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New Mexico



New Mexico
Department of Transportation
Permit Office
1200 Cerrillos Rd.
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87507

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HOURS: 8:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M.
MOUNTAIN TIME

Legal Limits

	DESIGNATED HIGHWAYS	ALL OTHER ROADS
Weight:		
Single	21,600	21,600
Tandem	34,320	34,320
Tridum	Depends on spacings	Depends on spacings
Gross weight	86,400	86,400
	<i>Federal Bridge Formula applies.</i>	
Width:	8'6"	8'6"
Height:	14'	14'
Length:		
Single unit, buses	40'	40'
Semi-trailer	57'6"	65' overall No trailer limit
Twins/doubles	28'6"	65'
Autotransporters	73'	65'
Stingers steered	75'	75'
Rocky mtn. doubles	Not allowed	Not allowed
Turnpike doubles	Not allowed	Not allowed
Triples	Not allowed	Not allowed
Saddlemounts	75'	75'
TOLERANCE	None.	
TIRE WIDTH	600 lbs. per inch width of tire.	
ACCESS	20 miles for vehicles going off the designated system.	
OVERHANG	Autotransporters 3' front, 4' rear. All other vehicles, 3' front, 7' rear.	

EXEMPTIONS

Implements of husbandry, within 50 mile radius from their own farm.

Permit Limits**ROUTINE ISSUE**

	Interstate	All Other Roads
Weight:		
Single	21,600 -2 tires 26,000-4 tires	Depends on spacings, 20,000/18,000
Tandem	46,000	
Tridum	60,000	
Quad	70,000	
Gross weight:		
5 Axles	105,000	
6 Axles	119,000	
7 Axles	127,000	
8 Axles	150,000 With single axle in back, with special approval.	
Length:	No set maximum, as long as trailer is 57'6 or less.	65'
Width:	No set maximum. Each trip is looked at to see if it will be safe to travel on the routes. 14' wide needs escorts, 20' wide requires route survey. Police escorts handled by the permit office. 30' wide needs highway verification.	
Height:	No set maximum. Depends on the routes traveled. Loads at 15'6" needs a route survey and 18' needs utility surveys.	

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

PERMITS VALID FOR

Single trip permits are valid for five (5) consecutive days.

ACCEPTABLE PERMIT FORMAT

The permit must be carried in the vehicle to which it applies, along with any required surveys, maps or lists of structures, and be presented for inspection to any peace officer, authorized employee of the department or an escort vehicle driver who is escorting the vehicle. The permit and any other required document may be carried on a electronic device and presented in electronic form as long as it is legible.

EXTENSIONS/REVISIONS

The tractor information may be changed once per permit. An additional revision and/or extension will be granted for weather and vehicle breakdown.

OPERATING TIME

24 hour travel allowed if not exceeding 10' wide, 14'6" high, 120' long, and/or 140,000 lbs. on Interstate only. If over these dimensions, travel is allowed 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

24 hour travel allowed if overweight only.

WEEKEND TRAVEL

24 hour travel allowed Saturday and Sunday if not exceeding 10' wide, 14'6" high, 120' long, and/or 140,000 lbs. If over these dimensions, travel is allowed 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

24 hour travel allowed if overweight only.

LIFT AXLES

Lift axles may be used if controls are outside of the cab.

DIVISIBLE LOADS

A permit will not be issued for reducible loads, loads that can be shifted to make them legal, or loads that can be transferred to other trailers or equipment that will make them legal. The disassembling of a load into legal dimensions, then moving the load in multiple truck/trailers may be required.

EXCEPTIONS

Blades, buckets etc. may be hauled intact provided they are blocked and angled at the highest possible sitting and width must be minimized.

SELF-PROPELLED EQUIPMENT

Equipment 42,000 lbs. and over, tire sizes are required. Load exceeding 42,000 lbs. requires special approval, otherwise oversize/overweight rules apply. Allowed continuous movement if overweight only.

INTERMODAL

Must be reduced to legal limits.

MANUFACTURED HOUSING/MOBILE HOMES

Daylight movement only Monday - Friday. The towing vehicle must have a wheelbase of at least 99".

