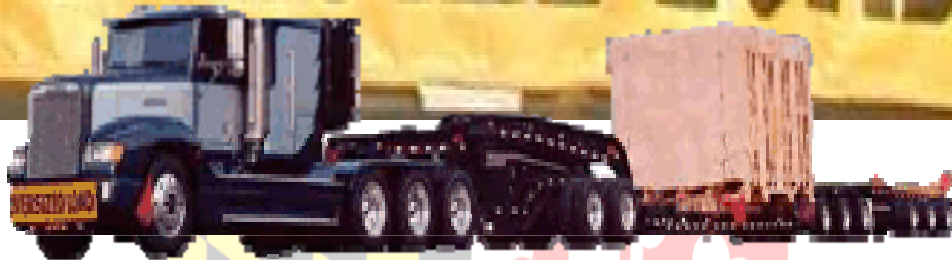


# Maryland Oversize/Overweight Hauling Permit Manual



Maryland State Highway Administration  
Office of Traffic & Safety  
Motor Carrier Division  
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## **INTRODUCTION TO HAULING PERMITS**

### **PURPOSE**

This handbook is designed to assist our customers in completing applications to obtain an Oversize/Overweight (OS/OW) Hauling Permit for oversize/overweight vehicles or loads. It includes basic information needed when traveling through Maryland with a permit load is provided. Special situations may require additional information. In these instances, please contact the Hauling Permits Unit office at (410) 582-5727, or 1-800-846-6435 and we will be happy to assist you. For additional information we suggest that you check our web-page regarding hauling permits at: [www.marylandroads.com](http://www.marylandroads.com), then to SHA Services, Hauling Permits.

**Keep in mind that hauling permits are a privilege and not a right.** Permits should not be applied for when vehicles or loads can be divided. Vehicles or loads must comply with the legal size and dimensions when possible. The abuse of this privilege may result in fines and/or suspension of the permit process. We hope that you will be respectful of our laws and ensure that all information on your permit is true and correct. It is the permittee's and driver's responsibility to check the accuracy of all information contained in any permit prior to starting the move.

### **Hauling Permits Unit – LOCATION/MAILING ADDRESS**

Location/Mailing Address:

Maryland State Highway Administration  
Office of Traffic and Safety  
Motor Carrier Division - Hauling Permits Unit  
7491 Connelley Drive  
Hanover, Maryland 21076  
(410) 582-5727  
(800) 846-6435

Office hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Permits are processed from 7:30-4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Lunch hour is from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday through Friday (Office is closed)

The Office is closed Saturdays, Sundays and all official State Holidays.

E-Mail address: [haulingpermits@sha.state.md.us](mailto:haulingpermits@sha.state.md.us)

**MARYLAND STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION  
OFFICE OF TRAFFIC AND SAFETY**

**MOTOR CARRIER DIVISION**

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**Chief - Motor Carrier Division**

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Manager - Hauling Permits Unit

Ms. Josette Kaintuck

Supervisor - Hauling Permits Unit

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Blanket Permits,  
Maryland based customers  
Super Loads – Over Length

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Maryland based customers,  
Super Loads

Ms. Cassandra Wimbrow

Permit Service customers

Ms. Lorraine McCallister

Excessive size and weight loads,  
Maryland based customers,  
Super Loads

Ms. Teresa Harding

Walk-in customers  
Permit Service customers

**Technical Support Team:**

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Data Analysis & Technical  
Support Manager

Ms. Cynthia Bell

Technical Support/Accounting

Ms. Josette Brown

Data Analysis & Technical  
Support

## **DIRECTIONS TO THE HAULING PERMITS UNIT**

**Note: Parking is limited on our parking lot for cars and pickup trucks. Temporary parking is available in front of the building; however, this is extremely limited to pickup and drop off as it serves as a Fire Lane.**

### **From Baltimore:**

Take I-695 towards Glen Burnie. Take I-97 south towards Annapolis. After getting on I-97 take second exit (Aviation Blvd). At the second traffic signal, make a left onto Aviation Blvd., and go to the next signal (MD Rt. 176 – Dorsey Road). Make a right onto MD Rt. 176 (Dorsey Road) and proceed west. Go to the 3<sup>rd</sup> traffic signal and make a left onto Connelley Drive. Make a left at the first driveway on Connelley Drive into the SHA complex and bear left past the traffic island. Park your vehicle in one of the available parking spaces. Facing the building (looking towards BWI Airport) you will see three archway-type entrances. Each archway has the name of the office at the top of the large glass portion of the archway. Go to the Office of Maintenance archway and enter the building. Once inside the building, contact the security guard. Tell the guard you are here to obtain an oversize hauling permit and the guard will direct you to the lower floor where our office is located.

### **From Annapolis:**

Take I-97 north towards Baltimore. Take exit 15B to MD Rt.176 (Dorsey Road) and head towards BWI Airport. After exiting the ramp proceed on MD Rt. 176 to the 4<sup>th</sup> traffic light and make a left onto Connelley Drive. Make a left into the first driveway into the SHA complex and bear left at the traffic island. Park your vehicle in an available parking space. The Office of Traffic & Safety Building is located on the south side of Dorsey Road. Facing the building (looking towards BWI Airport) you will see three archway-type entrances. Each archway has the name of the office printed in the large glass portion of the archway. Go to the Office of Maintenance archway and enter the building. Once inside the building, contact the security guard. Tell the guard you are here to obtain an oversize hauling permit and the guard will direct you to the lower floor where our office is located.

### **From Washington:**

Take I-95 north towards Baltimore. Take exit 43A onto MD Rt. 100, and travel east towards Glen Burnie. Take exit 11 for MD Rt. 170 (north towards BWI Airport). Stay in the left lane on the ramp and at the traffic light make a left to go north on MD Rt. 170. Go to the next traffic light (MD Rt. 176 – Dorsey Road) and make a right onto Dorsey. Go to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Traffic light and make a right onto Connelley Drive. Make a left into the first driveway which leads into the SHA complex and bear to the left. Park your vehicle in an available parking space. Facing the building (looking towards BWI Airport) you will see three large archway-type doorways with large glass panels. Each archway has the name of the office printed in the large glass portion of

the archway. Go to the Office of Maintenance archway and enter the building. Once inside the building contact the security guard. Tell the guard you are here to obtain an oversize hauling permit and the guard will direct you to the lower floor where our office is located.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Permits may be paid for by check or money order unless you have established a credit bond with us. **Please be sure to put an account number and/or reference number on all invoices, applications and correspondence.** If you have a credit bond, you may charge to your account and be billed at the end of the month. (A sample credit bond application can be found on page # 22 in this manual or online at: [www.marylandroads.com](http://www.marylandroads.com) SHA Services, Hauling Permits, Accounting.

If you would like to do business directly with the State of Maryland, you must submit a written request on your letterhead and we will send you the proper documents that are needed to perform this transaction. You will need to set up a credit bond in the amount of not less than \$3,000.00.

When you have established a credit bond account with the State of Maryland you will be able to fax, mail or send your application to us electronically. If you send the application in electronically, the application is reviewed by us. If everything checks out, your application will be sent back to you directly through your computer.

**Make all checks payable to: Maryland State Highway Administration (or SHA)**

If you need any additional information or have questions, please call us at 410-582-5727 or 410-582-5734.

When using the computer, your facsimile machine must be an automatic dedicated line. When we receive the application through the mail, we process it the same day it is received. When applying for a permit, you should give a start date several days ahead of time. Should the mail be slow, it will not disrupt your move. If you fail to plan in advance, you may not receive the permit in time to move the item you wish to move.

When you fax in your application you must make sure all of the information is correct. If the information is incorrect, the application will be faxed back to you for correction. This could delay the issuance of your permit. Once all of the information is correct, the application will be processed and sent back to you.

There is a \$30.00 fee for the hauling permit when moving an over dimensional and/or combined load when weight is less than 90,000 pounds. For loads that weigh in excess of 45 tons (90,000 pounds) there is an additional \$5.00 charged for each additional ton. Refer to the fee schedule on page # 39.

When a load has been reduced as much as possible but still exceeds the legal weight limits set forth in the Maryland Motor Vehicle Law, Title 24, Sections 108 and 109, you will be required to purchase a Special Hauling Permit issued by the State of Maryland, Maryland State Highway Administration, Office of Traffic and Safety, Motor Carrier Division, Hauling Permits Unit. These permits apply only to those roads and bridges maintained by the Maryland State Highway Administration. If you are traveling to or through the City of Baltimore you must apply for a permit from their permit office (410-396-3333).

It is the responsibility of the permittee to obtain the approval of any other jurisdictions entered prior to moving the oversize/overweight permitted load. (I.E. county and local governments)

**No movement of permit loads is allowed on Saturdays after 12:00 noon. No moves are allowed on Sunday. No movement of permit loads is allowed after 12:00 noon on Friday until 9:00 am on Monday morning on any facility owned and operated by the Maryland Transportation Authority (MdTA) including the portion of I-95 north of the Fort McHenry Tunnel to the Delaware State Line.**

**Specific restrictions regarding movements across facilities owned and operated by the MdTA apply. Questions concerning crossing facilities owned by the MdTA should be referred to the specific facility that will be crossed. Facilities owned and operated by the MdTA are as follows:**

1. I-95 - John F. Kennedy Memorial Highway
2. I-95 – Fort McHenry Tunnel
3. I-695 - Francis Scott Key Bridge
4. I-895 - Baltimore Harbor Tunnel – **NO PERMIT LOADS ARE ALLOWED ON I-895 EXCEPT CONTAINERIZED CARGO WITH A VALID PERMIT**
5. U.S. 40 - Thomas J. Hatem Memorial Bridge
6. U.S. 50/301 - William Preston Lane Jr., Memorial Bridge (Bay Bridge)
7. U.S. 301 - Governor Harry Nice Memorial Bridge

**Contact telephone numbers for the Maryland Transportation Authority Facilities**

**NOTE \*\* You are required to contact and notify the facility you will cross one hour before attempting to do so.**

William Preston Lane Jr., Memorial Bridge (US 50 – Bay Bridge) 410-757-1977

Harry Nice Memorial Bridge (US 301) 301-259-4444

Thomas J. Hatem Memorial Bridge (US 40) 410-537-1197

JFK Memorial Highway (I-95)\* 410-537-1108



Francis Scott Key Bridge (MD 695)

410-633-1092

Fort McHenry Tunnel (I-95)

410-537-1230

\*Staffed by the Maryland State Police

## **COMPLETING THE HAULING PERMIT APPLICATION – IN GENERAL**

This section has been written to assist you (our customers) with completing the hauling permit application.

