32J Application Instructions & Information

Section 1
Applicant Information (must be Carrier specific)
- All information must be filled out completely and legibly
- It is recommended that applications are submitted online or emailed. All supporting documents must be emailed to mdtmcs32jcontact@mt.gov
- Company name must be the legal name as listed with the FMCSA, unless the applicant does not have a USDOT number

Section 2
Dimensions & Route information
- Origination—this must read the Montana state line you are entering at, the city you are starting from, or the miles from the nearest city if you are not in a city, including an address
- Destination—this must read the Montana state line you are exiting at, the city you are ending in, or the miles from the nearest city if you will not be in a city, including an address
- Requested route of travel. This must include all State, city, and county roads; private roads may not be included
- Proposed dates: the approximate dates you plan to travel
- Overall dimensions of the load: The greatest dimensions of the load (or loads if multiple loads are being applied for)
  ▪ You may apply for multiple moves under one 32J log number if all loads are taking the same route
  ▪ Class 3 applications may be used for a reverse route if the route does not contain interstate highways

When using non-state routes (county or city streets), a Google map link is encouraged to be submitted with the application. This may expedite approval of Class 3 applications.

Configuration & Additional Required Documents needed
- A diagram of spacings and weights (separate page)
- If this is a trunnion or dolly setup (8 or more tires across), must include the trunnion axle spacing diagram.
- Multiple configurations may be included with each application so long as:
  ▪ The class (1, 1 and 3, etc.) remains the same
  ▪ The requested route is the same

Contact list must include:
- Contacts from cities on non-interstate routes
- Contacts from counties on non-interstate routes
- Contacts from Tribal reservations/governments on non-interstate routes
  ▪ Contact information may be obtained at:
    ▪ https://www.mtleague.org/municipalities/ for city contacts
    ▪ http://www.mtcounties.org/ for county contacts
    ▪ https://tribalnations.mt.gov/tribalnations for Tribal contacts
RAILROAD CROSSINGS
If the proposed route crosses railroad tracks, you must notify the following for assistance prior to movement:
  • Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad at 1-800-832-5452
  • Montana Rail Link at 1-800-338-4750
  • Union Pacific Railroad at 1-888-877-7267
  • Rarus Railway Company at 406-563-2851 or 406-563-5194
  • Central Montana Railroad Inc at 406-567-2223
  • Trinity Rail Services Inc at 406-232-1527

Route survey must include:
  • The date the route was run
  • Mile posts at which the load can safely pull over to allow traffic to pass
  • An explanation of how traffic will not be delayed by more than 10 minutes
  • If the 32J application is for height, the height at which the height pole was set at
  • List all conflicts (wire span lights, overhead signs, traffic lights, delineators, etc.)
  • List of any areas that are private property that will be used for parking or crossing
    (permission letters must be included)

Traffic control plan (TCP) must include:
  • The number and placement of pilot cars
  • The type and placement of signage used
  • An example (diagram) of how the pilot cars and signage will be placed

32J Class Types
A 32J application may be assigned more than one class type. You may refer to ARM 18.8.1101
for more information.

Class 1
Class one dimensions and moving requirements consist of the following:
(a) width exceeds 18 feet but does not exceed 34 feet; or
(b) height exceeds 17 feet but does not exceed 24 feet; or
(c) length exceeds 150 feet but does not exceed 200 feet overall length; and
(d) the district administrator or his designee will approve or disapprove form 32-j in two working
days;
(e) class one buildings or loads may be moved only during daylight hours, Monday through
Friday. No travel is allowed on holidays or holiday weekends. No travel is allowed after 3 p.m. on
Friday until sunrise on Monday on routes indicated on the "red route restrictions" map. In the best
interests of the traveling public, the administrator of the motor carrier services division may
authorize travel at times other than those specified in this rule; and
(f) the "red route restrictions" map is available from the Motor Carrier Services Division, P.O. Box
4639, Helena, MT 59604-9927, (406) 444-6130 or at

Class 2
Class two dimensions and moving requirements consist of the following:
(a) width exceeds 34 feet; or
(b) height exceeds 24 feet, or if height of building or load or route requires utilities to cut power
lines; or
(c) length exceeds 200 feet overall length; and
(d) route of travel requires establishment of a work zone;
(e) $15,000 bond must be on file in the Helena motor carrier services division;
(f) the district administrator or his designee will approve or disapprove form 32-j in five working days; and
(g) travel is allowed during daylight hours only, from sunrise Monday until Friday at 3 p.m. In the best interests of the traveling public, the administrator of the motor carrier services division may authorize travel at times other than those specified in this rule.

Class 3
Class three moving requirements consist of the following:
(a) weight requires approval of the department's bridge bureau; and
(b) width does not exceed 18 feet;
(c) height does not exceed 17 feet;
(d) length does not exceed 150 feet; and
(e) the requirements of ARM 18.8.509, 18.8.510B, 18.8.511A, 18.8.602, and rules of this subchapter determine hours of travel and other restrictions applicable to a class three load.

Pilot car requirements

Class 1
• Width requires one front, two rear flag vehicles on the interstate and two front, one rear flag vehicle on non-interstate
• Length requires one rear flag vehicle on all routes
• Height does not require a flag vehicle

Class 2
• Width requires one front and two rear flag vehicles on the interstate and two front, two rear flag vehicles on non-interstate
• Length requires one front and one rear flag vehicle
• Height requires one front and one rear flag vehicle IF utility lines are requiring to be cut

Class 3
• Regular: No additional pilot cars on non-interstate routes
• 10 mph: one rear pilot car on non-interstate routes
• Bridge centerline: one front and one rear pilot car on non-interstate routes
• For extremely heavy loads, MDT Bridge Bureau may place speed restrictions on Interstate routes. These restrictions will require pilot cars, additional signage and a TCP for permitting approval