



Virginia  
**Department of Motor Vehicles**  
**Motor Carrier Services**  
**Hauling Permit Section**  
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**Richmond, Virginia 23260**

**PHONE:** 804-786-2787

**HOURS:** 8:00A.M.- 12:30 P.M.  
 1:30P.M - 4:00 P.M.  
**EASTERN TIME**

<b>Legal Limits</b>	<b>DESIGNATED HIGHWAYS</b>	<b>ALL OTHER ROADS</b>
Weight:		
Single	20,000	20,000
Tandem	34,000	34,000
Tridum	42,500 9' axle spacing	34,000
Gross weight	80,000	80,000
	<i>Federal Bridge Formula applies.</i>	
Width:	8'6"	8'6"
Height:	13'6"	13'6"
Length:		
Single unit, buses	40'	40'
Semi-trailer*	48'	48'
Twins/doubles	28'6"	Not allowed
Autotransporters	65'	60'
Stinger steered	75'	65'
Rocky mtn. doubles	Not allowed	Not allowed
Turnpike doubles	Not allowed	Not allowed
Triples	Not allowed	Not allowed
	Tractor trucks may not have more than 1 semi-trailer attached.	
Saddlemounts	75' 3 vehicles can be drawn by this device.	2 vehicles can be drawn if coupled together by a saddlemount.
<b>TOLERANCE</b>	Not applicable.	
<b>TIRE WIDTH</b>	650 lbs. per inch width of tire.	
<b>OVERHANG</b>	3' front, 4' rear.	
<b>ACCESS</b>	One mile for 53' trailers, twins and 8'6" wide trailers.	
<b>EXEMPTIONS</b>	None	

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

## Weight:

Single	24,000	
Tandem	44,000	Depending on axle spacings
Tridum	54,500	Depending on axle spacings
Quad	64,500	Depending on axle spacings

## Gross weight:

5 Axles	102,500	Must have 64' of spacings.
6 Axles	108,500	Must have 64' of spacings.
7 Axles	115,000	Must have 64' of spacings.
8 Axles	115,000	Must have 64' of spacings.

Will issue up to 150,000 lbs. on the interstate only, with 6, 7, or 8 axle combinations and at least 64" of spacings. 130,000 lbs. off interstate.

Applications requesting axle weights exceeding set limits will be treated as Super Loads.

Length: 150'

Width: 15'

Height: 15'

Overhang: Front in excess of 3' to be specified by permit. Rear not to exceed 1/3 length of load, 2/3 length of which must rest upon truck or trailer bed.

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

SASHTO: 100' long, 14' high, 14' wide, 120,000 lbs.

**PERMITS VALID FOR**

Single trip permits are valid for thirteen (13) consecutive days. Over 14' w (5) days.

**ACCEPTABLE PERMIT FORMAT**

Since the permits are vehicle specific, the original permit or a legible copy of the entire permit is required to be carried in the transport vehicle. This permit shall be presented to Department of Motor Vehicles, law enforcement or Department of Transportation officials when requested. (Law enforcement has been accepting electronic copies of the permits as long as the permit in its entirety is provided. This would include any additional documents/attachments required to be kept with an annual permit, etc. Acceptance of an electronic copy is left up to the discretion of law enforcement.)

**EXTENSIONS/REVISIONS**

None allowed. Allows two (2) transfers to another vehicle in a 12-month period.

**OPERATING TIME**

Travel is authorized 24 hours per day, 7 days per week when load does not exceed 8'6" wide, 13'6" high, and 85'0" long with 10'0" or less in rear overhang. Overweight only may also travel 24/7. During night-time travel, a red light visible up to 500 feet shall be used in place of flag.

Vehicles exceeding a width of 8'6" but not over 10'0", 14' height, 85'0" length with 115,000 lbs. gross weight may travel one-half hour after sunrise to one-half hour before sunset.

When load is between 8'7" and 10'0" in width, daylight only travel is authorized Monday through Saturday from sunrise until sunset.

When load is between 10'1" and 14'0" in width, overall length is between 85'1" and 100'0", and/or rear overhang exceeds 10'0": Daylight only travel is authorized Monday through Saturday from sunrise until sunset.

When load is between 12'1" and 14'0": Undivided highway travel is not allowed between 7 am - 9 am and 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm when schools are in session. Travel permitted on all highways when schools are not in session.

### **WEEKEND TRAVEL**

Travel is permitted from sunrise to sunset on Saturday.

No Sunday travel.

### **LIFT AXLES**

Lift axles are legal but must be a full weight bearing axle.

### **DIVISIBLE LOADS**

The weight and/or size must be reduced to its absolute minimum and loaded in such a manner that will most closely conform to legal limits.

