



Louisiana  
Truck Permit Center  
Department of Transportation and Development  
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HOURS: 7:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.  
**CENTRAL TIME**

Legal Limits	DESIGNATED HIGHWAYS	ALL OTHER ROADS
Weight:		
Single	20,000	22,000
Tandem	34,000	37,000
Tridum	42,000	45,000
Quadrum	50,000	53,000
Gross weight	80,000	80,000
Tridum/Quadrum	83,400	88,000
<i>Federal Bridge Formula applies.</i>		
Width:	8'6"	8'6"
Height:	14' Interstate Only	13' 6"
Length:		
Single unit, buses	45'	45'
Semi-trailer	59'6"	65' overall length
Twins or doubles	30'	Not allowed
Auto/boat transporters	75' (3' front and 4' rear)	75'(3' front and 4' rear)
Rocky mtn. doubles	Not allowed	Not allowed
Turnpike doubles	Not allowed	Not allowed
Triples	Not allowed	Not allowed
Saddlemounts	75' - 3 trailing units	75'
<b>TOLERANCE</b>	Axe variance of 2,000 pounds for single axles and 3,000 pounds for tandem, tridum and quadrum axles are allowed on non-Interstate highways.	
<b>TIRE WIDTH</b>	650 lbs. per inch width	
<b>ACCESS</b>	10 mile access legal loads only	
<b>OVERHANG</b>	4' front/ 8' rear overhang.	

**EXEMPTIONS**

The maximum legal length of the load carried by a combination of vehicles transporting forest products in their natural or treated state is 65' plus one foot additional tolerance in length.

Farm vehicles and equipment, except draglines and bulldozers, being operated and/or transported for agricultural purposes or the transportation of farm vehicles and equipment to be used for normal farm purposes by persons transporting such farm equipment or machinery for distances not to exceed fifty miles from the point-of-origin shall be exempt from the requirements for width, height, length and for trailers and towed vehicles.

The load on the rear vehicle of a combination of vehicles transporting forest products in their natural state cannot project more than 20 feet beyond the rear of the bed or the back of the rear tire of the vehicle, whichever is further from the cab and the load must clear the pavement by at least two (2) feet. When the rear projection is more than 15 feet, the vehicle may operate only during daylight hours.

Vehicles transporting wooden poles or piling cannot project more than 15 feet beyond the rear of the bed or the back of the rear tire of the vehicle, whichever is further from the cab and must clear the pavement by at least two (2) feet. When the rear projection is more than 8 feet, the vehicle may operate only during daylight hours. Weight limits for vehicles with tandem axles carrying forest products in their natural state (logs) shall be 40,000 pounds.

(Compactor Refuse) vehicles equipped with front- end loading attachments and containers are exempt from the legal limitation for projections beyond the front of the vehicle, provided that the vehicle is actively engaged in the collection of garbage, rubbish, refuse or recyclable materials. The exemption applies to travel on non-Interstate highways only.

Vehicles transporting up to three (3) bundles of prepackaged oilfield pipe may not exceed 10 feet in width.

**Permit Limits****ROUTINE ISSUE**

Weight:	120,000 or less	Over 120,000
Single	24,000	20,000
Tandem	48,000	45,000 w/12' or more of spacing
Tridum	60,000	60,000
Quad	80,000	80,000
Trunnion	54,000	54,000

**Gross Weight:**

5 Axles	108,000
6 Axles	120,000
7 Axles	132,000
8 Axles	152,000
Maximum wt.	232,000 with some restrictions

Length: 125' Over 125' must have a steerable dolly. No set maximum on overhang.

Width: 18' \*Over 16' wide cannot use interstate. Over 18' wide must notify the permit office 48 hours in advance of move to obtain a route approval.

Height: 16'5" \* If over 16'5", must notify the permit office 48 hours in advance of move to obtain a route approval.

For normal permitting purposes, Interstate use is limited to 16' high and 16' wide.

\* Loads over 16'5" high and/or 18" wide and/or 232,000 lbs. need prior route approval. The carrier must contact the state office for route approval 48 hours in advance of the move. The carrier will receive a clearance number as well as the approved route emailed to them. The email will be a form and will include application details as well as any restrictions applicable to include pilot requirements.

