



Indiana Department of Revenue
Motor Carrier Services
Special Provisions for Vehicle Permitting

- 1. AN INDIANA STATE POLICE (ISP) ESCORT IS REQUIRED FOR ALL VEHICLES OVER 200,000 LBS. GVW, unless all of the following criteria are met: the permitted route travels only on interstates, there are no required slowdowns and the vehicle weighs less than 250,000 lbs. GVW.**
- 2. WIDTH EXCEEDS 16, HEIGHT EXCEEDS 15, AND/OR OVER 200,000 LBS. GVW**
The hours of movement shall be from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., local time only, Monday through Friday. ISP, at their sole discretion, may approve movement at other times during the week or on weekends if conditions warrant that it is beneficial and can be performed safely.
- 3. HEIGHT EXCEEDS 15 FEET**
Whenever a movement is routed off an interstate system a pre-qualified signal contractor with a bucket truck, for each permitted load, is required to accompany the movement. Any manipulation of a traffic control device shall be conducted at the applicant's expense by an approved contractor and shall be performed to the complete satisfaction of the Indiana Department of Transportation.
- 4. HEIGHT EXCEEDS 17 FEET**
The carrier or the driver must complete a route survey. If no utility lines interfere with the route, the carrier or the driver must sign an affidavit attesting the fact. If utility lines exist along the route, the driver must have letters from the utility company(s) stating that overhead lines will be moved and replaced.
- 5. WIDTH EXCEEDS 17 FEET**
At least front and rear police escorts are required; required slowdowns may necessitate more at the ISP's discretion.
- 6. PERMITTED VEHICLES WITH WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS**
Escort: Due to weight restrictions, a minimum of two escorts are required, one in the front and one in the rear. Additional escorts may be required in the interest of public safety if determined by ISP they are needed. When crossing bridges the escorts should be located as listed below:

Restrictions for crossing bridge structures:

1. Dual-lane divided highways: The vehicle must travel center of the existing lanes on the structure at a speed not to exceed 45 mph. The civilian escorts must detain trailing traffic.
2. Multi-lane undivided highways: The vehicle must travel center of the directional existing travel lanes on that structure at a speed not to exceed 45 mph. The civilian escorts must detain trailing traffic only.

After crossing structures, every reasonable effort shall be made to allow trailing traffic to pass while vehicle proceeds with movement.

Speed: Speed for crossing bridge structures shall not exceed 45 mph or the required slowdowns identified by the INDOT Bridge Engineer. Except for bridges, speed may be increased, at the reasonable discretion of the ISP escort, up to the legal posted truck speeds not to exceed 65 mph and only if conditions warrant that it is safe to do so. Safety considerations that may prevent increased speed include extremely heavy loads, safety concerns related to height, width and/or length, and loads that have the potential to shift. Speeds exceeding 45 mph shall only occur in those limited situations as directed by ISP.

- 7. DISTRICT ACCOMPANIMENT RECOMMENDATION**
District accompaniment will be provided for this movement. The district office(s) may have a district permit inspector present while the movement is on state highways, and the applicant will reimburse the state for all inspection costs within ten (10) days from receipt of a statement. Please contact: (list which district(s) must be contacted)
- 8. DISTRICT RECOMMENDATIONS**
Additional provisions that are required for this movement.
- 9. WIDTH EXCEEDS 18 FEET AND/OR LENGTH EXCEEDS 130 FEET WITHOUT REAR STEERABLE AXLE**
Route survey will be required prior to issuance.