



California Department of Transportation
Annual Transportation Permit Conditions for Overweight
Intermodal Cargo Containers (Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach)

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1. **Responsibility of Permittee:** The permittee shall be knowledgeable and in compliance with all applicable California conditions, requirements, and laws for the use of the highway system, and in particular movement of extralegal vehicles and/or loads.
2. **Possession of Permit:** This permit shall be carried in the vehicle to which it refers at all times while the vehicle is within the highway limits. (California Vehicle Code (CVC) Section 35783).
3. **Void Permits:** This permit is null and void and hereby declared non-existent:
 - a. IF ANY PORTION, PART OR SECTION IS ILLEGIBLE.
 - b. If used before or after the times and dates indicated.
 - c. If any portion, part or section has been altered or if any attempt to alter is apparent.
 - d. If used to represent proper authority for carrying a load and/or moving a vehicle which is not specifically described on the face of the permit.
 - e. If used to represent proper authority for carrying a load and/or moving a vehicle by any company, not specifically named on the permit.
 - f. If presented without the accompaniments specifically named on the face of the permit. Accompaniments must be within the driver's reach when seat belted in the driver's seat.
4. **Permittee Agreement:** Acceptance of this permit constitutes an agreement by the permittee to observe and comply with all of the general and specific conditions on the face of the permit and its accompaniments.
5. **Verification:** The use of this permit is prima facie evidence that the driver has checked the load and/or vehicle and knows it to be within the limits as set forth hereon and has verified the routing accuracy. The vehicle and/or load authorized under this permit is subject to inspection by any peace officer, traffic officer, authorized agent of the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), or any other officer or employee charged with the care or protection of such highways.
6. **Overhead Clearance:** When height of load exceeds legal limit, it becomes the responsibility of the permittee to check all underpasses, over-crossings, bridges, overhead wires or other structures for impaired vertical clearance and to arrange clearance or request alternate routing before commencing travel.
7. **Liabilities:** The permittee is responsible for all liability for injury to, or death of person, or damage to property which may occur through any act or omission of either the permittee or the State of California arising from the issuance of this permit. In the event any claim, suit or action is brought against the State of California, its officers, employees or agents thereof, by reason of, or in connection with any such act or omission, permittee shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the State of California, its officers, employees or agents from such claim, suit or action.



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8. **Repair of Damage:** In accepting this permit, the permittee agrees to repair at their own expense and to the satisfaction of the District Director of Transportation, any damage to highway appurtenances or structures resulting from travel under this permit. Notwithstanding, work or repair may be done by Caltrans forces at the option of the District Director of Transportation, the cost to be borne by the permittee. In the event of damage to State highway facilities such as bridges, traffic signals, light standards and other appurtenances, a written report must be filed with Caltrans within 72 hours after such damage has been done. Failure to make this report will be considered cause for cancellation of all permit privileges. Caltrans will seek recovery of all costs for necessary repairs to or replacement of the damaged facilities.
9. **Accident Reporting:** Accidents occurring while operating under permit and requiring a report to the Department of Motor Vehicles under CVC Section 16000 shall also be reported to Caltrans. A copy of the permit and accident report shall be sent via certified mail to the following address within 30 days of the date of the accident. Failure to mail these copies will be considered cause for cancellation of all permit privileges.

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California Department of Transportation
1120 N Street - MS36
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10. **Permit Equipment:** Permit equipment is defined as a seven axle vehicle combination comprised of a 4-axle tractor, 3-axle trailer. Maximum gross vehicle weight is 95,000 pounds.
11. **4-Axle Tractors:** 4-axle tractors are exempt from Caltrans Transportation Permits vehicle inspection requirement. If equipped with a lift axle, 4-axle tractors are exempt from Caltrans Transportation Permits common suspension and equal weight distribution lift axle requirements.
12. **Vehicle Manufacturer's Recommendations:** By using a transportation permit for the transport of extra-legal loads issued by the Caltrans, the hauler is responsible for complying with all the vehicle manufacturer's recommendations and assumes all liability.
13. **Tires:** Tires on permitted vehicles shall comply with the California Code of Regulations (CCR) Title 13, commencing with Section 1085 of Article 14. Permitted axle or axle group weights shall not exceed the rated capacity marked on the tire sidewall.
14. **Maximum Weights and Dimensions:** The permit equipment maximum weights and dimensions are provided in Figure 202.39 and are for the sole permitted transport of intermodal cargo containers that are moving in international commerce on state highways as provided in CVC Sections 35551, 35700.5.



