

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

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

AUTHORITY: §§1-9 and 11-32, NRS 484D.625, 484D.715 and 484D.720; §10, NRS 484D.600.

A REGULATION relating to permits for the movement of oversized and overweight vehicles; revising certain provisions relating to the issuance of permits for the movement of oversized and overweight vehicles; providing for the issuance of permits for the movement of super loads; providing for the movement of convoys of certain oversized vehicles under certain circumstances; providing for the movement of certain vehicles without a permit during an emergency; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Section 1.** Chapter 484 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 18, inclusive, of this regulation.

**Sec. 2.** *“Convoy” means two or more oversized vehicles which are moving in the same direction on the same route and which are within 1,000 feet of each other.*

**Sec. 3.** *“Divisible” means reducible or capable of being separated into smaller loads or vehicle combinations without:*

- 1. Compromising the intended use of the load or vehicle combination;*
- 2. Destroying the value of the load or vehicle combination; or*
- 3. Requiring more than 8 hours of work, using appropriate equipment, to separate the load or vehicle combination.*

**Sec. 4.** *“Longer combination vehicle” means a combination of vehicles which:*

1. *Complies with the provisions of NAC 484.360, 484.365 and 484.370; and*
2. *Consists of:*
  - (a) *A truck with one or two trailers or a truck-tractor with two or three trailers;*
  - (b) *A divisible load;*
  - (c) *A combined length that exceeds 70 feet, unless otherwise exempted by NRS 484D.615;*
  - (d) *Weights per axle that comply with legal limits; and*
  - (e) *A gross weight that does not exceed 129,000 pounds.*

**Sec. 5.** *“Non-divisible” means nonreducible or incapable of being separated into smaller loads or vehicle combinations in the manner described in section 3 of this regulation.*

**Sec. 6.** *“Over-dimensional vehicle” means a vehicle that is non-divisible or a combination of vehicles that carries a non-divisible load and exceeds the maximum legal limit for weight, height, length or width.*

**Sec. 7.** *“Shorter overweight vehicle” means a vehicle which does not exceed 70 feet in length, exceeds the maximum legal limit for weight and:*

1. *Carries a divisible load which is a commodity as defined in NAC 484.464; or*
2. *Is non-divisible.*

**Sec. 8.** *“Super load” means an over-dimensional vehicle that:*

1. *Exceeds:*
  - (a) *Nineteen feet in width;*
  - (b) *Nineteen feet in height;*
  - (c) *Two hundred feet in length; or*
  - (d) *Five hundred thousand pounds gross vehicle weight; or*

*2. The Department determines has special characteristics not otherwise addressed by the provisions of this chapter and chapter 484D of NRS.*

**Sec. 9. 1.** *If a permittee receives more than one citation within a 12-month period for a violation of any regulation, permit, condition or restriction, the Department may:*

*(a) For the second citation, issue a warning letter to the permittee;*

*(b) For the third citation, suspend any permits of the permittee for a period of 14 days beginning 14 days after the date on which the permittee receives written notice of the suspension from the Department; and*

*(c) For the fourth and any subsequent citation, suspend any permits of the permittee for a period of 30 days beginning 14 days after the date on which the permittee receives written notice of the suspension from the Department.*

*2. The Department will provide to a permittee by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the address of the permittee which is on file with the Department the warning letter or written notice of suspension required by this section. A permittee who wishes to appeal a suspension required by this section may request a hearing pursuant to NRS 233B.121.*

*3. If a permittee receives a notice of suspension pursuant to this section, no vehicle which is subject to the provisions of this chapter and which is owned or operated by the permittee may be operated on the highways of this State under any condition or any permit during the period of the suspension.*

*4. A warning letter or suspension issued pursuant to this section is in addition to any other penalty provided by law.*

**Sec. 10. 1.** *If the movement of a vehicle subject to the provisions of this chapter is in response to an emergency during a period other than the normal hours of operation of the*

*Department described in NAC 484.510, the vehicle operator or owner shall, before any movement of the vehicle on the highways of this State, provide to a district road operations center of the Department:*

- (a) The name, address and telephone number of the owner of the vehicle;*
- (b) The name and telephone number of the driver of the vehicle;*
- (c) A description of the disaster or emergency and a copy of any government-issued documentation of the disaster or emergency, if available;*
- (d) A description of the load, including the size and weight of the load; and*
- (e) The intended starting point or entry point into the State, intended route and intended final destination or exit point from the State.*