A one and one-half ton factory rating is required for movement of mobile homes 50'-60' long, a two-ton factory rating for movement of mobile homes 60'-80' long and a 2 1/2 ton rating for movement of mobile homes 80'-85' long. Amber light on the towing unit and end of the mobile home is required. Otherwise may operate like a regular oversize/overweight vehicle.

Types of Permits

Schedule of Fees:

Single trip permit fee is \$25. \$.025 per ton per mile over 86,400 lbs.

Multiple trip permits are valid up to one year. Insurance certificate required to be on file. The permit is valid the term of the insurance. Permits are vehicle specific, not route specific unless self-propelled. All Must have weight distance account to add units. To establish account, go to <https://tap.state.nm.us/tap/>

Trip Tax: if the driver does not possess a valid Tax Identification Permit a trip tax will be assessed. The permit identifies the motor carrier and certifies that the weight distance tax registration has been obtained. The tax is based on miles to be operated in New Mexico and the total gross weight of the vehicle combination.

Tax Per Mile:

<u>Gross Vehicle Weight</u>	<u>Tax Per Mile</u>
12,001 to 26,000 lbs.	\$0.07
26,001 to 54,000 lbs.	\$0.12
54,001 to 72,000 lbs.	\$0.15
72,001 and above	\$0.16

Multiple Trip Car Hauler - \$250.00

Maximum dimensions allowed are 15' high, 75' long, and 4" front overhang. Neither width or weight allowed on this permit.

Multiple Trip Oversize Hay Load - \$250.00

Maximum dimensions allowed are 10' wide, and 15' high. Neither width or weight allowed on this permit.

Multiple Trip Oversize Load - \$250.00

Maximum dimensions allowed are 14' wide, 15' high, 120' long, 15' front overhang, and 25' rear overhang. Mobile homes are not allowed. Only mobile offices.

Multiple Trip Overweight Load - \$250.00

Maximum dimensions allowed is 140,000 lbs.

Multiple Trip Oversize/Overweight Load - \$250.00

Maximum dimensions allowed are 14' wide, 15' high, 120' long, 15' front overhang, 25' rear overhang, and 140,000 lbs.

Multiple Trip Oversize/Overweight Oilfield Load - \$250.00

Maximum dimensions allowed are 22' wide, 20' high, 110' long, 15' front overhang, 25' rear overhang, and 140,000 lbs. The only multiple trip that allows quadrant move is the oilfield permit. They are still granted statewide movement however they are allowed oilfield dimensions but only in one of the allowed quadrants. The quadrants are based off the oilfield drill locations.

Multiple Trip Self-Propelled - \$250.00

Units exceeding 42,000 lbs. (cranes, well service unit, or drilling rig) loads. These will go to bridge for review.

Multiple Trip Special Hauling Vehicle - \$400.00

The weight of any one axle or wheel does not exceed the limits established by for gross weight imposed on the highway. This is for four counties and three interstates. Additional counties can be added for \$100.00.

Conditions or restrictions associated with a multiple-trip special permit, including specific routes, route surveys, bridge maps and restricted structures, are an integral part of the special permit and shall be attached to the permit at all times. Required documents, conditions and restrictions may be carried electronically. Violation of any condition or restriction renders the multiple-trip special permit void.

****Escorts must be certified.**

****NM escorts add on 6 1/4% sales tax to escort bills**

****No convoys allowed unless authorized on permit**

****Single escort @ rear on multi-lane, @ front on 2-lane highways**

Additional escorts may be required upon the discretion of Department. Travel on high-risk routes and construction zones are some determining factors when adding escorts outside the new set perimeters.

When Escorts Are Needed:

Escorts

On All Highways:

