## PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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- **Section 1.** Chapter 484 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 19, inclusive, of this regulation.
  - Sec. 2. "Combination of vehicles" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 484.035.
- Sec. 3. "Commodity" means an economic good that is easily reducible in size, including, without limitation, fruit, vegetables, gravel, sand, recyclable materials or refuse.
  - Sec. 4. "Department" means the department of transportation.
- Sec. 5. "Hours of darkness" means one-half hour after sunset until one-half hour before sunrise.
- Sec. 6. "Load" means any commodity, equipment, manufactured housing, structure or other item placed on a vehicle so that it may be transported.
  - Sec. 7. "Manufactured home" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 484.0792.
  - Sec. 8. "Mobile home" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 484.0795.
- Sec. 9. "Nonreducible load" means a load that cannot be reduced in length, width or height.

- Sec. 10. "Oversized" means exceeding the maximum legal limit for length, width or height.
  - Sec. 11. "Overweight" means exceeding the maximum legal limit for weight.
  - Sec. 12. "Reducible load" means a load which can be reduced in length, width or height.
  - Sec. 13. "Special mobile equipment" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 484.173.
  - Sec. 14. "Tandem axle" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 484.1905.
- Sec. 15. "Tire width" means the width which is set by the manufacturer of the tire and which is inscribed on the sidewall of the tire.
- Sec. 16. "Tridem axle" means three axles articulated from a common attachment designed to equalize the load to all three axles.
- Sec. 17. "Vehicle" means every device in, upon or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a highway, except devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon stationary rails. The term includes any one vehicle, combination of vehicles or combination of vehicles and loads.
- Sec. 18. 1. The department may issue a multiple-trip-limited time permit for the movement of a self-propelled crane if the dimensions of the crane do not exceed:
  - (a) A height of 14 feet;
  - (b) A length of 90 feet;
  - (c) A width of 12 feet; and
- (d) The maximum authorized weight as established pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 484.743.
- 2. An applicant for a permit issued pursuant to subsection 1 must submit to the department at the time of application a description of the self-propelled crane that contains the

height, length, width and weight of the self-propelled crane in the position in which it will be transported.

- 3. The department will issue a permit pursuant to this section which is valid only:
- (a) For a period that does not exceed 180 days.
- (b) Within a circle with:
- (1) A radius of 50 miles whose center is the intersection of Interstate Highway No. 15 and U.S. Highway No. 95 in Las Vegas; or
- (2) A radius of 30 miles whose center is the intersection of Interstate Highway No. 80 and U.S. Highway No. 395 in Reno.
- Sec. 19. In addition to the requirements set forth in NRS 484.775, an oversized or overweight vehicle that travels during the hours of darkness must display:
- 1. On the extreme front of the vehicle, at least two amber, steady-burning lights which are plainly visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of at least 500 feet;
- 2. On each side of the vehicle in a location near the middle of the vehicle or toward the front of the vehicle, an amber, steady-burning light which is plainly visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of at least 500 feet; and
- 3. If the rear of the vehicle has an overhang of at least 4 feet, two red, steady-burning lights which are placed in a manner to identify the maximum width of the overhang and which are plainly visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of at least 500 feet.
  - **Sec. 20.** NAC 484.490 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 484.490 As used in NAC 484.490 to 484.580, inclusive, *and sections 2 to 19, inclusive, of this regulation*, unless the context otherwise requires, ["department" means the department of

transportation.] the words and terms defined in sections 2 to 17, inclusive, of this regulation have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

**Sec. 21.** NAC 484.500 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.500 1. [Transportation permits are] A transportation permit is required for the operation of an oversized [vehicles and are issued for each vehicle or combinations of vehicles] or overweight vehicle to travel a [predetermined] determined route with a designated load for a designated [time] period.

- 2. The department will issue [permits for those vehicles or vehicle combinations and loads which exceed the maximum legal dimensions.], or allow to be issued by an authorized station, a permit for a vehicle that is oversized or overweight. The department will not issue [permits for those vehicles or vehicle combinations and loads that may be reduced in length, width or height.], or allow to be issued by an authorized station, a permit for a vehicle that has a reducible load. Generally, [oversized permits] a permit will be issued for a single trip. The department may issue [permits for longer periods to individuals or organizations engaged in transporting], or allow to be issued by an authorized station, an annual multiple-trip permit for the transportation of manufactured homes, mobile homes, agricultural harvest equipment, construction type equipment, special mobile equipment and other loads. [for repetitive trips.]
  - **Sec. 22.** NAC 484.505 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 484.505 1. [There is one permit application for three categories of special transportation permits:
- (a) Oversize mobile homes:
- (b) House moving; and
- (c) Oversized vehicles or vehicle combinations and loads.

