a manner as to equalize the load between axles.

001.07 DEPARTMENT: The Department of Roads of the State of Nebraska acting directly or through its duly authorized officers or agents.

001.08 DIVISIBLE LOAD: Any load consisting of a product, material, or equipment which can be reduced in weight and/or size to the specified regulatory limit.

001.09 DUMMY AXLE: A single axle attached to a vehicle or vehicle combination in a manner so that it does not articulate or substantially equalize the load and does not carry at least the lesser of eight thousand pounds or eight percent of the gross weight of the vehicle or vehicle combination.

001.10 ESCORT VEHICLE: Escort vehicle, as used in these rules shall mean a single vehicle (standard size truck or car) at least sixty inches wide. The vehicle shall be equipped with a revolving amber, yellow or flashing light, the base of which shall be mounted a minimum of fifty-three inches above the roadway on top of the vehicle and be of sufficient size to be seen at a distance of not less than eight hundred feet. "OVERSIZE LOAD" sign shall be displayed on the front and/or on the rear of the escort vehicle and the sign shall be no less than five feet long by twelve inches high with eight-inch high letters. Red flags shall be required on all four corners of the escort vehicle. Escort vehicle may also be required to maintain radio communication with the operator of the permit vehicle.

001.11 FLAG: A plain red cloth or orange fluorescent cloth marker having a minimum size of eighteen inches square in good repair and free of printing or other markings.

001.12 GROSS WEIGHT: The weight of a vehicle and/or vehicle combination with or without load.

001.13 HEIGHT: The total vertical dimension of any vehicle above the ground surface including any load and load-holding device thereon.

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001.14 HIGHWAY: The entire width between the boundary lines of every way publicly maintained when any part thereof is open to the use of the public for purposes of vehicular travel; synonymous and interchangeable in usage with "street."

001.15 HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT: See DEPARTMENT.

001.16 HOLIDAY: As used in a permit and these Rules and Regulations, holiday shall mean the following: New Years Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. See also LONG HOLIDAY.

001.17 HOUSE TRAILER: See MOBILE HOME.

001.18 INDIVISIBLE LOAD: A vehicle or load which cannot be dismantled, disassembled, or loaded so as to meet the requirements for vehicles in regular operation.

001.19 LENGTH: The total longitudinal dimension of any vehicle or combination of vehicles, including any load or load-holding devices thereon.

001.20 LOAD: A weight or quantity or anything which cannot be readily reduced in size resting upon something else regarded as its support.

001.21 LONG HOLIDAY: The days Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, or Saturday, Sunday, and Monday; depending whether a "Holiday" as defined herein falls on a Friday or Monday.

001.22 MOBILE HOME: A vehicle or device, other than a motor vehicle, for human occupancy which can be drawn by a motor vehicle. For purposes of these Rules and Regulations, "House Trailer," "Modular Housing," "Mobile Home," or "Trailer Coach" shall be synonymous with "Cabin Trailer."

001.23 MOTOR VEHICLE: A vehicle which is propelled by any power other than muscular power.

001.24 OWNER: A person, other than a lien-holder, having property in or title to a vehicle, including a person entitled to the use and possession of a vehicle subject to a security interest in an other person, but excluding a lessee under a lease not intended as security.

001.25 PERMIT APPLICANT: An individual, firm, partnership, corporation or association making application for a special permit to transport a vehicle, combination of vehicles, and/or load which is overweight or overdimensional and under whose authority and responsibility such vehicle or load is transported.

001.26 PERMITTEE: As used in these Regulations, an applicant for a special permit who has received written permission to make an oversize and/or overweight movement.

001.27 SIGNS: Signs shall read "OVERSIZE LOAD." Signs other than those required in 001.10 above, shall be no less than seven feet long and eighteen inches high. The signs shall be constructed of yellow material with black letters at least ten inches high.

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001.28 SEMITRAILER: A vehicle designed for carrying persons or property and drawn by a truck tractor on which part of its weight and load rests.

001.29 SINGLE AXLE: An assembly of two or more wheels, whose centers are in one transverse vertical plane or may be included between two parallel transverse vertical planes forty inches apart extending across the full width of the vehicle.

001.30 SINGLE AXLE WEIGHT: The total weight transmitted to the road by a single axle.

001.31 SPECIAL PERMIT: A written authorization to move or operate on a highway a vehicle, combination of vehicles or vehicles with indivisible load of size and/or weight exceeding the limits prescribed for vehicles in regular operation.

001.31A SINGLE TRIP PERMIT: A permit for the movement of a vehicle or combination of vehicles, with or without load, from a single point of origin to a single destination.

001.31B CONTINUOUS PERMIT: A permit issued for the frequent or repeated movement of a vehicle or a combination of vehicles, with or without loads, to several destinations within a limited area.

001.31C CONTINUING PERMIT: A permit issued for the movement of seasonally harvested products, garbage or refuse.

001.32 TANDEM AXLE: Any two consecutive axles whose centers are more than forty inches and not more than ninety-six inches apart, measured to the nearest inch between any two adjacent axles in the series, and are individually attached to and/or articulated from a common attachment to the vehicle including a connecting mechanism designed to equalize the load between axles.

001.33 TANDEM AXLE WEIGHT: The total weight transmitted to the road by two or more consecutive axles whose center may be included between parallel transverse vertical planes spaced more than forty inches and not more than ninety-six inches apart, extending the full width of the vehicle, but such series of axles shall not exceed thirty-four thousand pounds. No axle of the series shall exceed the maximum weight permitted for a single axle.

001.34 THREE AXLE GROUP: Any group of three axles shall be restricted to a maximum load of thirty-four thousand pounds unless the distance between the extremes of the first and third axles is at least a full ninety-six inches in fact.

001.35 TIRE, PNEUMATIC: A tire of rubber or other resilient material which depends upon compressed air for support of a load.

001.36 TRAILER: A vehicle designed for carrying persons or property and drawn by a motor vehicle which carries no part of the weight and load of the trailer on its own wheels.



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001.37 TRAVELED WAY: The portion of the roadway for the movement of vehicles, exclusive of shoulders and auxiliary lanes.

001.38 TRUCK: A motor vehicle designed, used, or maintained primarily for the transportation of property.

001.39 TRUCK-TRACTOR: A motor vehicle designed for drawing other vehicles, but not for a load other than a part of the weight of the vehicle and load drawn.

001.40 VEHICLE: A device in, upon or by which any person or property may be transported or drawn upon a highway, except devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks.

001.41 VEHICLE COMBINATION: A truck-tractor and semitrailer, either with or without a full trailer, or a truck with one or more full trailers.

001.42 WEIGHT: See GROSS WEIGHT.

001.43 WIDTH: The total outside transverse dimension of vehicle including any load or load-hold devices thereon, but excluding approved safety devices and tire bulge due to load.

**ANNOTATION**

**Title 415  
Chapter 3  
Section 001**

**Enabling Legislation  
39-102 Neb. Rev. Stat.**

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002 MOVEMENTS REQUIRING OVERWEIGHT AND OVERDIMENSIONAL PERMITS. The issuance of a permit for the movement of a vehicle or combination of vehicles with or without a load which exceeds any legal weight or size limitation is subject to the discretion of the Department. Before issuing any permit, the Department shall give first consideration to the safety and convenience of the general public and the protection of the State Highway System and second, to the reasonable necessity and good cause being shown for the movement. Permits shall be required for the movement, except the crossing of a highway, of the following:

002.01 A vehicle or combination of vehicles, with or without load, which exceeds the gross load permitted by the statutes.

002.02 A vehicle or combination of vehicles, with or without load, on the Primary and Secondary highways when the weight of any single axle exceeds twenty thousand pounds or when the weight of any tandem axle exceeds thirty-four thousand pounds.

002.03 A vehicle or combination of vehicles, with or without load, on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways when the weight of any single axle exceeds twenty thousand pounds or when the weight of any tandem axle exceeds thirty-four thousand pounds.

