



**Section A – Issued to: (Please print clearly or type)**

<input type="checkbox"/> Check <input type="checkbox"/> Cash			Requested Start Date:		
Legal Name: (Vehicle owner or Lessee)			Phone Number:	U.S. DOT Number:	
Address:			Fax Number:	MC Number:	
City:	State:	Zip Code:	Carrier Type <input type="checkbox"/> For Hire <input type="checkbox"/> Private	Iowa Intrastate Authority Number:	
Email Address:			Contact Name & Phone Number for County to call if questions:		

**Section B – Load**

Describe Article(s) Transported:		SME Qualified? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Model Number:	Serial Number:	

**Section C – Power Unit & Trailer Information**

Power Unit – Both Plate/State and VIN must be identified

Plate:	State:	Vehicle Identification Number (VIN):	Registered Weight:	Year:	Make:
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Trailer - Plate/State must be identified

Plate:	State:	Make:	Other (provide details):
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**Section D – Dimensions/Weight**

	Overall	Trailer	Load	Front Projection	Rear Projection
Length					
Width					
Height					
Gross Weight					

**Section E – Axle Weights/Spacings – front to rear (required when gross weight exceeds 80,000 lbs.)**

Axle Number	1 (front)	2	3	4	5	6	7
Gross Axle Weight (lbs.)							
Axle Spacing							
Axle Number	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Gross Axle Weight (lbs.)							
Axle Spacing							

**Section F – Trip**

Coming From:	Going To:
Route:	

**Acceptance of Conditions:** I certify that the statements contained in the application are true and correct and I will comply with the General Provisions dated 10-25.

X \_\_\_\_\_  
(Customer or Authorized Agent) Date

X \_\_\_\_\_  
(Authorized County Representative) Date

**GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:**

<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. No movement on Independence Day weekend after 12:00PM on 07/03/2026.</li><li>2. NOT qualified for continuous movement (night time) - May only operate from 30 minutes prior to sunrise until 30 minutes after sunset.</li><li>3. See General Provisions for escort requirement for overwidth vehicles.</li><li>4. Overdimensional signs and flags must be displayed on all overdimensional loads over 75 feet long or over 8 feet 6 inches wide or over 14 feet 6 inches high.</li><li>5. May have a gross weight not to exceed 46,000 lbs. on a single tandem axle of the truck tractor and a gross weight not to exceed 46,000 lbs. on a single tandem axle of the trailer only. No single axle of the tandem group may exceed 24,000 lbs.</li><li>6. Centerline all bridges: Roads with posted speeds under 65 mph centerline at 5 mph. Posted speed limits of 65 mph and all interstate roads centerline at posted speed.</li><li>7. Load must slow or stop when necessary to avoid approaching traffic when centerlining.</li></ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Must carry copy of permit and general provisions dated 10-25 and comply with them.</b></li><li>● Speed limit: maximum posted limits unless otherwise specified on permit. Minimum 40 mph interstate.</li><li>● Road must be clear of ice and snow and visibility must be at least 1/4 mile.</li><li>● No movement allowed on I-235 (Des Moines) weekdays from 7am to 9am and 4pm to 6pm.</li><li>● Hazardous materials must be transported in compliance with applicable federal regulations.</li><li>● Necessary city and/or county permits must be obtained separately.</li></ul>
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## IOWA GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR OVERSIZE LOAD PERMIT

The State of Iowa, the Iowa Department of Transportation, and any other permit issuing authority assume no responsibility for the property of the permit holder. During movement under permit, the permit holder must meet the terms and conditions of the permit and must take all reasonable precautions to protect and safeguard the lives and property of the traveling public and adjacent property owners. A copy of a current certificate of public liability insurance in the amounts of \$100,000 bodily injury each person, \$200,000 bodily injury each occurrence, and \$50,000 property damage must be carried in the vehicle for which the permit has been issued. Nothing shall exempt the permit holder from compliance with any load limitations that have been or might be established on any bridge or road posted with embargo signs. The permit and any revisions will be void if the actual weights or dimensions exceed what is indicated on the permit or its revisions. Permits can be issued only for loads that are a single article that cannot be reasonably broken down to make it legal in size and weight. The permit must be carried in the cab of the vehicle for which it has been issued and be available for inspection. Proof of liability insurance may be either in writing or in electronic format.

Movement is allowed seven days a week except for designated holidays and for special events when abnormally high traffic counts can be expected. The designated holidays are Memorial Day, Independence Day, and Labor Day. No movement will be allowed on these holidays or after 12 noon on days preceding these holidays and holiday weekends that include holidays falling on Monday, except as provided for in Iowa Code 321.457.

