

# OVERDIMENSIONAL VEHICLE MULTIPLE-TRIP PERMIT

The following procedures have been developed to standardize the issuance of Overdimensional Vehicle Permits:

## 1. APPLICATIONS FOR MULTIPLE TRIP PERMIT

The applicant must supply the Carrier Compliance Section with sufficient information regarding the width, length and/or height of the load before a Multiple-Trip Vehicle permit application can be considered. The applicant must complete and sign Part I Permit Application.

## 2. REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS FOR MULTIPLE-TRIP PERMITS

The application for a Multiple-Trip Vehicle Permit may be approved only if driving the vehicle on the highway will be safe, and will not cause excessive damage to the highway. *Highway Regulation, Section 19(1)*

Once the information is supplied it is the responsibility of the Carrier Compliance staff to evaluate the ability of the vehicle to operate safely on the highway, as well as ensure that appropriate additional permit conditions are affixed, where appropriate, to any approved permits.

## 3. APPROVAL OF PERMITS

### Compliance Officers

Applications for multiple-trip overdimensional permits for vehicles up to but not exceeding 3.8 meters in width, 36 meters in length, and overheight loads up to but not exceeding 5.0 meters, that will not require any overhead wires to be lifted along the route of travel, may be reviewed and approved by Compliance Officers.

Applications for Multiple Trip Permits over these dimensions will be reviewed as outlined below. These applications will be reviewed and special conditions may well apply – such as Route specific or load specific. Carriers issued Permits for widths exceeding 3.8 meters will be required to call into a Weigh Station to notify when they are going to move and what route they are taking.

### Assistant Managers & Manager

Applications for permits for multiple-trip overdimensional vehicles measuring between 3.8 and 4.4 meters wide, in width must be referred to the Assistant Manager, or if not available, to the Manager Carrier Compliance for review and approval. It may be necessary for the Assistant Manager or the Manager to confer with Highway Engineering or Maintenance before finalising the review and approval of the permit.

### Manager

Applications for permits of a multiple-trip overdimensional vehicle permit for vehicles that exceed 4.4 meters in width, or exceed 36 meters in length or loads that will requiring wire lifting along the route of travel must be reviewed and approved by the Manager Carrier Compliance. It may be necessary for the Manger to confer with Highway Engineering or Maintenance before finalising the review and approval of the permit.

### Director, Highway Engineering or Designate

To ensure the road surface does not sustain excessive damage applications for permits for single trip or multiple-trip overdimensional vehicle permits for vehicles equipped with tracks, wheels, tires or tracks constructed or equipped with projecting spike, cleats, ribs, clamps, flanges, lugs or attachment or projections with extend beyond the tread or traction surface of the wheel tread or track except chains or tires equipped with studs, will be referred for a case specific review and analysis by Highway Engineering.

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## 4. VALIDITY OF PERMIT

A Carrier may purchase a Multiple-Trip Vehicle Permit for any number of months between 1 and 6 months.

For the month of issue the permit will be good from the day it is issued till the last day of that month. For example – a Permit for one-month period issued on January 3, 2003 is valid till midnight January 31, 2003 .

## 5. PERMIT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

All approved Multiple-Trip Vehicle Permits will be issued subject to the following general Permit Terms and Conditions:

The vehicle described in Part I of the Permit is authorized to operate with:

- a) dimensions not to exceed 3.8 m in width, 5.0 m in height and 36 m in length on the following highways:
  - Alaska Highway #1 from the BC/Yukon border to the Yukon/Alaska border
  - South Klondike Highway #2
  - Haines Road #3
  - North Klondike Highway #2
  - Dempster Highway #5 from Km 0 to Yukon/NWT border
  - Radio Communications – Dempster Hwy (Hwy #5) – VHF Radio's are required in all vehicles hauling/escorting loads over 3.2 meters wide on the Dempster Hwy
  - Campbell Highway #4 from Carmacks to Faro
- b) dimensions not to exceed 3.2m in width, 5.0m in height, and 36m in length on all other Yukon highways with the exception of Highway #8 Tagish Road. No vehicles other than a Category 5 Straight Truck or Category 8 Intercity Bus may operate on the Tagish Road between km 2 and km 19.

No stopping, gear changing, sudden acceleration or braking on bridges. Tire chains must be carried for winter driving conditions October 15 to April 15.

In addition to these general terms and conditions, the compliance officer, Manager or Assistant Manager may include additional terms and conditions to ensure that the vehicle can safely operate on the highway.

When loads exceed the above dimensions the Assistant Manager or Manager may issue a permit under certain terms and conditions depending on what loads the carrier is wanting to haul and on what routes they want to move them.