002.04 A vehicle or combination of vehicles, with or without load, when any axle weight exceeds the limit imposed by law for the axle spacing.

002.05 A vehicle or combination of vehicles, with or without load, when the maximum width exceeds eight feet six inches, exclusive of safety and energy conservation devices, such as rearview mirrors, turn signal lamps, marker lamps, steps and handholds for entry and egress, flexible fender extensions, mudflaps and splash and spray suppressant devices, load-induced tire bulge, and other devices necessary for safe and efficient operation of motor vehicles, except that no device excluded from the limitations of this law shall have by its design or use the capability to carry cargo.

Permits shall not be required for a vehicle or combination of vehicles, with or without load, when the maximum width exceeds eight feet six inches if such vehicle qualifies as one of the following:

002.05A Farm equipment in temporary movement during daylight hours in normal course of farm operation or during hours of darkness when the clearance light requirement of 60-6,235 Neb. Rev. Stat. are met.

002.05B Farm equipment dealers hauling, driving, delivering, or picking up farm equipment or implements of husbandry during daylight hours.

002.05C Alfalfa harvesting machinery in temporary movement during daylight hours and hours of darkness when clearance lights are in accordance with 60-6,235 Neb. Rev. Stat. and equipped with a clearly visible flashing amber colored light at least four inches in diameter, and preceded by a well-lighted pilot vehicle or flagmen at least three hundred feet in advance of such vehicle to give warning of the approach of overwidth equipment.

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002.05D Highway or public construction or agricultural land treatment equipment thirteen feet or less in width in temporary movement during daylight hours on roads other than dustless surfaced State highways and for necessary access point to such highways.

002.05E Mobile homes or modular homes or housing not exceeding sixteen feet in width during daylight hours, on highways other than the Interstate or Defense Highway System.

002.05F Portable livestock buildings not exceeding fourteen feet in width moving during daylight hours.

002.05G Prefabricated livestock buildings not exceeding sixteen feet in width moving during daylight hours.

002.05H The above exemptions shall not be permitted on the Interstate or Defense Highway System.

002.06 A permit shall be required for the operation of a vehicle or combination of vehicles, with or without load, when the maximum height exceeds fourteen feet six inches.

002.07 A permit shall be required for the operation of a vehicle, with or without load, having an over-all length exceeding forty feet, except as follows:

002.07A Temporary moving of farm machinery during daylight hours in the normal course of farm operation.

002.07B Public utility or other construction and maintenance material and equipment at any time.

002.07C A truck-tractor may exceed the forty foot limitation.

002.07D A semitrailer operating in a truck-tractor single semitrailer combination may not exceed fifty-three feet, however, semitrailer operating in a truck-tractor single semitrailer combination, which semitrailer was actually and lawfully operating in the State of Nebraska on December 1, 1982, may exceed the forty foot limitation.

002.08 A permit shall be required for the operation of a combination of vehicles, with or without load, when the maximum length exceeds sixty-five feet, except as follows:

002.08A The temporary moving of farm machinery during daylight hours in the normal course of farm operation.

002.08B The movement of public utility or other construction and maintenance material and equipment at any time.

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002.08C No combination of vehicles shall exceed a length of sixty-five feet extreme overall dimensions inclusive of front and rear bumpers and including load, except that a truck-tractor single semitrailer combination, and a truck-tractor semitrailer trailer combination, but the semitrailer trailer portion of such combination shall not exceed sixty-five feet inclusive of connective devices, and except that one truck and one trailer, loaded or unloaded, used in transporting implements of husbandry to be engaged in harvesting while being transported into or through the state during daylight hours may not exceed a length of seventy-five feet.

**ANNOTATION**

**Title 415  
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**Enabling Legislation  
39-102; 60-6,235; 60-6,288 to 60-6,290;  
60-6,292; 60-6,294 to 60-6,295 and  
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003 APPLICATION FOR OVERWEIGHT AND OVERDIMENSIONAL PERMITS

003.01 GENERAL. Application for the following permits may be made at the Nebraska Department of Roads' Permit Office in Lincoln or the District Offices, except as defined as follows:

003.02 SINGLE TRIP PERMIT.

003.02A A single trip permit application may be made on the Standard Form No. RM-426 or RM-426A provided by the Department or may be made in person, by letter or telephone by furnishing all of the information required by Statute or by the Standard Form. Permits may be issued by the District Engineers offices within their respective districts.

003.02B Weight tickets on each axle of the vehicle may be required with the permit application for a vehicle or load having any axle or gross load exceeding the legal limits.

003.01C Application shall be accompanied by the permit fee (See Section 010).

003.03 CONTINUOUS PERMIT. Application for a continuous permit shall be made on the Standard Form No. RM-438.

003.04 CONTINUING PERMIT. Applications for a Continuing permit shall be made on the Standard Form No. RM-439.

003.05 BUILDINGS OVER SIXTEEN FEET WIDE. Application for the movement of large buildings over sixteen feet in width shall be on the Standard Form No. SX-726 and shall be made only to the Field District Engineers office in which the movement originated, at least three days prior to the time the move is requested.

003.06 TEN FOOT, TWELVE FOOT, FOURTEEN FOOT AND SIXTEEN FOOT WIDE CABIN TRAILERS, MOBILE HOMES AND MODULAR HOUSING. Application for a permit to move a ten foot, twelve foot, fourteen foot, or sixteen foot wide cabin trailer, mobile home or modular housing shall be made on the Standard Form No. RM-447 or RM-447A.

003.07 CONDITIONAL SAFETY PERMIT. A permit for movement of a divisible load exceeding 80,000 pounds on the Interstate System. Application for this permit shall be made to the Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles (See Section 012).

003.08 PERMIT OFFICE HOURS AND ADDRESS. Application for any permit shall be made during regular business hours, 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., any day except Saturday, Sunday or a legal holiday at the Permit Office of the Department of Roads, Lincoln, Nebraska, or at any of the Field District Engineers offices at the following locations:

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- Permit Office: (Rail and Public Transportation Division) Room 123, 1400 Hwy. 2  
Phone: (402)471-0034 Fax: (402)479-3906 or 3907
- Mailing Address: Nebraska Department of Roads, Permit Office, Room 123,  
1400 Hwy. 2, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509
- District 1: 302 Superior Street, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4759  
Phone: (402)471-0850
- District 2: 4425 South 108th Street, P.O. Box 45461, Omaha, Nebraska 68145-0461  
Phone: (402)595-2534
- District 3: 408 North 13th Street, P.O. Box 1707, Norfolk, Nebraska 68702-1707  
Phone: (402)370-3470
- District 4: 211 North Tilden Street, P.O. Box 1488, Grand Island, Nebraska 68802-1488  
Phone: (308)385-6265
- District 5: 514 Main Street, P.O. Box 580, Bridgeport, Nebraska 69336-0580  
Phone: (308)262-1920
- District 5 (Subheadquarters): Highway 30, (West edge of Sidney), P.O. Box 161, Sidney, Nebraska 69162-0161  
Phone: (308)254-6932
- District 6: 1321 North Jeffers, P.O. Box 1108, North Platte, Nebraska 69103-1108  
Phone: (308)535-8031
- District 7: 619 Auditorium Drive, P.O. Box 530, McCook, Nebraska 69001-0530  
Phone: (308)345-8490
- District 8: East Highway 20, P.O. Box 66, Ainsworth, Nebraska 69210-0066  
Phone: (402)387-2471

STATE PATROL HEADQUARTERS OFFICE: The State Patrol Officer in charge of a Patrol Headquarters is authorized to issue permits. In general, the Patrol Office will only issue permits on nights, Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays to an emergency such as unusual storms, train wrecks, floods, "wash outs" and similar disasters affecting the general public's welfare.

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES: The Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles, 301 Centennial Mall South (Nebraska State Office Building), P.O. Box 94789, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4789, Phone: (402)471-4435, is authorized to issue general permits, primarily conditional safety permits, as an agent of the Nebraska Department of Roads.