**The numbers below match the numbers on the Automated Hauling Permit Application. (See page # 10 for a completed sample application of a Special Hauling Permit)**

**Applicant Name:** The name of the company or person that will be moving or hauling the load.

**Address:** The billing address for the account holder.

**Account Number:** This would be the account number on your monthly statements.

- 1) Brand or name of piece of equipment being moved. If it is a mobile home state the serial number, make and include a description of your load (example roof trusses).
  - a. Model and serial number. Example – Excavator: Cat 572/ 123400.
  - b. Registered weight means the weight listed on vehicle registration card.
  - c. Vehicles under their own power: Make of Manufacturer, Name, Serial Number, Model Number.
- 2) Truck-tractor - Make or Manufacturer, license plate number, state where the license plate was issued, the number of axles on the truck-tractor and the total weight of the truck-tractor only.
- 3) Semi-trailer or trailer manufacturer, license plate number, state where license plate was issued, the number of axles on the semi-trailer or trailer and the total weight of the semi-trailer or trailer empty only.
- 4) Load weight means the weight of the object that you are hauling.
- 5) The gross weight is the total of the weights when you add the tractor, trailer and the load together.
- 6) Overall dimensions:

### **Length**

All measurements for length must be in feet and inches. To obtain the overall length of the combination and load measure from the extreme front portion of the load (including overhang) to the extreme rear portion of the load (including overhang). Load extension restrictions apply as contained in the Maryland Vehicle Law, Title 24, Section 105. Refer to page # 33 in this manual for restrictions.

### **Height**

Always measured from the ground to the highest point on the load and shown in feet and inches.

## Width

Measured from side to side at the widest point and shown in feet and inches. Width measurement is exclusive of safety and energy conservation devices, such as side mirrors, turn signal lamps, marker lamps, steps and handhold for entry and egress, flexible fender extensions, mudflaps and spray suppressant devices, and load induced tire bulges; providing the equipment or devices other than mirrors, does not extend more than three inches on each side of the vehicle beyond the statutory width limitation.

7) Origin/Destination: Name the area where you are starting your move. Be as specific as possible. Examples:

Baltimore City Line and MD 675  
Annapolis at the intersection of MD 450  
Delaware State Line and US 301

Always use unique route identifiers such as:

- a. Specific name - Maryland Route 213 (MD 213)
- b. Interstate Routes – I-83, I-70, etc.
- c. US Routes - US Route 40, US Route 301 (US 40, US ALT 40)

State the name of the place you are going, i.e. California, Maryland, Bivalve, Maryland

8) **You must include all routes and roads you will be traveling on to make this move from starting point to destination.** You must include the names of all county roads that you will be traveling on. Sample – US 340, I-70, I 695, I-97, US 50, MD 404, MD 309, Maple Avenue.

9) Provide the day you would like this permit to begin. Restrictions on movement may be found on pages 31, 32, and 33 in this manual.

10) Please provide us with your fax number. Additionally, we need a telephone number where we can locate a company representative if there is a problem with your route or information so it can be taken care of immediately.

11) We need the signature and name of the person who has completed the application.

12) This is the breakdown of your load:

Axle 1 - we need all the information going across the sheet that pertains to Axle 1 only.

For example – Load Only + Axle weights = Total Vehicle Weight

Then complete each axle the same until you have filled in enough axles to equal the same amount of axles on your combination of vehicles.

- If you are completing this application on your computer you will want to write down the application number in the appropriate space for tracking it later.
- When you receive the completed permit from your computer you can write down the permit number and what the fees were in reference to this application for future use.

## **TYPES OF HAULING PERMITS AVAILABLE**

### **1. Special Hauling Permit –**

- a. Issued for a specific load or vehicle.
- b. Valid for a single trip one way.
- c. Valid for five days; the fee is doubled for a ten day return trip.
- d. Fee starts at \$30.00; an additional fee of \$5.00 per additional ton according to gross weight is charged.
- e. Fee schedule is located on page 39 in this manual.
- f. You can apply for a permit in person, by mail, or electronically through the web.
- g. See page ten for sample application on what is required.

### **Process**

Applicant Name: The name of your company

Address: The mailing address for your company

Account #: Account number you have with the Hauling Permits  
Unit in this space

For information that is required for the various blocks on the application form, please refer to the next page.



**Maryland State Highway Administration**  
**SAMPLE APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL HAULING PERMIT**  
**MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO:**  
**MD SHA**

Applicant Name: Tina Trucking  
 Address: 7491 Connelley Drive  
 Hanover, Maryland 21076  
 Account Number: 32042

Include account number to ensure proper credit. ☺

1. Load Description: CAT - Backhoe Model/Serial: 300 Registered Weight: 80,000
2. TRACTOR  
 Make: International License: 456F23 State: MD Axles: 3 Weight: 25,000
3. TRAILER  
 Make: Talbert License: 245678G State: MD Axles: 3 Weight: 20,000
4. Load Weight: 75,000 Gross Weight: 120,000
5. Overall Dimensions:  
**Length** 75 ft 0 in. **Height** 13 ft 6 in. **Width** 12 ft 0 in.
6. ROUTING-Starting Point: ORIGIN (EXAMPLE: BALTIMORE CITY LINE)
7. ROUTING-Destination: DESTINATION (EXAMPLE: VIRGINIA LINE)
8. ROUTES: I-95 – I-695 – I95 (OR I- 95, I-695, I-95)
9. Effective Date 05/06/03
10. FAX# 410-787-2863 PHONE# 410-582-5733
11. Signature \_\_\_\_\_

You may email us questions and comments at: [haulingpermits@sha.state.md.us](mailto:haulingpermits@sha.state.md.us)

**Mailing Address:** Maryland State Highway Administration, Office of Traffic and Safety, Hauling Permits Unit, 7491 Connelley Drive, Hanover, Maryland 21076 **Phone#** 1-800-543-4564

Axle #	Vehicle Only lbs.	Load Only Lbs.	Total Weight Lbs.	TIRE DATA			AXLE SPACING		
				TIRE WIDTH		AXLE #	#	FEET	INCHES
				#	SIZE				
1	8700	1300	10000	2	11X24	20"	1 to 2	10	7
2	8700	18300	27000	4	11X24	20"	2 to 3	4	5
3	8700	18300	27000	4	11X24	20"	3 to 4	29	2
4	6300	15700	22000	4	11X24	20"	4 to 5	4	2
5	6300	15700	22000	4	11X24	20"	5 to 6	4	2
6	6300	5700	12000	4	11X24	20"	6 to 7		
7							7 to 8		
8							8 to 9		
9							9 to 10		
10							10 to 11		
11							11 to 12		
12							12 to 13		
13									
<b>Totals</b>	<b>45,000</b>	<b>75,000</b>	<b>120,000</b>						

App# \_\_\_\_\_ Permit# \_\_\_\_\_ FEE \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## **2. Book Permit –**

- a. There are ten permits in each book.
- b. The price of the book is \$300.00. (\$30.00 per permit).
- c. You must call the Hauling Permits Unit (HPU) to activate these permits. You should not complete your copy until approval is received from the HPU.
- d. Hauler must give the HPU staff information about move and load.
- e. The company is given a validation number to be written on their permit.
- f. Permits are issued to a specific truck or truck-tractor that is properly registered in Maryland. The semi-trailer or trailer may be registered out of state. If registered under the International Registration Plan (IRP), the cab card must be available for inspection.
- g. Permits are issued to move Special Mobile Equipment that is under its own power as long as it displays a Special Mobile Equipment Registration Plate issued by the Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration.
- h. Loads may not exceed overall dimensions of 85 feet in length, 13 feet in width, or 15 feet in height. The maximum allowable gross weight is 90,000 pounds (45 Tons).
- i. Book permits are valid for two years from the date of purchase.
- j. Unused permits in any book are void after two years and cannot be used.
- k. Permits are rendered invalid if corrections (cross-outs/whiteouts) are made.
- l. Sample application form located on page 12 in this manual.

## **Process**

- a. Fill out company name and address.
- b. Fill in the name of your insurance company.



**SAMPLE APPLICATION TO PURCHASE BOOK PERMITS**

**ANY falsification on permit application may result in REFUSAL of future permits.**

To obtain a Book of Permits, an application **MUST** be completed with the following information:  
(Purchase price for book of ten permits is \$300.00)

Name of Applicant: **Sharon’s Transport Company**

Address: **7491 Connelley Drive, Hanover, Md. 21076**

Insurance Company: **Erie Insurance**

Check: **#5720**      Account \_\_\_\_\_      Amount **\$300.00**

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**OFFICIAL USE ONLY**

Date Issued: \_\_\_\_\_

Book number: \_\_\_\_\_



### **3. Blanket Permit**

- a. The monthly permit fee is \$50.00.
- b. The yearly permit fee is \$500.00.
- c. This permit is a multi-page document that includes attachments regarding route restrictions, holiday sheet, and blank application.
- d. Original permit must be carried in the vehicle when moving the permit load.
- e. Truck-Tractor must be properly registered in Maryland. (If IRP registered, the cab card must be available for inspection). (Note: the truck-tractor may be apportioned for Maryland).
- f. Semi-trailer or trailer must be properly registered in Maryland.
- g. A vehicle under its own power must display a Maryland Special Mobile Equipment Plate.
- h. Overall dimensions may not exceed 75 feet in length, 12 feet in width, and 14 feet in height.
- i. Gross weight may not exceed 80,000 pounds (40 Tons).
- j. Sample application for a Blanket Permits is shown on page 14 in this manual.
- k. Sample application for a Milk Tank Permits is shown on page 16 in this manual.

### **BLANKET PERMITS – REQUIREMENTS**

- Customers may apply online, in person or by US mail by completing an application for a blanket permit.
- Hauling Permits Unit verifies the application for accuracy.
- Information on the permit must be accurate and complete. If any information is left blank or omitted, or the dimensions sought are not within those allowed by law for this type of permit, the application will be returned to the applicant.
- The original permit will be faxed, mailed or given to customers who apply in person.

### **Process**

- a. Fill out company name and address.
- b. Fill out description of equipment (example: oversize construction equipment, various mobile homes, oversize boats, or oversize wall panels, or roof trusses).
- c. In the space for route, you can place the words “monthly” or “yearly” depending on what time frame you are seeking.
- d. The truck-tractor tag number (registration plate) can be from another state as long as Maryland is listed on the cab card (IRP registration card). We will need a copy of your registration card.
- e. The semi-trailer that is being towed by the truck-tractor has to be registered in Maryland.



