



**An original signed permit must be carried in the power unit at all times.**

**Pilot/Escort Vehicle Requirements**

A pilot/escort vehicle and operator must comply with the requirements of WAC 468-38-110 Escort vehicle requirements. Pilot/escort vehicles are required when:

- (1) Vehicle(s) or load is over 11 feet in width, escort cars (both front and rear) are required on all two-lane highways.
- (2) Vehicle(s) or load is over 14 feet wide, one rear escort vehicle is required on multiple-lane highways.
- (3) Overall length of load, including vehicle(s), exceeds 100 feet or when rear overhang of load measured from the last axle exceeds one-third of the total length, one rear escort vehicle is required on two-lane highways.
- (4) Overall length of load, including vehicle(s), exceeds 140 feet, one rear escort vehicle is required on multiple-lane highways.
- (5) Loads exceed 14 feet 6 inches high, one escort vehicle is required in front. If the load exceeds 15 feet high, the escort vehicle must be equipped with a height pole. The Department does not guarantee height clearances; therefore, on any route where the height is in question, a front escort vehicle equipped with a height pole should be used.
- (6) In the opinion of the Department of Transportation, escort vehicles are necessary to protect the traveling public, for any overdimensional and/or overweight move, either across, upon, or along a highway.

**Days and Times on which Permit Movements are Prohibited**

Overweight vehicles that cannot maintain the speed of the surrounding traffic flow, and all overdimensional vehicles/

loads are prohibited on the holidays of New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and during the afternoon of the day preceding said holidays. Should any of the holidays fall on a Saturday or Sunday, the preceding Friday or the following Monday shall be considered such holiday.

**Nighttime Movements**

A vehicle or vehicle combinations not exceeding the defined envelope of 12 feet wide, 14 feet 6 inches high and 100 feet long, including legal overhang(s), may move at night. A vehicle or vehicle combination which exceeds the defined envelope may also be permitted to move at night on state highways subject to department preferred hours/routes of travel, and must have "Nighttime movement approved" stated on permits. All night moves must comply with published curfew restrictions. Night means one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise. Vehicle and load must have proper lighting (49 CFR 393.11).

**Winter Road Restrictions**

Movement by permit is prohibited in areas where any of the following signs are displayed: "TRACTION TIRES ADVISED", "APPROVED TRACTION TIRES RECOMMENDED", "APPROVED TRACTION TIRES REQUIRED", or "TIRE CHAINS REQUIRED" except as specified in WAC 468-38-075.

**Permit Refund Policy**

Refunds will only be made in cases of Department initiated error.

**Other Regulations** relating to the movement of permitted loads are printed in Chapter 468-38 WAC (Washington Administrative Code).

*THE USE OF COUNTY ROADS OR CITY STREETS is subject to approval by the jurisdiction that maintains those roadways. This permit from the State of Washington in no way authorizes the use of roadways under local jurisdiction.*

**Commuter Curfew Hours:**

All vehicles operating under a Special Motor Vehicle Permit are restricted from the following areas, except vehicles or loads 10 feet wide or less (including legal overhangs) and/or overweight vehicles that can maintain the speed of surrounding traffic flow.

**Restrictions apply Monday through Friday 6-9 AM and 3-7 PM.** Additional exceptions for length are included in WAC 468-38-075.

<b>Seattle-Everett Vicinity</b>	I-5	Between King/Pierce County Line and Marysville (south city limits)
	I-405	Between Tukwila Interchange (Jct. I-5) and Everett (Jct. I-5)
	I-90	Between Seattle (Jct. I-5) and Factoria Interchange (Jct. I-405)
	SR-18	Between Federal Way (Jct. I-5) and Kangley Rd. (Jct. SR-516)
	SR-167	Between Renton Interchange (Jct. I-405) and Puyallup (Jct. SR-512)
	SR-509	Between King/Pierce County Line and South Seattle (Jct. SR-99)
	SR-520	Evergreen Point Bridge: Between Jct. I-5 and Jct. I-405
<b>Tacoma</b>	I-5	Between King/Pierce County Line (MP 139) and Fort Lewis Exit 119
	SR-16	Between Tacoma (Jct. I-5) and Gig Harbor (Jct. Wollochet Dr.)
	SR-512	Between South Tacoma (Jct. I-5) and Puyallup (Jct. SR-167)
<b>Olympia</b>	I-5	Between Lacey (Exit 109) and Tumwater (south city limits Exit 99)
<b>Longview</b>	SR-433	Lewis and Clark Bridge
<b>Vancouver</b>	I-5	Between Vancouver (139th Street) and Vancouver-Portland Bridge