*2. District road operations staff may authorize the intended movement or authorize an alternate route if necessary. In authorizing a movement or alternate route, district road operations staff shall take into account current bridge and route weight and size restrictions. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, authorization of a movement or alternate route must be in writing and must include the information provided pursuant to subsection 1 and the name and contact information of the supervisor of district road operations.*

*3. If immediate movement of a vehicle or load is critical to public safety, the operator of the vehicle may drive to and park at the nearest safe location or drive to and from the site of a disaster or emergency, if he or she receives oral authorization from a supervisor of the Department or an officer of the Nevada Highway Patrol or a local law enforcement agency.*

*4. A member of the district road operations staff who authorizes movement of a vehicle or load pursuant to subsection 2 or a supervisor of the Department who authorizes movement of a vehicle or load pursuant to subsection 3 shall, as soon as possible after authorizing such*

*movement, notify any effected district road operations centers or commands of the Nevada Highway Patrol and the permit authorities of the Department. If movement authorized pursuant to this section includes the movement of hazardous materials, the Department shall notify the Department of Public Safety.*

*5. A vehicle operator or owner who obtains authorization for the movement of a vehicle or load pursuant to this section shall obtain from the Department the appropriate permit for such movement not later than the next business day after receiving authorization pursuant to this section.*

*6. Authorization for the movement of a vehicle or load pursuant to this section is not valid if:*

*(a) The permitting authorities of the Department are readily available to issue a permit for the movement.*

*(b) The road closures or restrictions are unrelated to an emergency.*

*(c) The vehicle operator or owner had the opportunity to obtain the necessary permits during the normal hours of operation of the Department described in NAC 484.510 but failed to do so.*

*(d) Authorization of the movement requires modification of existing permits because of issues relating to vehicle maintenance or the driver.*

**Sec. 11.** *Each local government in this State shall, at least 10 days before any planned work zone or other planned temporary highway restriction or highway closure or as soon as practicable after any unplanned work zone or other unplanned temporary highway restriction or highway closure within the jurisdiction of the local government which is expected to last*

*more than 12 hours and which may affect oversized or overweight vehicles, submit to the Department a report which must include, without limitation:*

- 1. The specific location of the restriction or closure;*
- 2. The anticipated starting and ending times and duration of the restriction or closure;*
- 3. The conditions of the restriction or closure; and*
- 4. The maximum vehicle size and weight allowed in the area subject to the restriction or closure.*

**Sec. 12.** *1. The Department may issue a permit to operate an over-dimensional vehicle or move a load that is valid for 5 consecutive calendar days, 5 consecutive business days, or for a period less than 5 days if appropriate and as specified on the permit.*

*2. The following conditions apply to a permit issued pursuant to this section:*

*(a) Only one type of load may be designated on the permit and the description of the load must be specific.*

*(b) The applicant for the permit must declare all intended routes, including any unladen legs which are subject to the provisions of this chapter.*

*(c) The permit must designate the starting point, destination and any dead-end leg of the route by street address, intersection, state line or milepost and facility name, if applicable.*

*(d) The permit must designate the authorized routes as a series of interconnected or contiguous routes using applicable route numbers and common names. Movement is not authorized on the non-contiguous portions of any listed route.*

*(e) Round trips and multiple trips are authorized unless specifically restricted by the permit.*

*(f) Separate permits are required for departing and reentering the State during the prescribed period.*

*(g) The maximum size and weight of the vehicle must be equal to or less than the maximum size and weight designated on the permit and must not exceed the maximum size and weight set forth in subsection 3.*

*(h) Authorized hours of movement are restricted as specified on the permit and do not include weekend hours, holiday hours or hours of darkness unless specified on the permit. Movement is not authorized through temporarily restricted areas, including work zones and any detours, without authorization from the on-site traffic coordinator or the Department.*

*3. The maximum weight of a vehicle operated pursuant to a permit issued pursuant to this section must not exceed 500,000 pounds gross vehicle weight and must not exceed the axle weights prescribed by NRS 484D.635 and as established by evaluating the application for the permit based upon axle configuration and overall length. The vehicle must not exceed 19 feet in width, 19 feet in height, 200 feet in length and:*