- 2.] The provisions of NAC 484.490 to 484.580, inclusive, and sections 2 to 19, inclusive, of this regulation do not apply to a vehicle [combinations] over 70 feet and less than 105 feet in length which has a reducible load and which [are] is governed by NAC 484.300 to 484.440, inclusive.
- 2. The provisions of NAC 484.490 to 484.580, inclusive, and sections 2 to 19, inclusive, of this regulation do not apply to passenger buses.
  - **Sec. 23.** NAC 484.510 is hereby amended to read as follows: 484.510 [Permits]
- 1. Annual multiple-trip permits, multiple-trip limited-time permits and single-trip permits are available [from:
- 1. The]:
- (a) From the Department of Transportation, Room 103, 1263 South Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada 89712, [; Telephone: Area Code (775) 888 7410,] Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. [Permits will not be transmitted after 4:15 p.m.
- 2. Permits are also available through]
- (b) Through facsimile services at various authorized stations within the state. [where such permits are presently obtained or offices that may be established in the future.] The department will transmit permits through facsimile services to various authorized stations within the state Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., and the permits will be available from the authorized stations during their regular business hours, which may vary.

- 2. Single-trip permits are also available from the department by telephone at 775-888-7410.
  - **Sec. 24.** NAC 484.515 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 484.515 1. [Applications will be as] An application for an annual multiple-trip permit or a multiple-trip limited-time permit must be submitted to the department on a form prescribed by the department [and] that is signed by the [carrier] applicant or his authorized agent.
- 2. All applications for *annual multiple-trip permits or multiple-trip-limited time* permits must be in writing, although a facsimile application will constitute a writing, and accompanied by the appropriate fee unless credit has been established.
- 3. An application for a single-trip permit may be made to the department in writing or orally by telephone. Payment for the single-trip permit must be made at the time the applicant receives the permit.
  - **Sec. 25.** NAC 484.520 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 484.520 [1. Facsimile permits will be issued only by the department, administrative services division, to stations on the transceiver network.
- 2. Mobile home and trailer coach owners or dealers and transporters who have the required insurance currently in force and on file at the department district offices] Transporters of manufactured homes, mobile homes and other similar structures must maintain insurance in such amounts as required pursuant to NRS 484.762 and file evidence of maintaining that insurance with the department. After that evidence is on file with the department, the transporters may use a facsimile for obtaining permits without resubmitting evidence of insurance [prior to] before each trip. Expiration or cancelation of the insurance automatically revokes the permit.

- **Sec. 26.** NAC 484.525 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 484.525 1. A single-trip permit for the movement of an oversized or overweight vehicle is [limited to 5 workdays. Generally the movement of oversized vehicles or vehicle combinations and loads must be on a standard single-trip basis. Vehicle combinations and loads exceeding 105 feet in length are allowed on a single-trip basis only.] valid for 5 days after the date the permit is issued.
- 2. An annual multiple-trip permit is [limited to] valid for 12 consecutive months [from] after the date of issue. This permit [will] may be issued for farm machinery used in seasonal harvesting, construction type equipment and special mobile type equipment that do not otherwise conform to statutory requirements [provided] or for multiple trips when an oversized or overweight vehicle travels on highways maintained by the department if the maximum:
  - (a) Width is **not** more than 14 feet;
  - (b) Length does not exceed [105 feet, or for mobile homes, 85] 110 feet;
  - (c) Height does not exceed [14] 15 feet; and
- (d) Gross weight and axle loading will not exceed that established by evaluation of the application based upon axle configuration and overall length.
- 3. [Annual permits may also be issued for repetitive trips when traveling on interstate, primary, secondary, urban or state routes as prescribed in subsection 1 of NAC 484.540. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 4 and 5:
- (a)] The license number of the *trailer of the* vehicle to which the annual *multiple-trip* permit, *multiple-trip limited-time permit or single-trip permit* refers must be indicated on the permit [; and

- (b) The], and the original of the annual multiple-trip permit, multiple-trip limited-time permit or single-trip permit must be carried in the vehicle to which it refers.
- 4. [An applicant for a permit pursuant to subsection 3 may apply to the department to cover multiple vehicles under the permit. Such an application must include the license number of each vehicle to which the permit will apply. If the department grants permission for the permit to cover multiple vehicles, the permit must indicate that it may be copied for use in multiple vehicles and the applicant may make multiple copies of the permit to be carried in the vehicles to which the permit applies.
- 5. The holder of a permit issued pursuant to subsection 3 may apply to the department to cover additional vehicles under the permit by submitting a request to the department that includes, without limitation, the license number of each vehicle to which the permit will apply. If the department grants permission for the permit to cover additional vehicles, the permit must indicate that it may be copied for use in multiple vehicles and the holder of the permit may make multiple copies of the permit to be carried in the additional vehicles to which the permit applies.]