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15. **Travel Restrictions:** Travel is restricted to state highways in the vicinity of the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach as follows:

On the 2.9-mile portion of State Route 47 and State Route 103 known as the Terminal Island Freeway, between State Highway Route 1 in the City of Long Beach and Ocean Boulevard in the City of Long Beach, and on the 2.4-mile portion of State Highway Route 1, that is between Sanford Avenue in the City of Los Angeles and Harbor Avenue in the City of Long Beach.
16. **Weight Exemptions:** Permit vehicles are exempt from all interior vehicle bridge weights and from all overall vehicle bridge weight limits as specified in CVC Sections 35551(a) and 35551.5. Overweight Intermodal Ocean Containers moving under permit shall be transported on hauling equipment operating with a current CVSA decal.
17. **Indicia:** Overweight Intermodal Ocean Containers moving under permit shall be transported on hauling equipment with an indicia provided by Caltrans. The indicia shall be mounted in the lower right hand corner of the windshield.
18. **Moving in Inclement Weather:** Movement shall not occur in snow, fog, rain or wind when visibility is restricted to less than 1,000 feet (304.8 meters). Movement is prohibited when road surfaces are hazardous due to rain, ice, snow or frost, or when use of tire chains is mandatory. In addition, manufactured housing shall not move when the velocity of the wind is such that it causes the vehicle being towed to whip or swerve from side-to-side or fail to follow substantially in the path of the towing vehicle. Any accident caused by excessive wind or weather conditions shall be considered a prima facie violation of this condition.
19. **Lane Use:** When practical, the vehicle shall be kept in the far right lane of the highway and shall not encroach on highway shoulders except where necessary to allow trailing traffic to pass.
20. **Scales and Inspection Facilities:** Every driver of an extralegal vehicle or permitted load when operating on a state highway shall be subject to CVC Section 2813 and must stop at all operational scales and inspection facilities.
21. **Moving in Convoy:** Movement in convoy as described in CVC Sections 21704 and 21705 shall not be permitted.
22. **Towing Disabled Permit Vehicles:** Disabled extralegal vehicles or extralegal combinations of vehicles, whose movement is authorized by a transportation permit, or any disabled legal vehicle or legal combination of vehicles which because of damage has incurred distortion in width or height thereby causing an excess in legal dimensions may only be moved at the direction of a peace officer. Disabled overweight permit vehicles/loads shall only be moved under the specific direction of a peace officer to a suitable place as provided in CVC Section 2803. Movement of the permit vehicle/load beyond this point shall be completed under the authority of a City, County or Caltrans transportation permit, whichever is applicable. Single trip permits for towing permit vehicles shall require reduction of the disabled combinations to the least dimension possible.