Tandem axles are properly distributed if neither axle carries more than 60%; tridum axles are properly distributed if none of the individual axles carry more than 40% or less than 25% of the total tridum weight; quad-individual axle carries more than 30% or less than 20% of the total quadruplex weight.

Vehicles must be registered for the highest gross weight which is 88,000 lbs. non-interstate travel, 83,400 lbs. for interstate travel.

If load exceeds any of these dimensions or weights refer to the section on Super Loads.

**PERMITS VALID FOR**

Oversize only permits are valid for up to 7 days.

Mobile Homes/Mobile office valid for 3 days.

Overweight permits are valid for 5 days.

**ACCEPTABLE PERMIT FORMAT**

A permit must be carried in the vehicle for which it was issued or in the escort vehicle, and must be available at all times for inspection by the proper authorities. An electronic copy of the permit is acceptable.

**EXTENSIONS/REVISIONS**

Extensions may be granted due to inclement weather. Must notify the state on the day the permit is valid for. Overweight permits may be amended for equipment breakdown.

**OPERATING TIME**

Sunrise to Sunset. Up to 12' wide may be allowed night travel and must be requested at the time of ordering. This is on a case by case basis.

**WEEKEND TRAVEL**

Sunrise to Sunset. Up to 12' wide may be allowed night travel and must be requested at the time of ordering. This is on a case by case basis.

**LIFT AXLES**

Lift axles are legal, but must be a full weight bearing axle. The controls must be located outside of the vehicle.

**DIVISIBLE LOADS**

Loads must be stripped down as far as possible. May haul certain commodities when it doesn't create overweight, overwidth, or overlength.

**EXCEPTIONS**

When hauling a dozer, the blade and/or side boom may be removed and hauled on the same vehicle.

Vehicles transporting pipe loaded across a vehicle rather than lengthwise, will be eligible for overwidth permits as long as the width of the vehicle and load does not exceed 8'8".

Vehicles transporting oversize loads only, will be allowed to create an overheight load as long as there is at least one permit dimension and all the dimensions for the load are shown on the permit. Overwidth and overlength dimensions may never be created.

**SELF-PROPELLED EQUIPMENT**

Maximum Permit Weights:

Single 30,000

Tandem 60,000 However, every tandem exceeding 48,000 lbs. must have removed all counterweights and other removable components.

Tridum 66,000 Every tridum over 60,000 lbs. must have removed all counterweights and other removable components.

Vehicles exceeding these weights must be analyzed for the necessary weights .

Maximum weight for a self-propelled unit is 212,000 lbs.

**2-4 AXLE OFF-ROAD EQUIPMENT**

<b>LBS.</b>	<b>Distance In Miles</b>				
	0-50	51-100	101-150	151-200	Over 200
0-10,000	\$ 30.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 52.50	\$ 67.50	\$ 82.50
10,001-20,000	52.50	97.50	135.00	172.50	210.00
20,001-30,000	82.50	150.00	210.00	277.50	345.00
30,001-40,000	105.00	202.50	292.50	382.50	472.50
40,001-50,000	135.00	255.00	367.50	487.50	607.50
50,001-60,000	157.50	307.50	450.00	592.50	735.00
Over 60,000	\$ 15 Plus .10 per ton mile				

Critical off-road equipment - The owner shall provide an escort during the move in accordance with the Department's escort procedures. While crossing bridges, the roadway will be cleared of traffic on 2-lane, two way traffic bridge. The vehicle shall straddle the centerline of the cleared bridge roadway. The vehicle shall straddle the outside and adjacent lane of roadway with two or more traffic lanes in the same direction. Traffic shall be kept out of the adjacent lane within 100' of the equipment.

**4 AXLE COMBINATION VEHICLES**

<b>LBS.</b>	<b>Distance In Miles</b>				
	0-50	51-100	101-150	151-200	Over 200
66,000-80,000	\$ 30.00	\$ 52.50	\$ 67.50	\$ 90.00	\$ 105.00
80,001-90,000	67.50	112.50	165.00	217.50	262.50

**SEALED CONTAINERS/ INTERMODAL**

5 or 6 Axles, The GVW is not to exceed 95,000 lbs. and the axle weight not to exceed 22,000 lbs. per axle, originating from or destined to intermodal facility, bi-annual permit \$375.00.