**APPLICATION FOR BLANKET PERMIT**

**MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO:  
MD SHA**

Include account number to ensure proper credit. 😊

Applicant Name: **Tina Trucking**  
Address: **7491 Connelley Drive**  
**Hanover, Md. 21076**

Account Number: **32042**

2. Load Description: **Oversize Constr. Equip** Model/Serial: **N/A** Registered Weight \_\_\_\_\_

3. **TRACTOR**

Make: **Mack** License: **24567F** State: **MD** Axles: **3** Weight: **20,000**

4. **TRAILER**

Make: **Talbert** License: **424767G** State: **MD** Axles: **3** Weight: **20,000**

5. Load Weight: **40,000** Gross Weight: **80,000**

6. Overall Dimensions:

**Length** 75 ft 0 in. **Height** 14 ft 0 in. **Width** 12 ft 0 in.

7. ROUTING-Starting

Point \_\_\_\_\_

8. ROUTING:Destination \_\_\_\_\_

9. ROUTES: **Monthly or Yearly Blanket**

10. EffectiveDate \_\_\_\_\_

11. FAX# \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE# \_\_\_\_\_

12. Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Email questions and comments to: **haulingpermits@sha.state.md.us**

**Mailing address:** Maryland State Highway Administration, Office of Traffic and Safety, Hauling Permits Unit  
7491 Connelley Drive, Hanover, Maryland 21076 **Phone#** 1-800-543-4564

Axle #	Vehicle Only lbs.	Load Only Lbs.	Total Weight Lbs.	TIRE DATA			AXLE SPACING		
				TIRE WIDTH		AXLE #	#	FEET	INCHES
				#	SIZE				
1							1 to 2		
2							2 to 3		
3							3 to 4		
4							4 to 5		
5							5 to 6		
6							6 to 7		
7							7 to 8		
8							8 to 9		
<b>Totals</b>									

App# \_\_\_\_\_ Permit# \_\_\_\_\_ FEE \$ \_\_\_\_\_

#### **4. Exceptional Hauling Permit - Milk Tank Vehicles**

- a. Valid only in the following Counties:
  1. Allegany
  2. Anne Arundel
  3. Baltimore
  4. Carroll
  5. Frederick
  6. Garrett
  7. Howard
  8. Montgomery
  9. Prince George's
  10. Washington
- b. Valid only when "traveling to a processing plant raw liquid milk that is the only load on the vehicle and is loaded from bulk liquid milk storage tanks at one or more farm location." (Maryland Vehicle Law (MVL), Title 24, §113.3)
- c. Vehicle combination must have at least six axles with a front-to-rear centerline axle spacing of not less than 50 feet.
- d. Vehicle shall comply with the following weight limits:
  1. "A maximum of 20,000 pounds gross weight on a single axle;
  2. For any consecutive axle configuration of two or more axles on individual vehicles in a combination, the weight specified in § 24-109 (c) of this subtitle;
  3. A maximum of 87,000 pounds gross combination weight." (MVL)
- e. "Twice each year the vehicle shall submit to and pass a North American Standard Driver/Vehicle Level I inspection." (MVL)
- f. "Be allowed a load limit tolerance of only 1,000 pounds for gross combination weight and 15% for axle weights." (MVL)
- g. A combination operating under the authority of a permit shall not:
  1. "Violate a highway restriction;
  2. Operate the combination of vehicles on the interstate system;
  3. Operate the combination of vehicles if the combination of vehicles exceeds any tire weight rating or tire speed rating restriction adopted under Title 25, §111 of the MVL
- h. Yearly permit fee is \$500.00 and issued for one-year term only.

## **Process – Exceptional Hauling Permit - Milk Tank Vehicles**

- a. Fill out your company name and address.
- b. Fill in power unit information
- c. Fill in trailer/vehicle information
- d. Fill in MD/USDOT #

Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration  
Exceptional Hauling Permit

Permit Number: 0808005997  
Permit Fee: \$500.00

Effective From: 03/22/2008  
Effective To: 03/21/2009  
Paid by: Account 32042

Permission is hereby granted to:  
**TINA**  
**123 permit road**  
**hanover, MD 21230**

MD/USDOT #: 123456

to move: Raw Milk loaded in fields and off highway locations.

Power Unit - License: HJHJHJHJ (MD)  
Trailer #1 - VARIOUS

**Gross Combination Weight not to exceed 87,000 pounds plus 1,000 pound tolerance**  
Number of axles: Not less than 6 **Axle Weights not to exceed legal limits (specified below) plus 15% tolerance**  
**All Dimensions must be within legal limits**

\*\*\*\*\*SPECIAL CONDITIONS\*\*\*\*\*

**Permit is valid ONLY in Allegany, Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick,  
Garrett, Howard, Montgomery, Prince Georges and Washington counties.**

**VALID ONLY WITH LEVEL 1 INSPECTION DOCUMENTS FOR EACH VEHICLE OF THE COMBINATION**  
**This permit does not allow movement on, or across Interstate Highways**  
**The permit is valid 24 hours a day 7 days a week**

GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. For each vehicle of the combination of vehicles, a copy of a valid North American Standard Driver/Vehicle Inspection Level I report issued within the preceding 180 days that shows no Out-Of-Service (OOS) violations shall be carried in the vehicle. This permit and the Level 1 reports shall be carried in the vehicle and open for inspection by an officer or authorized civilian employee of the Department of State Police, an officer of the Maryland Transportation Authority Police, or any police officer.
2. A violation of the weight restrictions specified in this permit that exceeds 5,000 pounds subjects the permit to immediate confiscation by an officer or authorized civilian employee of the Department of State Police, an officer of the Transportation Authority Police, or any police officer.
3. Permittee shall comply with the Bridge Formula adopted under Section 24-109 (b) and (c) of the Transportation Article, individually for each vehicle of the combination, and shall not exceed the following axle weight limits:  
A) 20,000 pounds per single axle B) 34,000 pounds per tandem axle C) Allowable tri-dem axle weights will be governed by the Bridge Formula
4. The exterior bridge measurement distance shall not be less than 50 feet
5. Violation of any condition contained in this permit voids the authority granted under an Exceptional Hauling Permit.
6. This permit does not give the permittee the right to move over highways or bridges under the jurisdiction of any county or municipality, nor over railroads or railways, except, to cross such highway or bridges, or railroads or railways, at grade, after giving sufficient notice and making appropriate arrangements with responsible authorities; nor does it authorize the permittee to use or damage private property. The permittee shall comply with all rules posted on any bridge or road traversed. Any damage caused directly or indirectly to any road surface, bridge, or other structure, whether maintained by the State Highway Administration (SHA) or by another, by the operation of the vehicle, is the responsibility of the permittee. Damage to structures under its jurisdiction shall be repaired by SHA at the expense of the permittee.
7. Issuance of this permit subjects the permittee and delivery facility to specific reporting requirements as directed by SHA. Failure to comply with the reporting requirements will result in suspension of the permit and/or its restricted use to the delivery facility.
8. Violation of this permit subjects the vehicle to all weight restrictions, tolerances and off loading requirements otherwise applicable under existing statute.

*Issued Under the Authority of MD Vehicle Law Title 24:113*

## **5. Exceptional Hauling Permit – Forestry Products**

- a. Valid only in Allegany and Garrett Counties
- b. For a vehicle that carries forestry products loaded in fields or other off-highway locations.
- c. Forestry products are the only load of the vehicle.
- d. Vehicle must have:
  1. Axles configuration of not less than six axles;
  2. Have a front-to-rear centerline axle spacing of not less than 50 feet.
- e. Vehicle shall comply with the following weight limits:
  1. “Maximum of 20,000 pounds gross weight on a single axle;
  2. For any consecutive axle configuration of two or more axles on individual vehicles in the combination, the maximum gross weight specified in §24-109 (c)” (Maryland Vehicle Law (MVL));
  3. A maximum of 87,000 gross combination weight;
  4. “Be allowed a load limit tolerance of only 1,000 pounds for gross combination weight and 15% for axle weights.” (MVL)
- f. “Twice each year, the vehicle shall submit to a pass a North American Standard Level I inspection.” (MVL)
- g. “While operating a combination of vehicles under the authority of an exceptional hauling permit, a person may not:
  1. Violate any highway restriction;
  2. Operate the combination of vehicles on the Interstate Highway System;
  3. Operating the combination of vehicles if the combination of vehicles exceeds any tire weight rating or tire speed restriction under §25-111.” (MVL)

**Maryland Department of Transportation  
State Highway Administration  
Exceptional Hauling Permit**

Permit Number: **0808006037**  
Permit Fee: \$500.00

Effective From: **03/20/2008**  
Effective To: **03/19/2009**  
Paid by: Account 32042

Permission is hereby granted to:  
**TINA**  
**123 permit road**  
**hanover, MD 21230**

MD/USDOT #: **123456**

to move: Forest Products loaded in fields and off highway locations.

Power Unit - License: TESTONLY (MD)  
Trailer #1 - VARIOUS

**Number of axles: Not less than 6**      **Gross Combination Weight not to exceed 87,000 pounds plus 1,000 pound tolerance**  
**Axle Weights not to exceed legal limits (specified below) plus 15% tolerance**  
**All Dimensions must be within legal limits**

\*\*\*\*\***SPECIAL CONDITIONS**\*\*\*\*\*

Permit is valid only in Garrett and Allegany Counties

**VALID ONLY WITH LEVEL 1 INSPECTION DOCUMENTS FOR EACH VEHICLE OF THE COMBINATION**

This permit does not allow movement on, or across Interstate Highways

The permit is valid 24 hours a day 7 days a week

**GENERAL CONDITIONS**

1. For each vehicle of the combination of vehicles, a copy of a valid North American Standard Driver/Vehicle Inspection Level I report issued within the preceding 180 days that shows no Out-Of-Service (OOS) violations shall be carried in the vehicle. This permit and the Level 1 reports shall be carried in the vehicle and open for inspection by an officer or authorized civilian employee of the Department of State Police, an officer of the Maryland Transportation Authority Police, or any police officer.
2. A violation of the weight restrictions specified in this permit that exceeds 5,000 pounds subjects the permit to immediate confiscation by an officer or authorized civilian employee of the Department of State Police, an officer of the Transportation Authority Police, or any police officer.
3. Permittee shall comply with the Bridge Formula adopted under Section 24-109 (b) and (c) of the Transportation Article, individually for each vehicle of the combination, and shall not exceed the following axle weight limits:  
A) 20,000 pounds per single axle    B) 34,000 pounds per tandem axle    C) Allowable tri-dem axle weights will be governed by the Bridge Formula
4. The exterior bridge measurement distance shall not be less than 50 feet
5. Violation of any condition contained in this permit voids the authority granted under an Exceptional Hauling Permit.
6. This permit does not give the permittee the right to move over highways or bridges under the jurisdiction of any county or municipality, nor over railroads or railways, except, to cross such highway or bridges, or railroads or railways, at grade, after giving sufficient notice and making appropriate arrangements with responsible authorities; nor does it authorize the permittee to use or damage private property. The permittee shall comply with all rules posted on any bridge or road traversed. Any damage caused directly or indirectly to any road surface, bridge, or other structure, whether maintained by the State Highway Administration (SHA) or by another, by the operation of the vehicle, is the responsibility of the permittee. Damage to structures under its jurisdiction shall be repaired by SHA at the expense of the permittee.
7. Issuance of this permit subjects the permittee and delivery facility to specific reporting requirements as directed by SHA. Failure to comply with the reporting requirements will result in suspension of the permit and/or its restricted use to the delivery facility.
8. Violation of this permit subjects the vehicle to all weight restrictions, tolerances and off loading requirements otherwise applicable under existing statute.