### **EXCEPTIONS**

Coal hauling permits, old equipment permits, concrete mixed-in-transit permits, farm produce hauling permits, containerized cargo permits, solid waste permits, and cotton module permits.

Construction equipment will not require dismantling if it can be transported safely.

Blades, buckets or scoop attachments, exceeding 8' in width but not over 12' in width may be moved intact. Attachments shall not overhang the total width of either the transport vehicle or extendable outriggers by more than 6" on each side.

When width exceeds 12'0", blade, bucket or scoop attachments must be removed but can be carried with the equipment

Blades, buckets, or scoop cutting edges shall be loaded to the rear of the vehicle.

### **SELF-PROPELLED EQUIPMENT**

Permits will be issued provided that the truck cranes shall be reduced to their shortest length by removing all interior sections of the boom. The heel and toe section will be permitted to remain on the unit provided their removal is not required to reduce the gross weight of the unit.

All self-propelled equipment must follow the routine weight chart limits for axles and axle distances. When exceeding the routine weight chart, permits will be processed as a Super load request

**INTERMODAL**

Width:	8'
Height:	15'
Length:	65'
Gross weight:	80,000
Single axle	20,000
Tandem axle	34,000
Gross weight	115,000 (7 axles or more, 64' spacings)
Single axle	24,000
Tandem	44,000
Tridum	54,500

Permit is valid only for travel of containerized cargo in a sealed seagoing container leaving from or going to a seaport. Single trip permits cannot be issued for containerized cargo loads; these can only be ordered on an annual basis. Annual permits are \$130.00 per year

These permits are transferrable at a cost of \$10.00; this means that if a carrier obtains a 1 yr permit and they need to change the identification (trailer plate/serial no), they can pay a \$10.00 fee to do so. The new permit will share the same expiration date as the original permit; the only information that can be changed is the identification. The carrier will be allowed 2 transfers in 12 month period.

**New 30 Day Exempt Permit:**

In response to the recent Key Bridge collapse in Baltimore, MD, the Commonwealth of Virginia is offering a 30-day permit for containerized cargo. There are two types of permits available, an Exempt permit and a Blanket permit. The exempt permit allows up to 94,500 lbs. on 5 axles and 100,000 lbs. on 6 axles otherwise legal. If additional weight is needed, a blanket permit application should be completed. This permit is available until the bridge is repaired. 30 day exempt permits are \$0.00.

**MANUFACTURED HOUSING/MOBILE HOMES**

Routine issue permit rules apply. Maximum blanket permit is 14' wide, 100' long, 14' high. Single trips are determined on an individual basis when they exceed these dimensions. Need 2-ton truck to tow 14' wide home, 1-1/2 ton truck to tow 12' wide home and 3/4-ton truck to tow 10' wide home. No farm tractor shall be used to tow a mobile or manufactured house section upon the highways of this state.

Open sided units shall be covered by plywood, hardboard or other rigid material. In lieu of rigid material, suitable plastics or other flexible material may be used.

**Types of Permits****Single Trip Permit**

Permits are issued to cover a single trip between point-of-origin and destination. Permits are issued for a 13-day period. A return trip will be processed as a new single trip permit.

The fee is \$20.00 for Oversize only loaded on a licensed trailer.

If 115,000 or less, the charge is \$20.00 (non-super load) or \$30.00 (super load) administrative fee + \$.30 cents/mile + Damage Fee for all vehicles operating under a permit which exceeds statutory weight limitations and for vehicles that can not be legally licensed. Additionally, a \$4.00 per structure is assessed.

If weight exceeds 115,001, the charge is \$30.00 administrative fee + \$.30 cents/mile + Damage Fee for all vehicles operating under a permit which exceeds statutory weight limitations and for vehicles that can not be legally licensed. Additionally, a \$4.00 per structure is assessed.

<u>Vehicle Gross Weight</u>	<u>Damage Fee</u>
115,000 lbs or less, non-superload	\$ 0.00
115,000 lbs or less, superload	\$ 0.00
115,001 to 150,000 lbs	\$ 50.00
150,001 to 200,000 lbs	\$ 160.00
200,001 to 500,000 lbs	\$ 250.00
500,001 lbs or more	\$1420.00

**Blanket-Term Permit**

Blanket permits will not be issued unless it is shown that it is a hardship for the applicant to secure a permit for each move and/or if it is in the Department's interest to issue extended term permits. Issued only by the central office. Permits are valid for 12 months from issuance date. The fee is \$100.00. The fee for two years is \$200.00.

If overweight, and additional \$40.00 mileage and \$360.00 damage fee per year will apply. If the vehicle or the equipment is being towed cannot be licensed in Virginia (i.e. self-propelled crane, mobile home) a \$40.00 mileage fee per year will apply.