  A copy of an annual multiple-trip permit, multiple-trip limited-time permit or single-trip permit may not be made for use in another vehicle.

FIRST PARALLEL SECTION

- **Sec. 27.** NAC 484.530 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 484.530 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, to cover the costs of issuing permits for oversized vehicles, the following rates apply:
  - (a) Single-trip permits [, limited to 5 workdays,] are \$15.
- (b) Annual *multiple-trip* permits are \$50. [Annual permits are valid for 1 year after the date of issue.]
  - (c) Multiple-trip limited-time permits are \$15.

- 2. The department may waive the fee for a single-trip or annual *multiple-trip* permit issued to a governmental entity or for a single-trip or annual *multiple-trip* permit issued to transport an otherwise legal load over a route for which the department has fixed a reduced maximum weight limit pursuant to NRS 484.752.
- 3. Applications that require special research or inspection by the engineering staff will include charges to the applicant in an amount of the cost to the department.
- 4. Payments [must] may be accepted only by the department's permit section, by the district offices of the department and by the authorized facsimile stations.
  - 5. Money orders or checks must be made payable to the department of transportation.
- 6. Failure to pay a bill for a permit fee within 30 days automatically cancels a permit. No new permits may be issued to those delinquent in paying their bills until those bills are paid in full. If payments are delinquent, then future payments are required to be paid with future applications.

SECOND PARALLEL SECTION

- **Sec. 28.** NAC 484.530 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 484.530 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, to cover the costs of issuing permits for oversized vehicles, the following rates apply:
  - (a) Single-trip permits are [\$15.] \$25.
  - (b) Annual multiple-trip permits are [\$50.] \$60.
  - (c) Multiple-trip limited-time permits are [\$15.] \$25.
- 2. The department may waive the fee for a single-trip or annual multiple-trip permit issued to a governmental entity or for a single-trip or annual multiple-trip permit issued to transport an otherwise legal load over a route for which the department has fixed a reduced maximum weight limit pursuant to NRS 484.752.

- 3. Applications that require special research or inspection by the engineering staff will include charges to the applicant in an amount of the cost to the department.
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  - 5. Money orders or checks must be made payable to the department of transportation.
- 6. Failure to pay a bill for a permit fee within 30 days automatically cancels a permit. No new permits may be issued to those delinquent in paying their bills until those bills are paid in full. If payments are delinquent, then future payments are required to be paid with future applications.
  - **Sec. 29.** NAC 484.535 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 484.535 Permits issued will authorize movement upon the highways [under the jurisdiction of] *maintained by* the department under the following conditions:
- 1. Transportation equipment must comply in all respects with the motor vehicle laws of the State of Nevada and all other provisions of the law regarding the use, operation and licensing of motor vehicles and must at all times be operated with regard to public safety.
- 2. When traffic, weather or other conditions are determined by the department or [the policing] the local law enforcement agency to constitute a hazard, the permit may be temporarily suspended or restricted in use.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, all posted speed limits and "advisory speed" signs must be complied with. If the department issues a permit that sets forth a speed limit for a particular highway or a section of a particular highway, that speed limit must be complied with.

- 4. The cost of repair of any roadway shoulders, surfacing, guide posts, marker posts, snow marker posts, signs or sign posts, bridge or bridge rail or any other [highway] appurtenances of the highway or highway right of way damaged or unduly disturbed by the permittee's operation must be paid by the permittee. The [district engineer] department shall determine the amount of damages and bill the permittee. The permittee shall pay the bill by cash or certified check within 20 days after receipt of the bill. The failure of the permittee to pay the bill in a timely manner constitutes cause for revocation of his permit, and no other permits will be issued to him until the bill is satisfied. [As used in this subsection "district engineer" has the meaning ascribed to it in NAC 408.708.]
- 5. The permittee shall *defend*, indemnify *and hold harmless* the State of Nevada [and hold it harmless], its officers, employees and agents from any liability, damages, claims or actions for injury to persons or damage to property, whether the property belongs to the state, to the permittee or to third parties, and whether [the injury or damage is sustained by reason of any eause directly or indirectly resulting from the exercise of the privilege granted.] caused by the permittee or an agent or employee of the permittee in the performance or exercise of the permit. Each permit issued by the department must contain indemnification language in substantially the same form as set forth in this subsection.
- 6. The department reserves the right to revoke any or all portions of a permit at any time or for any cause which the department deems necessary to fulfill its obligations, and the department is not responsible for any damage sustained by the permittee as a result of such revocation.
- 7. [Carriers receiving repeated] A permittee who receives three citations within a period of 6 months for violation of the permit conditions may, at the department's discretion, [after three]