- Width over 8'6" if deemed a hazard 1
- Width over 14' 1
- Width 20' and over for 5 or more mi. 2 (Front & Rear)
- Length at 110'1" up to 119'11" 1
- Length at 120' and over 2 (Front & Rear)
- Height 15'6" and over: extra man or escort 1
to check overhead clearances for wires or other structures (stated on permit if required)
- Height over 18' need clearance letters from 1
utility companies to the haulers. The letter must list permission for 3rd party bucket trucks to lift line or utility foreman needs to list them. Will also need permission if city lights need to be lifted
- Overhang if vehicle/load infringes on 1
opposing lane of 2-lane or overhangs adjoining lane of multiple lane highway
- Width 10' wide or more 65' long or more are not allowed on US 82 between Alamogordo and JCT./US 82 & SR 13 unless load destination is between these 2 points.
- For hire escorts must be registered by the NM State Corporation Commissions & Escort Vehicles, except state police vehicles, must be certified by the Motor Transport Division, Enforcement Bureau
- Escorts are required on the following highways if the load width over 13'6":
S.R. 2 FROM ROSWELL TO ARTESIA
U.S. 70 FROM RUIDOSO DOWNS TO HONDO
U.S. 380 FROM SAN ANTONIO TO HONDO
U.S. 285 FROM LAMY JUNCTION TO CLINES CORNERS
S.R. 4 FROM 5.5 MILES EAST OF SAN YSIDRO TO S.R. 502
U.S. 68 FROM VELARDE TO TAOS
S.R. 522 FROM ARROYO HONDO TO QUESTA
U.S. 84 FROM ABIQUIU TO CHAMA
S.R. 12 FROM DATIL TO JCT WITH U.S. 180
U.S. 180 FROM SILVER CITY TO JCT WITH S.R. 12
- Width over 12' - escort required on all loads on the following highways:
S.R. 152 FROM CENTRAL TO HILLSBORO
U.S. 82 FROM ALAMOGORDO TO HOPE
U.S. 64 FROM TAOS TO CIMARRON
- If continuous movement is specifically allowed by the state for an O/O vehicle, a rear escort must be used for movement at night, and a front escort is also required at night if on undivided roads and highways.

TYPES OF ESCORTS TO BE USED:

- Permittee shall furnish non-police escort and be responsible to see that escort is authorized and qualified to perform such service.
- Permittee, or owner of O/O load may furnish his own escorts and drivers which shall meet all requirements.

State Police Escort is required for move all loads w/width of 20' or more for a distance of 5 miles or more and for any other move that is specified on permit (need at least 72 hour notice and there is no cost.

- *Width 20' and over requires police escorts for traffic control in addition to civilian escorts
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Loads that exceed 16'5 in height or any load that requires police escort set up, may take up to 72 hours. Some higher loads take time to find adequate routes & allow State Police Districts time to locate available state police.

INFORMATION NEEDED TO ORDER A PERMIT

Load description, destination, routes, shipper and consignee, year make, unit number, number of axles on the truck, and truck and trailer license number. If it is a mobile home the serial number is required; if overweight need axle spacings and axle weights and if self-propelled need tire sizes. Route survey required for any load over 15'6" or 20' wide; all at discretion of state based on routes.

VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS

Flagpersons are needed for loads 20' wide or more or whenever it is stated on the permit. Flagpersons may not be used in lieu of an escort vehicle, but an escort vehicle may be used in lieu of a flagperson. They shall be at least 18 years of age and be equipped with a paddle-sign which shall be constructed of rigid durable material, shaped as a standard stop sign. The paddle-sign shall be 14", point-to-point and shall have a red background with white lettering 1-1/2" brush strokes with the word "STOP". The reverse side shall be yellow background with black lettering, 1-1/2" brush strokes and the word "CAUTION". The paddle shall have at least an 8" handle affixed to it in a manner that will display the wording at a proper position when held up to view. Flagperson shall wear an orange or red safety jacket, an orange or red hard hat or bump cap is recommended.

Signs,Flags,Lights

SIGNS

Signs shall have black lettering on yellow background. Border 1/2" with no margin from panel edge. Die cut 5" X 3" letters of a scotch cal material, or equal may be used. Sign shall be double faced, or so constructed that it may be reversed when moving behind load. Overall sign dimensions (12" X 60") are minimum permitted. Letters are block 1" wide by 10" high, background is to be yellow. Signs shall be affixed to the roof of the escort vehicle or may be displayed on front or rear bumper of the escort vehicle in which case, the width of the sign shall not exceed the vehicle width.

FLAGS

Escort vehicles will have attached to front or rear of the vehicle clean bright red or orange 18" square flags. Towing vehicles shall display flags in the same manner as the escort. Flags shall be displayed on all four corners of mobile homes and other overwidth objects and at the extreme ends of all protrusions, projections and overhangs.