*Issued Under the Authority of MD Vehicle Law Title 24:113*

## **6. Continuous Travel Permit -**

- a. Yearly permit fee of \$500.00.
- b. All dimensions must be legal.
- c. Travel permitted 24-hours-per-day, 7 days-per-week.
- d. This is a multi-page permit with attachments.
- e. The original permit must be carried in the vehicle at all times during movement.  
(photo-static copies of permit will not be accepted)
- f. The permit is subject to all of the provisions listed in the attachments (if applicable).
- g. Permit is for Maryland registered Special Mobile Equipment vehicles only.
- h. Maximum allowable weight is 80,000 pounds (40 Tons).
- i. Sample application form located on page 18.

## **Process**

- a. Fill out company name and address.
- b. Make sure to provide the type of equipment being hauled.
- c. Provide the Model Number and Serial Number of the vehicle.
- d. If the unit is a Special Mobile Equipment vehicle, provide the tag number (registration plate number) and fill out what each axle weighs.





**APPLICATION FOR CONTINUOUS TRAVEL HAULING PERMIT**

(For Qualifying SME as provided for under COMAR 11.04.02.08.)

Applicant Name: **Bell Excavators** Fee: **\$500.00**

Address: **7491 Connelley Drive, Hanover, Md. 21076**

Contact Name: **Sharon Brundick** Telephone: **410-582-5733**

1. Type of Equipment: **Mack Concrete Pump** Serial Number: **24514567**

2. Special Mobile Equipment Tag Number: **4E42123** State of issuance: **MD**

3. Weight of axles: **20,000** **20,000** **20,000** **20,000** **20,000**  
1 2 3 4 5

4. Gross Vehicle Weight: **80,000** Starting Date: **05/15/03**

5. All dimensions must be within legal limits.

“Continuous travel” means travel allowed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, subject to the provisions on the permit and any attachments, and subject to all regulations (except hours for movement) under COMAR 11.04.01-11.04.04.

This is a request for a continuous travel permit for the unit of equipment identified above.

I understand that notwithstanding any regulation to the contrary, this equipment must comply with the motor carrier safety provisions of the Transportation Article, Section 25-111, Annotated Code of Maryland, including, but not limited to, compliance with the following requirements:

- (1) The special mobile equipment shall be equipped with all safety equipment and devices required by the Transportation Article and regulations promulgated under the Transportation Article for class E (truck) vehicles;
- (2) The special mobile equipment is subject to roadside safety inspections by the Maryland State Police or other authorized police officers.

I, the permittee, certify that the above identified equipment meets the safety equipment requirements applicable to class E (truck) vehicles.

I further understand that if the special mobile equipment is not in safe operating condition or fails to comply with safety equipment requirements, the permit is void and suspended.

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE OF PERMITTEE

\_\_\_\_\_  
TITLE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

## **7. Containerized Cargo Permit –**

- a. Yearly blanket type of permit.\*
- b. Original permit must be carried in the vehicle at all times during the move to be legal.
- c. Route of travel is specific.
- d. The cargo must be coming from or going to a port in Maryland.
- e. This is a multi-page permit with attachments.
- f. Application must be an original with a seal.
- g. Dimensions must meet those allowed by Maryland law.
- h. It must be a sealed sea-going container.
- i. The registered weight must be 80,000 pounds.
- j. A 20 foot container carried on a 20 foot intermodal chassis is allowed a maximum gross weight of 80,000 pounds. The following axle weights apply:
  - i. Single axle – 22,400 pounds
  - ii. Two consecutive axles – 44,000 pounds
- k. A 20 foot container carried on a 40 foot intermodal chassis is allowed a maximum gross weight of 90,000 pounds. The following axle weights apply:
  - i. Single axle – 22,400 pounds
  - ii. Two consecutive axles – 44,000 pounds
- l. The permit must have all attachments to be valid.

**\*Note – A special permit may be purchased for a combination of vehicles carrying manifested international freight as the only load of the vehicle in a sealed, sea-going container on a semi-trailer carrying an indivisible load. The load must be going to or from a Port.**

## Containerized Cargo Permit Process

- The customer must submit a completed original application to be processed by our office. The information required on the application is as follows:
  - a. Company name and address.
  - b. Quantity – number of permits requested (one for each truck in the fleet).
  - c. Permit request – either a new or renewal of permit.
  - d. Vehicle registered weight – must be 80,000 pounds (40 tons). See previous page for conditions.
  - e. Gross weight – anything up to 90,000 pounds (45 tons). See previous page for conditions.
  - f. Number of axles – must be at least 5 for the vehicle combination.
  - g. Date – when you want the permits to be effective.
  - h. Signed by applicant and telephone number listed in case the HPU needs to contact the company for more information.
  - i. If information is left off the application or is left blank, and the HPU is unable to contact the company within two days, the HPU will mail the application back to the company to be completed. When completed the company then return the application to us.
  - j. We enter all of the information provided by the company into our computer to process the permit (the permit is then attached to any and all attachments that accompany the permit and includes a list of approved routes, restrictions on the approved routes, and a map of all approved routes). The company must assure the original permit is in the truck at all times.
  - k. There is no fee for these permits and no limit on how many a customer can apply for.
  - l. Our office is allowed five (5) working days from the date the application is received to process them and mail them out. If a customer needs five (5) or less permits, they can wait for them in our lobby.



## APPLICATION FOR CONTAINERIZED CARGO PERMIT

Date: **5/15/03** Cost: \$0 (no cost) Total # of permits: **70**

1. Application/Business Name: **Kaintuck Transfer**

2. Address: **7491 Connelley Drive, Hanover Md. 21076**

3. Permit request for (check one) \_\_\_\_\_New Blanket Permit   √  Blanket Permit Renewal.

4. Tractor make, license no., state: **N/A**

5. Trailer make, license no., state: **N/A**

6. Vehicle registration weight: **80,000**

7. Gross weight: **90,000** Number of axles: **5**

8. Telephone number where Department may call if there are any questions. **(410) 582-5720**

9. Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Has a local route been approved for your company? \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ no

If yes, please give specific routes and dates of approval.

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Return completed application to:

**State Highway Administration  
Hauling Permits Section  
7491 Connelley Drive  
Hanover, Maryland 21076**

All items on this page must be completed before a permit request can be considered.

Questions or comments - [haulingpermits@sha.state.md.us](mailto:haulingpermits@sha.state.md.us) or 1-800-543-4564

**STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION  
CREDIT HAULING BOND FORM**

**BOND NO.** \_\_\_\_\_

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name) (Address)  
AS PRINCIPAL (HEREINAFTER CALLED "PRINCIPAL") AND THE \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name) (Address)

A CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ WITH ITS HOME OFFICE IN THE CITY OF \_\_\_\_\_, AS SURETY (HEREINAFTER CALLED "SURETY") ARE HELD AND FIRMLY BOUND UNTO THE STATE OF MARYLAND, STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION, AS OBLIGEE (HEREINAFTER CALLED "OBLIGEE") IN THE AMOUNT OF \_\_\_\_\_ DOLLARS(\$ \_\_) FOR THE PAYMENT WHEREOF WELL AND TRULY TO BE MADE, PRINCIPAL AND SURETY BIND THEMSELVES, THEIR HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY, FIRMLY BY THESE PRESENT.

WHEREAS, THE PRINCIPAL FROM TIME TO TIME WILL MAKE AN APPLICATION TO THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION OF MARYLAND FOR PERMITS TO HAUL OVERSIZE AND/OR OVERWEIGHT LOADS OVER STATE HIGHWAYS, AND

WHEREAS, THE SAID PRINCIPAL DESIRES TO ESTABLISH CREDIT WITH THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION FOR PAYMENT OF FEES CHARGED FOR HAULING PERMITS, AND

WHEREAS, THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION OF MARYLAND WILL GRANT PERMITS FOR SUCH MOVING, UPON CERTAIN TERMS AND CONDITIONS INCLUDING THE PAYMENTS OF HAULING PERMIT FEES, SURVEY FEES, MONITORING FEES AND POLICE ESCORT FEES, AND

WHEREAS, THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION IS WILLING TO ESTABLISH CREDIT FOR THE PAYMENT OF SUCH FEES UPON THE FILING OF THIS BOND GUARANTEEING THAT PAYMENT WILL BE MADE WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS FROM THE LAST DAY OF THE MONTH IN WHICH SUCH CHARGES ARE INCURRED.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THE FOREGOING OBLIGATION IS SUCH THAT IF THE SAID PRINCIPAL SHALL REMIT TO THE MARYLAND STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION SPECIAL HAULING PERMIT DEPARTMENT ANY MONIES OWING TO THE MARYLAND STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION, THEN THIS OBLIGATION TO BE VOID, OTHERWISE TO BE AND REMAIN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

**SIGNED, SEALED AND DATED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_**

**AS TO PRINCIPAL:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(SEAL)

**AS TO SURETY:**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_ (SEAL)

ATTORNEY-IN-FACT



MARYLAND STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION
HAULING PERFORMANCE BOND

BOND NO. \_\_\_\_\_

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, \_\_\_\_\_

As principal, and the \_\_\_\_\_

A corporation duly created and existing under the laws of the State of Maryland, and having its principal office in \_\_\_\_\_, as surety, are held, and firmly bound unto the State of Maryland by and through that State Highway Administration as Obligee in the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars, lawful money of the United States, to be paid to the said State of Maryland by and through the State Highway Administration or to its certain attorneys, executors, administrators, successors or assigns: to the payment whereof we bind ourselves and each of us, our and each of our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal from time to time will make an application to the State Highway Administration Of Maryland for permits to haul oversize and / or overweight equipment, and

WHEREAS, the State Highway Administration of Maryland will grant such permits for such moving, upon certain conditions as set forth in said permits.