Valid for loads not exceeding 14' wide, 14' high, 100' long and a gross weight not exceeding the routine weight chart.

**Building Movement Permits - \$50**

This permit is issued by VA Dept. of Transportation. Fee payable whether a permit is issued or not.

**INFORMATION NEEDED TO ORDER A PERMIT**

Description of equipment and/or commodity to be moved, overall dimensions, gross weight of load, serial number of vehicle, state in which licensed, origin and destination of movement, routes, name/mailing address of mover, and axle spacings.

**Escorts**

**When an escort is required, the escort must be either VA certified or certified within a state VA will recognize.**

The programs accepted include the following states: FL, GA, MN, NC, OK, UT, and WA.

**Width****Non-Interstate****Interstate**

12'1"-14'  
14'1"-16'  
16'1"-18'

1 front 1 rear  
2 front 1 rear  
2 front 2 rear

1 rear  
1 front 1 rear  
1 front 2 rear

Any load exceeding 18' wide will be escorted on a case by case basis.

**Height**

14'5"

1 front with height pole  
*Adjusted 3" above the load height*

1 front with height pole

Any load loads exceeding 17'0" high will be required to have a police escort in addition to any required civilian escort.

**Length**

90'1" - 120'	1 rear	No Escort
120'1" - 150'	1 rear	1 rear
150'1" - 200'	1 front 1 rear	1 front 1 rear

Any load exceeding 200' long will be escorted on a case by case basis.

**Overhang**

10' and over front	1 front	1 front
15' and over rear	1 rear	1 rear

Rear escort may also be required on permit, or if not specified, will be responsibility of permittee for adequate vision of motorists approaching from rear.

Over 12' wide or over 75' long needs amber flashing lights or escorts with amber flashing lights-see truck signs and lights section.

Rear overhang not to exceed 1/3 length of the load, 2/3 must rest within the confines of the transport vehicle or trailer bed. 2 red lights must be displayed on a rear overhang exceeding 4' on the widest part of the overhang and one each side of the load. (Tree-Length logs exempt)

**ESCORT VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS**

Certification as an escort vehicle driver is mandatory when escorting oversize loads.

Virginia residents who possess a valid Virginia driver's license shall obtain their certification through Virginia's Escort Vehicle Driver Certification Program. Non-Virginia residents may be certified through Virginia's Escort Vehicle Driver Certification Program or through a certification program from another state. Regardless of what state certifies the driver as an escort driver, certification is considered invalid if the driver's license is not valid.

Successful applicants shall carry the certification document with them while escorting vehicle configurations. Certification, along with a driver's license, must be presented when requested by

any Department of Motor Vehicles, law enforcement or Department of Transportation officials when requested. Failure to have the certification in possession while escorting a permitted load will cause the movement to be delayed until proper escorts and credentials are in place.

**ESCORT VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS (cont.)**

A. The escort vehicle shall be a truck not less than one-quarter ton-rated load capacity but not more than 17,000 pounds gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) or a passenger vehicle of not less than 2,000 pounds gross weight. Escort vehicles shall not resemble nor be confused with law-enforcement or safety-assistance vehicles. Escort vehicles shall be in compliance with all state and local registration processes required by the state in which the vehicle is registered. Escort vehicles shall not be overdimensional or overweight while in use performing escorting duties. They are not permitted to pull a trailer of any kind while performing escorting duties and shall have an unobstructed view through the rear window.

B. All escort vehicles shall be equipped with a two-way radio communication system to maintain communications between the permitted vehicle driver and all escort vehicles in the group.

C. Front or lead escort vehicles are required to have a height pole/hot-pole when required by permit. While performing escorting duties the pole shall be extended at least three inches above the specified height of the vehicle configuration being escorted.

D. Escort vehicles headlamps shall be on at all times while escorting overdimensional/overweight movements.

E. All escort vehicles shall have at least one light, rotating or strobe, positioned on top of the escort vehicle. The light must be visible for a distance of at least 500 feet in all directions by approaching vehicles.

F. Paddles shall be at least 18 inches by 18 inches with six-inch high lettering. For greater visibility, a high-intensity flashing stop/slow paddle may be used.

G. All flags used for flagging purposes shall be red or any highly fluorescent color, not less than 18 inches square and in good condition. Flags shall be placed at the extremities of a vehicle load to identify overwidth or secured at the end of the load to identify overhang.

H. Individuals performing flagging activities shall wear a hard hat and a red or any highly visible fluorescent traffic vest or jacket of approved Type ANSI II or III.

I. Escort vehicles shall have signs, descriptive of the load being escorted, i.e., "Wide Load" or "Oversize Load" or "Overweight Load." At a minimum, the signs shall be displayed in black eight-inch high letters with a minimum of 1-1/4 inch brush strokes on a yellow banner. The banner shall be mounted on the front and rear bumper of the escort vehicle. If displayed on the roof of the escort vehicle other drivers must be able to read the signs when approaching or following the escort vehicle.