- citations or violations, have their] *have his* permit privileges suspended for up to 30 days. [as set forth in NAC 484.490 to 484.580, inclusive, and subsection 3 of NRS 233B.127.]
- 8. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and subsection 9 and unless a person possesses a permit issued by the department that allows his vehicle to exceed the following limitations:
- (a) The maximum weight per tire, measured by pounds per inch of tire width, is 600 pounds per inch for the steering axle and 500 pounds per inch for all other axles, not to exceed the axle rating.
- (b) Except for steering axles and axles that weigh less than 10,000 pounds, each axle must have at least four tires if the tire width of each tire on an axle is less than or equal to 14 inches. If the maximum weight per tire does not exceed 500 pounds per inch of tire width, an axle may be equipped with tires that have a width of more than 14 inches.
- 9. The provisions of subsection 8 do not apply to a bus owned or operated by the Clark County Regional Transportation Commission.
- 10. A vehicle for which a permit is issued is subject to inspection by the department or a local law enforcement agency before the vehicle may be moved. If the vehicle fails to pass the inspection, the permit will be revoked.
- 11. Two or more oversized or overweight vehicles may not participate in a convoy unless the permit for each vehicle participating in the convoy so authorizes.
  - **Sec. 30.** NAC 484.540 is hereby amended to read as follows:
  - 484.540 1. Permits are required when:
- (a) Traveling on the interstate highway system and the weight of a vehicle for vehicle combination and load exceeds those limits imposed by state or federal law. Those limits are

20,000 pounds for single axle, 34,000 pounds for tandem axles, 42,000 pounds for tridem axles or a gross weight of 80,000 pounds including all enforcement tolerances.] *exceeds:* 

- (1) For a single axle, 20,000 pounds;
- (2) For a tandem axle, 34,000 pounds;
- (3) For a tridem axle, 42,000 pounds; or
- (4) A gross weight of 80,000 pounds.
- (b) Traveling on [primary, secondary, urban or state routes] roads maintained by the department and axle loadings or gross weights exceed the limits established by the formula in NRS 484.745. Where substandard roadway sections or structures exist, the maximum allowable axle loadings or gross weights must not exceed the values established by the [state highway engineer for such roadway sections or structures, unless authorized by permit.] department.
- (c) The maximum width of the vehicle [or vehicle combination and load] exceeds 102 inches or as otherwise designated by statute.
- (d) [The] Except as otherwise provided in NRS 484.739, the maximum length of the vehicle [or vehicle combination] exceeds 70 feet.
  - (e) The vehicle [or vehicle combination and load] exceeds 75 feet including overhang.
  - (f) [When overhang] The overhang of the vehicle exceeds 10 feet regardless of length.
- (g) [When height] The height of the vehicle exceeds 14 feet, except that baled hay loads [are legal] may be up to 15 feet high.
- (h) The length of the vehicle is not more than 70 feet, the vehicle is traveling on the interstate highway system and the gross weight of the vehicle exceeds 80,000 pounds.
- 2. [Loads which are] Unless the load is a commodity, a load transported under authority of a permit must be nonreducible in [nature in] length, width and height [. This includes],

*including, without limitation,* such items as machinery, construction equipment, fabricated units, mobile cranes, off-highway trucks or earth moving equipment. Tractors with blades or rippers attached are considered a part of the machine and therefore are nonreducible.

- [3. Before a permit is issued, an evaluation of the vehicle transporting the load must be made to determine its capability of transporting the load without damage to highway and structures. The identification of the load is necessary to evaluate whether it could be reduced in size and whether the load and vehicle present a hazard to the motoring public.
- 4. Unless a person has a permit issued by the department that allows his vehicle to exceed the limitations set by this subsection:
- (a) The maximum weight per tire, measured by pounds per inch of tire width, is 600 pounds per inch for the steering axle and 500 pounds per inch for all other axles.
- (b) Except for steering axles and axles that weigh less than 10,000 pounds, each axle must have at least four tires if the tire width of each tire on an axle is less than 14 inches. If the maximum weight per tire does not exceed 500 pounds per inch of tire width, an axle may be equipped with wide base tires.
- 5. For the purposes of this section:
- (a) "Tire width" means the width set by the manufacturer of the tire and inscribed on the side wall of the tire.
- (b) "Tridem axle" means any three axles articulated from a common attachment designed to equalize the load to all three axles.] Other parts of a load may be reloaded to reduce the dimensions of the load, but the total weight of the vehicle must not exceed the limit set forth in the permit.
  - **Sec. 31.** NAC 484.542 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 484.542 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, [the load of an overdimensional] a vehicle with a single-trip permit must not exceed [a maximum:] the following maximum dimensions unless specifically approved by the department:
- (a) For travel [on a holiday, width of 10 feet, height of 14 feet, length of 75 feet and overhang] during hours of darkness on a highway with two or three lanes:
  - (1) Width of 8 feet 6 inches;
  - (2) Height of 15 feet;
  - (3) Length of 105 feet; and
  - (4) Overhang of 10 feet.
- (b) For travel [at night, except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, width of 8 feet 6 inches, height of 14 feet 6 inches, length of 75 feet and overhang of 10 feet. If travel is on a four-lane highway, width of 10 feet.] during hours of darkness on a highway with at least four lanes:
  - (1) Width of 10 feet;
  - (2) Weight of 15 feet;
  - (3) Length of 110 feet; and
  - (4) Overhang of 10 feet.
- (c) For travel that is not during hours of darkness on a weekend [, width] on a highway with two or three lanes:
  - (1) Width of 14 feet [, height of 16 feet, length];
  - (2) Height of 15 feet;
  - (3) Length of 105 feet [and overhang]; and
  - (4) Overhang of 15 feet.