5 Axles, The GVW is not to exceed 90,000 lbs. and the tandem weight not to exceed 44,000 lbs., cargo for export only, annual permit \$750.00

The maximum allowable vehicle combination length is 83'. Either the truck-tractor or one of the trailers shall contain a tridum axle. Maximum allowable weight: 140,000 pounds, Tandem Axles - 40,000 pounds, Tridem Axles - 60,000 pounds, annual permit \$2300

Single trip for both 5 and 6 axles up to 100,000 lbs fees range from \$30.00 - \$100.00

**MANUFACTURED HOUSING/MOBILE HOMES**

Mobile homes are allowed up to 16' wide on interstate. Mobile homes being moved from a point-of-origin in Louisiana, must have a valid Louisiana license registration certificate. Mobile homes traveling to or through LA are exempt from state registration if they are properly registered in their home state.

Dealers delivering mobile homes to individuals or other dealers must use dealer plates. Mobile homes being delivered by manufacturers to dealers are not required to be licensed, but an "In-Transit" sign must be displayed on the mobile home.

**Types of Permits****Schedule of Fees:**

\$10 Per day or trip if oversize only - single trip or monthly. If a vehicle is both oversize and overweight, the overweight fee will be charged.  
 \$10 Mobile Home

## SCHEDULE FOR COMBINATION OF VEHICLES (W/5 or more axles\*)

80,000 lb. GVW

## Gross Weight

## In Pounds

## Distance in Miles

	0-50	51-100	101-150	151-200	Over 200
80,001-100,000	\$ 45.00	\$ 67.50	\$ 97.50	\$ 120.00	\$150.00
100,001-108,000	75.00	142.50	202.50	270.00	330.00
108,001-120,000	105.00	195.00	285.00	375.00	465.00
120,001-132,000	135.00	255.00	375.00	495.00	622.50
132,001-152,000	180.00	337.50	502.50	667.50	832.50
152,001-172,000	232.50	442.50	660.00	877.50	1095.00
172,001-192,000	285.00	547.50	817.50	1087.50	1357.50
192,001-212,000	337.50	652.50	975.00	1297.50	1620.00
212,001-232,000	390.00	757.50	1132.50	1507.50	1875.00
232,001-254,000	442.50	862.50	1290.00	1717.50	2130.00
Over 254,000	\$15 + .75 cents per ton-mile of weight in excess of 80,000 pounds, plus a fee for structural evaluation based on the following schedule:				
	\$187.50 - For evaluation of treated timber, concrete slab and precast concrete slab bridges.				
	\$1275.50 - For evaluation of truss, continuous span and movable bridges and for all Mississippi River structures.				
	\$750.00 - For all other structures				

\*Axe here refers to single or individual axles. Tandem axle groups will be counted as two axles and tridum axle groups as three axles.

Monthly Permits

**Monthly Oversize Permit** - This permit authorizes the movement of vehicles and loads exceeding legal limitations for length, width, height, and/or projecting loads, but not legal weight limitations. Vehicles and loads may be a maximum of 90' long, 30' front or rear overhang, 12' wide, and/or 14' 4" high. Fee: \$10

**House movers equipment** - This permit authorizes companies engaged in the business of moving buildings to transport over dimensional equipment not carrying a load.

It allows empty tractor/trailer combinations to travel on all state-maintained highways; however, equipment exceeding 8' 6" wide may not move on Interstate highways without a separate oversize permit. Equipment exceeding 10' wide is restricted to movement during daylight hours only. A certified escort is required for each move for loads that exceed 12' wide and/or 90' long. Travel is not prohibited at night, provided the vehicle does not exceed 10' wide. Travel is also not prohibited during moderate rain; however, it is prohibited on certain holidays. Fee: \$15.00

**Oil field equipment** - This permit authorizes the transport of empty lowboy trailers designed to transport oilfield equipment and exceeding legal length and width limitations. Maximum allowable dimensions on non-Interstate highways are 70' long and 10' wide. Maximum allowable dimensions on Interstate highways are 70' long and 8'6" wide. Lowboy combinations with dimensions exceeding those referenced in this section must obtain a regular oversize permit. The permit does not apply to over height or overweight vehicles and loads. Fee: \$15.00

**Monthly - Pleasure craft (privately owned)** - This permit authorizes the movement of privately owned pleasure crafts, together with their accompanying trailers, when the overall width does not exceed 10'.