J. A minimum of one Underwriters Laboratories (UL) or Factory Mutual Laboratories (FM) approved, five pounds or greater, Type "BC" or "ABC" fire extinguisher shall be carried in the escort vehicle or escort vehicles.

K. Reflective triangles or road flares shall be used to warn oncoming or approaching vehicles of a breakdown.

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

Loads exceeding 8'6" wide, 60' long or with more than 10' of overhang must display appropriate warning signs. Signs shall be posted front and rear and shall read "Wide Load" or "Oversize Load". The wide load sign shall be used whenever overall width exceeds 8'6". The oversize load sign shall be used for overlength and other oversize features. The more definitive signs reading "Wide Load" or "Long Load", may be substituted for the oversize load sign when appropriate. The "Long Load" sign shall have preference when lengths exceed 100' and other oversize features exist.

The lettering must be an 8" minimum height with 1-1/2" brush strokes and a minimum 1" border all around. All signs shall have black letters on yellow background mounted at least 18" above the roadway surface. Signs must be neat and clean, mounted securely and visible from straight ahead or behind and to 45 degrees either side.

**FLAGS**

Red flags or fluorescent orange flags shall be displayed at each of the 4 corners of any vehicle load that is overwidth or overlength. Flags are to be placed at the extremities of the width or length. Flags must be 18" square and in good condition. Flags are not required when the vehicle load is overheight only or when it is overweight only.

Flagmen are used when necessary in order to warn and direct traffic. Flagmen must wear a red jacket or vest and be equipped with a red flag and/or a paddle reading "Stop" in white letters on red background. Flagmen must be 18 years of age or older.

**LIGHTS**

Loads over 12'0 wide or 75' long require an amber flashing light unless escorted. 2 red lights must be displayed on a rear overhang exceeding 4' on the widest part of the overhang and one each side of the load. (Tree-Length logs exempt)

**Insurance**

Permittee is responsible for liability for personal injury and property damage that may arise from the work performed under permit and/or from the operation of the permitted activity up to \$1,000,000.

**Weigh Stations**

US 11 Middletown Across from I81 scales NB, SB	540-869-5391
US 11 Hollins 1.7 miles north of route 115	540-992-3239
US 13 New Church 1.85 miles S. of MD State Line NB, SB	757-824-3614
US 50 Aldie .2 miles W. of US 15 EB, WB	703-327-6938
US 58 Suffolk 1.32 miles West of Chesapeake	757-925-2247
I-64 Sandston 2.3 miles W. of VA 33 EB, WB	804-328-3057
I-77 Bland 4.2 miles N. of VA 717 NB, SB	276-688-4721
I-81 Stephens City 2.5 miles E. of VA 249 NB, SB	540-868-4084
I-81 Troutville 1.4 miles S. of US 220 NB, SB	540-992-4291
I-85 Alberta 4.7 miles S. of VA 46 NB, SB	434-949-7336
I-95 Carson NB, SB 6 miles S. of Petersburg	804-861-6565
I-95 Dumfries 1.1 miles N. of VA 234 NB, SB	703-221-5344
US 301 Dahlgren 1 mile S. of MD State Line, NB, SB	540-663-2651

**Restricted Travel**

1. Except when travel is upon the Interstate Highway System, no travel is permitted within the corporate limits of cities/towns between the hours of 7:00 and 9:00 a.m. or between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. City permits may take up to 3 days to issue and may require proof of a valid state permit.
2. No passing is allowed within the corporate limits of cities/towns except where travel is upon the Interstate Highway System.
3. Bypass routes to be utilized around cities/towns where bypass routes are designated.
4. **ALEXANDRIA - VDOT** permit not valid through city other than Interstate Route 395 and 95 (Capital Beltway). Contact City Traffic Director for permit to travel routes not listed. Telephone (703) 838-4664.
5. **ARLINGTON COUNTY - VDOT** permit valid for travel on Primary routes and Interstate Highway System. Contact County Traffic Division for permit to travel other roadways. Telephone (703) 228-3575.
6. **BLUEFIELD** - (Vehicles/loads in excess of 12 feet in width) Permittee to notify the Police Department one (1) hour prior to entering corporate limits. Telephone (540) 228-3575.
7. **CHESAPEAKE - VDOT** permit not valid for travel through the city unless using Routes 58, 460, Alt. 460, 13, Business 13, 104, 17 between North Carolina Line and the intersection of Routes 17 and 104, and Interstate Routes 64, 264 and 464 as "thru" routes only. If stopping or starting on routes above (other than Interstates), a Chesapeake city permit is required. Contact Comdata for permit to travel routes not listed above.
8. **CLIFTON FORGE** - Travel restricted to the following routes; Route 220 (Verge Street) between the East Corporate Limits and the Intersection with Route 60, then along 60 from Intersection of A and Main Streets to the East Corporate Limits, then to Interstate Route 64.
9. **DANVILLE** - (vehicle/loads in excess of 12 feet in width) Permittee to notify Police Department twenty-four (24) hours prior to entering corporate limits. Hours of travel 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Travel restricted to Route 29 and 58.