*(a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c) or as otherwise specified on the permit, during hours of darkness or holiday hours, must not exceed 12 feet in width, 15 feet in height, 15 feet of total overhang or 110 feet in length, except that if the vehicle is equipped with one or more mechanically steered rear axles, the length of the vehicle must not exceed 120 feet.*

*(b) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c) or as otherwise specified on the permit, during hours of daylight on a weekend, must not exceed 14 feet in width, 15 feet in height, 15 feet of total overhang or 110 feet in length, except that if the vehicle is equipped with one or more mechanically steered rear axles, the length of the vehicle must not exceed 120 feet.*

*(c) Except as otherwise specified on the permit, during holiday hours or on a weekend over the portion of Interstate Highway No. 80 between exit 21 in Sparks and the boundary of California or over the portion of Interstate Highway No. 15 between exit 33 in Las Vegas and the boundary of California, must not exceed 12 feet in width, 15 feet in height, 15 feet of total overhang or 110 feet in length.*

**Sec. 13. 1.** *The Department may issue a permit that is valid for 12 consecutive months after the date of issue set forth on the permit.*

*2. The following conditions apply to a permit issued pursuant to this section:*

*(a) The type and description of the load may be nonspecific.*

*(b) Multiple trips are authorized.*

*(c) Departing and reentering the State is authorized.*

*(d) The maximum size and weight of the vehicle must be equal to or less than the maximum size and weight designated on the permit but must not exceed the maximum size and weight set forth in subsection 3.*

*(e) Movement on all highways is authorized except as otherwise specifically prohibited by the provisions of this chapter, by restriction lists provided with the permit, by restriction lists posted on the website of the Department and by restrictions posted on highways and bridges and at work zones and detours.*

*3. The maximum weight of a vehicle operated pursuant to a permit issued pursuant to this section must not exceed the axle weights prescribed by NRS 484D.635 and as established by evaluating the application for the permit based upon axle configuration and overall length. The vehicle must not exceed 14 feet in width, 15 feet in height, 25 feet of total overhang or 110 feet in length, except that if the vehicle is equipped with one or more mechanically steered rear*



*axles, the length of the vehicle must not exceed 120 feet. During hours of darkness or holiday hours or on a weekend, a vehicle must not exceed 12 feet in width, 15 feet in height, 15 feet of total overhang or 110 feet in length, except that if the vehicle is equipped with one or more mechanically steered rear axles, the length of the vehicle must not exceed 120 feet.*

*4. A permittee may transfer the original permit to a leased or rented vehicle with the vehicle combinations which are identified in 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.*

**Sec. 14. 1.** *Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c) of subsection 3 of NAC 484.545, at least two uniformed law enforcement escorts must be present during the movement of a load if the load exceeds:*

*(a) Twelve feet in width or 110 feet in length on any highway that is otherwise permanently prohibited to legally oversized loads;*

*(b) Seventeen feet in width or 110 feet in length for a distance of more than 10 miles on any highway with two or three lanes other than a highway described in paragraph (a); or*

*(c) Nineteen feet in width or 200 feet in length for a distance of more than 10 miles on any highway with four or more lanes.*

*2. In addition to the requirements of subsection 1, the Department may require two or more law enforcement escorts to be present during the movement of any load if it is anticipated that movement of the load will create special circumstances or have a significant effect on public traffic.*

3. *Except as otherwise specifically provided in this chapter, a law enforcement escort must comply with the most current version of the Law Enforcement Escort Best Practices Guidelines published by the United States Department of Transportation.*

**Sec. 15.** 1. *Except as otherwise provided in this section, a convoy shall not operate on the highways of this State.*

2. *A convoy may operate on the highways of this State if:*

(a) *Sufficient law enforcement escorts are not available to escort each vehicle in the convoy;*

(b) *A road closure, work zone, disaster or emergency significantly increases inconvenience or cost to the permittees; and*

(c) *Movement of the convoy can be conducted in a safe manner without major traffic disruptions or significant cost to the supporting agencies.*

3. *The Department may close routes to public traffic when feasible for a convoy or may establish any special conditions on or requirements for movement on such routes. On routes open to public traffic, the Department may authorize a convoy if:*

(a) *The convoy is escorted by a front pilot car escort and rear pilot car escort as required by NAC 484.545 and any additional pilot car escort or law enforcement escort required by the Department;*

(b) *Each oversized vehicle in the convoy maintains an interval of not more than 500 feet between any immediately preceding oversized vehicle or pilot car;*