In all cases the Permit Holder is required to comply with all requirements of the Yukon Highways Act & Regulations relating to the movement of overdimensional vehicles including *Highways Regulations, Section 20 – Overdimensional Warning Devices, Highway Regulations, Section 21 – Escort Vehicles, Highway Regulations, Section 22(1) – Visibility of Overdimensional Vehicles.*

In all cases where the vehicle dimensions exceeds:

- 2.6 metres wide,
- 25 metres in length, or
- over 5.0 metres in height when overhead lines must be lifted (as per information received from NWTel & YECL)

the applicant will be required to comply with *Highway Regulations, Section 20 (1) to (4)* with respect to the specific warning device requirement for the load. Carrier Compliance staff reviewing the permit, must ensure that the requirement in *Highways Regulations, Section 20* specific to the vehicle(s) to be moved are added to the permit as conditions.

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The minimum specification for warning devices, escort vehicles and safety equipment is outlined in *Highway Regulations, Schedule 3*.

## Escort Vehicles as permit conditions

Carrier Compliance staff reviewing and approving permits for the following dimensions shall ensure that the requirement for **one escort vehicle is noted as a permit condition**:

- Width exceeds 3.2 m but is not greater than 3.8 m. *Highway Regulations - Section 20(1)(c)(iv)*
- Length exceeds 27.5 m but is not greater than 36 m. *Highway Regulations - Section 20(2)(b)(iii)*
- Rear Overhang exceeds 6.5 m (measured from the centre of last axle.) *Highway Regulations - Section 20(4)(f)*
- Height-wire lifting or other actions that may impede traffic will occur *Highway Regulations - Section 20(3)(d)*
- Front overhang exceeds 3 m (measured from the centre of the front axle) *Highway Regulations - Section 20(4)(f)*

Carrier Compliance staff reviewing and approving permits for the following dimensions shall ensure that the requirement **for two escort vehicles is noted as a permit condition**:

- Width Exceeds 3.8 M to 4.9 M *Highway Regulations – Section 20 (1)(d)(iv)*
- Length exceeds 36 M *Highway Regulations - Section 20(2)(c)(iv)*

## Daytime travel only

Unless operating under *Highway Regulations, Section 22(3) & Highway Regulations, Section 22(4)*, or permit YT-2003-01 vehicles requiring escort to operate on the highway may operate only during the period between one half hour before sunrise to one half hour after sunset. *Highway Regulations, Section 22(2)*.

## Vehicles under escort allowed to travel during darkness on certain routes:

One exception to the above is found in *Highway Regulations, Section 22(3)*. It allows vehicles from 3.2 meters wide and up to 4.4 meters, operating under a single trip or multiple-trip overdimensional permit, to be escorted at any time of day or night on the following:

- (a) Alaska Highway from the B.C./Yukon border at kilometre 1008 to Whitehorse:
- (b) South Klondike Highway (#2)
- (c) Haines Rd.(#3)
- (d) North Klondike Highway
- (e) Dempster Highway from Kilometre 0 to the Yukon/NWT border.

## Travel During Darkness on North Alaska Highway

A special permit has been issued under *Highway Regulations, Section 23(3)* to allow overdimensional vehicles that do not exceed 3.6m in width, to move during darkness on the North Alaska Highway.

## Vehicle under escort must move at night for reasons of public safety or avoid undue delay for other:

The other exception is found in *Highway Regulations, Section 22(4)*. This section allows the Carrier Compliance Section to determine that an overdimensional vehicle being escorted with one or more escort vehicles should be moved at night for reasons of (a) public safety or (b) to avoid undue delay to other road users. In this circumstance the overdimensional vehicle **MUST** be accompanied by one or more Carrier Compliance vehicles. These requirements would become permit conditions and must be annotated on the permit.

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No person shall drive a vehicle on a highway when the vehicle dimensions exceed those specified in *Highway Regulations, Schedule 2 Part 1*, except when that person is in possession of either a single trip or multiple-trip overdimensional vehicle permit for the vehicle. *Highway Regulations, Section 18(1)*

## 6. PERMIT FEES

Upon approval of the permit the Compliance Officer shall ensure that the applicant pays the appropriate overdimensional vehicle permits fee of \$25.00 per month, per vehicle as specified in *Highway Regulations, Section 19(2)* .

An applicant may pay the permit fee by Visa, MasterCard, debit card, company cheque (Canadian bank), cash or the fee may be recorded in the approved charge account.

An applicant applying for an overdimensional multiple-trip vehicle permit by telephone shall pay the fee.

Once payment has been received the Compliance Officer is to review the permit conditions with the applicant.

## 7. ISSUING THE PERMIT

*Highway Regulations, Section 19(3)* requires the driver to carry a copy of the permit or the permit number in the vehicle. A hardcopy of the permit is to be given to the applicant at the time the permit is issued. If the permit is issued by phone or fax, a hard copy of the permit is to be mailed to the Permit Holder's business address if the vehicle will not be required to report to a weigh station.