10. **FAIRFAX - VDOT** permit not valid within city limits. Contact City Traffic Engineer for permit. Telephone (703) 385-7910.
11. **FALLS CHURCH** - Permittee to notify Police Department one (1) hour prior to entering corporate limits. Telephone (703) 241-5050.
12. **FARMVILLE** - (vehicle/loads in excess of 12 feet in width) Permittee to notify Police Department twenty-four (24) hours prior to entering corporate limits. Telephone (804) 392-3332.
13. **HARRISONBURG** - (vehicle/loads in excess of 12 feet in width) Permittee to notify Police Department twenty-four (24) hours prior to entering corporate limits. Telephone (540) 434-2545.
14. **HENRICO COUNTY** - Department permit valid for travel upon Parham Road, Laburnum Avenue and routes less than 600. No travel is permitted upon Parham Road and Laburnum Avenue between the hours of 7:00 - 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 - 6:30 p.m. Contact County Traffic Engineer for permit to travel on routes not listed above. Telephone (804) 501-4397. Department issued permits will designate Henrico County roadways by name, not number.
15. **HERNDON** - Permittee to notify Police Department one (1) hour prior to entering corporate limits. Telephone (703) 435-6846.
16. **HOPEWELL** - Permittee to notify Police Department twenty-four (24) hours prior to entering corporate limits. Telephone (804) 541-2222.
17. **MANASSAS** - Permittee to notify City Hall twenty-four (24) hours prior to entering corporate limits. Telephone (703) 257-8000.
18. **MARTINSVILLE** - Travel permitted on routes listed below between one-half hour after sunrise to one-half hour before sunset within city limits only. Travel restricted to the following routes:
  - a) East/West Travel - Utilize Route 58 between East City Limits and Fairy Street, proceed upon Fairy Street to Commonwealth Boulevard (Route 57), and along Commonwealth Boulevard to West City Limits. Then travel Routes 1112 and 667 to Route 220 Business. Travel then allowed north or south on Route 220 Business.
  - b) North/South Travel - Utilize designated Route 220 Bypass (does not enter city limits).Contact Police Department for travel on routes not listed. Telephone (540) 656-5300.
19. **NEWPORT NEWS** - (vehicle/loads in excess of 8'6" in width) VDOT permit not valid for travel within the city except for Interstate Routes 64 and 664. Permittee to contact Traffic Bureau. Telephone (757)926-8139.
20. **NORFOLK** - Department permit not valid for travel within the city except for interstate Routes 64, 264 and 564. Contact City Traffic Engineer for permit travel routes not listed. Telephone (757)664-7300.  
Travel time 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. over 16' wide 11:00 p.m. - 4:00 a.m.
21. **NORTON** - No travel allowed between 7:30 a.m - 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday - Friday. Contact Norton Police Department at least (1) hour prior to entry at (276) 679-1211.

Gross weights in excess of 92,000 lbs. must be approved by the City Manager's office at (276) 679 - 1160 Monday - Friday. After hours, contact the Norton Police Department.

All loads must utilize the routes below when traveling within the Norton corporate limits. When traveling on U.S. Highway 23, use U.S. Highway 23 to exit 1 - turn left onto 12th Street , turn left at traffic signal onto 11th Street (crossing Bridge Structure #1800), turn left at traffic signal onto Park Avenue NW (Bus 23)

Loads entering the city on Bus 23 at the Western corporate limits must follow the route outlined below:

Follow Park Avenue (Bus 23), turn right at traffic signal onto 11th Street (crossing Bridge Structure #1800), turn right onto 12th Street S.W. to access U. S. Highway 23.

22. **PORTSMOUTH** - Department permit valid for travel through city only on Interstate Route 264 and Route 164. Contact City Traffic Engineer for permit to travel routes not listed. Telephone (757) 393-8594.

Single Trip: \$50.00 With Escort: \$100.00

23. **RICHMOND** - Department permit not valid for travel within the city except for Interstate Routes 64, 195 and 95. Contact City Traffic Engineer for permit to travel routes not listed above. Telephone (804) 646-7000.