(d) For travel that is not during hours of darkness on a weekend on a highway with at least
four lanes:
(1) Width of 14 feet;
(2) Height of 15 feet;
(3) Length of 110 feet; and
(4) Overhang of 15 feet.
(e) For travel that is not during hours of darkness on a holiday on a highway with two or
three lanes:
(1) Width of 10 feet;
(2) Height of 15 feet;
(3) Length of 105 feet; and
(4) Overhang of 15 feet.
(f) For travel that is not during hours of darkness on a holiday on a highway with at least
four lanes:
(1) Width of 10 feet;
(2) Height of 15 feet;
(3) Length of 110 feet; and
(4) Overhang of 15 feet.

2. Each vehicle with a single-trip permit that travels *during hours other than hours of*darkness on a weekend over the portion of Interstate Highway No. 80 [which runs through Reno
to] between Sparks (Exit 21) and the boundary of California or travels during hours other than
hours of darkness on a weekend over the portion of Interstate Highway No. 15 [which runs

through] between Las Vegas [to] (Exit 33) and the boundary of California, must not exceed the dimensions set forth in paragraph [(a)] (f) of subsection 1.

- 3. For the purposes of this section, ["overdimensional] "oversized vehicle" does not include a mobile home, manufactured home or [office trailer.] similar structure.
  - **Sec. 32.** NAC 484.543 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 484.543 1. [The load of an overdimensional] An oversized vehicle with [a] an annual multiple-trip permit must not exceed [a maximum:] the following maximum dimensions:
- (a) For travel [at night, width] during hours of darkness on a highway with two or three lanes:
  - (1) Width of 8 feet [,] 6 inches [, height of 14 feet, length of 75];
  - (2) *Height of 15* feet [and overhang];
  - (3) Length of 105 feet; and
  - (4) Overhang of 10 feet.
- (b) For travel [on a weekend or a holiday, width] during hours of darkness on a highway with at least four lanes:
  - (1) Width of 10 feet [, height of 14 feet, length of 75];
  - (2) Height of 15 feet;
  - (3) Length of 110 feet [and overhang]; and
  - (4) Overhang of 10 feet.
- (c) For travel that is not during hours of darkness on a weekend or a holiday on a highway with two or three lanes:
  - (1) Width of 10 feet;
  - (2) Height of 15 feet;

- (3) Length of 105 feet; and
- (4) Overhang of 15 feet.
- (d) For travel on a weekend or a holiday on a highway with at least four lanes:
  - (1) Width of 10 feet;
  - (2) Height of 15 feet;
  - (3) Length of 110 feet; and
  - (4) Overhang of 15 feet.
- 2. For the purposes of this section, ["overdimensional] "oversized vehicle" does not include a mobile home, manufactured home or [office trailer.] similar structure.
  - **Sec. 33.** NAC 484.545 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 484.545 1. [When it is necessary to post a flagman in order to warn and direct approaching traffic, each flagman must be wearing a red jacket or vest and equipped with a red flag and paddle reading "STOP" in white letters with red background. Flagmen may not be less than 18 years of age and must be capable of carrying out flagging responsibilities.
- 2.] Pilot cars when required by the permit must be furnished by the permittee. A pilot car must [have a minimum width of 60 inches and a minimum wheel base of 95 inches, be no larger than a 1 1/2-ton truck and display appropriate warning signs. Signs must be removed promptly upon completion of escort duty. Flashing lights when specified on the permit must meet the requirements of the Nevada highway patrol.] be either a passenger car or a truck with not more than two axles and a manufacturer's gross weight rating of not more than 16,000 pounds. The interval to be maintained between a pilot car and an escorted vehicle [or vehicle combination] is:
- (a) For [mountain roads,] roads in mountainous areas, 300 feet minimum, 600 feet maximum:

- (b) For roads in other rural areas, 600 feet minimum, 1,000 feet maximum; and
- (c) For roads in urban areas, 100 feet minimum, 200 feet maximum.
- [3. When]
- 2. If the provisions of a permit require the use of a single pilot car [is required, it must precede vehicles], the pilot car must:
  - (a) Precede the vehicle that it escorts on roads with two or three lanes. For follow vehicles
  - (b) Follow the vehicle that it escorts on roads with four or more lanes.
- Exceptions to this [provision] subsection will be specifically stated on the permit. [. An extra pilot car may be required if the character of the roadway so requires.
  - 4. Pilot cars must comply with Nevada statutes with regard to driving upon the right side of the roadway. Convoying is not permitted unless specifically authorized. In congested traffic, the pilot car must immediately precede or follow the load.
  - 5. 3. In addition to the requirements of subsections 2, 3 and 4:
  - —(a) If the] 1 and 2:
    - (a) A pilot car must precede an escorted vehicle if:
  - (1) The overhang of [a] the load exceeds 25 feet in front [, a front pilot car is required for such a load.
  - (b) If the of the vehicle;
    - (2) The height of the load exceeds 15 feet 6 inches; or
  - (3) The width of the load is between 12 and 14 feet and the vehicle travels on a highway with two or three lanes.
- 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 [a] the load exceeds 25 feet behind [, a rear pilot car is required for such a load.
- (c) If the height of a] the vehicle;
- (2) The length of the load exceeds 105 feet and travel is on a highway with two or three lanes or exceeds 110 feet and travel is on a highway with at least four lanes; or
- (3) The width of the load exceeds [17 feet, one pilot car is required in the lead with a clearance pole for such a load.
- (d) If the length of a] 14 feet but is not more than 16 feet and travel is on a highway with at least four lanes.
  - (c) A pilot car must precede an escorted vehicle and a pilot car must follow the vehicle if:
- (1) The width of the load exceeds [105] 14 feet but is not more than 16 feet and travel is on a two-lane for four lane highway, one rear pilot car is required for such a load.
- (e) If the width of a load exceeds 12 feet but is not more than 14 feet and travel is on a two-lane highway, one front pilot car is required for such a load.
- (f) If the width of a load exceeds 14 feet but is not more than 16 feet and travel is on a two-lane highway, one front pilot car is required and one rear pilot car is required for such a load. If travel is on a four lane highway, one rear pilot car is required for such a load.
- (g) If the highway; or
- (2) The width of [a] the load exceeds 16 feet but is not more than 17 feet and travel is on a [two-lane highway, one pilot car is required in the lead, one front pilot car is required and one rear pilot car is required for such a load. If travel is on a four-lane highway, one front pilot car is required and one rear pilot car is required for such a load.

- (h) If the width of a load exceeds 17 feet, pilot cars will be required for such a load in an amount determined by the department.
  - 6. It is the responsibility of the permittee to highway with at least four lanes.
- 4. The department will determine the requirements for pilot cars for a vehicle if the width of the load exceeds 17 feet.
- 5. The permittee shall ensure that pilot [car vehicles, operators or flagmen employed to earry out the provisions of the permit] cars are properly equipped and that the operators of the pilot cars and any flagperson required pursuant to the provisions of the permit are briefed as to their responsibilities. [prior to the movement.] Failure of the [pilot car] operators and [flagmen to comply with this section in properly warning and directing] flagpersons to warn and direct traffic properly is [considered] a violation of the [terms of the] permit.
- 6. If the provisions of a permit require a flagperson to warn and direct approaching traffic, the flagperson must:
  - (a) Be at least 18 years of age;
- (b) Wear appropriate protective clothing, including, without limitation, a vest which is constructed of solid, fluorescent yellow-green material and which completely covers the flagperson's torso; and
  - (c) Be equipped with a sign that is:
    - (1) At least 18 inches wide;
    - (2) Marked with the word "STOP" on one side and the word "SLOW" on the other; and
    - (3) Is attached to a pole which is 5 feet in length.