It is valid for 30 days from the issue date and allows travel on all state highways, except the Interstate system. Fee : \$10.00

**Annual Permits**

**Annual Oversize** – This permit authorizes the movement of vehicles and loads that exceed legal limitations on length, width, height and/or projecting loads, but do not exceed legal weight limitations. These vehicles and loads may not exceed 90' long, 12' wide, 25' front and/or rear overhang, and/or 14' 4" high.

**Annual Oversize/Overweight**-This permit is valid for vehicles transporting individual, non-divisible, heavy-duty equipment. It allows for a maximum gross vehicle weight of 120,000 pounds and oversize dimensions of 14'4" high, 12'0" wide, 90'0" long, and 25'0" rear overhang.

General examples of covered equipment are: construction and logging equipment and attachments, oilfield equipment and rig parts, etc. Typical commodities not covered include: off-road equipment, portable buildings (including tool sheds, crew houses, living quarters, etc.), tanks, mobile homes, steel plates, steel beams, etc.

Vehicles using this permit are prohibited from crossing bridges with a posted weight limit and from travel in restricted construction zones. The permittee is responsible for verifying travel route vertical clearances. These permits are issued for the pulling unit, expire one year from the beginning movement date, and are non-refundable.

Loads with a gross vehicle weight exceeding 108,000 pounds are required to have a truck/trailer combination of at least six axles.

A route authorization must be obtained before each move and carried with the annual permit. Fee: \$0.00

**INFORMATION NEEDED TO ORDER A PERMIT**

Vehicle make, model, tractor license, trailer license, commodity being hauled including make, model, serial number, date for the move to begin, origin, destination, routes, overall dimensions, overhang, axle weights, number of axles and gross weight.

Make, model, and serial numbers must be provided for construction equipment such as draglines, dozers, backhoes, generators and tractors.

**Escorts**

\*Private escorts must have a "LA approved escort vehicle permit" that may be purchased from the LA permit office - proper equipment is required. Fee \$10.00. Escort Vehicle Permits will expire each year on December 31st. regardless of start date. They must also have proof of coverage for general liability insurance, motor vehicle liability insurance, and workers' compensation, each providing for a minimum of five hundred thousand dollars in coverage.

\*For escorts domiciled outside of Louisiana, a 48-hour trip permit is required for intrastate movements (trip permit is \$25, available at port of entry).

\*Louisiana-based escort drivers must carry commercial plates and have D or E operator's license.

**When Escorts Are Needed:**

<i>On All Highways:</i>	<b># Escorts</b>
• <u>Width</u> over 12' and up to 16' (front if on 2-lane, rear if on multi-lane) (See below for width restrictions on interstate)	1
• <u>Length</u> over 90' and up to 125'	1 Rear
• <u>Height</u> - over 15'10" requires a height pole An escort vehicle may escort two overlength vehicles, but only one overwidth vehicle.	

***State Police:***

• <u>Width</u> over 16' on 2-lane highway or on multi-lane highway. (See below for width restrictions on interstate)
• <u>Length</u> over 125'

- Height over 18' - will have special requirements
- For all listed cases, state police escorts are to be used on all state highways
- Permittee is responsible for police escort fee and for any overtime pay of the off-duty trooper

*\*Travel through metropolitan areas may require city or parish escorts and/or permits.*

Police Escorts other than State Police:      **Phone #**

Baton Rouge City Police	225-389-3874
Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office	504-465-1480
New Orleans City Police	504-658-6205
St. Bernard Parish Sheriff's Office	504-278-7677
Shreveport	318-673-7255

### **VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS**

Must meet all requirements as stated on page A-19 of the booklet, "Louisiana Regulations for Trucks, Vehicles, and Loads" which may be obtained by calling the state. Closed vans, buses, campers, motor driven cycles are not acceptable escort vehicles. Louisiana based automobiles used as escort vehicles are no longer considered private passenger vehicles and therefore must carry commercial plates. If the escort vehicle is domiciled outside the state, a 48-hour trip permit is required for intrastate movements; otherwise, escorting is limited to interstate movement only.