NOW THE CONDITION OF THE FOREGOING OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That if the above bounden principal shall in all respects comply with the terms and conditions of said permit and fully meet and perform his, their or its obligations thereunder, and shall well and truly and in a manner satisfactory to The Maryland State Highway Administration complete the work permitted and save harmless the State of Maryland and the State Highway Administration from any expense incurred through the failure of said principal to comply with the terms and conditions of said permit or from any damage growing out of the negligence of the said principal, or his, their or its agents or employees then the above obligation to be void and of none effect; otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law.

Maryland State Highway, Motor Carrier Division, Hauling Permits Unit requires that a performance bond be kept on file for a minimum of 1 year from date of the oversize / overweight move. This is an office policy, based on COMAR 11.04.03.02(d) (1-3). This is due to the excessive size/weight where damages may not be immediate to ensure potential coverage of costs associated with a particular move.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the said Principal has hereunto set his hand and seal and the said Surety has caused this instrument of writing to be executed.

Signed, sealed and dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_.

WITNESS AS TO PRINCIPAL:

\_\_\_\_\_ (SEAL)

WITNESS AS TO SURETY:

\_\_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_\_\_ (SEAL)



**ENDORSEMENT**  
**CONTRACTUAL LIABILITY CLAUSE**

It is distinctly understood and agreed that the Company, in consideration of an additional premium already included, and in consideration of the granting of a permit to the INSURED by the STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION OF MARYLAND for transporting loads of excessive size and weight upon the public highways of Maryland, pursuant to the provisions of the MARYLAND VEHICLE LAW, effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1971 will indemnify and save harmless the STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION OF MARYLAND and the STATE OF MARYLAND from all loss arising from damage to the road beds and wearing surfaces of any highways and structures used by said permittee and all sub-surface installations, and/or signs, signals, etc., not exceeding in the aggregate of per OCCURRENCES. It is further distinctly understood and agreed that the Company's total limit of liability with respect to the insurance afforded by this endorsement shall not exceed an aggregate of \$100,000.00.

**ALL OTHER TERMS OF THIS POLICY REMAIN UNCHANGED**

This endorsement, countersigned by an authorized representative of the Company, becomes applicable endorsement No. \_\_\_\_\_.

Effective \_\_\_\_\_  
Of Policy # \_\_\_\_\_  
Issued To \_\_\_\_\_

Countersigned \_\_\_\_\_

## IMPORTANT EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

The following listing of emergency telephone numbers will place you in contact with a live person around the clock 7 days a week.

**1. Local Fire Department, Police 911**

**To report emergency situation by cellular telephone dial either 911 or #77.**

**2. Maryland State Police 410-486-3101**

**Toll-Free 1-800-525-5555**

**3. Maryland Transportation Authority Police 1-888-754-0185**

**4. Maryland State Fire Marshall 410-486-3101**

**5. Maryland Department of the Environment**

For Hazardous Material Spill or Oil Spill **1-866-633-4686**

Division of Radiation Control **1-866-633-4686**

**6. CSX Railroad Grade Crossing Emergency 1-800-232-0144**

**7. Maryland State Highway Administration  
Statewide Operations Center (SOC)\* 1-800-543-2515**

**\*Non-business hours point of contact for emergency permits**

**8. National Information Reporting & Response  
Center (USDOT) 1-800-424-8802  
CHEMTREC 1-800-424-9300**



**NON-EMERGENCY AGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS, MAILING ADDRESSES  
AND AGENCY WEB-SITES**

1. Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration  
6601 Ritchie Highway  
Glen Burnie, Maryland 21061

General Information (Toll-Free from MD., D.C., and Northern Virginia)

1-800-950-1692

From other areas: 301-729-4550

Motor Carrier Services Section

Toll-Free from Maryland only: 1-800-248-4160

From other areas: 410-787-2971

[www.marylandmva.com](http://www.marylandmva.com)

2. Maryland State Highway Administration  
Motor Carrier Division  
Hauling Permits Unit  
7491 Connelley Drive  
Hanover, Maryland 21076

410-582-5734

Toll Free 1-800-543-4564

Hauling Permits 410-582-5727

Toll-Free 1-800-846-6435

[www.marylandroads.com](http://www.marylandroads.com)

e-mail address: [haulingpermits@sha.state.md.us](mailto:haulingpermits@sha.state.md.us)

3. Maryland State Police  
Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division  
901 Elkridge Landing Road, Suite 300  
Linthicum Heights, Maryland 21090  
410-694-6100  
Fax # 410-694-6139  
[mspcved@qis.net](mailto:mspcved@qis.net) (E-mail address only)

4. Maryland Transportation Authority Police  
Commercial Vehicle Safety Unit  
15 Turnpike Drive  
Perryville, Maryland 21903  
410-537-1126  
Fax # 410-575-1128  
[www.mdt.state.md.us](http://www.mdt.state.md.us)

5. Maryland Department of the Environment  
1800 Washington Blvd. – STE 645  
Baltimore, Maryland 21230  
410-537-3442  
[www.mde.state.md.us](http://www.mde.state.md.us)

6. Maryland Public Service Commission  
6 St. Paul Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202  
410-767-8128  
[www.psc.state.md.us](http://www.psc.state.md.us)

7. Comptroller of Maryland  
Motor Fuel, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Regulatory Division (MATT)  
P.O. 2999  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

410-260-7215

Toll-Free in Maryland only 1-888-784-0142

[www.comp.state.md.us](http://www.comp.state.md.us)

8. Maryland Department of Transportation  
Office of Freight Logistics  
Office of Motor Carrier Policy  
7201 Corporate Center Drive  
Hanover, Maryland 21076

410-865-1094

[www.mdot.state.md.us/MMCP/Index.html](http://www.mdot.state.md.us/MMCP/Index.html)

9. Maryland Port Administration  
401 East Pratt Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

410-633-1115

[www.mpa.state.md.us](http://www.mpa.state.md.us)

10. Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration  
Baltimore Office  
City Crescent Building  
10 South Howard Street  
Suite 2710  
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

410-962-2889

[www.fmcsa.dot.gov](http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov)

## **LISTING OF COUNTY CONTACTS AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

Several counties do not have offices that issue OS/OW hauling permits for local roadways; however, some issue them. For your convenience we are providing the following telephone/point of contact numbers for each county so that you may call them if you have questions as to whether or not they issue permits. Most, if not all the telephone numbers are either for each respective county highway department or department of public works.

**ALLEGANY COUNTY – (301) 777-5933**

**ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – (410) 222-7331**

**BALTIMORE COUNTY – (410) 887-3737**

**CALVERT COUNTY – (410) 535-0905**

**CAROLINE COUNTY – (410) 479-0520**

**CARROLL COUNTY – (410) 386-6717**

**CECIL COUNTY – (410) 996-6270**

**CHARLES COUNTY – (301) 932-3450 - Chief of the Roads Division**

**DORCHESTER COUNTY - (410) 228-2920**

**FREDERICK COUNTY – (301) 694-1567**

**GARRETT COUNTY – (301) 334-3988**

**HARFORD COUNTY – (410) 638-3548**

**HOWARD COUNTY – (410) 313-7450**

**KENT COUNTY – (410) 778-4252**

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY – (240) 777-2190**

**PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – (301) 883-5915**

**QUEEN ANNE’S COUNTY – (410) 758-0920**

**SOMERSET COUNTY – (410) 651-1930**

**ST MARY'S COUNTY –**

**TALBOT COUNTY - (410) 770-8150**

**WASHINGTON COUNTY – (240) 313-2400**

**WICOMICO COUNTY – (410) 548-4872**

**WORCESTER COUNTY – (410) 632-2244**

The majority of counties have advised they either let the county police or the Sheriffs Department handle any notification when a crash occurs where state property is damaged.

## **HAULING PERMIT LOAD REQUIREMENTS**

### **WIDTH**

#### **8 feet – 9 feet inch**

- No notes required

#### **11 feet 11 inches**

- Wide Load Signs Required

#### **12 feet – 13 feet**

- Wide Load Signs required
- Beltway Hours – travel restrictions apply where applicable

#### **13 feet 1 inch – 13 feet 11 inches**

- Wide Load Signs Required
- Beltway Hours – travel restrictions apply
- (1) Special Escort (private) required (Exception – Mobile and Modular Homes)

#### **14 feet**

- Keep to the extreme right of roadway using the shoulder whenever possible
- Special Escorts required (2 private)
- Moves allowed 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. only

#### **16 feet**

- SHA District Engineer approval required prior to move
- 48-Hour advance notice to the Maryland State Police prior to move – MSP escort required for any move
- Performance Bond required or Contractual Liability Clause required

## HEIGHT

### 13 feet 6 inches

- Legal limit – no special conditions apply unless noted on the permit

### 13 feet 7 inches – 15 feet 5 inches

- Permittee responsible for over head clearance on all moves

### 14 feet 6 inches

- Height pole required

### 15 feet 6 inches

- Any trees to be trimmed must be cleared by the Department of Forest and Parks (410-255-0079)

### 16 feet or higher

- Approval of SHA District Engineer is required prior to any move
- MSP Escort required
- SHA Statewide Traffic Operations Center (SOC) must be notified prior to move
- Performance Bond or Contractual Liability Clause must be on file prior to the move to cover damages related to the move

## **LENGTH**

### **55 feet**

- No special notes or conditions required unless needed

### **85 feet 1 inch**

- (1 private) Special Escort required

### **100 feet or longer**

- Beltway Hours – travel restriction 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. only
- (1 private) Special Escort required
- Performance bond or Contractual Liability Clause must be on file prior to all moves to cover any damage associated with the move

### **120 feet or longer**

- Beltway Hours – travel restriction 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. only
- Special Escort required
- Performance bond must be on file prior to all moves to cover any damages associated with the move
- 48-Hour notice must be given prior to the move

### **140 feet or longer**

- Two Special Escorts required
- SHA District Engineer approval required prior to all moves
- Beltway Hours – travel restriction 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. only
- 48-Hour notice must be given prior to the move

## **STEEL BEAM REQUIREMENTS –**

### **70 feet long not including the tractor-trailer**

- No permit required
- Travel during daylight hours only

## **WEIGHT**

### **Over 45 tons**



- Beltway hours – travel restriction 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. only
- Must maintain speed limit
- For axle weight restrictions, call the HPU for additional requirements

### **Over 60 Tons**

- (1) Special Escort required
- MSP Escort required
- SHA Office of Bridge approval required if load is a self propelled unit or does not meet the axle weight and space requirements for combination vehicles
- Permit vehicle must maintain a speed 10 mph under the posted speed limit
- Moves allowed 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. only
- Special Escorts and 1 MSP escort vehicle is required if load is going against traffic
- Performance bond or Contractual Liability Clause must be on file
- Combination vehicle loads up to but not exceeding 150,000 allowed on Interstate routes only (does not need to go to SHA Office of Bridge Development)

## HOURS OF MOVEMENT – GENERAL

A. The permittee or user may move an oversized or overweight vehicle during any daylight hours from ½ hour after sunrise to ½ an hour before sunset, to the following restrictions.