**Annual permits:** Routes must be checked for construction restrictions and clearance problems using the vertical clearance maps, bridge embargo maps, pavement restriction maps, and the 511ia.org website prior to moving under permit. Maps can be found at [iowadot.gov/mvd/motorcarriers](http://iowadot.gov/mvd/motorcarriers).

**Escort requirements:** Escorts must be at least 18 years old, possess a valid Class A, B, C, or D driver's license, and carry proof of public liability insurance in the amounts of \$100,000/\$200,000/\$50,000. The escort vehicle must be approximately the size of a normal passenger automobile or pickup and must have a flashing or strobe amber light that shall be burning while escorting a permit load. The escorting vehicle shall not be used to tow a trailer while performing escorting duties. The escort shall not assume responsibility for stopping traffic. An on-duty peace officer, as defined in Iowa Code section 321.1, shall be contacted to provide any traffic control needed.

### Required warning devices and escort requirements for vehicles operating under permit

	Flags/Signs	Lights	Escorts	
			Four-lane	Two-lane
<b>Length</b>				
75'1" up to and including 85'	Yes	Not required	Not required	Not required
Over 85' up to and including 120'	Yes	Yes	Not required	Not required
Over 120'	Yes	Not required	Rear	Rear
<b>Projections</b>				
Front: over 25'	Not required	Yes	Not required	Not required
Rear: over 4' up to and including 10'	Flags only	Not required	Not required	Not required
Rear: over 10'	Flags only	Yes	Not required	Not required
<b>Height</b>				
Over 14'6" up to 20'	Yes	Not required	Front with a height pole	Front with a height pole
<b>Weight</b>				
Over 80,000 lbs.	Not required	No	Not required	Not required
<b>Width</b>				
Over 8'6" up to 12'	Yes	Not required	Not required	Not required
Over 12' up to and including 14'6"	Yes	Not required	Rear*	Front*
Over 14'6" up to and including 16'6"	Yes	Not required	Rear*	Front
Over 16'6" up to and including 18'	Yes	Not required	Rear	Front

\*In lieu of an escort, a vehicle can display an amber light or strobe on the power unit and on the rear extremity of the load.

**Lighting requirements:** A flashing or strobe amber light that is visible for at least 500 feet and provides 360-degree warning, mounted on the towing unit is required. An escort can be used in lieu of amber light.

**Signs and flags:** A sign reading "Oversize Load" must be at least 18 inches high by 7 feet long with a minimum of 10-inch black letters with a 1 1/2-inch stroke, on a yellow background, and mounted on the front bumper and on the rear of the load. A rear sign for mobile homes must be mounted at least 7 feet above the highway surface, measuring from the bottom of the sign. Flags must be red or orange fluorescent and at least 18 inches square. Flags must be mounted as follows: one flag at each front corner of the towing unit and one flag at each rear corner of the load. In addition, there must be a flag at any additional protrusion in the width of the load. The signs or warning devices must be mounted so they can be removed or covered when the vehicle is within legal dimensions.

**Permitted tandem axle weights:** Vehicles operating under a permit issued pursuant to Iowa Code 321E.8, 321E.9, or 321E.9A may have a gross weight not to exceed 46,000 pounds on a single-tandem axle of the truck tractor and a gross weight not to exceed 46,000 pounds on a single-tandem axle of the trailer or semitrailer if each axle of each tandem group has at least four tires. No single axle of the tandem group may exceed 24,000 pounds. If the tandem axle is within a larger group of axles, the maximum weight of that specific group of axles shall not exceed 20,000 pounds per axle.

**Requirements for continuous moves:** Vehicles and loads may travel by permit between 1/2 hour after sunset and 1/2 hour before sunrise if, in addition to the general provisions and general requirements specified by the permit, the following conditions are met.

- a. Dimensions shall not exceed:
  - (1) Width: 12 feet.
  - (2) Height: 14 feet, 6 inches.
  - (3) Length: 100 feet.
  - (4) Weight: Permitted axle limits.
- b. Travel must be on roadways with a minimum width of 22 feet and minimum lane width of 11 feet.
- c. Safety lighting shall be provided at the widest part of a load. The lamps may be placed at the outer ends of the load itself or on appurtenances that are equal in width to the widest part of the load and positioned at both extreme front and rear of the vehicle or trailer as follows.
  - (1) One lighted red lamp on each side at the rear of the load.
  - (2) One lighted yellow or amber lamp on each side at the front of the load.



## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING A ROUND TRIP OVERDIMENSION AND/OR OVERWEIGHT PERMIT APPLICATION

### Section A

**Charge Account/Escrow Account/Credit card:** Check the box next to your desired method of payment and then enter the corresponding number in the space.

**Email address:** Enter your email contact information.

**Requested Start Date:** Enter the date you would like the permit to start. Permits are good for five days.

**Legal Name:** Enter the name of the person or company that the permit will be issued to.

**Phone Number:** Enter the contact phone number.

**MC Number:** Enter your MC number if you are a for hire carrier with Interstate authority.

**Intrastate Authority:** Enter your Iowa Intrastate authority number

**Carrier Type:** Check one box. Are you hauling this load for hire or privately?

**Address/City/State/ZIP:** Enter the address of the person or company that the permit will be issued to.

**Fax Number:** Enter the contact fax number.

**US DOT Number:** Enter your USDOT number here. If no USDOT number is required for your operation, enter NA. To determine if you are required to have a USDOT number, visit the web site [www.safersys.org](http://www.safersys.org)

**Contact Name:** Enter the name of the person to be contacted with questions regarding this application. Also enter a phone number if different than the one already on the application

### Section B - Load information

**Load:** Enter the description of your load, i.e., excavator, farm tractor, wind tower, self-propelled crane, etc.

**Carrier Type:** Check one box. Are you hauling this load for hire or privately?

**Model Number:** Enter the model number. If the load is steel beams, trusses, etc, a model number is not required.

**SME Qualified:** Enter "Yes" if your load qualifies as 'Special Mobile Equipment' If not, enter No.

**Serial Number:** Enter the serial number. If the load is steel beams, trusses, etc, a serial number is not required.

### Section C - Power Unit & Trailer information

**Plate:** Enter the license plate number for the power unit.

**State:** Enter the 2 digit abbreviation for the state the power unit is registered in.

**Vehicle Identification Number (VIN):** Enter the VIN for the power unit.

**Registered Weight:** Enter the registered weight of the power unit. This information can be found on your cab card. Iowa law requires that you be registered for the weight you are hauling. Please include a copy of your cab card with the application.

**Year:** Enter the year of the power unit.

**Make:** Enter the make of the power unit (Peterbilt, Mack, International, etc)

## Section C - Power Unit & Trailer information

**Trailer information:** Enter the plate number, state, and make for each trailer on a separate line.

**Other:** Enter any miscellaneous comments about the trailer or vehicle configuration here

## Section D - Dimensions/Weight

**Overall Length:** Measure from the front bumper of the power unit to the end of the trailer *or* load. Enter in feet and inches.

**Overall Width:** Enter in feet and inches.

**Overall Height:** Tallest point, either power unit or load. Enter in feet and inches.

**Trailer and load length:** Measure from the front of the trailer or load, to the end of the trailer or load. Enter in feet and inches.

**Front Projection:** Any overhang that extends past the front of the power unit. Enter in feet.

**Rear Projection:** Any overhang that extends past the rear of the power unit; or trailer if a combination vehicle. Enter in feet.

**Overall Gross Weight:** Total weight of power unit, trailer, and load combined. Enter in pounds.

## Section E - Axle weight/spacing

**If over 80,000 lbs. or special mobile equipment with qualifying tires, enter individual axle weights and spacings. If under 80,000 lbs., skip to Section F.**

**Requested Gross Axle Weight:** Enter weight for each axle in pounds.

**Spacing Between Axles:** Enter each individual axle spacing in feet and inches.

## Section F - Trip Information

**Coming from:** Enter the city, Interstate exit number, address, or location where the trip begins. If the total weight of the load is over 156,000 lbs. and the trip does not start or end in Iowa, also include the original origin of the load.

**Going to:** Enter the city, Interstate exit number, address, or location where the trip ends. If the total weight of the load is over 156,000 lbs. and the trip does not start or end in Iowa, also include the final destination of the load.

**Route:** Enter your desired route, separated by commas. (i.e. Nebraska line, I-80, US-59, etc.)

## Section G - Permit delivery

Check the appropriate box telling us how you would like your permit delivered to you once it has been issued. Choose Mail, Fax, or email, and fill in the corresponding information.

**Acceptance of conditions:** Sign on the line to certify that you have read the "Iowa General Provisions for Oversize Load Permit" – your signature acknowledges that you have read and will comply with them.