**ANNOTATION**

**Title 415  
Chapter 3  
Section 003**

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**004 GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL OVERWEIGHT AND OVERDIMENSIONAL PERMITS**

004.01 The granting of a permit shall not constitute a waiver of any license requirements imposed by the State of Nebraska.

004.02 The granting of a permit does not waive any liability or responsibility of the applicant which might accrue of any property damage, including damage to the highways, or for personal injuries.

004.03 The granting of a permit does not exempt the applicant from compliance with any ordinances, Rules and Regulations of any local authority.

004.04 Before granting any permit, the Department, at its discretion, may require the vehicle owner or operator to furnish a certificate showing the amount of public liability and property damage, insurance carried. The Department, at its discretion, may also require said vehicle owner or operator to furnish a bond or certified check payable to the Department to indemnify it for all damage that may be done to the highway by such vehicle.

004.05 A vehicle or combination of vehicles for which an application for an overweight permit is requested pursuant to this section shall be registered under 60-305.09 Neb. Rev. Stat. or 60-331 Neb. Rev. Stat. for the maximum gross vehicle weight that is permitted pursuant to 60-6294 and 60-6,295 Neb. Rev. Stat., before a permit shall be issued.

004.06 The granting of a permit shall not be construed as waiving any weight limitation which has been or may be established on any highway or any bridge thereon.

004.07 A permit will not be granted for the movement of any vehicle or combination of vehicles exceeding the legal weight limitation, with or without load, which is not equipped with pneumatic tires.

004.08 The Department may, if deemed necessary, require the applicant to furnish a "weight ticket" on each axle and the gross weight of the vehicle or vehicle combination and may require the weighing in the presence of a representative of the Department at a State approved scale.

004.09 A load shall be so transported by a vehicle or combination of vehicles so that the least width or length dimension becomes the width of the load. The load shall be transported such that no part of it will extend across the centerline of the road except when necessary to avoid a collision with objects located near the edge of the road.

004.10 The movement of an overdimensional vehicle or load by permit shall be limited to thirty minutes before sunrise to thirty minutes after sunset, and such moves will be prohibited on a holiday as defined in Section 001 ("Holiday" and "Long Holiday"), unless otherwise specifically indicated on the permit form.

004.11 The movement of an overweight vehicle or load, by permit, shall be permitted twenty-four hours per day seven days per week.



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004.12 Movement by special permit may at any time be delayed when traffic, weather or other conditions on the State highways are determined to constitute a hazard by the Nebraska State Patrol or the Nebraska Department of Roads Permit Personnel.

004.12A Wet pavement, light drizzle, or wind less than 25 miles per hour is not considered inclement weather for purposes of permit movements. If adverse weather or road conditions are encountered during operation, the permitted vehicle must proceed to the next available safe place off the roadway and park until conditions improve. Nebraska State Patrol Officers or local law enforcement officers or Nebraska Department of Roads personnel may further restrict or prohibit operation of permitted vehicles during periods when, in their judgment, weather or other hazardous conditions make continued operation unsafe.

004.12B Terms and conditions for restrictions due to weather will be set out on the individual permit. Single Trip and Modular Housing restrictions due to weather are defined as follows:

004.12C Single Trip: Permit travel is prohibited if any of the following adverse or inclement weather conditions exist:

004.12C1 Winds cause a hazard to movement.

004.12C2 Visibility is less than one-half mile.

004.12C3 Rain, sleet or snow.

004.12C4 Highway surfaces are slippery due to ice, snow, packed snow, slush or frost.

004.12C5 Debris from an accident, natural disaster, or emergency on the highway.

004.12D Modular Housing: Permit travel is prohibited if any of the following adverse or inclement weather conditions exist:

004.12D1 Winds velocity exceeds 25 miles per hour.

004.12D2 Visibility is less than one-half mile.

004.12D3 Rain, sleet or snow.

004.12D4 Highway surfaces are slippery due to ice, snow, packed snow, slush or frost.

004.12D5 Debris from an accident, natural disaster, or emergency on the highway.

004.12 The Department, may at its discretion, grant an extension of time to the permittee where the same is made necessary because of weather, road conditions or other circumstances which are beyond the control of the vehicle operator.

004.13 Permits will not be issued for vehicles or loads which can be reduced to comply with the size and weights permitted by statutes (divisibility of vehicles or loads).

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004.14 The Department shall require "OVERSIZE LOAD" signs and flags as follows:

04.14A On loads more than ten feet in width, signs stating "OVERSIZE LOAD" must be displayed to the front of the hauling vehicle and the rear of the load. The signage must comply with requirements in Section 001.26.

04.14B On loads more than twelve feet in width, red flags, not less than 18 inches square, must be displayed on all four corners of the vehicle or vehicles.

004.15 Escort vehicles/light bar requirements for overdimensional vehicles and loads.

004.15A Escort vehicles conforming to the requirements of Section 001.10 may be required for the movement of overdimensional vehicles or loads when such vehicles or loads exceed:

004.15A1 eight feet six inches in width.

004.15A2 ninety feet in length.

004.15A3 fourteen feet six inches in height.

004.15B Escort vehicles conforming to the requirements of Section 001.10 shall be required for the movement of overdimensional vehicles or loads when such vehicles or loads exceed:

004.15B1 twelve feet in width.

004.15B2 one hundred feet in length.

004.15C Position of escort vehicles:

004.15C1 All undivided highways - to the front of the overdimensional vehicle or load.

004.15C2 Divided highways - to the rear of the overdimensional vehicle or load.

004.15C3 Escort vehicle must travel no more than 300 feet from the overdimensional vehicle or load.

004.15D Light Bar - A light bar may be allowed in lieu of an escort vehicle on divided highways when expressly stated on the permit. The light bar attachment must comply to the following:

004.15D1 Must have a left and right rotating amber, yellow or flashing light of sufficient size to be seen at a distance of not less than eight hundred feet.

004.15D2 Light bar attachment shall be mounted on the rear of the load at a height sufficient to be seen clearly by traffic to the rear.

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004.16 Pole Cars

004.16A On loads which exceed fourteen feet six inches in height, a pole car may be required to the front of the overdimensional vehicle or load.

004.16B On loads which exceed sixteen feet in height, a pole car shall be required to the front of the overdimensional vehicle or load.

004.16C On any overdimensional vehicle or load a route survey may be required.

**ANNOTATION**

**Title 415  
Chapter 3  
Section 004**

**Enabling Legislation  
39-102; 60-6,235; 60-6,288 to 60-6,290;  
60-6,292; 60-6,294 to 60-6,295 and  
60-6,297 to 60-6,299  
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**005 PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO SINGLE TRIP OVERWEIGHT AND OVERDIMENSIONAL PERMITS, EXCEPT MOBILE HOME/HOUSE TRAILERS**

005.01 A single trip permit may be issued for the operation of vehicle or combination of vehicles having an indivisible load with dimensions or weights in excess of the maximum limits provided by the Statutes.

005.02 A single trip permit may be issued for the movement of vehicle or combination of vehicles, which in itself exceeds the legal limitations with regard to weight, height, length or width, only when unladen or when the load to be carried exceeds the dimensions of the vehicle or combination of vehicles. In no case shall axle group weights exceed 20,000 pounds single axle, 40,000 pounds tandem axle group, 60,000 pounds triple axle group, or 70,000 pounds quad axle group.

005.03 A single trip permit may be issued for the movement on highways designated by the Department of Roads of a load having a width of more than eight feet six inches, but not more than sixteen feet, excluding approved safety devices, (unless specifically authorized by the Rail and Public Transportation Division of the Department).

005.04 Special overweight and overdimensional movement (Superloads): Requests for single-trip permit for movement of vehicles or combinations of vehicles with non-divisible loads thereon in excess of the maximum sizes and weights allowed under these Regulations must receive special consideration by and have prior approval of the Department of Roads' Permit Office in Lincoln prior to any part of the move to be undertaken. Requests may be required in writing up to five working days in advance of move.