### **B. Restrictions.**

**(1) No person may move an oversize or overweight vehicle, even during daylight hours, on:**

**(a) Any Saturday after 12 noon;**

**(b) Any Sunday;**

**(c) Those holiday periods included on a list compiled by the Unit for each calendar year, available upon request from the Unit after December 15 of the proceeding calendar year.**

(2) The permittee or user may move any vehicle and load that together exceed 45 tons gross weight (90,000 pounds) or 100 feet or more in length or 12 feet or more in width over either of the following facilities from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. only, on those days not specified in the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR):

(a) I-495/I-95 (Capital Beltway)

(b) I-695 and Maryland Route 695 (Baltimore Beltway).

**C. Oversize/Overweight Hauling Permits issued by the HPU are valid for travel on highways owned and maintained by the State of Maryland. Permits do not cover highways/roadways/streets that are owned and maintained by either a county government or local municipality. A list of contact telephone numbers can be found on pages 29 and 30 in this manual. For local municipalities not listed, check the local telephone directory you.**

## Continuous Travel for Certain Special Mobile Equipment.

A. In this section:

- (1) “Continuous travel” means travel allowed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, subject to the provisions on the permit and any attachments, and subject to all regulations (except hours of movement) under COMAR 11.04.01—11.04.04.
- (2) “Qualifying Special Mobile Equipment” means special well drilling equipment and any other any other self-propelled Special Mobile Equipment reasonably determined by the Maryland State Police to be capable of complying with safety requirements applicable to a Class “E” (truck) vehicle.

B. Subject to the requirements of this regulation, the Unit may issue permits for continuous travel for qualifying special equipment.

### ESCORTS – GENERAL CONDITIONS

A single **private escort** is required for loads over 85 feet in length and/or 13 feet wide. Mobile homes and modular units do not require an escort until they are 14 feet wide or more. All loads 14 feet wide and or more require two private escorts to move in and through Maryland.

Excessive size and/or weight loads or vehicles are called Super Loads. These are loads with dimensions in excess of:

- 120 feet or more in length.
- 16 feet wide or more.
- 16 feet or more in height.
- Exceeding 150,000 pounds (75 Tons) or exceeding 27,000 pounds on any axle on Interstate highways in Maryland.
- Exceeding 120,000 pounds (60 Tons) or exceeding 27,000 pounds on any axle on Maryland State highways.
- Excessive weight loads must meet axle spacing and weight as required in COMAR, Title 11.
- All excessive loads require a performance bond or a contractual liability bond.
- For the schedule on excessive weight Hauling Permits see page 39 in this manual.

- Loads that are 16 feet wide and greater are considered excessive in size and will require two private escort vehicles.
- There is a \$200.00 fee for monitoring by a State Highway Administration District Office representative. The SHA District Office decides if monitoring is necessary.
- There is a \$250.00 fee for escort by off-duty Maryland State Police Troopers.
- The Permittee must notify the Maryland State Police 48 hours in advance of the move.

Sample of route restrictions – Contact the Hauling Permits Unit for current listing or visit our web-page at: [www.marylandroads.com](http://www.marylandroads.com), then click on SHA Services, Hauling Permits.

### **PRIVATE ESCORT--EQUIPMENT AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

#### **A. Communication -**

All private escort drivers and the permit driver shall be equipped with a two-way radio. The driver shall maintain constant communication except for intermittent interruptions, which may be caused by the terrain or atmospheric conditions, or directed by posting as in blasting areas.

#### **B. Lighting -**

- 1) A private escort vehicle shall have at least one (1) oscillating or rotating roof light, yellow in color, at least three inches in diameter and visible to the front and rear.
- 2) Headlights of the escort and the escorted vehicle shall be illuminated while conducting the move.
- 3) Hazard flashing warning lamps shall be used by the operator of the permit vehicle when the vehicle is traveling 20 miles-per-hour less than the posted speed limit.

#### **C. Markings/Signs –**

- 1) An escort vehicle shall display a sign with a yellow background on the roof that is at least five feet long and 12 inches wide, with the words “WIDE LOAD” or “OVERSIZED LOAD” in eight inch high black letters.

#### **D. Position –**

- 1) Escort vehicles shall travel not more than 200 feet to the front or the rear of the escorted vehicle and no closer to the escorted vehicle than is reasonable and prudent under prevailing speed and weather conditions.

- 2) When one escort vehicle is required, it shall follow the escorted vehicle on any highway with two or more lanes in one direction, and it shall precede the escorted vehicle on any highway with only one lane in each direction.
- 3) When a pole vehicle escort is required, the pole vehicle shall precede the escorted vehicle.

### **ESCORTED VEHICLES – GENERAL RESTRICTIONS**

- A. A person may not move an escorted vehicle on the Interstate system if the movement would constitute a special traffic hazard.
- B. When escort is required, each permit vehicle requires its own escort.
- C. Each permit vehicle with escort shall maintain a 1-mile distance from another escorted permit vehicle traveling in the same direction.
- D. If traffic buildup behind a permit move becomes heavy (considered to be in excess of six cars including any escort), the entire move shall leave the traveled way to allow traffic to pass.
- E. Convoying. No person (except a State or federal military authority or by special authorization granted by the Director, Office of Traffic and Safety), may convoy a group vehicles without proper escort.
- F. When two escort vehicles are required, one shall follow and the other shall precede the escorted vehicle.

## PERMIT FEES

90,000 LBS - (45 TONS)	\$ 30.00
92,000 LBS - (46 TONS)	\$ 35.00
94,000 LBS - (47 TONS)	\$ 40.00
96,000 LBS - (48 TONS)	\$ 45.00
98,000 LBS - (49 TONS)	\$ 50.00
100,000 LBS - (50 TONS)	\$ 55.00
102,000 LBS - (51 TONS)	\$ 60.00
104,000 LBS - (52 TONS)	\$ 65.00
106,000 LBS - (53 TONS)	\$ 70.00
108,000 LBS - (54 TONS)	\$ 75.00
110,000 LBS - (55 TONS)	\$ 80.00
112,000 LBS - (56 TONS)	\$ 85.00
114,000 LBS - (57 TONS)	\$ 90.00
116,000 LBS - (58 TONS)	\$ 95.00
118,000 LBS - (59 TONS)	\$100.00
120,000 LBS - (60 TONS)	\$105.00

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122,000 LBS - (61TONS)	\$110.00
124,000 LBS - (62 TONS)	\$115.00
126,000 LBS - (63 TONS)	\$120.00
128,000 LBS - (64 TONS)	\$125.00
130,000 LBS - (65 TONS)	\$130.00
132,000 LBS - (66 TONS)	\$135.00
134,000 LBS - (67 TONS)	\$140.00
136,000 LBS - (68 TONS)	\$145.00
138,000 LBS - (69 TONS)	\$150.00
140,000 LBS - (70 TONS)	\$155.00
142,000 LBS - (71 TONS)	\$160.00
144,000 LBS - (72 TONS)	\$165.00
146,000 LBS - (73 TONS)	\$170.00
148,000 LBS - (74 TONS)	\$175.00
150,000 LBS - (75 TONS)	\$180.00

# MARYLAND RESTRICTED ROUTES –

## SAMPLE LISTING

**\*\*Note – Restrictions can occur on a daily basis on specific routes due to construction, repairs, etc., therefore we suggest you check the following web-site which has updated restrictions listed: [www.marylandroads.com](http://www.marylandroads.com)**

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### INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS

- I-95 [Baltimore, Cecil, Harford] **Northbound and Southbound Lanes: Loads over 20 feet in width or 15' in height MUST CONTACT THE MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF A PERMIT. Telephone # 410-537-1100 – Option 2).**
- I-95 [Baltimore, Cecil] All loads must move 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. only Northbound and Southbound from Baltimore City to the Delaware Line.
- I-95 [Harford] Nothing over 12' wide on ramp from I-95 (south) to I-695 (west) until further notice.
- I-95 [Baltimore] No loads Northbound or Southbound through the Fort McHenry Tunnel until further notice.**
- I-270 [Montgomery] Any oversize move 15' wide traveling southbound I-270 split into westbound I-495 must be coordinated with the SHA District 3 Office (Telephone 301-513-7350).
- I-695 [Baltimore] Moves 12' or over and /or 45 tons or over must be escorted by the Maryland Transportation Authority Police when crossing the Francis Scott Key Bridge. (Telephone # 410-633-1092)
- I-695 [Baltimore] Moves over 14' in width and/or over 14' in height are prohibited from using MD 695 southbound (to northbound MD 695) truck turn around at the Francis Scott Key Memorial Bridge toll plaza. (Telephone # 410-633-1092)
- I-695 [Baltimore] Southbound on I-695 at the overpass at US 1. Alternate (outer loop) is restricted in height to 14'6" until further notice.
- I-695 [Baltimore] Northbound and southbound over the Patapsco River/Hammonds Ferry Road restricted in height to 14'4" until further notice.
- I-695 [Baltimore] Nothing over 16' wide on I-695 ramp to I-95 North. This is on all loads coming from the Francis Scott Key Bridge. This will be in effect until further notice.

## U.S. HIGHWAYS

- US 1 [Harford/Cecil] Police escort required for loads over 11' wide when crossing the Conowingo Dam. Contact the Maryland State Police at North East Barrack (Telephone 410-398-8101) for a police escort to cross the Conowingo Dam. Bridge under repairs, expect delays in this area. Police Escort fee is \$40.00.
- US 11 [Washington] Nothing over 14' high on Bridge #2111203 and #2111204 until further notice.
- US 11 [Washington] Beginning August 29, 2005, no loads over 14' in height on Bridge #21083 over I-81 until further notice.
- US 13 [Business] [Wicomico] Loads 12' wide and/or over 90,000 pounds (45 tons) are restricted 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. only.
- US 13 [Somerset] Nothing over 12' wide Northbound only between Road 364 and Costen Road until further notice.
- US 40 [Cecil] The maximum height allowed to enter the toll plaza at the Hatem Bridge is 15'6" for both eastbound and westbound traffic.
- US 40 [Harford & Cecil] Nothing over 10' wide Eastbound or Westbound over the Hatem Bridge until further notice.**
- US 50/US 301 [Bay Bridge] prior to The Lane Memorial Bridge over the Chesapeake Bay (US 50) is under repairs. Expect delays. Please contact the Maryland Transportation Authority Police one hour in advance prior to entering the toll plaza for specific instructions. (Telephone # 410-757-1977). there are no restrictions on the eastbound span. No loads over 12' on the westbound span from 3:00 pm to sunset, Monday through Thursday until further notice.
- US 219 [Garrett] No moves over 12' wide at Bridge #11024 (Northbound only) until further notice.
- US 220 [Allegany] When using US Route 220 south from I-68, the routing on the permit must read I-68-MD 53-US 220.
- US 301 [Nice Bridge] Beginning October 8, 2007, the Nice Bridge will be restricted to all wide loads up to 11' wide. Travel times will be restricted to 1 am to 11 am or 1 pm to 3 pm, Monday through Thursday. All loads over 11' wide will have to be coordinated through the Hauling Permits Office.