At no time may any escort vehicle pull a trailer or tow another vehicle. Each company which operates an escort service in this state must have their vehicles approved annually with the secretary.

Each driver must have a valid operator's license. All applicants for escort vehicles shall provide proof, to the Department of Transportation, of insurance for not less than \$50,000 for bodily injury or death of one person in any one accident, \$100,000 for bodily injury or death of two or more persons in any one accident, and \$50,000 for injury to or destruction of property to others in any one accident.

The escort vehicle shall display an approved 360 degree amber colored emergency warning lamp. There shall be four (4) solid red/fluorescent orange flags, 18" square, mounted other than vertical or horizontal atop the escort vehicle. The flags are not to extend more than 6" on either side of the vehicle and shall in no event exceed 8' in width. Flags shall be mounted in line with the warning lamps.

Two signs with the wording "Oversize Load" are required on the vehicle being escorted. These signs must be 18" high and 7' in length, the lettering must be black on a yellow background and is to be 10" high with 1-1/2" brush strokes. For overheight loads it is strongly recommended that a clearance bar of some design be attached to the escort vehicle.

The escort vehicle shall have the name, address or telephone number, city of the company/owner of the vehicle on each front door. It must be equipped with two rear view mirrors one on each side. Headlights and rear lights on the vehicle and the vehicle being escorted shall be lighted during the move.

The escort vehicle shall be equipped with two-way radio capabilities and must be in communication with the load at all times. Escort vehicles must have readily accessible a 10 pound BC Dry (or equivalent) chemical-type fire extinguisher, four (4) 15-minute burning flares and two (2) red/fluorescent orange hand held flags.

**Signs, Flags, Lights****SIGNS**

Loads over 10' wide and/or that exceed legal length or overhang must display two "Oversize Load" signs. Signs are to be placed front and rear. Vehicles and loads exceeding the legal front end overhang must display one "Oversize Load" sign on the front of the vehicle. The sign will not be required if the overhang clears the pavement by 6' or more.

Signs are to be at least 7' long and 18" high with black letters 10" high on a yellow background.

**FLAGS**

Warning flags are required on vehicles and loads which exceed the legal width. There must be flags at the following points:

1. Four (4) flags two (2) on the front edges and two (2) on the rear edges at the widest points on the part of the vehicle or load which exceed the legal width.
2. One (1) flag on the rear edge of the load will be sufficient if a load projects only to one (1) side of a vehicle of legal width.
3. One (1) flag will be sufficient if a projecting load does not exceed three (3) feet from front to back.
4. Flags must be attached on any other portion of the vehicle which is wider than the flagged front or rear edges.

Flags are also required on vehicles and loads which exceed the legal length, or which have a rear end overhang of more than four (4) feet unless the overhang clears the pavement by six (6) feet or more. There must be flags at the following points:

1. One (1) flag at the extreme rear end of the load if the overlength or projecting portion is two (2) feet wide or less
2. Two (2) flags must be located at the extreme rear of the load to indicate maximum width if the overlength or projecting portion is wider than two (2) feet.

All warning flags must be red/fluorescent orange and at least 18 inches square. Flags must either be securely fastened by at least one (1) corner or securely mounted on a staff which keeps the flag upright.

**LIGHTS**

Warning lights on vehicles and loads with night movement permits require the following lights: two (2) amber lights attached at the widest points on the front edge of the overwidth part of the vehicle or load; two (2) red lights must be attached at the widest points on the rear edges of the overwidth part of the vehicle or load. One (1) amber light must be attached on any part of the vehicle or load which is wider than the front or rear edges; a single amber light on each side, visible from the front, side and rear may be used if the overwidth part of a vehicle or load does not exceed 3' from front to back. Lights on rear end overhang in excess of 4' traveling at night.

**Insurance**

Must have Certificate of Insurance on file at least \$100,000.