(c) *When feasible, each vehicle in the convoy remains in visual contact with the immediately preceding oversized vehicle or pilot car;*

*(d) The convoy allows other traffic to pass at least every 30 minutes if the convoy is not capable of safely traveling at the posted speed limit;*

*(e) Except as otherwise specified in each permit, the convoy does not operate during hours of darkness or during holiday hours or weekend hours; and*

*(f) The permit for each oversized vehicle in the convoy states specifically:*

*(1) When and where operation as a convoy is authorized;*

*(2) The escort requirements for the convoy; and*

*(3) The permit number for each oversized vehicle in the convoy.*

**Sec. 16.** *Any vehicle the movement of which is pursuant to a permit issued pursuant to the provisions of this chapter and chapter 484D of NRS is subject to a Level I - North American Standard Inspection conducted by the Department or by a law enforcement agency before or during the movement of the vehicle. If a vehicle fails an inspection conducted pursuant to this section, the Department will revoke the permit. For the purpose of conducting inspections pursuant to this section, the Department hereby adopts by reference the procedures for conducting a Level I - North American Standard Inspection published by and available from the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance, 6303 Ivy Lane, Suite 310, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770-6319, by telephone at (301) 830-6143 or at the Internet address: <http://www.cvsa.org>, for the price of \$2.50 for enforcement members, \$3.50 for associate members or \$4.50 for nonmembers.*

**Sec. 17.** *Except as otherwise provided in NAC 484.544, the Department will not issue a permit to any vehicle which exceeds the following limitations:*

*1. Six hundred pounds per inch of tire width for the steering axle, 500 pounds per inch for all other axles or the axle or tire rating, whichever is less.*

2. *Except for axles that weigh less than 10,000 pounds, each axle must have at least 4 tires if the width of each tire on an axle is less than or equal to 14 inches.*

3. *An axle must not be equipped with tires that have a width of more than 14 inches unless the maximum weight per tire does not exceed 500 pounds per inch of tire width.*

**Sec. 18.** *For the purposes of any official traffic-control device placed or erected by the Department, the term “high-profile vehicle” means any vehicle or combination of vehicles which exceeds 8 feet in height for more than 25 percent of its overall length, including bumpers, and which does not exceed 129,000 pounds gross vehicle weight.*

**Sec. 19.** NAC 484.300 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.300 As used in NAC 484.300 to ~~[484.440,]~~ **484.580**, inclusive, *and sections 2 to 18, inclusive, of this regulation*, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NAC 484.305 to ~~[484.355,]~~ **484.350**, inclusive, **484.464 to 484.495, inclusive, and sections 2 to 8, inclusive, of this regulation** have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

**Sec. 20.** NAC 484.425 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.425 Every operator of a combination of vehicles , *longer combination vehicle, over-dimensional vehicle, super load or pilot escort service* operated in this State shall procure and be covered by a policy of liability insurance which has limits for personal injury of at least \$100,000 per person and \$300,000 per accident and limits for damage to property of at least \$50,000.

**Sec. 21.** NAC 484.435 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.435 1. The Department may impose additional restrictions and requirements not set forth in NAC 484.300 to ~~[484.440,]~~ **484.580**, inclusive, *and sections 2 to 18, inclusive, of this regulation* as a condition for the operation of combinations of vehicles , *longer combination*

*vehicles, over-dimensional vehicles, super loads or pilot escort services* over particular highways or sections of particular highways in this State.

2. The Department will revoke or amend a decision to allow the operation of a combination of vehicles, *longer combination vehicle, over-dimensional vehicle, super load or pilot escort service* on any highway of this State if changed circumstances or conditions render the operation of the combination of vehicles, *vehicle, load or service* impracticable or unsafe.

**Sec. 22.** NAC 484.476 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.476 “Nonreducible load” means a load that ~~cannot be reduced in length, width or height.~~ *is non-divisible.*

**Sec. 23.** NAC 484.482 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.482 “Reducible load” means a load which ~~can be reduced in length, width or height.~~ *is divisible.*

**Sec. 24.** NAC 484.505 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.505 1. The provisions of NAC ~~484.460~~ *484.464* to 484.580, inclusive, do not apply to a vehicle over 70 feet in length which has a reducible load and which is governed by NAC 484.300 to ~~484.440,~~ *484.580*, inclusive ~~[],~~ *and sections 2 to 18, inclusive, of this regulation.*

2. The provisions of NAC ~~484.460~~ *484.464* to 484.580, inclusive, do not apply to passenger buses.

**Sec. 25.** NAC 484.510 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.510 ~~[1.—Annual multiple-trip permits, special permits and single-trip permits]~~ *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 p.m.~~

~~—2.— Single trip permits are also available from the Department~~ *or* 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 p.m.

