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PROPOSED CHANGES

OVER DIMENSIONAL PERMITS

NEVADA ADMISTRATIVE CODE 484D CHANGES

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

Chapter 484D of NAC is hereby amended to read as follows:

NAC 484D.610 Availability of permits. (NRS 484D.625, 484D.715, 484D.720)

- Annual multiple-trip permits, special permits and single-trip permits are available from the Department of Transportation, 1263 South Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada 89712, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and [4:00] 4:30 pm.
- 2. Single-trip permits are also available from the Department's *online permitting system at www.nevadadot.com and* by telephone at (775) 888-7410 or (800) 552-2127, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and [4:00] 4:30 pm.

[Dep't of Highways, Oversized Vehicles and Loads Art. I § D, eff. 10-1-76] — (NAC A by Dep't of Transportation, 2-3-94; R127-98, 7-22-99; R113-02, 10-16-2002; R113-02, 10-16-2002, eff. 1-1-2003; R161-07, 6-17-2008) — (Substituted in revision for NAC 484.510)

Chapter 484D of NAC is hereby amended to read as follows:

NAC 484D.615 Applications for permits. (NRS 484D.625, 484D.715, 484D.720)

- 1. An application for an annual multiple-trip permit or a special permit must be:
 - (a) Submitted to the Department, on a form prescribed by the Department, that is signed by the applicant or his or her authorized agent;
 - (b) Submitted in writing, although a facsimile application will constitute a writing;
 - (c) Submitted through the online permitting system at www.nevadadot.com;
 - [(e)](d) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 484D.600, submitted a minimum of 10 days [not later than 30 days] before the first day of travel for which the permit is required; and
 - f(d)](e) Accompanied by the appropriate fee, if any, unless the applicant has signed an agreement to become a customer of the Department and has committed to make monthly payments to the Department for the purchase of its permits. [credit has been established].

- 2. An application for a single-trip permit:
 - (a) May be made to the Department in person, *submitted through the online permitting system at www.nevadadot.com* or [orally] by telephone; and
 - (b) Must be submitted not later than 4 p.m. on the last business day before the first day of travel for which the permit is required.
 - (c) Accompanied by the appropriate fee, if any, unless the applicant has signed an agreement to become a customer of the Department and has committed to make monthly payments to the Department for the purchase of its permits

[> Payment for the single-trip permit must be made at the time the applicant applies for the permit.]

[Dep't of Highways, Oversized Vehicles and Loads Art. I § E, eff. 10-1-76] — (NAC A by Dep't of Transportation by R113-02, eff. 10-16-2002; R161-07, 6-17-2008) — (Substituted in revision for NAC 484.515)

Chapter 484D of NAC is hereby amended to read as follows:

NAC 484D.625 Duration and use of permits generally. (NRS 484D.600, 484D.615, 484D.625, 484D.715, 484D.720, 484D.725)

- 1. A single-trip permit for the movement of an oversized or overweight vehicle:
 - (a) Is valid for a period of 5 *consecutive* days as set forth on the permit; and
 - (b) May authorize the vehicle to make a round trip over a designated route and to travel laden on one leg and unladen on the other leg of the round trip.
- 2. An annual multiple-trip permit is valid for 12 consecutive months after the date of issue as set forth on the permit. The permit may be issued for:
 - (a) An oversized or overweight vehicle, including, without limitation, special mobile equipment, if the maximum:
 - (1) Width is not more than 14 feet;
 - (2) Length does not exceed 110 feet or, if the vehicle is equipped with one or more mechanically steered rear axles, 120 feet;
 - (3) Height does not exceed 15 feet;
 - (4) Total overhang does not exceed 25 feet; and
 - (5) Gross weight and axle loading will not exceed that established by evaluation of the application based upon axle configuration and overall length.
 - (b) The movement of manufactured homes, mobile homes or any other similar types of structures if the maximum:
 - (1) Width, including any appendages and roof eaves, is not more than 14 feet;
 - (2) Combined length of the vehicle used to transport the manufactured home, mobile home or other similar structure and the manufactured home, mobile home or other similar structure does not exceed 110 feet;
 - (3) Length of the manufactured home, mobile home or other similar structure does not exceed 80 feet; and
 - (4) Height does not exceed 15 feet.
- 3. A special permit for the movement of an oversized or overweight vehicle issued by the Department pursuant to (NRS 484D.600, 484D.615, 484D.715 or 484D.720:

- (a) Is valid for the period set forth on the permit; and
- (b) May authorize the vehicle to make a round trip over a designated route and to travel laden on one leg and unladen on the other leg of the round trip.
- 4. The original of the annual multiple-trip permit, special permit or single-trip permit [must be:] are considered valid permits under the following conditions only:
 - (a) [Signed by the permittee] When in paper form, permits must be signed to be valid. An unsigned paper permit is null and void; or
 - (b) Electronic permits are valid automatically; the applicant agrees to the terms of the permit at the time of their issuance; and
 - [(b)] (c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, carried in the vehicle to which it refers
- 5. The holder of an annual multiple-trip permit may transfer the original permit to a leased or rented vehicle with the vehicle combinations which are identified on the permit. The leased or rented vehicle must:
 - (a) Carry the original permit;
 - (b) Carry the original notarized lease agreement or the original customer copy of the rental agreement; and
 - (c) Be marked in accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 390.21.
- 6. A copy of an annual multiple-trip permit, a special permit or single-trip permit may not be made for use in another vehicle.
- 7. For the purposes of this section, an annual multiple-trip permit, a special permit or single-trip permit that is issued to a permittee by facsimile or other electronic transmission shall be deemed the original permit.
- 8. For enforcement purposes all permits will be null and void when the stated load exceeds the permitted limits.

[Dep't of Highways, Oversized Vehicles and Loads Art. I § C, eff. 10-1-76] — (NAC A by Dep't of Transportation, 2-3-94; R127-98, 7-22-99; R113-02, 10-16-2002; R037-04, 8-18-2004; R052-05, 9-7-2005; R157-06, 11-13-2006; R161-07, 6-17-2008) — (Substituted in revision for NAC 484.525)

Chapter 484D of NAC is hereby amended to read as follows:

NAC 484D.640 General conditions of permits. (NRS 484D.625, 484D.715, 484D.720) Permits issued will authorize movement upon the highways under the jurisdiction of the Department under the following conditions:

- 1. Transportation equipment must:
 - (a) Comply in all respects with:
 - (1) The motor vehicle laws of the State of Nevada;
 - (2) All other provisions of the law regarding the use, operation and licensing of motor vehicles; and
 - (3) The conditions and restrictions set forth in the instructions published by the Department. The instructions may be obtained from any office of the Department or at the Internet address www.nevadadot.com

Chapter 484D of NAC is hereby amended to read as follows:

NAC 484D.645 Conditions of permits for movement of oversized loads over state highway system. (NRS 484D.625,484D.715, 484D.720) The Department may issue permits for the movement of oversized loads over the state highway system. The following conditions apply:

- 1. The movement of oversized loads up to 26 feet in width will be allowed only if the character of the road and traffic conditions will allow such movement. Reduction in size of Load may be necessary to accomplish the move.
- [2. The movement of loads over 26 feet in width is allowed only for short distances normally not to exceed 10 miles.]
- [3.] 2. [The route must be] Loads equal to or greater than 20 feet wide or 18 feet high, may be required by the Department to provide a route survey by the trucking company [before moving] prior to permit issuance to determine: safety of travel, where obstructions may exist, and [provide for] if their removal or adjustment is necessary, a plan to remove or adjust them.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Transportation by R052-05, eff. 9-7-2005) — (Substituted in revision for NAC 484.537)

Chapter 484D of NAC is hereby amended to read as follows:

NAC 484D.655 Single-trip permits: Maximum dimensions of oversized vehicle. (NRS 484D.625, 484D.715, 484D.720) An oversized vehicle with a single-trip permit must not exceed the following maximum dimensions unless specifically approved by the Department:

- 1. Permits may be issued for travel twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week if the dimensions do not exceed: [For travel during hours of darkness, or holiday hours:]
 - (a) Width of [12] 14 feet;
 - (b) Height of 15 feet;
 - (c) Length of 110 feet or, if the vehicle is equipped with one or more mechanically steered rear axles, 120 feet; and
 - (d) Overhang of 15 feet.
 - (e) Additional safety requirements maybe requested by the Department when the load exceeds 12 feet in width, for night and weekend travel, and such requirements will be listed on the permit.
- [2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, for travel during hours of daylight on a weekend:
 - (a) Width of 14 feet;
 - (b) Height of 15 feet;
 - (c) Length of 110 feet or, if the vehicle is equipped with one or more mechanically steered rear axles, 120 feet; and
 - (d) Overhang of 15 feet.]
- [3. For travel during holiday hours or on a weekend over the portion of Interstate Highway No. 80 between Sparks (Exit 21) and the boundary of California or over the portion of Interstate Highway No. 15 between

Las Vegas (Exit 33) and the boundary of California:

- (a) Width of 12 feet;
- (b) Height of 15 feet;
- (c) Length of 110 feet; and
- (d) Overhang of 15 feet.]
- 2. For Friday travel during holiday hours or on a weekend during the hours of 2:00 pm to 10:00 pm over the portion of northbound Interstate Highway No. 15 between the boundary of California and Las Vegas (Exit 33):
 - (a) Width of 12 feet;
 - (b) Height of 15 feet;
 - (c) Length of 110 feet; and
 - (d) Overhang of 15 feet.
- 3. For Sunday travel during holiday hours or on a weekend during the hours of 2:00 pm to 10:00 pm over the portion of southbound Interstate Highway No. 15 between Las Vegas (Exit 33) and the boundary of California:
 - (a) Width of 12 feet;
 - (b) Height of 15 feet;
 - (c) Length of 110 feet; and
 - (d) Overhang of 15 feet.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Transportation, eff. 2-3-94; A by R127-98, 7-22-99; R113-02, 10-16-2002; R037-04, 8-18-2004; R161-07, 6-17-2008) — (Substituted in revision for NAC 484.542)

Chapter 484D of NAC is hereby amended to read as follows:

NAC 484D.660 Annual multiple-trip permits: Maximum dimensions of oversized vehicle. (NRS 484D.625, 484D.715, 484D.720)

An oversized vehicle with an annual multiple-trip permit must not exceed the following maximum dimensions for travel during hours

of darkness or holiday hours or on a weekend:

- 1. Width of 12 feet or, if the vehicle is only traveling on an interstate, width of 14 feet;
- 2. Height of 15 feet;
- 3. Length of 110 feet or, if the vehicle is equipped with one or more mechanically steered rear axles, 120 feet; and
- 4. Overhang of 15 feet.

(Added to NAC by Dep't of Transportation, eff. 2-3-94; A by R127-98, 7-22-99; R113-02, 10-16-2002; R161-07, 6-17-2008) — (Substituted in revision for NAC 484.543)

Chapter 484D of NAC is hereby amended to read as follows:

NAC 484D.670 Pilot cars: General requirements; operators; equipment. (NRS 484D.625, 484D.715, 484D.720)

1. Pilot cars must be furnished by the permittee as set forth in the permit and in accordance with this section. A pilot car must be either a passenger car or a truck with not more than two axles, a manufacturer's gross weight rating of not more than 16,000 pounds and a width of at least 60 inches and must not exceed the legal limits of size and weight.