24. **ROANOKE** - (vehicle/loads in excess of 12 feet in width) Travel restricted to the following routes:

- a.) Interstate Route I-581
- b.) Route 460 (Orange Avenue) between Interstate 581 and the East corporate Limits.
- c.) Route 220 (Franklin Road) between Route 419 and the South Corporate Limits.
- d.) Route 419 between Route 220 and Salem Corporate Limits.

Contact city for travel routes not listed. Telephone (540) 981-2671.

25. **VIENNA** - Permittee to notify the Police Department one (1) hour prior to entering corporate limits. Telephone (703) 255-6366 OR 255-6367.

26. **VIRGINIA BEACH** - Department permit not valid for travel through the City other than Interstate 64, Route 44 and 13 (Northampton Blvd.). Contact the Development Services Center (DSC) for permit to travel routes not listed above. Telephone (804) 427-4196 Fax (804) 426-5789. For permit information on weekends/holidays after 5:00 p.m., call (804) 427-3580/code 497.

#### **GEOGRAPHICAL, "AREA TIMES AND DAYS TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS"**

1. **Botetourt and Alleghany Counties** Route 220 - (vehicles/loads that are overwidth and/or overlength) Travel allowed upon Route 220 between Fincastle and Clifton Forge only between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

2. **Richmond-Petersburg Metropolitan Area** - (vehicles/loads that are overwidth and/or overlength)

No travel allowed between the hours of 7:00 and 9:00 a.m. or between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday on any of the following segments of roadway:

- a.) I-95 between Route 73 (Parham Road) north of Richmond and the city of Petersburg South Corporate Limits.
- b.) I-85 within City of Petersburg Corporate Limits.
- c. I-64 between I-95 and I-295 East and West within Henrico County.

3. **North Virginia Area** - (vehicles/loads that are overwidth and or overlength) No travel allowed between the hours of 7:00 and 9:00 a.m. or between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday on Interstate Routes 495, 395, 95 (Capital Beltway) and Interstate 66 between I-495 and the Fairfax -Prince William County line.

4. ***Roanoke/Salem Area*** - (vehicles loads that are overwidth and/or overlength) No travel allowed between the hours of 7:00 and 9:00 a.m. or between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday on Interstate Route 581 and Route 419.
5. ***Tidewater area*** - (vehicle/loads that are overwidth and/or overlength) No travel allowed between the hours of 7:00 and 9:00 a.m. or between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday on the following routes:
  - a.) I-64 between the intersection of I-64 and Route 17 (City of Newport News) and intersection of I-64 and I-264 (City of Chesapeake).
  - b.) I-564, I-464, I-264 and Route 44

#### **6. *Hampton Roads Bridge Tunnel***

Overwidth loads not exceeding 10'6" may travel within the vicinity of the Hampton Roads Bridge Tunnel on I-64 (between LaSalle Ave. in Hampton and Fourth View St. in Norfolk) on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Vehicles exceeding 10'6" must utilize the Monitor - Merrimac Memorial Bridge Tunnel on I-664.

#### **7. *Monitor - Merrimac Memorial Bridge Tunnel***

- a.) Overwidth loads exceeding 10'6" but less than 12' may travel through the I-664 Monitor - Merrimac Memorial Bridge Tunnel from sunrise to sunset Monday through Friday except between the hours of 3:00 and 6:00 p.m. Travel is permitted until noon on Saturday. The driver is required to stop at the inspection station and present hauling permit.
- b.) Overwidth loads exceeding 12'0" but not greater than 14'0" may travel through the I-664 Monitor - Merrimac Bridge Tunnel on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. The permittee is required to contact the tunnel control twenty-four (24) hours prior to arriving at the inspection station and present hauling permit. Tunnel Control Telephone (757) 247-2118, 2119 and 2123.

### **GEOGRAPHICAL AREA "DIMENSIONAL TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS"**

#### **1. *Hampton Roads Bridge Tunnel* (I-64)**

Width - 14 feet	Length - Maximum normally allowed by permit
Height - 13 feet	Weight - Maximum normally allowed by permit

#### **2. *Monitor - Merrimac Memorial Bridge Tunnel* (I-664)**

Width - 14 feet	Length - Maximum normally allowed by permit
Height - 14 feet	Weight - Maximum normally allowed by permit

#### **3. *Downtown Tunnel* (Route Alt. 460 between the cities of Portsmouth and Norfolk)**

Width - 9 feet	Length - Maximum normally allowed by permit
Height - 13 feet 6 inches	Weight - Maximum normally allowed by permit

#### **4. *Midtown Tunnel* - Route 58 between the Cities of Portsmouth and Norfolk**

Width - 10 feet 4 inches	Length - Maximum normally allowed by permit
Height - 13 feet 6 inches	Weight - Maximum normally allowed by permit

#### **5. *Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel* - Route 13**

Width - 12 feet	Length - Maximum normally allowed by permit
Height - 13 feet 6 inches	Weight - up to 100,000 lbs.

