

#	MONTANA PERMIT RESTRICTIONS	UPDATED June 2014
1	Continuous travel: travel allowed during hours of darkness, weekends, holidays red route highways providing dimensions do not exceed: 10 feet in width; 14 feet 6 inches in height; 110 feet in length. Lights must be displayed full length and width. Travel allowed daylight hours, 7 days a week, except on holidays, holiday weekends and red routes if dimensions exceed 10 feet wide, 14 feet 6 inches high, 110 feet long, but do not exceed 18 feet wide, 120 feet long, 18 feet high. For emergencies involving railway crossings/tracks, for Burlington Northern Santa Fe, immediately call 1-800-832-5452; for Montana Rail Link, immediately call 1-800-338-4750 for assistance.	
3	Travel daylight hours: travel is allowed daylight hours Monday through Friday if dimensions exceed; 18 feet wide or 120 feet long or 18 feet high. Travel is not allowed on Saturday, Sunday, holidays or holiday weekends and on red route highways.	
4	Red route highways: travel is not allowed after 3:00 p.m. on Friday until sunrise on Saturday and from 12:00 noon on Sunday to sunrise on Monday. If dimensions exceed; 10 feet wide or 110 feet long or 14 feet 6 inches high or 55 feet long - single unit. Travel is not allowed after 3:00 p.m. on Friday until sunrise on Monday if dimensions exceed; 18 feet wide or 120 feet long or 18 feet high	
5	Holiday travel: travel is not allowed on holiday or holiday weekends if dimensions exceed; 10 feet wide (11 feet 6 inches for hay grinders) or 110 feet long or 14 feet 6 inches high or 55 feet long - single unit. Holiday's means New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. Holiday weekend means a period of consecutive calendar days adjacent to a holiday, during which travel is prohibited. Holiday weekend time periods include: (a) a holiday which falls on a Friday or Saturday, prohibiting travel on Friday, Saturday or Sunday; (b) a holiday which falls on a Sunday or Monday, prohibiting travel on Saturday, Sunday or Monday; (c) a holiday which falls on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday, prohibiting travel on that day only; or (d) the Thanksgiving holiday, prohibiting travel on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. 18.8.101 ARM	
6	Raw logs: dimensions may not exceed: 9 feet wide or 75 feet long or 14 feet 6 inches high for a truck or a truck/tractor with one pole trailer or semi trailer. For all other combinations, dimensions may not exceed: 95 feet long. A 5 axle log hauling combinations may not exceed 80,000 pounds gwv or 35,000 pounds on tandem axle groups. Overhang cannot exceed 15 feet, and is measured from the center of the last axle to the end of the rearmost log	
7	Mobile homes: Annual/Term permits are valid up to 16'0" wide, 110'0" long and 15'6" high. This is for mobile homes or manufactured homes only as defined in 15-24-201. Towing units must have one or more dual wheel drive axles and have a minimum wheel base of 100 inches. Mobile home tires must conform to 49 CFR 393.75. Between October 1st and May 15th, travel is allowed up to and including 14 feet wide on I-90 between Belgrade and Big Timber, from 4:00 a.m. until sunrise, provided there is a rear flag vehicle.	
8	MT IMPLEMENTS OF HUSBANDRY DEALER: Implements of Husbandry may not be restricted by weekend travel, Holiday Travel or travel on Red Route Highways. Requirements for lighting, flag vehicles, and daylight travel apply to Implements depending on dimensions. Photocopies of "TERM" permits are not valid. The permit is transferrable between equipment registered to a Montana Implement Dealer. Dimensions are determined by the Dealer.	
9	Triples and 100 foot doubles: travel allowed on interstate only and within a 2 mile radius of an interstate interchange. Maximum speed is 55 mph. Travel during hours of darkness provided full length and width of the vehicle combination is lighted. Maximum length for triples is 105'0", 110'0" for conventional, this is inclusive of the front and rear bumpers and overhang; doubles 100' combination (overall) length.	
10	Baled Hay: Small Bales/Large Square Maximum dimension; 9'6" Wide, 15'6" High. Travel after the hours of darkness up to 9'6" wide, providing lights are displayed the full length and width. Large round bales and hay racks maximum dimensions 12'0" wide and 15'6" high and are limited to daylight hrs only.	
11	Daylight travel only: Vehicle combinations that exceed 10 feet but do not exceed 18 feet in width, over 110 feet long to and including 120 feet long, or over 14 feet, 6 inches high to and including 18 feet high may travel during daylight hours only, 7 days a week no travel on holidays and holiday weekends and red routes from 3:00 pm on Friday until sunrise on Saturday and from 12:00 noon on Sunday until sunrise Monday.	