**ANNOTATION**

**Title 415  
Chapter 3  
Section 005**

**Enabling Legislation  
39-102; 60-6,235; 60-6,288 to 60-6,290;  
60-6,292; 60-6,294 to 60-6,295 and  
60-6,297 to 60-6,299  
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006 PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO CONTINUOUS OVERWEIGHT AND OVERDIMENSIONAL PERMITS

006.01 A continuous permit will be issued only to the operators or movers of equipment used primarily in agricultural land treatment, public utility service companies, governmental agencies, irrigation districts, other specialized equipment such as oil well servicing equipment, self-propelled specialized mobile equipment and truck cranes, the use of which is confined to a limited area as covered by Section 006.05 below.

006.02 A continuous permit will be issued only for the movement of a specific vehicle or a combination of vehicles hauling or towing a specific overweight and overdimensional load or machine, or for the movement of a specific overweight and overdimensional machine or piece of equipment.

006.03 A continuous permit will only be issued for vehicles which are properly licensed in Nebraska if the vehicles are required to be licensed as motor vehicles in Nebraska.

006.04 The length of time during which an overdimensional continuous permit is valid shall in no instance exceed six calendar months. The Department may limit the length of time when an overweight continuous permit is valid to assure against undue damage to the road foundations, surface or structures.

006.05 A continuous permit will only be issued for movements within the county in which the vehicle is licensed or the applicant maintains headquarters and movement into an adjoining county and return to headquarters. A continuous permit shall not be issued for movement on the Dwight D. Eisenhower System of Interstate and Defense Highways.

006.06 A continuous permit will not be issued for vehicles or machines which exceed the following dimensions or weight:

OTHER VEHICLES, LOADS, OR EQUIPMENT

14'0".....	Over-all Width
15'6".....	Over-all Height
65'0" .....	Over-all Length

006.07 A continuous permit may be issued for the movement of any vehicle or for any equipment involved in the purposes as defined in Section 006.01 which exceeds the legal limitation for axle loads and gross loads. Except as provided by Section 006.11 below, a continuous permit will not be granted to exceed twenty-five thousand pounds single axle, forty-two thousand five hundred pounds tandem axle, and sixty thousand pounds triple axle. Only one of the tandem axles may exceed the legal limits on any vehicle or any equipment with two or more tandem axles. If a tandem and a triple axle group occur on any vehicle or any equipment, then either the tandem or the triple axle may be overweight but not both.

006.08 An applicant for an overweight permit may be required to submit weight tickets for each axle on the equipment or vehicle to be covered by the permit. The equipment or vehicle may be weighed on an available commercial scale and in the presence of a representative of the Department.

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006.09 A continuous permit is not transferable to any other vehicle.

006.10 A continuous permit may be issued on construction equipment or equipment used in agricultural land treatment, which is driven on the road provided it is equipped with flotation tires that are a minimum of twenty-six and five tenths inches - twenty-five inches and that the axle load does not exceed a maximum of thirty-four thousand pounds, or if equipped with flotation tires that are a minimum of twenty-nine and five tenths inches - twenty-nine inches and that the axle load does not exceed a maximum of forty-five thousand pounds.

006.11 A continuous permit may be issued for self-propelled specialized mobile equipment including self-propelled oil well servicing units which exceed the legal limitations for axle loads and gross loads, except that in no case will a continuous permit be granted to exceed a maximum of twenty-five thousand pounds single axle, forty-seven thousand pounds tandem axle, sixty thousand pounds triple axle and seventy-two thousand five hundred pounds quad axle and in no case shall the maximum gross weight exceed ninety-four thousand pounds on a four axle unit, one hundred seven thousand pounds on a five axle unit and one hundred twenty thousand pounds on a six axle unit. On all specialized mobile equipment of seven axles or more, a review of the route by the Nebraska Department of Roads Bridge Division will be required.

006.12 A continuous permit will not be issued for equipment under Section 006.11 unless axle spacing and weights are provided to the Department of Roads and all routes of travel are pre-approved.

006.13 For purposes of this section, self-propelled specialized mobile equipment shall mean, but not be limited to, equipment designed to be on a short chassis to accommodate off-road usage and which cannot be broken down or is not divisible because of its original equipment design.

**ANNOTATION**

**Title 415  
Chapter 3  
Section 006**

**Enabling Legislation  
39-102, 60-6,288 through 60-6,295  
Neb. Rev. Stat.**

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007 PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MOVEMENT OF OVERDIMENSIONAL MOBILE HOMES OR MODULAR HOUSING

007.01 Permits may be issued for single trip movement of mobile homes or modular housing not exceeding sixteen feet in width from 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset over specified routes to be designated by the Department subject to all Regulations herein contained and all State and Federal laws or applicable Regulations.

007.02 A permit, if issued, will be valid for a period not to exceed five moving days, days on which the move may be made in accordance with these Regulations.

007.03 Before a permit will be issued for the movement of an overdimensional mobile home or modular housing the towing or hauling unit must have a valid license plate for operation on Nebraska highways. The mover shall have on file with the Department a certificate of insurance with a company authorized to do business in Nebraska for a Business Automobile Insurance Policy, or equivalent policy (ACORD FORM) of not less than \$1,000,000 for bodily injury and property damage per occurrence. Such certificate shall also show the company's name, address, the full amount of insurance, the policy number and expiration date. The policy and certificate must contain a clause to the effect that if the policy is cancelled by the insurance company, the company will notify the Department of Roads within ten days of the cancellation date. The evidence required to be carried by the driver shall be either the policy, or a card issued by the company showing the company's name, address, amount of insurance, policy number and expiration date of the policy.

007.04 When towing mobile or modular housing on a highway outside of the city limits of any incorporated city or town, the minimum speed shall be thirty-five miles per hour or as posted, except when road conditions or traffic are such that minimum speed cannot be safely maintained. Mobile homes or modular housing shall not obstruct traffic while in transit. If traffic backs up behind such a vehicle, the driver shall remove it from the roadway at the earliest opportunity to permit the traffic to pass.

007.05 In case of breakdown, the mobile home or modular housing must be moved off the traveled portion of the highway. In the event that the breakdown is such that the vehicle cannot be moved at once, a flagman must be placed by the mover and kept on duty on the highway five hundred feet in each direction from the vehicle until it is moved off the traveled portion of the road.

007.06 No overdimensional mobile home or modular housing or its towing vehicle shall infringe upon the opposite bound lane of a two lane pavement or overhang an adjoining lane of a multiple lane pavement, regardless of the width of the lane on which it is traveling, except on a bridge having a width that would require a flagman.

007.07 During the movement of overdimensional mobile homes or modular housing, a sign reading "OVERSIZE LOAD" shall be attached to the front of the towing or hauling vehicle, and to the rear of the mobile home or modular housing trailer. Both signs must comply with the requirements of Section 001.27.

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007.08 Warning flags not less than eighteen inches square shall be displayed on all four corners of an overwidth mobile home or modular housing, being towed, during movement on the highway.

007.09 All overdimensional mobile homes or modular housing being towed shall be equipped with red lights on the rear, green or amber reflectors or lights on the front, and electric turn signals and clearance lights as required by the Nebraska Statutes.

007.10 Movement upon a State Highway or Interstate or Defense Highway may be required to be guarded by escort vehicles traveling approximately three hundred feet to the front or to the rear or both. Movement on any State Highway having a bridge or underpass with a clear roadway width of less than twenty feet shall be guarded with a flagman at the far side of the bridge or underpass to stop oncoming traffic while the mobile home or modular housing is crossing the bridge or underpass.