**Sec. 26.** NAC 484.515 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.515 1. An application for ~~[an annual multiple trip]~~ *a permit issued pursuant to NAC 484.537* or ~~[a special permit]~~ *section 13 of this regulation* 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 *or electronic* application will constitute a writing;

(c) Except as otherwise provided in ~~[NRS 484.737,]~~ *section 10 of this regulation*, submitted not later than ~~[30]~~ *20* days before the first day of travel for which the permit is ~~[required;]~~ *requested;* and

(d) Accompanied by the appropriate fee, if any, unless credit has been established.

2. An application for a ~~[single trip]~~ permit ~~[:]~~ *issued pursuant to section 12 of this regulation must be:*

(a) ~~[May be made]~~ *Made* to the Department in person or orally by telephone; and

(b) ~~[Must be]~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 10 of this regulation*, submitted not later than 4 p.m. on the last business day before the first day of travel for which the permit is ~~[required.]~~ *requested.*

↪ Payment for ~~[the single trip]~~ *a permit issued pursuant to section 12 of this regulation* must be made at the time the applicant applies for the permit.

3. *Receipt by the Department of an application for a permit within the period specified in this section does not guarantee that the requested permit will be approved or issued for the first day of travel for which the permit is requested.*

Sec. 27. NAC 484.535 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.535 ~~{Permits}~~ *1. A vehicle for which a permit is 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}~~ *any* instructions published by the Department. The instructions ~~{may be obtained}~~ *are available* from ~~{any office of}~~ the Department *at the Over Dimensional Vehicle Permits Office, 1263 South Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada 89712*, or at the Internet address <http://www.nevadadot.com>.

(b) At all times be operated with regard to public safety.

2. When traffic, weather or other conditions are determined by the Department or the 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. A permittee shall not disturb or remove ~~[a guidepost, marker post, snow marker post,]~~ *any permanent or temporary* sign or ~~[signpost]~~ *marker* without the approval of the Department. The cost of repair of any ~~[roadway shoulders, surfacing, guideposts, marker posts, snow marker posts,]~~ *permanent or temporary* signs or ~~[signposts,]~~ *markers*, bridge or bridge rail or any other 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 Department will 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 or her permit, and no other permits will be issued to the permittee until the bill is satisfied.

5. The permittee shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State of Nevada, 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 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]~~ *In addition to any penalty or suspension imposed pursuant to section 9 of this regulation, the* Department ~~[reserves the right to]~~ *may suspend a permit for repeated violations of the conditions of the permit or* 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]~~ *The* Department is not responsible for any damage sustained by the permittee as a result of such *suspension or* revocation.



~~7. If drivers employed by a permittee or by a company under contract to a permittee receive citations on three separate occasions within a period of 6 months for violations of a condition or restriction on the permit, the Department may suspend all permit privileges of the permittee for up to 30 days.~~

~~—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 or her 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 Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada.~~

~~—10.— A vehicle for which a permit is issued is subject to a Level I—North American Standard Inspection by the Department or a law enforcement agency before the vehicle may be moved. If the vehicle fails to pass the inspection, the permit will be revoked. The Department hereby adopts by reference the procedures of the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance for conducting a Level I—North American Standard Inspection. A copy of the procedures for conducting a Level I—North American Standard Inspection may be obtained from the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance, 1101 17th Street, N.W., Suite 803, Washington, D.C. 20036, by telephone at (202)~~

~~775-1623 or at the Internet address , for the price of \$2.50 for enforcement members of the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance, \$3.50 for associate members or \$4.50 for nonmembers.~~

~~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.~~

~~12. The Department may require a permittee to furnish a pilot car, in addition to a pilot car required]~~ *Convoys are not authorized except as provided in section 15 of this regulation.*

8. *Escorts must be provided in the manner required* pursuant to NAC 484.545 ~~[, and coordinate additional utilities escorts and traffic control with the appropriate law enforcement agencies for:~~

~~(a) Loads wider than 17 feet on roads with two or three lanes.~~

~~(b) Loads wider than 19 feet on roads with four or more lanes.~~

~~(c) Loads higher than 16 feet.~~

~~13.] and section 14 of this regulation.~~

9. A permit issued for an oversized or overweight vehicle authorizes the vehicle to travel on the highways set forth in the permit and , *except for a super load*, on any adjacent highways ~~[that provide access to]~~ *for not more than one-half mile, if it is safe to do so, and only for the purpose of accessing* travel-related services, including, without limitation, a service station, restaurant or motel.