12	Daylight travel only: Loads exceeding 18 feet wide, or 120 feet long, or 18 feet high, no travel on Saturday, Sunday, holidays and holiday weekends and red routes from 3:00 pm on Friday until sunrise Monday.	
13	Weight mileage (legal axle, exceeding bridge): permit is issued for legal axle weights but is in excess of bridge measurements under 61-10-125 MCA. Non reducible loads only.	
14	Term overweight (excess axle weight): not valid for more than a combined excess axle weight of: 5,000lbs 10,000lbs 15,000lbs 20,000lbs. No axle may exceed 5,000 pounds of excess weight, except tandem axles on the 20,000 pound permit which may not exceed 15,000 pounds of excess weight. Prior to issuance of the 15,000 and 20,000 pound permit, the vehicle combination must have been analyzed through the Helena office. 61-10-125 MCA, ARM 18.8.604	
15	10% tolerance permit: permit issued to the first location where load can be adjusted or reduced to statutory weights. 10% tolerance permit: permit issued to garbage trucks only to the first location where load can be adjusted or reduced to statutory weights.	
16	All blanks must be completed by permittee to validate permit: effective date, expiration date, power unit information, load or combination description, origin and destination of move, routes of travel (including all federal, state, county and city roads), overall dimensions (width, length, height), term permit number (if applicable) and axle spacings and weights. Completed permit must be signed and kept in assigned vehicle. Return all completed permits to the motor carrier services division after move has been completed. Failure to complete all blanks shall subject the permit to confiscation.	
17	DW21 conditions: Conditions imposed for maximum weight - non-interstate: 5 MPH across all structures at the centerline. Centerlining requires two flag vehicles or one flag vehicle and one properly equipped flag person to control traffic. Travel daylight hours only. Unless specifically noted on the special permit, loads may maintain a maximum speed of 55 MPH or the posted speed limit, whichever is less. Interstate: maximum speed 55 MPH. Centerlining of bridges is not required. Continuous travel is allowed if dimensions do not exceed 10 feet wide, 110 feet long, 14 feet 6 inches high. 18.8.602 ARM. For emergencies involving railway crossings/tracks, for Burlington Northern Santa Fe, immediately call 1-800-832-5452; for Montana Rail Link, immediately call 1-800-338-4750 for assistance.	
18	5 MPH conditions: non-interstate: Travel daylight hours only. Speed not to exceed 55 MPH and 5 MPH over all structures on highways. Centerlining is not required.	
19	Logging equipment: maximum of 15 feet wide, 14 feet 6 inches high, and 95 feet long.	
20	Temporary trip permit: Valid for one trip only, maximum of 72 hours and becomes void upon leaving the state. Not to be used in lieu of other fees when gainfully employed in Montana. If exceeding time of trip permit, permittee must license with the county. 18.8.422 ARM	
21	Trailer temporary permit: permit issued to a trailer which is not currently registered; or, has no registration in possession; or, the registration is illegible. 61-10-211 MCA	
22	Temporary fuel permit: no IFTA license in possession. Permit valid for 72 hours and becomes void upon leaving the state. 15-70-301, 101 MCA	
23	Custom combine: combine permit must be displayed in window of grain truck. A 20% tolerance will be given for a 100 mile radius from the harvested field to the first point of unloading. 61-10-130 MCA	
24	Overweight load: non-divisible loads which cannot be readily or reasonably dismantled to minimum practical size/weight. Non-interstate: portions of the load can be detached and reloaded on the same trailer provided it does not exceed permissible limits. Interstate: non-divisible loads/ vehicles exceeding applicable length/weight limits that would make the load transported unable to perform the function for which intended; destroys value of the load; requires more than 8 hours to dismantle; will not be required to reduce the load. If above criteria are not met, the load has to be reduced and carried separately.	
25	This permit may have additional restrictions that may limit travel on certain state routes. Notification of these routes will be given in advance.	
26	Eureka-BC extended weight permit: valid only between British Columbia and Eureka, MT on US-93. Operation is valid only for weights not in excess for an A-train of 117,700 gross weight; B-train of 124,600 gross weight; Super B of 137,500 gross weight and 12,100 pounds steering axle; dual tire single axle 20,000 pounds; tandem 37,500 pounds; tridem 46,300 pounds; 50,700 pounds Super B. These weights may be reduced at any time for "spring break-up" or if unanticipated deterioration occurs.	