Gross weights in excess of 100,000 pounds must be approved by the Chesapeake Bay Bridge - Tunnel Authority. For width in excess of 10 feet 4 inches, permittee should contact Tunnel authority 24 hours in advance to arrange passage. Telephone number (804) 624-3511, Ext. 40.

**6. *Big Walker and East River Mountain Tunnels* - Interstate Route 77 - Bland County**

Width - 14 feet                    Length - Maximum normally allowed by permit

Height - 15 feet 7 inches    Weight - Maximum normally allowed by permit

**7. *James River Bridge* - Route 17 between Newport News and Isle of Weight County**

Width - 14 feet                    Length - Maximum normally allowed by permit

Height - 15 feet 6 inches    Weight - Maximum normally allowed by permit

**8. *Powhite Parkway* (Richmond Metropolitan Authority Expressway) - Route 76**

Width - 12 feet                    Length - Maximum normally allowed by permit

Height - 14 feet                    Weight - Maximum normally allowed by permit

**9. *Downtown Richmond Expressway* - Route 195**

Width - 12 feet                    Length - Maximum normally allowed by permit

Height - 14 feet                    Weight - Maximum normally allowed by permit

Refer to Form MP-80-14 for routing of 14' wide vehicle/loads.

**10. *Richmond - Petersburg Metropolitan Area* - Interstate Route 95 and 85**

Width - 14 feet                    Length - Maximum normally allowed by permit

Height - 14 feet                    Weight - Maximum normally allowed by permit

**11. *Dulles Toll Road* - Route 267**

Width - 9 feet                    Length - Maximum normally allowed by permit

Height - 13 feet 9 inches    Weight - Maximum normally allowed by permit

**12. *Greys Point (Robert O. Norris Bridge)* - Route 3**

Width - 10 feet                    Length - Maximum normally allowed by permit

Height - 14 feet                    Weight - Maximum normally allowed by permit

**13. *Narrow Bridges* - Loads/vehicles exceeding a width of 12 feet but not greater than 14 feet require a front escort vehicle to advance across the bridge to conduct proper traffic control prior to the wide load unit starting across the following bridges:**

Route 17 bridge over the York River at Yorktown

Route 58 bridge over Buggs Island Lake at Clarksville

Route 33 bridge over Pumunkey River and Mattaponi River at West Point

Route 360 bridge over Dan River at South Boston

**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 out of the following ports WILL BE required to have a Transportation Workers Identification Card (TWIC) issued by the Transportation Safety Administration:**

*Newport News, Chesapeake***SPRING WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS**

No restrictions.

**Holidays**

Travel is suspended from 12:00 noon on the preceding day through the following holidays. If the holiday falls on Monday the travel is suspended from 12:00 noon on the preceding Friday.

New Year's Day	Independence Day
Labor Day	Thanksgiving Day
Memorial Day	Christmas Day

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

**Fines**

Any person charged with a violation of the weight limitations shall be subject to a civil penalty of \$25, a processing fee of \$20, a weighing fee of \$200 in addition to liquidation damage assessments as follows:

Axe weight violations		
2,000 lbs. or less		\$ .01 cents/lb.
2,001 - 5,000 lbs.		.02 cents/lb.
5,001 lbs. or more		.05 cents/lb.
Gross weight violations		
5,000 lbs. or less		\$ .02 cents/lb.
5,001 lbs. or more		.05 cents/lb.
Permit violations of axle weights		
2,000 lbs. or less		\$ .01 cents/lb.
2,001 - 5,000 lbs.		.02 cents/lb.
5,001 lbs. or more		.05 cents/lb.
Permit violations of gross weight		
All gross weight violations		\$ .10 cents/lb.

Number of Permits Issued	Maximum Number of Citations for 6 Month Period
0 - 500	2
501 - 1000	3
1001 - 2000	4
2001 - 3000	5
3001 - 4000	6
4001 - 5000	7

Penalties for exceeding the number of citations listed above within consecutive 6 month periods:

- 1) Up to 15 days suspension
- 2) Up to 30 days suspension
- 3) Up to 90 days suspension
- 4) Up to 6 months suspension
- 5) Suspended indefinitely

**Super Loads**

Anything that exceeds the routine weight chart, whether gross weight or axle weight or exceeds the routine dimension is considered a superload.

Certain configurations have been preapproved by VDOT to be worked by routine single trip technicians without having to have a structure review at Bridge. These are limited to 6, 7, or 8 axle combinations with specific configurations and in some cases, specific axle spacings.