**Weigh Stations****Stationary Weigh Scales****LOCATION**

\*Baptist  
Breaux Bridge  
\*Delta  
\*Greenwood  
\*Kentwood La/Ms  
LaPlace  
LaPlace  
Nasa, MS  
Nicholson, MS  
Pineville

**HIGHWAY**

I-12 EB / WB 1 mile west of I-55, WB  
I-10 EB / WB 9 mi E Jct. I-49  
I-20 EB / WB 1 mile west of MS River, WB  
I-20 EB / WB 1 mile east of LA/TX border, EB  
I-55 NB / SB LA/MS Joint Port Operation, SB  
I-10 EB / WB 1 mile W Jct. of I-55  
US 61 NB / SB 2 miles E Jct of US 51  
I-10 EB, Joint Port Operation  
I-59 NB, Joint Port Operation  
US 71 / 165 Bus SB only .75 miles N of Red River

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Slidell	I-10 WB
*Starks	LA 12 WB / 1.5 miles E of LA/TX Border, EB
*Toomey	I-10 EB / WB 1 mile east of LA/TX Border, EB

### \*PORTS-OF-ENTRY

## Restricted Travel

Loads over 12' wide restricted on interstate in Shreveport, Monroe, Lake Charles, Baton Rouge and New Orleans between 7:00 - 9 A.M. and 3:30 - 5:30 P.M. Monday - Friday.

<u>Shreveport</u>	Interstate 20 from I-220 on the East side of Bossier City to I-220 on the west side of Shreveport.
<u>Monroe</u>	I-20 from the eastern city limits of Monroe to the western city limits of West Monroe.
<u>Lake Charles</u>	All of I-210. I-10 from LA 397 on the east to LA 108 at Westlake on the west.
<u>Baton Rouge</u>	All of I-110. I-10 from Bluebonnet road to the east, to the Mississippi River Bridge on the west. I-12 from O'Neal Lane on the east to the junction with I-10 on the west.
<u>New Orleans</u>	All of I-610. I-10 from Paris Road on the east to Williams Boulevard on the west. This is not to include U.S. 90-Business from its intersection with Interstate 10 in New Orleans westbound.

Permitted loads may not cross any bridge spanning the Mississippi River or be within 2 miles between 6:30- 9:00 A.M. and from 3:30 - 6:00 P.M. Monday through Friday in New Orleans. Vehicles and loads requiring a permit are prohibited from traveling during weather which is physically severe such as extremely heavy rain, heavy fog, icy road conditions, heavy snow or any continuous conditions which create low visibility for drivers or hazardous conditions.

No permitted travel allowed in the Harvey Tunnel (US 90 Business), Belle Chasse Tunnel (LA23 south bound only), and the Houma Tunnel (LA3040).

**WATERCRAFT CALL BEFORE YOUR HAUL:** If moving watercraft destined for Washington, Oregon, Idaho, or Montana, the carrier shall contact The Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission (PSMFC) to make arrangements to have your watercraft inspected and if need be, decontaminated. This program aims to prevent aquatic invasive species spread. Toll-free number 1-844-311-4873 prior to hauling.  
<https://www.westernais.org/callbeforeyouhaul>

**Drivers going into or coming out of the following ports will be required to have a Transportation Workers Identification Card (TWIC) issued by the Transportation Safety Administration:**

*Baton Rouge, Houma, Lafayette, Lake Charles, Morgan City, New Orleans, Port Fourchon, South Louisiana*

## SPRING WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS

No restrictions.

## Holidays

Travel is prohibited on the following holiday:

Mardi Gras Day (certain days/areas)

The State Permit Office will be closed on the above mentioned holiday as well as New Year's, Martin Luther King's Birthday, Lincoln's Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Juneteenth Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day but travel is not restricted.

**Fines**

**Posted Bridges** - If a vehicle or combination of vehicles is observed crossing a bridge which has regulatory weight limits and the vehicle or combination of vehicles exceeds the posted weight limit on the bridge, the fine assessed from posted weight to actual weight.

**Escort Vehicles** - If operating as an escort vehicle when required by OVERSIZE/OVERWEIGHT PERMIT unable to pass required inspection or transporting load without an escort when one is required; the penalty will be: \$100.00 and load impounded until proper escort is obtained.