27	Montana regulations (western regional permit): interstate over 10 feet wide, 75 feet long, daylight hours only. Non-interstate over 10 feet wide, 75 feet long, daylight hours only. Over 10 feet wide oversize load signs front and rear, flashing lights on power unit. Over 12 feet 6 inches wide, one front flag vehicle on all non-interstate highways. 55 MPH speed limit.
28	32-J Class 1 - travel is allowed daylight hours only Monday through Friday. No travel is allowed on holiday or holiday weekends. No travel is allowed after 3:00 pm on Friday until sunrise on Monday on routes designated as a red route highway. Flag vehicle requirements on interstate, if width exceeds 18'0" one front flag vehicle and two rear flag vehicles are required; if length exceeds 150'0" one rear flag vehicle are required. On non-interstate highways if width exceeds 18'0" two front flag vehicles and one rear flag vehicle are required; if length exceeds 150'0" one front flag vehicle and one rear flag vehicle are required. Do not hold traffic for over 10 minutes at a time on any highways.
29	32-J Class 2 - travel is allowed daylight hours only from sunrise Monday until 3:00 pm on Friday. No travel is allowed on holidays or holiday weekends. Flag vehicles requirements on interstate highway if width exceeds 24'0" one front flag vehicle and two rear flag vehicles, if length exceeds 200'0" one rear flag vehicle are required. If the height requires utilities to cut power lines one front flag vehicle is required. On non-interstate highways if width exceeds 24'0" two front flag vehicles and two rear flag vehicles are required; if length exceeds 200'0" one front and one rear flag vehicle are required, if height requires the utilities to cut power lines one front flag vehicle and one rear flag vehicle are required. Flag vehicles are required if the route analysis conducted by the departments Bridge Bureau determined that the load must be moved under DW-21 conditions and must cross structures at the centerline. Do not hold traffic for over 10 minutes at a time on any highways.
30	Alberta-Shelby Canadian weight permit: valid only between Shelby MT and the Montana Alberta border at Sweet Grass on I-15. Operation is valid only with overlength permit and overweight permit. A Train-117,700 gross; B Train-124,600 gross; "Super" B Train-137,500 gross. Stg 12,100 pounds; dual tire-single axle 20,000 pounds; tandem 37,500 pounds; tridem 46,300 pounds or 50,700 pounds "Super" B. Vehicle analyses for excess axle weight permits are the combinations and axle weight limits defined in the Alberta Shelby agreement.
31	Nonresident custom combine operations: permits are issued to cover registration, gross vehicle weight fees, size & weight, & fuel requirements. Detailed information is available by contacting MCS, PO Box 4639, Helena MT 59604 (2701 Prospect Ave.) Phone 406-444-6130. Resident custom combine operations: custom combine trucks & trailers licensed under IRP or with full Montana license & displaying Montana registration are fully licensed in Montana. Tolerance: when used to transport agricultural products, a truck authorized to be used under a custom combine special permit may be operated only within a 100 mile radius of the harvested field to the point of first unloading. The truck may not haul agricultural products from one commercial elevator to another commercial elevator. The truck may be operated on any highway except one that is part of the federal interstate system, without incurring excess weight penalties under 61-10-145. If the total gross weight of the truck does not exceed allowable weight limitations by more than 20% per axle & the maximum load per inch of tire width does not exceed 670 pounds. If the truck exceeds the tolerance provided under this subsection, the fine or penalty imposed applies to all weight over the legal limit allowed by 61-10-107. Flag vehicles: (a) flag vehicles are required at the rear of a vehicle on interstate highways if the load or the vehicle exceed 16'6" in width. (b) a flag vehicle is required at the front on non-interstate highways when the load or vehicle exceeds 12' 6" in width.
32	Flag vehicles are required at the front & rear on all highways except interstate highways when the load or the vehicle exceed 16'6" in width. A flag vehicle may be any passenger car or two axle truck a minimum of 60 inches wide. The maximum manufacturer's rating for the flag vehicle shall not exceed a gross vehicle weight rating of 10,000 pounds to 14,000 pounds. A flag vehicle may not exceed legal limits of size and weight. Trucks used as flag vehicles shall be clearly distinguished from and identifiable as the escort vehicle. A flag vehicle may pull a trailer or carry any item or equipment which: (a) is within legal limits of size and weight; (b) allows view of the flashing lights and signs used by the flag vehicle; (c) complies with all state traffic laws; and (d) possesses current registration and valid insurance. A sign with the words "oversize load" or similar wording shall be visible from the front of the vehicle and rear of the vehicle at all times when piloting an oversize load. Letters shall not be less than 8 inches in height. The letters shall be dark in color on a light colored background. Flashing amber lights, visible front and rear, a minimum of five inches in diameter, 50 candlepower, 60 to 90 flashes per minute, shall be mounted at each end of a "wide load" sign on the roof of the flag vehicle. A revolving or strobe light may be substituted for flashing lights. Lights shall be flashing at all times when piloting an oversize load. All flag vehicles shall be equipped with two way radio communication. Flag vehicles must remain within 1,000 feet of the permitted vehicle or load.
