

NEW BRUNSWICK DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CONDITIONS FOR MOVEMENT OF OVERSIZE LOADS

Unless specifically authorized otherwise in the permit, the following shall apply to oversize/overweight vehicles:

POLICE

1. One week prior to moving loads exceeding 4.88 m (16 ft.) in width or 30 m (98 ft.) in length, the permit holder must notify the nearest detachment of the RCMP (or municipal police where applicable) and abide by police direction for traffic control as required.

TIME

2. This permit is valid for daytime travel Monday to Friday only, subject to the following conditions:
3. Daytime travel means travel is permitted from sunrise to sunset.
4. Nighttime travel means travel is permitted from sunset to sunrise.
5. Sunrise and sunset times will be those established by the National Research Council for the location of the vehicle <http://www.hia-ihc.nrc-cnrc.gc.ca/> and follow the links.
6. Unrestricted weekend travel and unrestricted Holiday travel means the same conditions that apply from Monday to Friday also apply to the weekend and to the Holiday.
7. Restricted weekend travel means that travel is not permitted after 3:00 p.m. on Friday or after noon on Saturday and Sunday. Travel is permitted from sunrise to noon only, Saturday and Sunday.
8. Restricted Holiday travel means that travel is not permitted after 3:00 p.m. the day before the Holiday nor after noon on the Holiday. Travel is permitted from sunrise to noon only, on the Holiday.
9. Loads not exceeding 3.05 m (10 ft.) in width, 30.0 m (98 ft. 5 in.) in length and 4.27 m (14 ft.) in height may also travel at nighttime and are permitted unrestricted weekend travel and unrestricted Holiday travel, on all highways.
10. Loads not exceeding 3.65 m (12 ft.) in width, 30.0 m (98 ft. 5 in.) in length and 4.27 m (14 ft.) in height may also travel at nighttime on multi-lane divided highways only and are permitted unrestricted weekend travel and unrestricted Holiday travel on all highways.
11. Loads not exceeding 4.88 m (16 ft.) in width, 30.0 m (98 ft. 5 in.) in length and 4.88 m (14 ft. 9 in.) in height are permitted restricted weekend travel and restricted Holiday travel, on all highways.
12. Loads not exceeding 5.50 m (18 ft.) in width, 30.0 m (98 ft. 5 in.) in length and 4.88 m (14 ft. 9 in.) in height are permitted restricted weekend travel and restricted Holiday travel, on multi-lane divided highways only.
13. Loads outside of the parameters listed above are not permitted to travel at nighttime, weekends or on Holidays.
14. Travel at nighttime is not permitted for any vehicle with a GVW exceeding 62,500 kg or for any vehicle with a GVW less than 62,500 kg that requires traffic control.
15. Additional time restrictions may also be stipulated.

ESCORTS REQUIRED

16. ON 2-LANE HIGHWAYS:
 - At the FRONT of loads exceeding 3.65 m (12 ft.) in width.
 - At the FRONT and REAR of loads exceeding 4.88 m (16 ft.) in width.
 - At the REAR of loads exceeding 27.5 m (90 ft.) in length.
17. ON MULTI-LANE DIVIDED HIGHWAYS:
 - At the REAR of loads exceeding 3.05 m (10 ft.) in width, for nighttime travel only.
 - At the REAR of loads exceeding 3.65 m (12 ft.) in width.
 - At the REAR of loads exceeding 30.0 m (98 ft. 5 in.) in length.
18. ON ALL HIGHWAYS:
 - At the FRONT of loads with FRONT overhangs exceeding 3.05 m (10 ft.)
 - At the REAR of loads with REAR overhangs exceeding 3.05 m (10 ft.)
19. Additional escorts may also be stipulated.
20. When proceeding at a speed greater than 50 km/h, escorts must maintain a distance of not more than 300 m (984 ft.) or less than 250 m (820 ft.) from the vehicle conveying the load.
21. When proceeding at a speed of less than 50 km/h, escorts must maintain a distance of 150 m (492 ft.) from the vehicle conveying the load.
22. Escort vehicles are limited to 2 axles and maximum GVW of 8,000 kgs.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

23. 360° amber warning light required at the front of vehicle conveying load, and on roof of escorts:
Minimum visibility of 300 m (984 ft.) in all directions.
60 to 90 flashes per minute.
Minimum mounting height is 1.5 m (5 ft.) from the highway.
More than one light may be required to provide 360° visibility around the vehicle.
24. Bright fluorescent red or orange flags 40 cm x 40 cm minimum (16 in. x 16 in.) must be at the extremities of all overwidth and overlength loads.
25. Flashing amber lights, visible from a distance of 150 m (492 ft.), are required on extremities of loads exceeding 3.65 m (12 ft.) in width, or 27.5 m (90 ft.) in length, on front overhangs exceeding 100 cm (3 ft. 3 in.).
26. "D PANEL" signs must be legible at least 125 m (410 ft.) must be displayed as follows:
 - (a) On FRONT and REAR of vehicle when width exceeds 3.05 m (10 ft.).
 - (b) On REAR of vehicle when transporting overlength loads.
 - (c) On REAR of vehicle when rear overhang exceeds 200 cm (6 ft. 6 in.).
 - (d) On FRONT of vehicle when front overhang exceeds 100 cm (3 ft. 3 in.).
 - (e) Escort vehicles must be equipped with either a "D" sign or a lighted sign box which must be visible to approaching traffic:
 - (i) From the FRONT when leading an overdimensional vehicle or load.
 - (ii) From the REAR when following an overdimensional vehicle or load.

"D" sign or lighted sign box are only to be displayed when an oversize move is in progress.

NOTE: "D" sign or lighted sign box are to be constructed as per diagrams on the NBDOT website:
http://www.gnb.ca/0113/trucking/D_sign_specs_English_August_2009.pdf
27. Reflective tape is required on both sides of front overhang exceeding 100 cm (3 ft. 3 in.), and rear overhang exceeding 200 cm (6 ft. 6 in.), for night travel only.

GENERAL

28. This permit does not release the holder from responsibility for damages caused as a result of the conveyance of permitted loads.
29. This permit shall be carried in the vehicle or combination of vehicles conveying the load and is subject to inspection and revocation by a Peace Officer.
30. All traffic rules of the road or other safety requirements deemed necessary by a Peace Officer must be obeyed.
31. Operators of vehicles conveying load must not permit the accumulation of vehicles behind load such that the normal flow of traffic is impeded. Operator must slow down, pull over, stop or otherwise allow vehicles to pass.
32. Operators of vehicles conveying load must maintain at least 500 m (1,640 ft.) between other vehicles conveying loads.
33. This permit is not valid when highway conditions make it dangerous to convey permitted loads and in any event if visibility is less than 300 m (984 ft.)
34. This permit is not valid for conveyance of loads upon highways, roads or streets within the jurisdiction or control of a municipality.
35. When the height of the load exceeds 4.88 m (16 ft.) the permit holder must contact utilities at least three days in advance of the move regarding clearance of overhead wires.
36. This permit does not authorize manufacturer's ratings, of vehicle components, to be exceeded.