**Overdimension Only** - Vehicle and divisible loads exceeding the legal limitations are impounded until the fine has been paid and the load has been made legal. Legal load violations are \$100, and twin trailer violations are \$100. In both cases, operators must make the load legal, and are still fined anyway.

**Overweight Fines** - The amount assessed for an overweight penalty will be for the violation with the greatest dollar value—whether based on gross vehicle weight or axle weight(s). A \$10.00 penalty will be assessed for each lesser violation(s).

1. If a vehicle and divisible load exceeds the legal limitations or DOTD regulations for axle weight or gross vehicle weight a penalty shall be accessed in accordance with the following schedule:

OVERWEIGHT POUNDS	PENALTY
1 to 999	\$10.00 minimum
1,000 to 1,999	1¢ per pound in excess of legal limit
2,000 to 2,999	2¢ per pound in excess of legal limit
3,000 to 3,999	3¢ per pound in excess of legal limit
4,000 to 4,999	4¢ per pound in excess of legal limit
5,000 to 5,999	5¢ per pound in excess of legal limit
6,000 to 6,999	6¢ per pound in excess of legal limit
7,000 to 7,999	7¢ per pound in excess of legal limit
8,000 to 8,999	8¢ per pound in excess of legal limit
9,000 to 9,999	9¢ per pound in excess of legal limit
10,000 to 10,999	10¢ per pound in excess of legal limit
11,000 and over	11¢ per pound in excess of legal limit

This chart is for over axle and over gross. The larger penalty is imposed with \$10.00 for lesser of the infraction.

2. If a vehicle exceeds the legal maximum gross weight but not the legal maximum axle weight, the Overweight Penalty Schedule is used to assess the penalty.

3. If a vehicle does not exceed the legal maximum gross weight, but exceeds the legal maximum axle weights for any axle or axle groups, the penalties are computed separately for each axle or group, the sum amount of which is the penalty assessed according to the Overweight Penalty Schedule.

4. If a vehicle exceeds both the legal maximum gross weight and the legal maximum axle weight, both penalties are computed from the Overweight Penalty Schedule, and the greater of the two is assessed as the penalty. A \$10.00 penalty is assessed for the lesser violation.

5. If the vehicle has a permit but is over the gross weight allowed by the permit, the fine is assessed from this schedule:

<u>OVER PERMIT GROSS WEIGHT</u>	<u>PENALTY</u>
0 to 3,000 pounds over permit	2¢ per pound
3,001 to 5,000	3¢ per pound
5,001 to 10,000	4¢ per pound

**Super Loads****Guideline For Submitting Overweight Vehicle Configurations Exceeding 232,000 lbs.**

1. Submit a drawing of the assembled vehicle showing:
  - a. The location of the centerline of each axle
  - b. The spacing and size of the wheels on each axle
  - c. The tare (unloaded tractor/trailer combination) weight of each axle in pounds
  - d. The location of the kingpin of the trailer
  - e. The location of the kingpin of each jeep combination
  - f. The width and length of the flat bed (if applicable)
  - g. The location of the load on the hauling combination - including tractor(s)
  - h. The height of the load on the hauling combination
2. Submit a drawing showing:
  - a. The outside dimensions of the load to be hauled which should show side and end elevations and plan views
  - b. The weight of the load and the total weight for each axle in pounds
  - c. The center of gravity of the load
3. Submit a map showing the proposed route and any alternate proposed routes in order of preference.
4. In the event there are one (1) or more parallel, alternate modes of transportation which cannot accommodate the load, such as a waterway or rail, but substantially reduces the length of haul on the State highway system, evidence of the physical and/or regulatory impasse(s) must be submitted with the permit request. This evidence must be a written response from the facility's authorities or offices stating the nature of the impasse which will not accommodate the load.
5. Statement from the owner of the load certifying its gross weight. Approximate approval time; one week.
6. Permission to move loads exceeding 232,000 lbs should be made at least 8 - 12 weeks in advance of the move.

**DISTRICT OFFICES**

New Orleans Area  
P.O. Box 9180  
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