33	Self issue permit: check one of the following vehicle analysis conditions and enter analysis number. Regular ____ 5 MPH ____ DW21 ____ analysis number is _____.
34	Lights and signing requirements: vehicle combinations exceeding 10 feet in width require "oversize load" (or similar wording) signs front and rear. Flashing amber lights, revolving beacon or strobe lights shall be mounted and operational at each end of the "oversize load" sign on the power unit. "Long load" signs must be displayed on the rear of the vehicle combinations exceeding 105 feet in length.
35	All non-divisible loads with a height of 15 feet 6 inches or less may be issued either a term or single trip permit. Any permit must be verified for clearance of any bridge or underpass or other overhead obstruction on the route traveled. The permittee will be responsible for checking the route or routes to be traveled to determine clearance of bridges and/or other structures. The permittee shall be responsible for obtaining overheight clearances, including payment of all expenses incidental to removal of anything obstructing clearances.
36	Flag vehicle requirements: (interstate only) one flag vehicle in rear if vehicle or load is over 16 feet 6 inches wide and/or over 120 feet long.
37	Flag vehicle requirements non-interstate only: one flag vehicle in front when vehicle or load exceeds 12 feet 6 inches wide but does not exceed 16 feet 6 inches wide.
38	Flag vehicle requirements non-interstate only: one flag vehicle in front and one flag vehicle rear when vehicle or load exceeds 16 feet 6 inches wide.
39	The permittee is responsible for checking the road conditions before and while travelling in Montana. If the roadway conditions are snow-covered, snow packed, icy, blowing and drifting, high wind warnings travel is prohibited. These can be found by calling 800.226.7623 or <a href="http://www.mdt.mt.gov/travinfo">http://www.mdt.mt.gov/travinfo</a> or calling 511 while in Montana. If winter road conditions are encountered the load must move off the roadway until conditions improve. When the load is off the roadway under these conditions when possible the load must be parked outside of the MDT right of way or outside the 30 foot safe zone from the highway pavement outside the shoulder line.
40	Flag vehicle requirements: (non-interstate only) one flag vehicle in rear if length exceeds 110 feet.
41	Must notify all local emergency services prior to travel in their jurisdiction as to route, time, and date of move to make arrangements in the event of emergency. Emergency services would include all local law enforcement, fire, ambulance affected by this move.
42	If you are transporting a boat or any type of marine equipment and your final destination is within Montana you will need to contact the fisheries office with Montana fish, wildlife & parks at 406.444.2449 during business hours prior to entry/movement in Montana. It is illegal to transport aquatic invasive species across state lines. In order to avoid delays be sure to inspect, clean and dry vessels and equipment prior to entering Montana.
46	Travel on MT-35 is restricted between Polson and Bigfork for all loads exceeding 9 feet wide with the exception of loads that have an origin or destination between those locations. Please refer to MDT's website at <a href="http://www.mdt.mt.gov">www.mdt.mt.gov</a> or 511 for further information.
47	US-87: Between Belt and Raynesford (EB and WB): there is a width restriction of 12 feet 6 inches wide. The detours for EB and WB are: 1) WB: Raynesford, MT (WB detoured) to Great Falls, MT: U-87, S-427, US-89, US-87. 2) EB: Great Falls, MT (EB detoured) to Raynesford, MT: US-87, US-89, S-427, US-87 (this is a permanent restriction)
49	Restriction for 32 J permits. Travel during adverse conditions: When winter road conditions are encountered, the company or the operator shall discontinue operations, and operations shall not be resumed until the conditions improve. The load must be legally and safely parked. Winter road conditions include snow covered; snow packed and icy; or blowing and drifting causing reduced visibility. No travel is allowed when a route has been placed under severe driving conditions as determined by the department of transportation. The Department of Transportation road report is available between November 1 and May 1, 24 hours a day by calling 511 or (800) 226-7623 and on the Department of Transportation internet site at <a href="http://www.mdt511.com">www.mdt511.com</a> .
50	Restriction for 32 J permits. The company is to notify the Helena MCS Division the specific permit number(s), date and time prior to any movement or entry in the state. Permittee can do this by calling 406-444-7262 Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm MST or by sending an email to <a href="mailto:mdtmcscontact@mt.gov">mdtmcscontact@mt.gov</a> . Permit is void without prior notification.