LIGHTS

Flashing, rotating or fixed lights shall have sufficient intensity to be visible at a distance of at least 1,000' in normal sunlight. Escort vehicles shall display rotating amber lights on top of the vehicle when bumper escort signs are used. Lights shall be displayed atop the escort vehicle at the vehicle width or at a width not to exceed 8'.

Towing vehicles pulling oversize loads which exceed 12' wide may display an amber rotating flashing beacon atop the cab of the towing vehicle.

Insurance

A certificate of insurance, reflecting the following minimum coverage should be kept in the vehicle and must be on file with the state. Please mail certificate to NMDOT Port of Entry, P.O. Box 1149, Santa Fe, NM 87504

\$100,000 automobile bodily injury coverage; \$500,000 each person; \$100,000 for each accident; automobile property coverage \$25,000 each accident.

Insurance Company must be registered with the New Mexico Corporation Commission.

Weigh Stations**PORTS OF ENTRY**Northern

Raton	I-25	(575) 445-8419
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Eastern

Clayton	US 87	(575) 374-9341
Nara Visa	US 54	(575) 633-2929
San Jon	I-40	(575) 576-2461
Texico	US 60	(575) 482-3271
	US 70, 84	
Hobbs	US 62,180	(575) 393-4362

Southern

Carlsbad	US 62,180	(575) 885-2026
Anthony	I-10	(575) 882-2471

Western

Lordsburg	I-10	(575) 542-8811
Gallup	I-40	(505) 905-2361

Central

Vaugh	US 54, 285	(575) 584-2361
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Restricted Travel

Time and restrictions can be determined by each city. Santa Fe and Albuquerque require a city permit.

City of Las Cruces - All loads 15' and higher must obtain written permission from the the City of Las Cruces to obtain a state permit. Contact Gary Skelton - gskelton@las-cruces.org or call 575-541-2505.

If transporting a boat to Washington, Oregon, Idaho, or Montana. Carriers must call 1-844-311-4873 before traveling. <https://www.westernais.org/callbeforeyouhaul>

No travel allowed during inclement weather. Inclement weather may include ice and snow covered highways, rain, snow, fog, smog, sleet or dust. High winds causing dust or wind-force sufficient to cause the load to sway or to fail to follow substantially in the path of the towing vehicle. Poor visibility caused by any condition which reduces visibility to less than 1,000'.

Vehicle may have to pull off the road to allow traffic to pass from behind an oversize or overweight permitted move. Travel in convoys is prohibited.

Vehicles traveling under oversize permit authority requiring an escort requires that each load must have an individual escort.

SPRING WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS

No restrictions.

Holidays

Travel is prohibited on the following holidays:

New Year's Day
Memorial Day

Independence Day
Labor Day

Christmas Day
Thanksgiving Day

The State Permit Office is closed on the above mentioned holidays as well as Martin Luther King Day, Juneteenth Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, day after Thanksgiving, and the day before or after Christmas, but travel is not restricted on these additional days.

Fines

Overdimension only - At discretion of the court.

Overweight Fines

1-3,000 lbs. overweight	\$ 25 + court cost
3,001 - 4,000	\$ 40 + court cost
4,001 - 5,000	\$ 75 + court cost
5,001 - 6,000	\$125 + court cost
6,001 - 7,000	\$200 + court cost
7,001 - 8,000	\$275 + court cost
8,001 - 9,000	\$350 + court cost
9,001 - 10,000	\$425 + court cost
over 10,000	\$500 + court cost

May be cited for over axle and over gross.

Super Loads

Loads in excess of routine issue limits shall submit an application including sketches, axle weights and spacings to the state. For loads 20' wide, route survey is required along with contacting State Police. Over 15'6" high loads need a written route survey, over 18' high contact the utility company. Loads of 190' long or greater and over, 170,000 lbs., contact the Highway Department.

Super loads 200,000 to 299,999 lbs. issued within 24 Hours.

300,000 - 499,999 lbs. 2-4 weeks

500,000 - 800,000 lbs. 6-8 weeks.

Loads over 800,000 lbs. allow minimum 8 weeks depending on number of bridges crossed on requested route.

For more information please contact:

Comdata

(800) 749-7174

To obtain and order permits from Comdata please call:

(800) 749-7166