007.11 Fourteen or sixteen foot wide mobile homes or modular housing may be issued a permit to move on the Interstate or Defense Highway System if their movement is guarded by an escort vehicle, or without an escort vehicle under the following conditions: a flashing or rotating amber or yellow lights shall be mounted on top of the home at the rear in the center of the fourteen foot or sixteen foot width or an alternate light bar attachment with a right and left mounted flashing or rotating amber or yellow light mounted on the rear of the towed unit; the lights on the bar shall be located a minimum of eight feet above the roadway; the flashing or rotating amber or yellow lights shall be of sufficient size to be seen at a distance of not less than eight hundred feet. If an escort vehicle is required in the movement of mobile homes or modular housing on the Interstate or Defense Highway System, the escort vehicle must comply with Section 001.10 of these Rules and Regulations.

007.12 An escort vehicle shall be required to the front of the towing unit in the moving of all fourteen and sixteen foot wide mobile homes or modular housing on the State Highway System when a permit is required for the movement. The escort vehicle shall comply with Section 001.10 of these Rules and Regulations. The provisions of this rule and regulation shall not apply to mobile homes or modular housing in compliance with Section 007.11 moving on the National System of Interstate or Defense Highways or upon four-lane divided State Highways.

007.13 "OVERSIZE LOAD" signs are not to be displayed on the escort vehicle when not escorting a mobile home or modular housing. Flashing or rotating lights are not to be in operation on the escort vehicle when not escorting a mobile home or modular housing. The Department of Roads at their discretion may require an escort vehicle to be used on any highway, bridge thereon or on any size or type of mobile home or modular housing.

007.14 The vehicle used in towing or hauling a mobile home or modular housing shall be a truck or truck-tractor at least twelve thousand pounds manufacturers gross vehicle weight rating, shall have dual wheels on the drive axle, and a four-speed transmission or its equivalent. The wheel base of the vehicle shall not be less than one hundred twenty inches. If hauling the trailer, the vehicle shall be the same but shall be equipped with a fifth wheel mounted directly above the rear axle of the truck-tractor. A ball and socket trailer hitch behind the rear axle will not be considered a fifth wheel.



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007.15 The towing vehicle and mobile home or modular housing shall not exceed sixteen feet in width excluding approved safety devices on the towing vehicle, nor shall the maximum out to out tire width of the mobile home or modular housing exceed one hundred twenty inches. All appurtenances extending or protruding beyond the body of a ten, twelve, fourteen or sixteen foot wide mobile home or modular housing shall be removed.

007.16 All towing vehicles shall be equipped with power brakes and all trailers shall have brakes on at least four wheels with such brakes being of a type that are controlled from the cab of the towing vehicle and have automatic application in case of break-away. Trailers manufactured and maintained in conformance with Federal Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards shall be exempt from the requirements of this subsection. The brakes on both the towing unit and the mobile home or modular housing must comply with the requirements, including stopping distance set out in the Nebraska Statutes or by applicable Federal Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards.

007.17 The hauling vehicle and the semi-trailer shall be equipped with power brakes on all wheels and of the type controlled from the cab. The brakes shall comply with the requirements for brakes including stopping distance required by Nebraska Statutes.

007.18 All serial, HUD or seal numbers, make and model of the overdimensional mobile home or modular housing transported must be shown on the application. All appurtenances, such as steps, awnings, etc., except required safety devices, shall be removed.

007.19 All mobile homes or modular housing shall have at least two axles equipped with brakes on at least two wheels, and/or must comply with Federal and State Construction and Safety Standards.

007.20 The combined length of the mobile home or modular housing and the towing vehicle shall not exceed an overall length of one hundred twenty-five feet.

007.21 No movement permit shall be issued unless a tax certificate issued by the County Treasurer showing payment of all taxes due or to become due because of the location of such cabin trailer or mobile home or modular housing in such county on assessment day is displayed by the owner. A tax certificate shall not be required if the movement contemplated is between a manufacturer and a licensed dealer or between two licensed dealers or between a licensed dealers place of business or storage area and a bona fide customer to whom title to the mobile home or modular housing has passed or does pass within a reasonable time after movement.

**ANNOTATION**

**Title 415  
Chapter 3  
Section 007**

**Enabling Legislation  
39-102; 60-6,288 to 60-6,290;  
60-6,292 to 60-6,295 and  
60-6,297 to 60-6,299  
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008 PROVISIONS APPLICABLE FOR CONTINUING OVERWEIGHT AND OVERDIMENSIONAL PERMITS

008.01 A continuing permit may be issued only to a manufacturer, farm equipment dealer, or their carriers hauling only the products within the limits of Section 008.04 below except that continuing permits may be issued to carriers hauling grain or seasonally harvested products from the field where they are harvested to storage, market, or stockpile in the field. A continuing permit may also be issued to carriers hauling sugar beets from stockpile to market or factory. In all cases, such permits will be issued only when failure to move such product or products in as large quantities as possible would not be in the best interest of the national defense or general welfare. A continuing permit used for the movement of grain or other seasonally harvested products, will allow the operation of a designated overweight or overlength vehicle on State Highways for distances up to seventy miles. The area of operation allowable shall be designated on the face of the permit. The vehicle designated on the permit may be loaded up to the weight specified on the face of the permit but in no case will a permit be issued for more than fifteen percent greater than the maximum weight specified by law or more than ten percent greater than the maximum length specified by law, or both. No permit shall authorize a weight greater than twenty thousand pounds on any single axle.

008.02 A continuing permit may be issued for the movement of a truck with an enclosed body and a compacting mechanism designed and used exclusively for the collection and transportation of garbage or refuse. Such truck and load may exceed the maximum axle load permitted by law by no more than twenty percent on only one axle, on one tandem axle, or on one group of axles, when the vehicle is laden with garbage or refuse and when the vehicle is within the maximum gross load as permitted by State Statutes 60-6,290 and 60-6,294. The permit may be issued for one or more months up to one year.

008.03 A continuing permit will be issued only for travel on a designated route and only for the use of a specifically described vehicle, hauling, or towing a similar vehicle or product by a manufacturer or farm equipment dealer.

008.04 A continuing permit will not be issued for the movement of an object over ten feet in width, overweight of an axle, or over the legal gross weight for a vehicle-trailer combination, or for a vehicle-cabin trailer combination exceeding seventy feet or a height exceeding fourteen feet six inches.

008.05 A continuing permit will not be issued for the movement of an object that can be loaded and hauled within the statutory limits as to dimensions or weight, except no vehicle or vehicle combinations hauling grain or other seasonally harvested products or vehicle or vehicles hauling garbage or refuse shall exceed the maximum dimensions specified by law as to width, height or length (single vehicle or combination of vehicles) except vehicle hauling grain or seasonally harvested products may be ten percent greater than the maximum length specified by law.

008.06 All permits shall designate the highways under the jurisdiction of the Department of Roads which may be traveled upon by the permittee. The granting of a permit shall not be construed as waiving any weight limits which have been or may be imposed on any highway or bridge.

008.07 Each such permit granted shall state the maximum weight on a single axle or combination of axles and the total gross weight allowed, if applicable.

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008.08 A permit may be revoked at any time by written notice of the Nebraska Department of Roads, because of road conditions or weather conditions, or because of the failure of the permittee to comply with all permit restrictions and provisions, and pertinent rules and regulations of the Nebraska Department of Roads.

008.09 A continuing permit will be valid from thirty minutes before sunrise to thirty minutes after sunset, and will not be valid for movement on Saturday after 1:00 p.m., Sunday or legal holidays, except that continuing permits granted to carriers of grain or other seasonally harvested products and to movers of garbage or refuse will be valid twenty-four hours per day, all days including Saturday, Sunday, and legal holidays.

008.10 A continuing permit covering each vehicle may be issued for a ninety-day or lesser period, one hundred eighty-day period or for a one-year period. Permits for grain or other seasonally harvested products shall be valid for thirty days or sixty days and shall be renewable for a total number of days not to exceed one hundred and twenty days per calendar year. Permits for the transportation of garbage or refuse may be issued for one or more months up to one year.