~~[14.]~~ 10. If an oversized or overweight vehicle is disabled for any reason other than an accident or unreasonably interferes with the normal flow of traffic, the vehicle, and any accompanying pilot car, must be brought to a stop as far off the roadway as practicable to enable other traffic to pass.

~~{15.}~~ *11.* An oversized or overweight vehicle may not travel during hours of darkness or holiday hours or on a weekend except as set forth in a permit or special instructions, if any, given by the Department.

~~{16.}~~ *12.* An oversized vehicle must have its head lamps illuminated *as required by NAC 484.547 and must be equipped with the proper signage and flagging as required by NAC 484.550* whenever the vehicle is in operation.

*13. Except as otherwise provided in section 10 of this regulation, the original of any permit must be signed by the permittee and carried in the vehicle to which it refers. A permit that is issued by facsimile or other electronic transmission shall be deemed to be the original of the permit for the purposes of this subsection. A person shall not duplicate a permit for use in more than one vehicle.*

*14. A permittee shall not commence movement before the time specified in the instructions of the permit or, if such time is not specified in the permit, before the date and time stamped on the permit by the Department and the first movement day authorized by the permit. For a permit issued by facsimile, the date and time stamp which indicates the time the facsimile was sent is deemed to be the date and time stamped on the permit by the Department for the purposes of this section.*

*15. A permittee must cease movement not later than the time specified in the instructions of the permit or, if such time is not specified in the permit, before midnight of the last day listed on the permit.*

**Sec. 28.** NAC 484.537 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.537 *1.* The Department may issue permits for the movement of ~~{oversized}~~ *super* loads over the state highway system.

2. The following conditions apply ~~to~~:

~~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. The route must be surveyed by the trucking company before moving to determine where obstructions may exist and provide for their removal or adjustment.]~~ *to a permit for the movement of a super load:*

*(a) The permit is valid only for those days and hours specified on the permit.*

*(b) The permit must designate only one type of load and the description of the load must be specific.*

*(c) The applicant for the permit must declare all intended routes which are subject to the provisions of this chapter, including any legs of a trip which are traveled unladen.*

*(d) The permit must designate the start point, destination and any dead-end leg of the route by street address, intersection, state line or milepost and facility name, if applicable.*

*(e) The permit must designate the authorized routes as a series of interconnected or contiguous routes using applicable route numbers and common names. Movement is not authorized on the non-contiguous portions of any listed route.*

*(f) The permit does not authorize multiple trips or round trips.*

*(g) Movement through temporarily restricted areas such as work zones, including any detours, must be specifically authorized by the on-site traffic coordinator or the Department.*

3. *There is no maximum size or weight limit for the issuance of a permit for the movement of a super load, except that:*

(a) *The size and weight limits will be determined by the capacity of the highways and bridges on, and any other obstacles adjacent to, the intended route; and*

(b) *The weight of the load cannot exceed the maximum weight on any axle authorized by NRS 484D.635.*

4. *An applicant for a permit for the movement of a super load must, at least 20 days before the intended date of the movement, provide to the Department:*

(a) *A detailed description of the vehicle, load, axle configurations and weights; and*

(b) *An evaluation of the proposed routes and bridges conducted pursuant to section 12 of this regulation.*

5. *Movement of a super load pursuant to a permit on highways within Clark County, Washoe County, Carson City or the City of Elko, except for Interstate 80 within the City of Elko, will normally be scheduled between midnight and 5 a.m. on weekdays. Movement of a super load is not authorized on highways within Clark County, Washoe County, Carson City or the City of Elko, except for Interstate 80 within the City of Elko, on weekdays between 5 a.m. and 9 a.m. and between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m., during holiday hours or on weekends.*

**Sec. 29.** NAC 484.544 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.544 1. The Department may issue a ~~[single trip permit or annual multiple trip]~~ permit for the movement of a ~~[self-propelled crane]~~ *shorter overweight vehicle* that exceeds the maximum authorized weight as established pursuant to ~~[subsection 1 of NRS 484.745.]~~ **NRS 484D.635.**

2. An applicant for a permit issued pursuant to subsection 1 must submit to the Department at the time of application a description and a detailed schematic diagram of the ~~self propelled crane~~ *shorter overweight vehicle* that contain the height, length, width and weight of the ~~self propelled crane in the position in which it will be transported.~~ *shorter overweight vehicle as it will be configured during movement.*

3. The vehicle's maximum weight per tire, measured by pounds per inch of tire width, is 800 pounds per inch for all axles, not to exceed the axle or tire rating.