## MARYLAND STATE HIGHWAYS AND OTHER ROUTES/LOCATIONS

For all other routes, please check the website: [www.marylandroads.com](http://www.marylandroads.com)



## MARYLAND TRUCK ROUTE SYSTEM AND LEGAL ACCESS ISSUES

In Maryland, the Truck Route System is the following system of highways designated by the Maryland Secretary of Transportation in conjunction with the U.S. Secretary of Transportation: (See operational requirements on next page)

**All Interstate Numbered Highways:** I-68, I-70, I-81, I-83, I-95, I-97, I-195, I-270, I-370, I-395, I-495, I-695, I-795 and I-895 (Note exceptions for I-895 below the chart)

ROUTE	FROM	TO
US 13	Virginia State Line	Delaware State Line
US 15	US 340, Frederick	MD 26, north of Frederick
US 40	US 340, Frederick	I-70, Frederick
US 50	MD 201, Kenilworth Avenue	US 13 Salisbury Bypass
US 301	Virginia State Line	Delaware State Line
US 340	MD 67 at Weverton	US 40 in Frederick
MD 3	US 50/301 at Bowie	I-97
MD 4	I-95	US 301, Upper Marlboro
MD 10	MD 100, Glen Burnie	I-695 Baltimore Beltway
MD 100	MD 607, Jacobsville	I-95
MD 201	US 50, Cheverly	D.C. Line
MD 295	I-695 Baltimore Beltway	I-95 north of the Baltimore City Line
MD 702	I-695 east of Baltimore	Old Eastern Avenue

**\*The Harbor Tunnel Thruway, I-895, prohibits doubles and widths over 96 inches except for buses. Alternate routing is available via I-695 and the Francis Scott Key Bridge or I-95 (Ft. McHenry Tunnel).** For specific information, contact the Maryland Transportation Authority Police, Tunnel Command at 2301 South Clinton Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21224 Phone: (410) 537-1200.

All trucks wider than 96 inches, all truck-tractor-semi-trailer-trailer combinations (doubles), vehicle combinations where the semi-trailer is 48' to 53' in length, auto or boat transporters and containerized cargo carriers are required to operate on this system. Other roads may be used only for access to the system provided that they are the shortest practical route between the system and a truck terminal, point of origin or destination of cargo, or for one mile or less to a facility for food, fuel, repair or rest or is the safest practical route and is a state highway with four or more lanes.

The segment of US Route 40 from Maryland Route 279 to Maryland Route 152 is a designated route which may be used by the aforementioned vehicles for local deliveries and may not exceed those limitations set forth in the Transportation Article.

## **ACCESS TO THE HELEN DELICH BENTLEY PORT OF BALTIMORE**

Motor Carriers transport approximately 70% of the cargo moved out the Port. Carriers picking up cargo at the Port's Seagirt, Dundalk, North and South Locust Point terminals are less than 2 miles from I-95 or I-895 and minutes from I-695 (Baltimore Beltway) leading to I-70 and I-83. Signs are posted on these routes indicating which exit you should take to enter these facilities.

Seagirt and Dundalk, the Port's two largest container facilities, are easily reached via the Keith Avenue exit on I-95 immediately north of the Fort McHenry tunnel toll plaza. After exiting I-95, travel one mile east on Keith Avenue to Broening Highway and south less than one mile to Seagirt. The Dundalk Marine Terminal is just beyond Seagirt on Broening Highway.

## **GLOSSARY**

### **Administration**

The Maryland State Highway Administration.

### **Annual (Blanket Permit)**

A permit valid one year from the date of issuance for any vehicle over the legal axle weight, legal width, legal height and/or legal length.

### **Axle Weight**

The weight of an individual axle, including any weight carried on that axle.

### **Bridge Formula**

The formula for determining allowable maximum gross vehicle weight, and/or axle weights for vehicles is contained in the Maryland Vehicle Law, Title 24, Section 109.

### **Certified Weights**

Vehicle or axle weights that have been weighed on scales approved or accepted by the Maryland Department of State Police, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division (MSP/CVED).

### **Construction Equipment**

Equipment used to build, repair, replace, or maintain structures, transportation facilities or infrastructure. Term includes, but is not limited to:

- Demolition equipment
- Excavating equipment
- Grading and digging equipment
- Stockpiling, erecting, and placement of materials or supplies

Examples of equipment are: Self-propelled or towed cranes, backhoes, scrapers, shovels, bulldozers, tractors, pile-drivers, rock drills, etc.

### **Containerized Cargo**

Combination of vehicles carrying manifested international freight as the only load of the vehicle in a sealed, seagoing container on a semi-trailer carrying an indivisible load. Cargo must be going directly to or coming from a Port.

## **Continuous Travel**

Vehicle and/or load permitted to travel 7 days/24 hours in accordance with permit.

## **Dealer**

Any person who is in the business of buying or selling equipment as a source of income and has a license to do so.

## **Direct Facsimile**

Sends and receives documents directly from the source of origin through a facsimile machine.

## **Director**

Director of the Office of Traffic and Safety, Maryland State Highway Administration.

## **District Office**

A regional office of the Maryland State Highway Administration located geographically in the State that is responsible for the care and maintenance of Interstate, US Routes and State highways. Maryland is divided into 7 regional districts.

## **Divisible Load**

Any load than can be divided to meet the legal dimensions as provided in the Maryland Vehicle Law.

## **Duration of Permit**

This is the amount of days a permit is valid. The permit has a beginning and ending date.

## **Enforcement Agencies**

Includes:

- Maryland Department of State Police, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division
- Maryland Transportation Authority Police, Commercial Vehicle Safety Unit
- Other local law enforcement agencies throughout Maryland who have the authority to stop and inspect permitted loads and to take enforcement action for permit violations

## **Extension**

This is an extension of time added to the original permit. The extension will give you 3 additional days for an additional fee of \$5.00. Only one extension per permit is allowed.

### **Gross Combination Weight – (GCW)**

The weight of:

- A truck-tractor operated in combination with a semi-trailer and the weight of any load carried
- A truck operated in combination with a semi-trailer or trailer and the weight of the load carried.

### **Gross Vehicle Weight – (GVW)**

The weight of any single unit vehicle and any load carried.

### **Heavy Machinery**

Large stationery machinery transported on tractor-trailer combination vehicles. The term includes, but is not limited to:

- ❖ Armored tanks,
- ❖ Transformers,
- ❖ Vessel tanks,
- ❖ Girders,
- ❖ Compressors,
- ❖ Rotors, etc.

### **HPU**

Hauling Permits Unit.

### **Irreducible**

Means a vehicle configuration exceeding applicable size or weight limits which, if separated into smaller loads would compromise the intended use of the vehicle (make it unable to perform the function for which it was intended, destroy the value of the load or vehicle, make it unusable for its intended purpose) and would require more than 8 man-hours to dismantle, using appropriate equipment.

### **Manufactured Housing**

A house that is manufactured and/or constructed at one location with the intention of moving it to another location at a later time for final assembly.

## **MdTA**

Maryland Transportation Authority.

## **MdTAP**

Maryland Transportation Authority Police.

## **Mobile/Modular Home**

A manufactured unit designed for living and is transported and mounted to a frame that may or may not be removed. A mobile/modular home is transported on wheels/tires that may or may not be permanently mounted. The load is independent of a registered power unit.

## **Mobile Office**

A temporary office that is built to be portable and mounted on a frame. The load is dependent on a registered power unit to be moved.

## **Monthly Billing**

An invoice sent out on a month basis from the Hauling Permits Unit, Accounting Section and is for the prior month's activities. It includes any and all unpaid balances.

## **MSP**

Maryland Department of State Police

## **Non-Divisible Load**

A commodity or load that cannot be broken down or divided to meet requirements of the regulations or laws in Maryland. A load that cannot be broken down any further.

## **Overdimension**

Vehicle or load that exceeds the legal height, width and/or length limits as specified in the Maryland Vehicle Law and for which the Maryland State Highway Administration, Hauling Permits Unit may issue a permit.

## **Overheight**

Any vehicle or load that exceeds the maximum allowable limit of 13 feet 6 inches in height and cannot be reduced.

## **Oversize**

Any vehicle or load that exceeds the maximum allowable height, width or length limits as specified in the Maryland Vehicle law and for which a special hauling permit is required prior to being moved on Maryland highways.

## **Overweight**

A vehicle or combination of vehicles, axle and/or load that exceeds the legal limits on gross weight and/or axle weights as specified in the Maryland Vehicle Law.

## **Overwidth**

A vehicle or combination of vehicles exceeding the maximum width limits allowed by Maryland law.

## **Owner**

A person holding the legal title to a vehicle or the person who holds or signed the lease for that vehicle.

## **Permit**

A legal document issued by the Maryland State Highway Administration's Hauling Permits Unit authorizing travel on highways owned and maintained by the Maryland State Highway Administration and Maryland Transportation Authority.

## **Permittee**

The name that appears on an issued permit and who is responsible for the accuracy of the information contained in the permit application.

## **Posted Bridge**

A bridge on the State Highway System that has a maximum axle weight or gross weight limit issued by the Maryland State Highway Administration's Office of Bridge Development and is posted by traffic signs prohibiting movement across the bridge.

## **Registration**

Normally refers to either a registration card, or registration plate issued to a vehicle owner by the Motor Vehicle Administration, or documents issued by another state. In the case of a registration card this serves as a legal document showing ownership of a particular vehicle.

## **Restriction**

Limitations to the permit or special rules that must be followed. Term includes but is not limited to:

- Route restrictions
- Hours of operation
- Other special conditions placed on the permit

## **Revocation**

Immediate termination of the permit and authority to move a load.