008.11 The granting of a permit shall not constitute a waiver of any license requirement imposed by the State of Nebraska. A vehicle or combination of vehicles must be registered for the gross weight that the vehicle can legally haul pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. 60-6,294 prior to a request for an overweight permit.

008.12 A continuing permit will not be issued for movement on the Dwight D. Eisenhower System of Interstate and Defense Highways, except for farm equipment dealers moving loads 12'6" or less in width and when all other statutory requirements are met, they may be allowed to travel the Interstate all days, including Saturdays and Sundays from thirty minutes before sunrise to thirty minutes after sunset.

**ANNOTATION**

**Title 415  
Chapter 3  
Section 008**

**Enabling Legislation  
39-102, 60-6,288 through 60-6,295  
Neb. Rev. Stat.**

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**009 PROVISIONS APPLICABLE FOR PERMITS TO MOVE BUILDINGS ON STATE HIGHWAYS**

009.01 The application for a permit to move a building in excess of sixteen feet in width on a State Highway shall be made to the District Engineers office as indicated in Section 003.08 of these Rules and Regulations by the party proposing to do the actual moving. The owner or mover may make a preliminary application for a permit for informational purposes only. The application shall be made sufficiently in advance of the move so that the Department may make the necessary engineering investigation of the proposed move.

009.02 Application for a building permit shall be made on the Departments Standard Form No. SX-726. The information required shall include the width, height, length and weight of the building, weight of vehicles and specialized moving dollies, weight on all axles and axle spacing, together with the State Highways on which the move is to be made, and such other information as indicated on the Standard Form.

009.03 A permit will not be issued for the movement of a building on a State Highway where local roads are available on which to make the move, even though the use of such roads would require a greater travel distance. A permit may be issued on a State Highway for a short distance only, such as from the nearest intersecting road to or from a destination or point of origin on a State Highway.

009.04 A permit for the movement of a building will not be issued unless the building is loaded on equipment having pneumatic tires. Steel, wood or solid rubber tires will not be permitted. The movement of a building on skids or pulled by a farm tractor will not be permitted. Any vehicle moving a building or object requiring specialized moving dollies shall be escorted by another vehicle or vehicles in the manner determined by the Department of Roads. Such vehicles shall travel at a speed which is not in excess of five miles per hour when carrying loads which are in excess of the maximum gross weight specified by law by more than twenty-five percent. The Department of Roads shall have the responsibility of prescribing all the condition of operation at the time the move is to be made. These conditions shall take into consideration, traffic volume, road condition, structures, time of day, weather conditions, objects or signs to be removed and replaced, overhead wires, safety to the traveling public, etc. All provisions not specifically set out in these rules and regulations shall be stated on the permit and become a part of that permit.

009.05 A permit will not be issued for the movement of a building across a bridge unless the width of the building is twenty-four inches less than the distance between the handrails or if the building is loaded such that it will clear the top of the rails by not less than twelve inches.

009.06 The mover shall be responsible for checking all overhead vertical clearances and shall make provisions for the raising or removal of overhead wires, cables, etc., sufficiently in advance of the move to eliminate delays to the highway traffic.

009.07 A permit is not required for the crossing of a State Highway at a local road intersection. In case of a multiple lane road, sufficient flagmen must be provided to warn all approaching traffic during the crossing and one lane must be kept open to traffic at all times.

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009.08 The Department shall require that anyone moving a building on house moving equipment and dollies have their insurance company file a certificate of insurance (ACORD FORM) for public liability and property damage in an amount of not less than \$1,000,000.00 with the Department of Roads. Certificate must state that ten day written notice will be given the Department before cancellation. The Department may require the mover to furnish a certified check with the application, in an amount to be determined by the District Engineer, as a guarantee that the provisions of the permit will be carried out and to reimburse the Department for any damages that may be done to the highway or the structures thereon by reason of the movement, also to pay the cost of any expenses for inspection of the move by the Department. If no damage is done to the highway and the Department does not have any expenses as a result of the move, the deposit will be returned to the mover.

009.09 DRIVER QUALIFICATION. Driver must be at least eighteen years of age and have a valid Nebraska driver's license.

009.10 In case of trees needing trimmed due to interference with the move, the District Engineer or his designee shall inspect the route and determine the extent of tree trimming needed, however, no tree trimming shall be allowed without written permission of the District Engineer.

**ANNOTATION**

**Title 415  
Chapter 3  
Section 003**

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39-102; 60-6,235; 60-6,288 to 60-6,290;  
60-6,292; 60-6,294 to 60-6,295 and  
60-6,297 to 60-6,299  
Neb. Rev. Stat.**

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**010 OVERWEIGHT AND OVERDIMENSIONAL PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE**

010.01 A permit fee will not be charged for the following movement or permits:

010.01A The movement by any Governmental Agency, political subdivision or public corporation of their own vehicles or combination of vehicles, with or without load.

010.01B The movement by a contractor of overdimensional construction materials, that cannot be reduced in size, from the nearest railroad siding to the site of a highway construction project.

010.01C The movement of an overdimensional load or a self-propelled object from a railroad siding to the site of a highway construction project or to an equipment storage yard nearby.

010.01D A continuous operation permit covering the operation or movement of a contractors overweight and overdimensional equipment within the project limits of a highway construction project being built under traffic, or to and from the nearest railroad siding which is being used as a delivery point for equipment or materials.

010.01E The towing, for repair, of overlength vehicle combinations disabled on the highway to the nearest place of secure safekeeping.

010.02 Only one fee will be charged even though the vehicle or combination of vehicles moved, with or without load, exceeds more than one legal limitation.

010.03 A permit fee will not be refunded after a permit is issued. No refund will be made if a permit is not used or if a permit is declared void because of a violation of the terms and conditions of the permit.

010.04 A permit will not be issued until the permit fee has been paid or specific arrangements regarding payment have been made with the Department.

010.05 A ten dollar fee will be charged for each single trip permit issued for the movement of a vehicle or vehicle combination not excepted in Section 010.01.

010.06 A Continuing Permit fee shall be twenty-five dollars for each quarter or part thereof, but in no case more than one hundred dollars for a one-year period.

010.07 A continuous operations permit fee shall be twenty-five dollars for each quarter or part thereof, but in no case more than six months and a fee of fifty dollars.

010.08 A continuing permit fee for the movement of grain or other seasonally harvested products shall be twenty-five dollars for each thirty-day permit, and fifty dollars for a sixty-day permit.

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010.09 A continuing permit fee for the movement of garbage or refuse shall be ten dollars per month or one hundred dollars per year.

**ANNOTATION**

**Title 415  
Chapter 3  
Section 010**

**Enabling Legislation  
39-102 and 60-6,299  
Neb. Rev. Stat.**

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011 PROVISIONS APPLICABLE FOR THE MOVEMENT OF MULTI-UNIT COMBINATIONS OF TRAILERS AND SEMI-TRAILERS REQUIRING SPECIAL PERMITS

011.01 DEFINITIONS

011.01A EXTRA LONG VEHICLE COMBINATIONS: For the purpose of these rules and regulations, extra long vehicle combinations may include the following vehicle combinations:

011.01A1 A vehicle combination consisting of a truck-tractor, semi-trailer and two trailers having an overall length of not more than one hundred five feet, the semi-trailer and trailers of which must be of approximately equal lengths.

001.01A2 A vehicle combination consisting of a truck-tractor, semi-trailer and single trailer having an overall length of not more than one hundred five feet, the semi-trailer and trailers of which must be of approximately equal lengths.

001.01A3 A vehicle combination consisting of a truck-tractor, semi-trailer and single trailer, one trailer of which is not more than forty-eight feet long and the other trailer of which is not more than twenty-eight feet long nor less than twenty-six feet long. The entire combination of which is not more than ninety-five feet long. In this combination, the shorter trailer shall be operated as the rear trailer.

