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CHAPTER 10 – Miscellaneous Information

1000 General

This chapter is intended to provide miscellaneous information for permit vehicles and loads as well as various subjects that are not included in previous chapters.

1001 Manufactured Homes

Manufactured homes may be loaded in tandem (with respect to length) and transported under permit at an extralegal length when loaded on a single vehicle and as specified in the CVC Section 35790.5. (a) (3).

The maximum permissible lengths will be 80 feet for the manufactured units with combined trailer and hauling vehicle length of 105 feet as specified in current policy.

Applications for permits shall describe the manufactured units giving completed and unit dimensions and present a statement of good cause. This statement should include the size and location of the project or destination, the number of units to be transported, the time frame involved and other supporting information.

It will be appropriate to issue single trip or repetitive permits. Annual permits which exceed legal length are not permitted.

Legal width manufactured homes may not be loaded in tandem as described above.

A permit may be issued authorizing any height of a manufactured home, measured from the surface upon which the vehicle stands, if the proposed route can accommodate the vehicle. (3" vertical clearance of lowest structure on permitted route.)

Even though there is no maximum legal height limit, it only applies to manufactured homes that otherwise must be moved by permit.

To minimize bridge hits, Caltrans will route these loads for height as well as width and length.

All transportation permits for manufactured homes (mobile homes, factory-built housing and commercial coaches) shall show a permitted height.

The maximum permitted height for annual permits shall be 14 feet.

The maximum permitted weight shall be 6,000 pounds per axle.

All manufactured homes in excess of 14 feet in height shall move by single trip permit.

The maximum width of a manufactured home is described in the CVC and the Department is not authorized to issue a variance to exceed that maximum. See Section 201.33 Manufactured Home/Building – Built upon a Permanent Chassis for further details.

1002 Night Movement (Hours of “Darkness”) Including Weekends

Single-trip permits may be issued for continuous night travel during otherwise restricted hours for vehicles and/or loads if:

- A pilot car is not required.
- Weight does not exceed bonus green.
- The vehicle is not greater than a two-vehicle combination.
- Width does not exceed lane width.
- Height is not less than 3" clearance of all obstructions.
- Extralegal size does not create a safety hazard to the traveling public.
- Traffic volumes and/or geometrics do not constitute a hazard.
- Performance of vehicles shall be comparable with other legal vehicles, shall have the ability to maintain comparable speeds, and shall avoid undue interferences with other traffic.
- A detour is not involved.
- It qualifies under the "Early AM Movement" criteria
The use of off/on ramps to avoid any restriction is considered a detour for night movement. (This differs for Weekend Movement)

When the State has received written notice from a city or county requesting no night moves on streets and roads in their jurisdiction and it appears the permit move is going to originate or terminate at a restricted location, the permit will be written with the following advisory note stamped on the permit with the appropriate city/county filled in.

"Note: The city/county of _____ does not allow night moves on its Streets or Roads Without A Proper Night Move Permit."

Travel restrictions may also be imposed on certain highways during periods of especially high traffic volume wherein additional truck traffic could cause further impairment of traffic flow and undue inconveniences. Such conditions might exist on holidays, or on Friday afternoons and Sundays or highways providing access to recreational areas.

Night moving of extralegal loads and/or vehicles will only be permitted when specifically stated on the face of the permit.

“Darkness” is defined in the CVC Section 280.

No Night Travel – Permittee may request travel during daylight hours only by checking the “No Night Travel” box in the Movement Authorized area of the permit form. This will allow permittee to avoid nighttime travel restrictions and reference to nighttime travel restrictions on the permit.

Travel during hours of “Darkness” is authorized the following routes.

“Yellow Routes” – All permit vehicles/loads are authorized travel during hours of darkness until the loaded width exceeds 16’0”. When the loaded width exceeds 16’0”, the load will be escorted by the CHP. The CHP in coordination with the District Traffic Manager(s) (DTMs) will determine hours of travel.

“Green Routes” – All permit vehicles/loads are authorized travel during hours of darkness until the loaded width exceeds 14’0”. When the loaded width exceeds 14’0”, travel is not authorized

during hours of darkness.

“Blue Routes” – Travel is restricted during hours of darkness when escorted by a pilot car.

“Brown Routes” – Travel is restricted during hours of darkness when escorted by a pilot car.

“Red Routes” – Operational restriction, consult the “Red Route Summary Table” for travel restrictions.

Variance Loads – When the loaded width exceeds 15’0” on Green, Blue, Brown or Red routes, the load will be escorted by the CHP. The CHP in coordination with the DTMs will determine hours of travel.

1003 Overhang

- The overhang on the motor vehicle alone or load on the semitrailer shall not extend to the rear beyond the last point of support for greater distance than equal to two-thirds (2/3) of the length of the wheelbase per CVC 35410.
- Maximum rear overhang shall not exceed 35’0” measured from last point of support.
- A pilot car is required when the rear load projection exceeds 25’0” when measured from the rear extremity of the hauling equipment.
- Maximum front overhang shall not exceed 30’0” measured from the front bumper or if there is no front bumper from the front of the front tire.
- A pilot car is required when the front overhang exceeds 25’0”

1004 Additional Information for Annual Permit

Annual permits will be issued under the following conditions. The license number and serial number of the semitrailer will be recorded on the permit. The permit will be valid only for loads equal to or exceeding the width of the semitrailer unless the specific load requires the width to accommodate weight or to stabilize the load.

1005 Annual Permit for Reeled Tubing, Trailer Mounted (Oil Field Operation Only)

Reeled tubing units must be inspected in order to qualify for a permit. See Section 303 Virtual Vehicle Inspection for further details. Annual Permit

Annual permits will be issued under the following criteria.

Width	10’ -0”
Length	Legal
Height	Legal
Weight	Green or unbonused purple without removal of critical operational functions
Range	100-mile radius from base of operation for green weight. 75-mile radius from base of operation for purple weight.
Note	Authorized 24-hour operation Monday thru Friday.

See Section 201.44 Reeled Tubing – Trailer Mounted for single-trip permits.

1006 Saw Logs

Vehicle Code Section 35785 provides for the hauling of single saw logs of certain maximum dimensions under the prescribed conditions. Permits may be issued for such hauling on a 30-day basis subject to the rated capacity of the structures involved as controlled by the bridge overload charts. Although the code section merely specifies the size limit, weight factors must be applied under permit and the allowable overload may not exceed the controlling bridge overload ratings. Any permitted single log load found to exceed the authorized weight is in violation of the permit and the excess weight will not be authorized. In the event any damage to surface or structures can be attributed to the permitted overload operations, the permit should be revoked immediately, and the matter referred to Caltrans Transportation Permits Office.