**Sec. 30.** NAC 484.545 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.545 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 pass as necessary. If an escorted vehicle is required, pursuant to NAC 484.535, 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; or

(4) 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; or

(3) The width of the load exceeds 14 feet.

*(c) A law enforcement escort is required as prescribed by section 14 of this regulation unless such a law enforcement escort is not reasonably available, in which case an additional pilot car may be required to precede an escorted vehicle on highways with two or three lanes, or to follow an escorted vehicle on highways with four or more lanes.*

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 *and any support personnel* 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 **“WIDE LOAD,”** “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 **“WIDE LOAD,”** “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 ~~[484.579.]~~ **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.]~~ \$30.

(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 *and all support personnel* 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]~~ *On or after January 1, 2014, possess a current certificate of completion from an instructional course which is specific to ~~[flagger]~~ pilot car operator requirements and procedures ~~[.]~~ and which is approved by the Department. A current certificate of completion of an instructional course approved by another state or by the Federal Government shall be deemed approved by the Department for the purposes of this paragraph.*

7. *The provisions of this section apply to the movement of husbandry and farm equipment authorized pursuant to NAC 484.527 if the distance traveled is more than 25 miles.*

8. *Except as otherwise specifically provided in this chapter, escort services must comply with the most current version of the Pilot Car Escort Best Practices Guidelines published by the United States Department of Transportation.*

**Sec. 31.** 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. 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.

2. ~~[The movement of buildings or structures over 26 feet in width is allowed only for short distances normally not to exceed 10 miles.~~

~~—3.]~~ Measurement of building width includes any portion which protrudes from the walls of the building, including, without limitation, the overhang of the roof.

~~[4.]~~ 3. The route must be surveyed by the mover before ~~[moving to determine where obstructions may exist and provide for their removal or adjustment.]~~ *the mover applies for a permit.*

**Sec. 32.** NAC 484.355, 484.358, 484.460, 484.462, 484.466, 484.525, 484.542 and 484.543 are hereby repealed.

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## TEXT OF REPEALED SECTIONS

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**484.355 “Vehicle” defined. (NRS 484.739)** “Vehicle” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 484.217.

**484.358 Suspension of permit for violations of condition or restriction. (NRS 484.739)**  
If drivers employed by a permittee or by a company under contract to a permittee receive

citations on three separate occasions within a period of 6 months for violations of a condition or restriction on the permit, the Department may suspend all permit privileges of the permittee for up to 30 days.

**484.460 Definitions. (NRS 484.743, 484.762, 484.7625)** As used in NAC 484.460 to 484.580, inclusive, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NAC 484.462 to 484.495, inclusive, have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

**484.462 “Combination of vehicles” defined. (NRS 484.743, 484.762, 484.7625)**  
“Combination of vehicles” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 484.035.

**484.466 “Department” defined. (NRS 484.743, 484.762, 484.7625)** “Department” means the Department of Transportation.

**484.525 Duration and use of permits generally. (NRS 484.737, 484.739, 484.743, 484.762, 484.7625)**

1. A single-trip permit for the movement of an oversized or overweight vehicle:
  - (a) Is valid for a period of 5 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 484.737, 484.739, 484.762 or 484.7625:

(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:

(a) Signed by the permittee; and

(b) 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.

**484.542 Single-trip permits: Maximum dimensions of oversized vehicle. (NRS 484.743, 484.762, 484.7625)** An oversized vehicle with a single-trip permit must not exceed the following maximum dimensions unless specifically approved by the Department:

1. For travel during hours of darkness or holiday hours:

(a) Width of 12 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.

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.

**484.543 Annual multiple-trip permits: Maximum dimensions of oversized vehicle.**

**(NRS 484.743, 484.762, 484.7625)** 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;

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.