011.01B TRAILER: Trailer shall mean any vehicle, with or without motive power, designed for carrying persons or property and for being drawn by a motor vehicle and so constructed that no part of its weight rests upon the towing vehicle; and for the purpose of these rules and regulations, a semi-trailer used with a converter dolly shall be considered a trailer.

011.01C STAGING AREA: A location within six miles of the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways that is approved by the Director-State Engineer, designated in the extra long vehicle combination permit, and that is to be used by the permittee for assembling or disassembling extra long vehicle combinations.

011.01D ROUTE: Highways, roads, or streets upon which the permittee will be allowed to move an extra long vehicle combination when moving from or to a designated staging area to or from the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways, and the area and the interchanges of the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways, which may be traveled by the permittee. No extra long vehicle permits will be issued to allow travel east of Nebraska Highway Number 50 on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways. Except as designated on the permit, in case of deteriorating weather conditions, emergency or breakdown, vehicles moving by authority of an extra long vehicle permit, which leave the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways, shall not be permitted to reenter the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways.



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011.02 EXTRA LONG VEHICLE COMBINATION PERMITS: The Nebraska Department of Roads at its discretion may issue permits for the operation of extra long vehicle combinations when unladen, but only over a designated route on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways, and from a staging area located not more than six miles from the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways.

001.02A No departure from, amendment, alteration or change of the routes designated on the extra long vehicle combination permit shall be allowed. If the permit holder desires to travel on any route not designated on its permit, the Nebraska Department of Roads must approve in writing, an amendment authorizing the additional route.

011.02B INSPECTION OF PERMIT AND VEHICLE: As a condition of the issuance of an extra long vehicle combination permit, applicant must agree that the operator of the vehicle operating under the authority of an extra long vehicle combination permit will submit to an inspection of the permit and of the vehicle at any time such vehicle is on Nebraska highways whether or not there is reason to believe that such vehicle is in violation of the permit or the Nebraska motor vehicle laws. A copy of the permit must be carried in the power unit of the extra long vehicle combination.

011.02C PERMIT FEE: An annual fee of \$250.00 shall accompany each application. The annual permit fee will not be returned after a permit is issued.

011.02D The granting of a permit by the Nebraska Department of Roads may contain restrictions or prohibit operations as determined necessary by the Department. Movement shall be made from thirty minutes before sunrise until thirty minutes after sunset. No movement shall be permitted on Saturday, Sunday or holidays or long holidays as defined in the Departments rules and regulations pertaining to the issuing of overdimensional and overweight permits. No movement will be permitted when the ground winds in the vicinity or on the highways over which the extra long vehicle combinations may move exceed a velocity of 25 miles per hour, nor during steady rain, snow, sleet, ice or other conditions that cause the pavement to be slippery. Movement during fog that does not permit 800 feet of minimum visibility is not permitted. Should any of these conditions be encountered after commencement of the move, the driver shall cease operations by moving the extra long vehicle combination from the roadway at the first point that the vehicle can be safely removed to prohibit the hazardous operation of the combination and to provide for safety of other highway users. Movement of extra long vehicle combinations during any of the aforesaid prohibited time shall be grounds for revocation of the permit.

011.03 APPLICATION FOR EXTRA LONG VEHICLE COMBINATION PERMIT

001.03A An annual permit application shall be made on the Standard Form Number RM-425 furnished by the Nebraska Department of Roads and shall be submitted to the State of Nebraska, Department of Roads, Permit Office, Lincoln, Nebraska. Permits will only be issued from the Lincoln Permit Office, Monday through Friday and from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Permittee shall give at least five working days for processing of any extra long vehicle combination permits.

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011.03B The permit application must list all truck-tractors to be operated under the registered permit, as well as the license number of such vehicles, the state of issuance of the license, the vehicle identification numbers and the drivers who will operate under the requested permit. Only trucks owned or leased exclusively to the permit applicant for the entire term of the requested permit and only drivers under the control and supervision of the applicant may be listed on such applications. An annual permit is required for each qualified carrier company or individual. In the event permittee desires to change the information listed on its permit application regarding vehicles or drivers, it may do so by written notice to the Nebraska Department of Roads in Lincoln. Such notice shall be by means of registered mail or personally delivered, and shall not be effective for a period of two calendar days from the receipt of such notice by the Nebraska Department of Roads.

011.03C DRIVER QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants for an extra long vehicle combination permit, must certify in writing to the Nebraska Department of Roads that the driver of a vehicle which is permitted to move by authority of such permit has complied with all Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations and all State laws, rules and regulations pertaining to drivers and drivers licenses. Applicants must notify the Nebraska Department of Roads in writing of traffic citations issued to any driver for improper operation of an extra long vehicle combination within five days of the issuance of said citation.

011.03D The owner or operator of each extra long vehicle combination shall have on file with the Nebraska Department of Roads, an insurance certificate with a company authorized to do business in Nebraska, in an amount of not less than \$1,000,000.00 for public liability and property damage. The certificate of insurance must be for \$1,000,000.00, issued as a combined single limit of liability. The insurance certificate must contain a provision stating that the insurance company will give at least thirty days written notice to the Nebraska Department of Roads in case of cancellation.

011.04 ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS PERTAINING TO MOVEMENT OF EXTRA LONG VEHICLE COMBINATIONS

011.04A From November 15 to April 15 of each year, the permittee must contact the Nebraska Department of Roads in Lincoln, Nebraska between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. on any day the Nebraska Department of Roads is open for business and within three hours prior to commencing travel, to obtain authorization for movement that day. From April 16 thru November 14 of each year, the permittee must contact the Nebraska Department of Roads in Lincoln, Nebraska between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. on any day that the Nebraska Department of Roads is open for business and within three days of commencing travel, to obtain authorization for movement. The Department will at that time issue an authorization number and record time of the call, the driver of the vehicle to be moved, and the route to be traveled.

011.04B A sign may be required to be displayed at least eight feet above the roadway surface on the rear-most vehicle of the combination of the vehicles. The sign shall be of a yellow material with black letters of not less than ten inches high, and must conform to the diagram set forth in Exhibit A to this rule and regulation.

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011.04C The granting of a permit shall not constitute a waiver of any license (tonnage) requirements imposed by the State of Nebraska.

011.04D The granting of a permit pursuant to these rules and regulations shall not waive any liability or responsibility of the applicant which might accrue for property damages, including damage to the highways, or for personal injuries, resulting from the operation of extra long vehicle combinations.

011.04E A distance of at least five hundred feet must be maintained between all vehicles, and any two extra long combinations of vehicles when operating on Nebraska streets or highways, except when one extra long combination of vehicles is passing another.

011.04F TRACKING REQUIREMENTS: All vehicles in an extra long combination of vehicles and all devices used to couple vehicles in the extra long vehicle combination must be designed, constructed and installed so that each towed vehicle follows the alignment of the towing vehicle, without shifting or swerving more than three inches to the right or left of the alignment when the combination is moving in a straight line on a level, smooth, paved highway during calm, dry weather conditions.

011.04G Extra long vehicle combinations of not more than three cargo units shall have not less than six axles nor more than nine axles.

011.04H In the event of breakdown or accident, extra long vehicle combinations shall be removed from the traveled portion of the highway unless the breakdown or accident is such that the vehicles cannot be removed immediately. In the event the breakdown or accident is such that the vehicle cannot be removed, the driver shall place flares or when possible position a flagman on the highway five hundred feet to the rear of the disabled vehicle until the vehicle is moved from the traveled portion of the roadway. If the accident or breakdown occurs on a two lane highway, flares shall be placed five hundred feet in each direction from the vehicles and in addition, flares or reflectors shall also be placed on the edge of the roadway at one hundred foot intervals to caution the traveling public. No more than two vehicles of a wrecked or disabled extra long vehicle combination may be towed behind a wrecker or other emergency vehicle.

011.04I In addition to any other accident reports required by State or Federal laws, all accidents involving extra long vehicle combinations shall be reported in writing by the permittee to the Nebraska Department of Roads, Permit Office, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509, within five business days of such accident.