Requires approximately 5-10 business days to be processed. Need diagram showing axle spacing, axle weights and routes. In addition to normal fees (starting at \$30.00), \$4.00 per bridge crossed will be assessed along with a \$.30 per ton per mile fee and a damage fee that is relative to the gross weight.

To cancel a scheduled Superload move, please contact the office by phone, prior to the scheduled move date to cancel. Consistent changes to a move date may result in a new application requirement with a new review process.

**NON-ROUTINE SUPERLOAD****Hauling Permit Ordering Guidelines**

***Non-Routine Superloads*** - permits that exceed the maximum limitations of standard single-trip and routing superload permits

***Non-Routine Superload Parameters*** : (Must always be faxed in) (804) 367-0063

- Heights exceeding 15'0"
- Widths exceeding 15'0" (submit a letter of variance). Must have a letter from the shipper.\*
- Lengths exceeding 150'0" Must have a letter from the shipper.\*
- Weight in excess of 115,000 lbs. - submit a Preliminary Review Request Form.)

\* Letters from the shipper must contain:

- A. why the load cannot be reduced
- B. why no other means of shipment are possible
- C. the overall load dimensions
- D. the routes of travel
- E. the specific origin/destination in Virginia

Axle weights in excess of :

***Interstate Routes******Non-Interstate Routes***

Single	24,000 lbs.	24,000 lbs.
Tandem	44,000 lbs.	44,000 lbs.
Tri-axle	54,500 lbs. (9' spacing)**	54,000 lbs.
Quad-axle	64,500 lbs. (14' spacing)	64,500 lbs
5 or more		(refer to Axle Chart Next Page)

\*\*They are allowed up to 60,000 lbs on their tri axle group provided they have 64 ft. or more of overall spacing, 30 ft. or more of inner bridge and 9 ft. of spacing between the axles in the tri axle group and are traveling interstate routes only.

**Virginia Superload Axle Chart**

"L"	2 AXLES	3 AXLES	4 AXLES	5 AXLES	6 AXLES	7 OR MORE AXLES
4	44,000					
5	44,000					
6	44,000					
7	44,000					
8	48,000	53,500				
9		54,500				
10		55,000				
11		56,000				
12		56,600	63,000			
13		57,600	63,500			
14		58,000	64,500			
15		59,000	65,000			
16		59,500	65,500	72,500		
17		60,500	66,500	73,000		
18		61,000	67,000	74,000		
19		62,000	67,500	74,500		
20		62,500	68,500	75,000	82,000	
21		63,500	69,000	75,500	82,500	
22		64,000	69,500	76,500	83,000	
23		65,000	70,500	77,000	84,000	
24		65,500	71,000	77,500	84,500	91,500
25		66,500	71,500	78,000	85,000	92,000
26		67,000	72,500	79,000	85,500	92,500
27		68,000	73,000	79,500	86,000	93,000
28		68,500	73,500	80,000	87,000	94,000
29		69,500	74,000	80,500	87,500	94,500
30		70,000	75,000	81,500	88,000	95,000
31		71,000	75,500	82,000	88,500	95,500
32		71,500	76,500	82,500	89,000	96,000
33			77,000	83,000	90,000	97,000
34			77,500	84,000	90,500	97,500
35			78,500	84,500	91,000	98,000
36			79,000	85,000	91,500	98,500
37			79,500	85,500	92,000	99,000
38			80,500	86,500	93,000	99,500
39			81,000	87,000	93,500	100,500
40			81,500	87,500	94,000	101,000
41			82,500	88,000	94,500	101,500
42			83,000	89,000	95,000	102,000
43			83,500	89,500	96,000	102,500
44			84,500	90,000	96,500	103,000
45			85,000	90,500	97,000	104,000
46			85,500	91,500	97,500	104,500
47			86,500	92,000	98,000	105,000
48			87,000	92,500	99,000	105,500
49			87,500	93,000	99,500	106,000
50			88,500	94,000	100,000	106,500
51			89,000	94,500	100,500	107,500
52			89,500	95,000	101,000	108,000
53			90,500	95,500	102,000	108,500
54			91,000	96,500	102,500	109,000
55			91,500	97,000	103,000	109,500
56			92,500	97,500	104,000	110,000
57			93,000	98,000	104,500	111,000
58			94,000	99,000	105,000	111,500
59			94,500	99,500	105,500	112,000
60			95,000	100,000	106,000	112,500
61			96,000	101,000	106,500	113,000
62				101,500	108,000	114,000
63				102,000	108,000	114,500
64				102,500	108,500	115,000
MAXIMUM						

"L" defined as the distance in feet between extremes of any group of two or more consecutive axles.

**For more information please contact:**

**Comdata**

**(800) 749-7174**

**To obtain and order permits from Comdata please call:**

**(800) 749-7166**