- 7. If the provisions of a permit require a vehicle to be marked with flashing amber lights, the permittee must obtain an appropriate permit from the Nevada highway patrol pursuant to NRS 484.579.
  - **Sec. 34.** NAC 484. 550 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- NAC 484.550 1. All [loads or] vehicles in excess of 8 feet 6 inches wide must display "oversize load" [or "wide load"] signs front and rear. [When a wide load is transported, the signs must be promptly removed upon completion of work. The minimum size warning signs] A sign displayed pursuant to this section must be [a 6 foot by 12 inch sign with not less than 5 inch] at least 7 feet wide and at least 18 inches high with black letters [of 1 1/2 inch] that are at least 10 inches high of 1 5/8-inch minimum stroke on [contrasting] a yellow background.
- 2. [The signs must read "oversize load," "wide load," or as appropriate for long loads or excessive overhang, front or rear. Warning signs must be] A sign displayed pursuant to this section must:
  - (a) Read "oversize load;"
  - (b) Be neat, clean and mounted [securely. Signs must be] securely;
- (c) Be displayed only when necessary [, and the sign "oversize load" is preferred over other signs if there is a question of which to use. Other warning signs must be not less than 12 inches by 6 feet with the same letter size as in subsection 1. Any vehicle or load combination of legal width but exceeding 105 feet in length requires "long load" signs. Any exception to this will be specifically stated on the permit. When the overhang to the front exceeds 10 feet, a warning sign reading "Excessive front overhang" must be displayed on the rear of the vehicle.]; and
  - (d) Be removed promptly upon the arrival of the vehicle at its final destination.
  - **Sec. 35.** NAC 484.560 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 484.560 1. [The following holidays must be observed, and permits] The department will not [be issued] issue a permit for the movement of [mobile homes, manufactured homes and houses if they exceed 10 feet in width and other loads that are oversized in width or length on these] an oversized or overweight vehicle on the following days:
  - (a) New Year's Day, January 1;
  - (b) Martin Luther King *Jr.* Day, [Third] third Monday in January;
  - (c) President's Day, [Third] third Monday in February;
  - (d) Memorial Day, [Last] last Monday in May;
  - (e) Independence Day, July 4;
  - (f) Labor Day, [First] first Monday of September;
  - (g) [Admission Day, October 31;] Nevada Day, last Friday of October;
  - (h) Veterans' Day, November 11;
  - (i) [Thanksgiving Day, Fourth Thursday] Fourth Wednesday of November [;]
  - [(i) Christmas Day, December 25; and] from 2 p.m. until 12 midnight;
  - (j) Christmas Eve, December 24 from 2 p.m. until 12 midnight; and
- (k) Any day that may be designated by the President of the United States [or the governor] for a public fast, thanksgiving or holiday [.
- For the purposes of Admission Day, travel is restricted on Highway 395 only in Reno and Carson City and on U.S. Highway 50 between Carson City and Fallon.], except for a presidential designation of the fourth Monday of October as Veterans' Day.
- 2. If any holiday listed in subsection 1, falls on a Saturday, the preceding Friday is considered a holiday. If any holiday listed above falls on a Sunday, the following Monday is considered a holiday.

- 3. In addition to the days set forth in subsection 1, the department will not issue a permit for the movement of an oversized or overweight vehicle on the Saturday immediately following the last Friday in October:
  - (a) Within the boundaries of Carson City;
  - (b) On U.S. Highway No. 395 between Reno and Carson City; and
  - (c) On U.S. Highway No. 50 between Carson City and Fallon.
  - **Sec. 36.** NAC 484.570 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 484.570 1. The department will review applications for permits to move manufactured homes, mobile homes or similar structures on a case-by-case basis. The department will not authorize movement of such homes or structures on routes that have not been designated by the department pursuant to NRS 484.7625.
- 2. The movement of manufactured [or] homes, mobile homes or similar structures is subject to all the terms, conditions and restrictions on the permit, the printed regulations on any part of the permit form and is subject to any attachments to the permit.
- [2.] 3. To be moved pursuant to NRS 484.7625, a manufactured [or] home, mobile home or similar structure that exceeds 14 feet but does not exceed 16 feet in width, including, without limitation, any appendages and roof eaves, must, in addition to the conditions and requirements of NRS 484.7625:
  - (a) Not exceed the maximum weight per axle as prescribed in NRS 484.745;
  - (b) Have *operational* brakes on every axle; and
- (c) Have tires [which] that have a load rating equal to the manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating.

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- [The department will review applications for permits to move such homes on a case by case basis. The department will not authorize movement of such homes on routes which have not been designated by the department pursuant to NRS 484.7625.
- 3. Evidence of insurance must be furnished by the insurer. Expiration or cancellation of this insurance automatically voids the permit.]
- 4. The number of axles that support the manufactured home, mobile home or similar structure must not be less than one axle for each 6,000 pounds, and the axles must be spaced to afford maximum stability, tracking and distribution of weight.
- 5. The minimum tire size to be used in the transportation of the manufactured home, mobile home or similar structure must be at least 8 by 14.5 inches and 10 ply on all wheels.
- 6. Any two-way radio equipment used in the transportation of the manufactured home, mobile home or similar structure must be operated in conformance with federal regulations.
- 7. The permit is issued pursuant to chapter 484 of NRS and is not a waiver of other applicable requirements of NRS.
- [5.] 8. The permit is void [when] if the length of the manufactured [or] home, mobile home or other structure exceeds 80 feet.
- [6.] 9. The maximum speed limit while transporting *a* manufactured [or mobile homes] home, mobile home or similar structure must not exceed 55 miles per hour.
- [7.] 10. The load must be kept to the right of the highway centerline at all times and must stay off shoulders except when entering or leaving the highway or when necessary to allow trailing traffic to pass on narrow or winding roads. An effort must be made to prevent congesting or slowing down traffic.