011.04J The Nebraska Department of Roads may impose additional restrictions and requirements not set forth in these rules and regulations as a condition for the operation of the extra long vehicle combinations over particular highways or sections of particular highways in this State. The Nebraska Department of Roads shall revoke or amend a decision to allow the operation of an extra long vehicle combination on any highway of this State if changed circumstances or conditions render the operation of the combination of vehicles impracticable or unsafe.

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011.05 REVOCATION OF EXTRA LONG VEHICLE COMBINATION PERMIT

011.05A Any traffic citation received by a driver for a moving traffic violation involving improper operation of an extra long vehicle combination will be cause for revocation of the permit issued pursuant to these rules and regulations. Law enforcement agencies shall report traffic citations as soon as possible to the Nebraska Department of Roads.

011.05B Any violation of these rules and regulations or the rules and regulations pertaining to overdimensional and overweight permits will be cause for revocation of an extra long vehicle combination permit.

011.05C Reinstatement of a permit revoked pursuant to these rules and regulations shall be allowed only after a public hearing pursuant to Title 407, Chapter 2 of the Rules and Regulations of the Nebraska Department of Roads, and only if permittee can demonstrate good cause for such reinstatement.

**ANNOTATION**

**Title 415  
Chapter 3  
Section 011**

**Enabling Legislation  
60-6,292  
Neb. Rev. Stat.**

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EXHIBIT A

# **CAUTION EXTRA-LONG VEHICLE**

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012 PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO CONDITIONAL SAFETY PERMITS FOR DIVISIBLE LOADS EXCEEDING 80,000 POUNDS.

012.01 By promulgation of this Section 012 of Chapter 3 of Title 415 of these Rules and Regulations, the Director-State Engineer hereby determines that circumstances make the issuance of a conditional safety permit necessary to permit movement of certain divisible loads exceeding 80,000 pounds over the safest, most direct and least congested route. Further, it is hereby determined that issuance of such permit will provide both safe and efficient highway transportation throughout the state by authorizing vehicles defined herein to make maximum use of the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways within the state.

012.02 DETERMINATION BY DIRECTOR-STATE ENGINEER. In making such determination, the Director-State Engineer has considered the following:

012.02A PHYSICAL CONDITIONS AND DESIGN. The Director-State Engineer determined the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways in the state is in such physical condition and so designed as to be more conducive to safe and efficient transportation than alternative state and county roads.

012.02B TRAFFIC VOLUME CONDITIONS. The Director-State Engineer determined the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways in the state has traffic volumes and conditions more conducive to safe and efficient transportation than alternative state and county roads.

012.02C SAFETY CONDITIONS. The Director-State Engineer determined public safety is enhanced by authorizing vehicles with a total gross weight of up to ninety-five thousand pounds to travel on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways in the state.

The Nebraska Department of Roads or its agent is hereby notified that such determinations have been made and that permits shall be issued, pursuant to the provisions set forth herein.

012.03 TERM OF PERMIT. A conditional safety permit shall be valid only for ten days. The Department or its agent may issue at one time, up to nine conditional safety permits covering consecutive ten-day permit periods.

012.04 REVOCATION. All conditional safety permits and all privileges accruing therefrom may, at any time, be revoked pursuant to the following:

012.04A By the Director-State Engineer:

012.04A1 If federal authorities determine that conditional safety permits are in violation of federal law.

012.04A2 For violation of any of the terms and conditions of the application and permit or the terms and conditions set forth in Chapter 3 of Title 415 of these Rules and Regulations.

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012.04A3 For providing false information on the permit application.

012.04B By any law enforcement officer or any officer of the Carrier Enforcement Division of the Nebraska State Patrol for violation of the terms and conditions of the application and permit, including, but not limited to the weight limitations set out in Section 012.05 below. Vehicles found to be in violation of permit terms or conditions will be required to reduce loads to the legal nonpermitted load limits before proceeding to travel on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways.

Upon revocation of a conditional safety permit, pursuant to Section 012.04A or Section 012.04B above, the vehicle operator shall surrender possession of all unexpired conditional safety permits issued for the vehicle.

012.05 WEIGHT LIMITATIONS OF PERMIT. A conditional safety permit may be issued for vehicles weighing up to ninety-five thousand pounds on the Nebraska interstate highway. In no case will vehicles be permitted to exceed twenty thousand pounds carried on one axle, nor more than thirty-four thousand pounds on a tandem axle. The overall gross weight of a group of two or more consecutive axles, of vehicles issued a conditional safety permit, must conform to the requirements of the bridge formula set out in Neb. Rev. Stat. 60-6,294 and on the reverse side of the permit form.

012.05A Lift axles which may be raised or lowered from within the vehicle or which have controls that may be reached from within the vehicle, and dummy axles as defined by Neb. Rev. Stat. 60-6,294(12), will be disregarded in determining lawful weight.

012.06 ENFORCEMENT TOLERANCES. No enforcement tolerances will be allowed on the gross weight set out in conditional safety permits, or the axle weight set out in Section 012.05 of Chapter 3 of Title 415 of these Rules and Regulations.

012.07 APPLICATION TO REPLACE A REVOKED PERMIT. No person may apply for replacement of a permit revoked pursuant to Section 012.04A or Section 012.04B of Chapter 3 of Title 415 of these Rules and Regulations during the unexpired term of the revoked permit. (For example, if nine conditional safety permits are issued to a vehicle, covering nine consecutive ten-day periods, and if those permits are revoked during the 4th day of the first permit, application to replace those permits will not be accepted for 86 days after the revocation.)

012.08 PENALTY FOR FAILURE TO ACQUIRE A PERMIT FOR A QUALIFYING VEHICLE. No person shall violate the terms or conditions of a conditional safety permit. However, if a vehicle qualifies in all respects for a conditional safety permit, but the vehicle driver is found to have failed to acquire such permit, the driver shall be subject to the penalty set forth in Neb. Rev. Stat. 39-103 and not the penalty set forth in Neb. Rev. Stat. 60-6,298.

012.09 LICENSING AND REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS. A conditional safety permit will only be issued to vehicles which are properly licensed to operate with such loads in Nebraska, or to vehicles with registration apportioned pursuant to Nebraska law. The granting of a conditional safety permit shall not constitute a waiver of any license requirement imposed by the State of Nebraska.

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012.10 PERMIT TRANSFER, POSSESSION AND INSPECTION. A conditional safety permit is not transferable to any other vehicle. In the case of a vehicle combination, the permit will be issued to the motor vehicle, and will not be transferable to other motor vehicles owned or operated by the permittee. All unexpired permits shall be carried in the vehicle to which they refer and shall be open to inspection by any law enforcement officer or authorized agent of the Nebraska Department of Roads.

012.11 LIMITATION OF TRAVEL. Conditional safety permits shall be issued for travel on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways within the state. The granting of a conditional safety permit shall not be construed as waiving any weight limits which have been, or may be imposed, on any non-interstate highway or bridge, or on any posted interstate bridge.

012.12 GROSS WEIGHT STATEMENT. Each such conditional safety permit application shall state the total gross weight allowed.

012.13 SIGNATURE OF THE APPLICANT. All applications for conditional safety permits shall be signed by the applicant.

012.14 FORM OF APPLICATION. The application for a conditional safety permit shall be on Form RM-437.

012.15 FEE. A ten dollar fee will be charged for the issuance of each conditional safety permit in accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. 60-6,298. No refund of permit fees will be allowed if permits are revoked or unused, regardless of reason for such revocation or lack of use. A conditional safety permit will not be issued until the permit fee is paid.

**ANNOTATION**

**Title 415  
Chapter 3  
Section 012**

**Enabling Legislation  
39-102 and 103; 39-601;  
60-6,288 to 60-6,290;  
60-6,292; 60-6,294 to 60-6,295 and  
60-6,297 to 60-6,299  
Neb. Rev. Stat.**