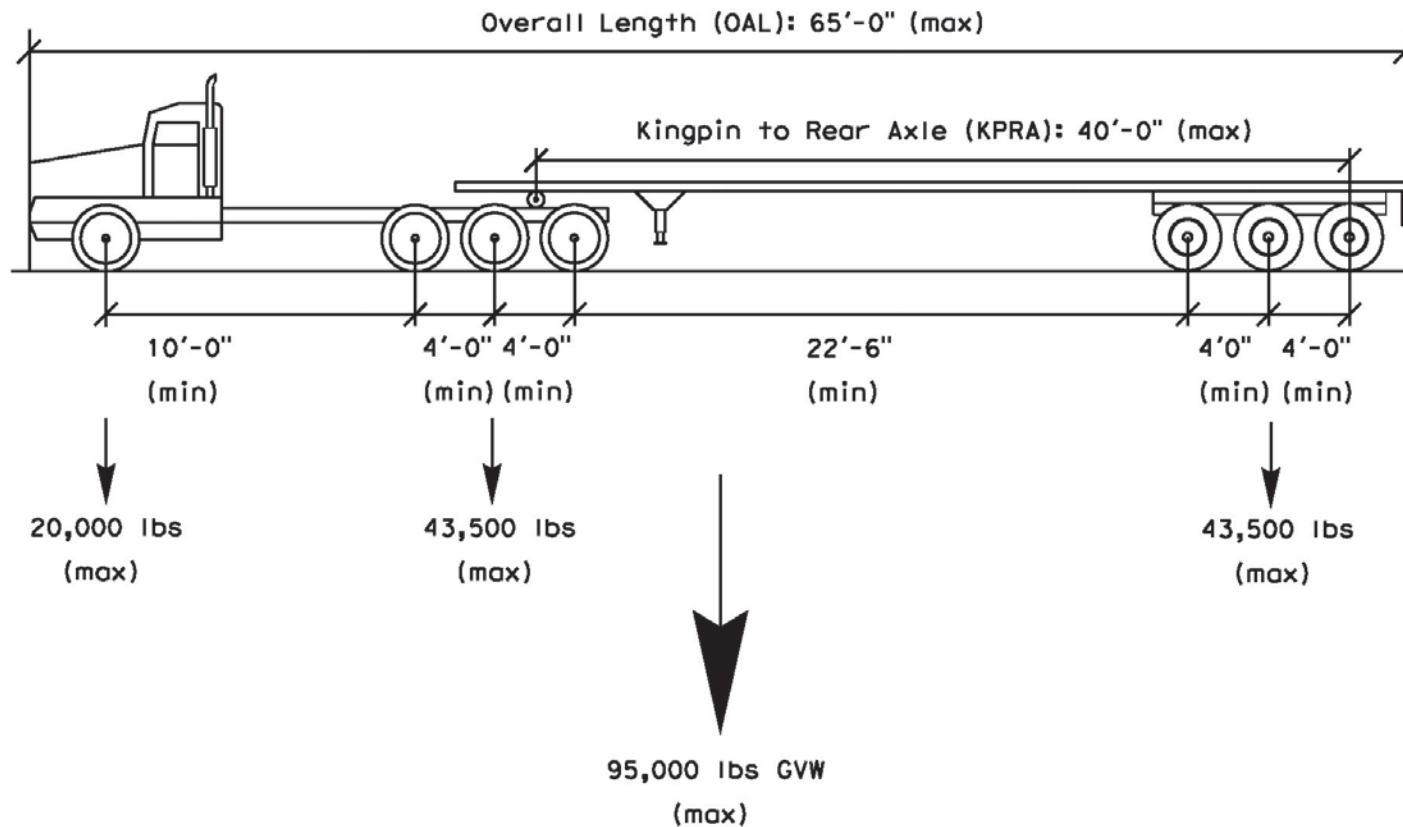


Figure 202.39 Overweight Intermodal Cargo Container Permit Vehicle – Allowable Axle and Gross Vehicle Weights

ALLOWABLE AXLE AND GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHTS Maximum weights and dimensions for the sole permitted transport of intermodal cargo containers that are moving in international commerce on state highways as provided in California Vehicle Code Sections 35551, 35700.5. Permit equipment is defined as a seven axle vehicle combination comprised of a 4-axle tractor, 3-axle trailer with dimensions and weights as indicated above. Permit equipment is exempt from all interior vehicle bridge weights and overall vehicle bridge weight limits as specified in California Vehicle Code Sections 35551(a) and 35551.5. 4-axle tractors are exempt from Caltrans Transportation Permits vehicle inspection requirement. If equipped with a lift axle, 4-axle tractors are exempt from common suspension and equal weight distribution lift axle requirements. Annual indicia sticker is required.