- 2. The operator of a pilot car shall maintain sufficient distance from the escorted vehicle depending on the speed, traffic, road and weather conditions to allow for timely and safe notification of the driver of the escorted vehicle and other drivers to stop, slow or passes necessary. If an escorted vehicle is required, pursuant to NAC 484D.640, to stop off the roadway to allow other traffic to pass, the operator of the pilot car shall:
 - (a) Assist the driver of the escorted vehicle to stop the vehicle as far off the roadway as practicable; and
 - (b) Direct traffic in order to maintain safe and efficient traffic movement.
- 3. In addition to the requirements of subsections 1 and 2:
 - (a) A pilot car must precede an escorted vehicle if:
 - (1) The overhang of the load exceeds 25 feet in front of the vehicle;
 - (2) The height of the load exceeds 15 feet 6 inches;
 - (3) The width of the load exceeds 12 feet and travel is on a highway with two or three lanes;
 - (4) The width of the load exceeds 12 feet and travel takes place during darkness, weekends, or on holidays; or
 - [(4)] (5) The width of the load exceeds 16 feet.
- → If the height of the load exceeds 15 feet 6 inches, the pilot car must also be equipped with a clearance pole.
 - (b) A pilot car must follow an escorted vehicle if:
 - (1) The overhang of the load exceeds 25 feet behind the vehicle;
 - (2) The length of the load exceeds 110 feet or, if the vehicle is equipped with one or more mechanically steered rear axles, 120 feet;
 - (3) The width of the load exceeds 12 feet and travel takes place during darkness, weekends, or on holidays; or
 - (4) The width of the load exceeds 14 feet.
 - 4. The permittee shall ensure that pilot cars are properly equipped and that the operators of the pilot cars required pursuant to the provisions of the permit are briefed and trained as to their responsibilities. Failure of the operators to warn and direct traffic properly is a violation of the permit.
 - 5. A pilot car must not be loaded or equipped in any manner that impairs its traffic safety function or public recognition of its traffic safety function. Each pilot car must be equipped with:
 - (a) For a lead pilot car for a load over 15 feet 6 inches in height, a clearance pole.
 - (b) Signs, visible in the front and rear, with black letters that are at least 10 inches high of 1 5/8-inch minimum stroke on a yellow background. The signs must read "OVERSIZE LOAD" or "OVERSIZE" and must be mounted above the roofline. The signs must be neat, clean and mounted securely. The signs must be displayed while escorting a vehicle and be removed promptly upon the arrival of the escorted vehicle at its final destination.
 - (c) Two flashing or rotating amber lights mounted above the roofline to either side of the "OVERSIZE LOAD" or "OVERSIZE" sign or one flashing or rotating amber light mounted above the roofline which is visible from a minimum of 500 feet in all directions. The permittee must obtain the appropriate permit for the amber lights from the Nevada Highway Patrol pursuant to NRS 484D.185.
 - (d) An identification placard fixed to each side of the pilot car which is visible from

- 50 feet during the day and which states the name and telephone number of the individual or company providing the pilot car service.
- (e) A standard 18-inch, two-sided "STOP" and "SLOW" sign attached to a pole 5 feet in length.
- (f) A minimum of three bidirectional emergency reflective triangles and three orange road cones which must be at least 18 inches in height.
- (g) At least one 5-pound BC fire extinguisher.
- (h) A hardhat and high-visibility safety apparel to be worn by persons whenever operating outside of the vehicle. The hardhat and high -visibility safety apparel must meet the requirements set forth in ANSI/ISEA 107-2004 American National Standard for High-Visibility Safety Apparel and Headwear, which are hereby adopted by reference. A copy of ANSI/ISEA 107-2004 American National Standard for High-Visibility Safety Apparel and Headwear may be obtained from the International Safety Equipment Association, 1901 North Moore Street, Arlington, Virginia 22209, for the price of \$60.
- (i) A two-way radio that is compatible with the radios of the other assigned pilot cars and the escorted vehicle.
- 6. The operator of a pilot car must:
 - (a) Be at least 18 years of age;
 - (b) Possess a valid driver's license; and
 - (c) Have been certified by completing a current instructional course specific to flagger requirements and procedures.

[Dep't of Highways, Oversized Vehicles and Loads Art. I § L subsecs. 1-3, eff. 10-1-76] — (NAC A by Dep't of Transportation, 2-3-94; R113-02, 10-16-2002; R052-05, 9-7-2005; R157-06, 11-13-2006; R161-07, 6-17-2008) — (Substituted in revision for NAC 484.545)