- [8.] 11. As a warning to approaching traffic, the towing vehicle must operate with the headlights turned to a low beam.
- [9.] 12. When two or more *manufactured homes*, mobile homes *or similar structures* are moved over the same highway in the same direction, the drivers of the towing vehicles shall maintain a distance of at least 1,000 feet between vehicles.
- [10. The department may designate the highways over which oversized mobile homes may be moved and may require a pilot car displaying an "oversize load" sign to precede or follow the load.
- 11.] 13. The permittee is responsible for all liability for personal injury or property damage which may occur through any act or omission of the permittee when acting under a permit, and in the event any claim is made against the State of Nevada or any department officer, officer or employee, by reason of or in connection with any such act or omission, the permittee shall defend, indemnify and hold them harmless from such claims.
  - **Sec. 37.** NAC 484.580 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 484.580 The department may issue permits for the movement of buildings or structures other than those manufactured homes, mobile homes and similar structures regulated pursuant to NAC 484.570 over the state highway system to those persons properly licensed by the state. The following conditions apply:
- 1. [If deemed necessary, the mover shall provide a surety bond in the form and amount established by the department before the moving operation. A copy of the policy or certification of insurance must be on file with the department in Carson City, Nevada, before the issuance of the permit and must be in the amounts of not less than \$100,000 because of bodily injury to or death of one person in any one accident and subject to that limit for one person, in the amount of

not less than \$300,000 because of bodily injury to or death of two or more persons in any one accident, and in the amount of not less than \$50,000 because of injury to or destruction of property of others in any one accident.

- 2.] Movement of buildings or structures up to 26 feet in width, including, without limitation, eaves, will be allowed only if the character of the road and traffic conditions will allow such movement. Reduction in size of building by severance of portions may be necessary to accomplish the move.
- [3.] 2. The movement of buildings or structures over 26 feet in width is allowed only for short distances normally not to exceed 10 miles.
- [4.] 3. Measurement of building width includes any portion which protrudes from the walls of the building, including, without limitation, the overhang of the roof.
- [5.] 4. The route must be surveyed by the mover before moving to determine where obstructions may exist and provide for their removal or adjustment.
- [6. Double-wide mobile homes that are established residences and are parked on a space in a mobile home park may be moved as a single unit by a qualified house mover only. The movement of double-wide mobile homes over 26 feet in width is allowed only for short distances normally not to exceed 10 miles.]
  - **Sec. 38.** NAC 484.555, 484.562 and 484.575 are hereby repealed.
- **Sec. 39.** 1. This section and sections 1 to 27, inclusive, and 29 to 38, inclusive, of this regulation become effective upon filing with the secretary of state.
  - 2. Section 27 of this regulation expires by limitation on December 31, 2002.
  - 2. Section 28 of this regulation becomes effective on January 1, 2003.

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## TEXT OF REPEALED SECTIONS

484.555 Emergency moves. (NRS 484.739) With verification by the department or local law enforcement agency of an emergency condition or on verbal approval of a representative of the permit office, a limit on oversize or weight to be moved will be allowed on a verbal basis before issuance of a permit. A written permit must be obtained on the next workday following the emergency move.

484.562 Restrictions on time of travel. (NRS 484.739) Moves during hours of darkness and on weekends are prohibited except that vehicles or vehicle combinations and loads not exceeding 75 feet in overall length including, without limitation, overhang and those vehicles and vehicle combinations that are overweight and are otherwise legal may be moved during the hours of darkness and on Saturdays and Sundays. As used in this section, "hours of darkness" means one-half hour after sunset until one-half hour before sunrise.

**484.575** Additional requirements for movement of manufactured or mobile homes. (NRS 484.762, 484.7625) In addition to the provisions of NAC 484.490 to 484.570, inclusive, and any special provisions or restrictions pertaining to or attached to the transportation permits for the movement of manufactured or mobile homes, the following apply:

- 1. The minimum number of axles on the manufactured or mobile home must be not less than one for each 6,000 pounds of weight and must be spaced to afford maximum stability, tracking and distribution of weight.
- 2. The combined braking force for towing unit and manufactured or mobile home must be not less than 43.5 percent of the gross combination weight. The deceleration of the combination must be not greater than 14 feet per second. The braking distance must be not greater than 50 feet at 20 m.p.h.
- 3. The minimum tire size to be used on the manufactured or mobile home must be not less than  $8.00 \times 14.5$  inch, 10 ply on all wheels.
- 4. Drivers of towing units shall conform to all the requirements in federal and state regulations.
- 5. The two-way radio communication equipment required must be citizen band radio and operated in conformance with federal regulations.
  - 6. The signs and flashing lights discussed in NAC 484.545 are required.