



AASHTO HARMONIZATION – OVERSIZE PERMIT MOVEMENT

The American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Board of Directors adopted the following two resolutions. All recommendations assume a minimum standard. States that already meet or have less restrictive standards would achieve permit harmonization by simply retaining the status quo.

For more information visit – <http://highwaytransport.transportation.org/Pages/Harmonization.aspx>

PHASE I

WIDTH ESCORT 2-LANE HWY	12' to 14' – 1 Front Escort > 14' – 1 Front & 1 Rear Escort
WIDTH ESCORT MULTI-LANE HWY	12' to 14' – 1 Rear Escort > 14' – 1 Front & 1 Rear Escort
HEIGHT ESCORT ALL HWY's	> 14'
LENGTH ESCORT ALL HWY's	> 90'

FLAG SIZE	18" 18" Minimum
FLAG COLOR	Fluorescent Red or Orange or MUTCD Standard
FLAG LOCATION ON TRANSPORT	4 Corners of Load or Extremities (Length)
FLAG LOCATION ON ESCORT	No Requirements

DAYS AND HOURS OF OPERATION	Daylight Hours Monday Through Saturday Sunday (States make determination)
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SIGN/BANNER MESSAGE	Oversize Load
SIGN/BANNER COLOR	Black Letters on Yellow Background
SIGN/BANNER SIZE	18" X 7"
SIZE OF LETTERS	10" X 1.4" – 1.5"
SIGN/BANNER LOCATION	Front & Rear of Transporting Vehicle Where License Plate is Not Blocked Front & Rear of Escort OR Above Roofline Where it is Visible from Front And Rear

TRANSPORT WARNING LIGHTS	Flashing OR Strobe Amber Lights Visibility of Lights from 1000', 360 Degrees
ESCORT WARNING LIGHTS	Flashing OR Strobe Amber Lights Visibility of Lights from 500', 360 degrees



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PHASE II

OF VALID DAYS SINGLE TRIP PERMIT

5 Days

PERMIT AMENDMENTS

Extensions Allowed for Weather and Breakdowns

HOLIDAY RESTRICTIONS

Restriction Begins Noon Day Before Holiday
Until Sunrise Day After Holiday (New
Years, Memorial Day, Independence
Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas)

States May Establish Separate Restriction
For Unique Travel Situations on
A Case By Case Basis

TYPE AND SIZE OF ESCORT VEHICLES

Legal Size Class I, II or III Passenger Vehicles
Must Have 360 Degree Visibility
Are Not Towing a Trailer or Other Vehicle

HEIGHT ESCORT

Front Escort With a Pole if Height
Exceeds 14' 6"

INDUSTRY ADVISORY GROUP

Working closely with industry leaders in operations, safety and policy, SCOHT has convened an Industry Advisory Group to assess the various impacts and efforts of permit harmonization. Members include:

- Steven Todd, Specialized Carriers & Rigging Association
- Rick Clasby, Utah Trucking Association on behalf of the American Trucking Associations
- Capt. Jay Thompson, Arkansas Highway Police on behalf of the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance
- Jay Folladori, Bennett Motor Express LLC
- Paul Ross, Keen Transport, Inc.
- Ray Morgan, Perkins Specialized Transportation Contracting
- Peter Lynch, Specialized Freight Solutions
- Mike Morgan, National Pilot Car Association