## **Self-propelled Vehicle**

A vehicle operating under its own power and not towed.

## **Spacing**

Refers to the spacing (distance) between the axles of a vehicle which is measured lengthwise. The distance measured horizontally between the axle center-lines or the center lines of the exterior axles within a group.

## **Special Mobile Equipment**

A vehicle that is self-propelled and not used primarily for highway transportation of people or property and is operated or moved on a highway only as incidental to its non-highway use.

## **Special Vehicle**

A vehicle of special design which cannot comply with the size or weight limits or qualify as "Special Mobile Equipment" under Maryland law. The special vehicle may carry equipment for its designed purpose.

## **Suspension**

The temporary loss of a permittee's privilege to obtain permits, or operate in the State of Maryland.

## **Tandem Axle Weight**

The total weight transmitted to the road by two or more consecutive axles (coupled) or spaced 4 feet to 8 feet between each axle.



## **Truck-Tractor**

Vehicle designed and constructed to pull other vehicles upon the highway. It is not constructed to haul any part of the load.

## **Unit**

The Hauling Permits Unit (HPU) for the Maryland State Highway Administration, Office of Traffic and Safety, Motor Carrier Division.

## **Validation Number**

This is an eleven-digit number followed by a letter from the alphabet. These numbers are issued by the Unit to make changes or corrections to permits that have already been issued and to validate Book Permits.

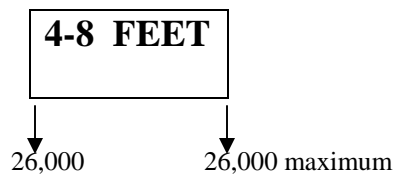
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 State Highway Administration  
 Division of Bridge Development

**PROPOSED VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS- AXLE WEIGHT**

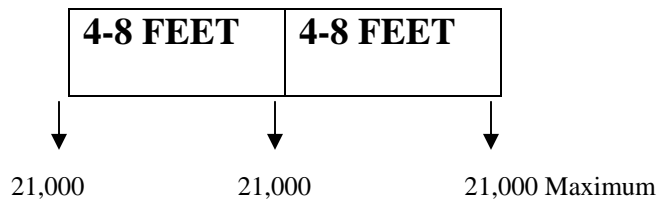
**Applies only to those trucks and combinations of vehicles weighing more than 120,000 pounds but are no greater than 150,000 pounds in total weight. If the below conditions are met, a bridge review is not required if the truck stays on the Interstate System:**

A) ONE Axle: This means one axle **by itself** must be less than or equal to 27,000 pounds UNLESS this axle is a steering axle then it **MUST** be less or equal to 20,000 pounds.  
 ↓ **27,000 Maximum**

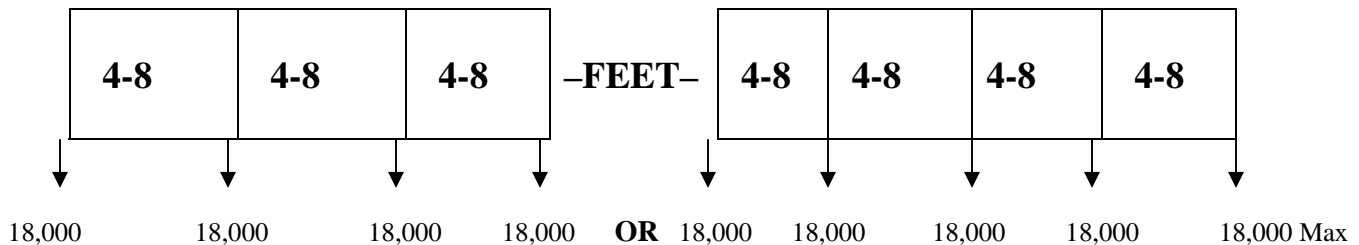
B) TWO Axles together: This means two (2) axles separated by four (4) feet to eight (8) less than or equal to 26,000 pounds each.



C) Three Axles Together: This means three (3) axles separated by four (4) feet to eight (8) feet between each axle less than or equal to 21,000 pounds each:



D) Four or More axles together: This means four or more axles separated by 4 feet to 8 feet between each axle less than or equal to 21,000 pounds each:

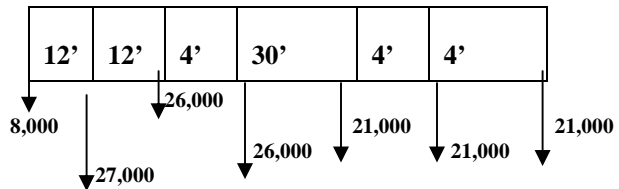


**THESE ARE TYPICAL CASES WHERE THESE TRUCKS WOULD BE O.K. AND WOULD NOT NEED A BRIDGE REVIEW. NOTE THAT NOT EVERY SCENARIO IS SHOWN.**

**AXLE NO.    WTS. IN POUNDS    SPACING FEET/INCHES    DRAWING**

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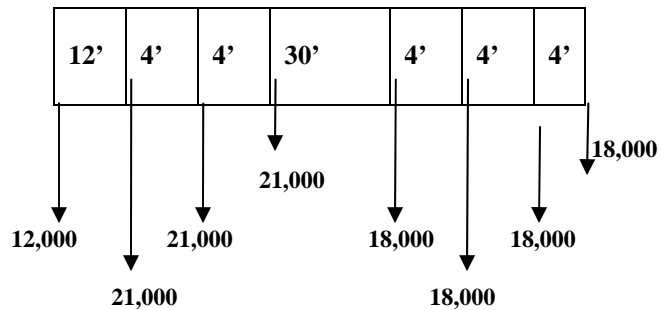
- 1 8,000 12 FEET
- 2 27,000 12 FEET
- 3 26,000 4 FEET
- 4 25,000 30 FEET (minimum)
- 5 21,000 4 FEET
- 6 21,000 4 FEET



**150,000 POUNDS TOTAL WEIGHT**

2)

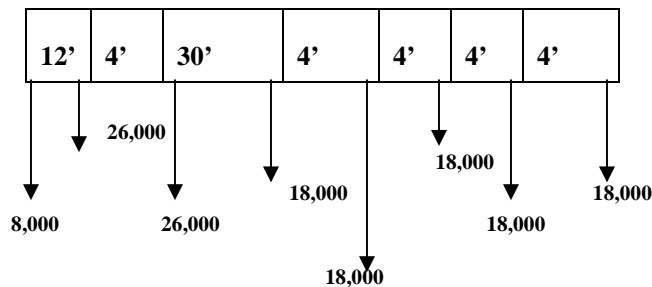
- 1 12,000 12 FEET
- 2 21,000 4 FEET
- 3 21,000 4 FEET
- 4 21,000 30 FEET (MINIMUM)
- 5 18,000 4 FEET
- 6 18,000 4 FEET
- 7 18,000 4 FEET



**147,000 POUNDS TOTAL WEIGHT**

3)

- 1 8,000 12 FEET
- 2 26,000 4 FEET
- 3 26,000 30 FEET (MINIMUM)
- 4 18,000 4 FEET
- 5 18,000 4 FEET
- 6 18,000 4 FEET
- 7 18,000 4 FEET
- 8 18,000



**150,000 POUNDS TOTAL WEIGHT**

**TRUCK #1) SHOWS THE MAXIMUM SINGLE AXLE, TWO (TANDEM) AXLE, AND THREE (TRIDEM) AXLE GROUP SITUATION**

**TRUCK #2) SHOWS A MAXIMUM THREE AXLE GROUP AND 4 AXLE GROUP**

**TRUCK #3) SHOWS A MAXIMUM TWO AXLE GROUP AND 5 AXLE GROUP**

**\*THE "BIG" OR "CENTER" OR "MAIN" SPACING MUST BE AT LEAST 30 FEET**

## **HOLIDAY HAULING PERMIT RESTRICTIONS**

**Travel is prohibited on the following holidays and the HPU is closed for business during this time:**

- **New Year's Day**
- **Memorial Day**
- **Independence Day**
- **Labor Day**
- **Thanksgiving Day**
- **Christmas Day**

**Travel is permitted on the following days; however, the HPU is closed:**

- **Martin Luther King Day**
- **Columbus Day**
- **Election Day**
- **Veteran's Day**
- **Day after Thanksgiving**

For additional information/restrictions, please check the following web-site:

[www.marylandroads.com](http://www.marylandroads.com), SHA Services, Hauling Permits

Upon arriving at the web-site, click on the words, "SHA Services, Hauling Permits" which appears in the left hand margin of the page. This will take you to the information concerning restrictions.

## **CODE OF MARYLAND REGULATIONS (COMAR)**

The *Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR)* provides the statutory requirements regarding the issuance of Oversize/Overweight (OS/OW) Hauling Permits. If you are interested in reviewing the contents of these regulations, they may be viewed on-line at the Division of State Documents (DSD) web-site:

[www.dsd.state.md.us](http://www.dsd.state.md.us)

Upon accessing the site, you will want to click on the button for “COMAR ON-LINE.” This will take you to another page and you see three red buttons. The last button states “Access Through Table of Contents.” Click on this button and another page appears. You will need to scroll through the names that appear in the window (block) and look for “Transportation, Department of, Title 11.” Click on this and this name will appear in the block. Next click on the “go” button. Another page will appear and you will need to scroll down the page until you see “Subtitle 04, State Highway Administration.” Below this text, you will see each section of the regulations that pertains to Oversize/Overweight Hauling Permits. If you wish to review each section, you will need to click on one section at a time and this will enable you to read the various parts of the law regarding this subject

Should you have any questions regarding “How to access” the DSD web-site, please call the Hauling Permits Unit at 410-582-5727.

## **MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE (MARYLAND VEHICLE LAW)**

Whereas *COMAR* contains the regulations on the issuance of OS/OW Hauling Permits, the *Maryland Transportation Article (TA)* commonly referred to as the Maryland Vehicle Law, contains the statutory provisions regarding the maximum allowable height, width, length, and weight for vehicles traveling in the State. You can find information as contained in the TA, Title 24, on-line at the following site:

<http://mlis.state.md.us>

Upon arriving at this site, you need to click on the text, “Maryland Statutes.” Another page will appear and you need to click on the words, “Statute Text”. Another page will appear and you will see a block that says, “Enter Section.” Scroll down the page until you see the word “Transportation.” Click on this title, then enter 24-112 into the other block below this and click on search. Another page will appear with the text from the MVL from Title 24, Section 112 dealing with “Permits for excess size and weight.” If you wish to view other sections, just click on the text, “Next” and each section thereafter will appear. Should you have additional questions or have problems accessing the information, please call the Hauling Permits Unit at 410-582-5727.