

STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
OVERWEIGHT & OVERDIMENSIONAL PERMITS
SUITE 800, JAMES K. POLK BUILDING
505 DEADERICK STREET
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37243-1402

TDOT ROUTE CERTIFICATION POLICY

Responsible Office: Permits

Authority: TCA 55-7-205, Rule 1680-7-1-22

Purpose: The purpose of this policy is to identify the correct procedure which must be followed when applying for an overheight permit from the Department of Transportation.

APPLICATION:

- (1) All applications for overheight moves in the State of Tennessee shall abide by the guidelines as so stated herein.
- (2) Exceptions to this process may occur on our standard routes where heights are known. Generally all non standard routes will require a route height certification survey.
- (3) Route surveys will be the sole responsibility of the permit requestor even if an agent is used to check this route.
- (4) The final decision to require a route survey is at the discretion of the Department of Transportation.

POLICY:

In the event that an overheight permit request is made to the Department of Transportation it may be necessary to require a proposed route certification of clearance. If a request requires a route certification the permit requestor is expected to check or have checked all obstacles (ie bridges, etc) along the proposed route for adequate clearance of the load.

The submission of the results of the route survey, are to be conveyed to the Permit Office, TDOT following a standard format. That format can be obtained from the Permit Office. The requestor assumes all liability for this information (Rule 1680-7-1-22 NA TCA 55-7-20) as so indicated at the bottom of the "route certification form." Note that this process does not eliminate select circumstances where a height pole may be required on the lead escort vehicle and or other associated control requirements. At all times, the affirmative duty to determine that the route to be traveled will allow the safe passage of the oversize load shall remain with the transporter thereof and nothing in this policy shall be construed as shifting this duty to the Department of Transportation.

Special permits for super heavy and/or extra dimensional movements

Shall be issued or withheld at the sole discretion of the Department based on engineering judgment of the necessity for, importance of, and safety of movement alternative methods of transportation, and possible damage to roadways and appurtenance. Authority: TCA 55-7-205, Rule 1680-2-2-04 effective February 2, 2003.

NOTE: FORM MUST BE ORIGINAL AND NOT REDUCED IN SIZE!

FORM MUST NOT BE MODIFIED IN ANYWAY!

FORM MUST BE LEGIBLE!

FORM MUST SHOW DIRECTION OF TRAVEL ON ROUTES!

(example: I-40 EB, ramp off and on at exit 126, I-40 EB,)

SURVEY IS VALID FOR FIFTEEN (15) DAYS FROM DATE OF SURVEY!

SURVEY IS VALID FOR ONE (1) PERMIT ONLY!

EMAIL SURVEY TO: tdot.permitoffice@tn.gov

NOTE: Page 2 and any additional pages that may be needed must be submitted.

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PROPOSED ROUTE CERTIFICATION

For (company name): _____

Permit Service Use

Truck information: Load: _____

Permit # _____

Width: _____ Length: _____ Height: _____ Gross Weight: _____

Moving: From: _____ To: _____

Escort Information:

ESCORT/Company Name: _____

Escort Persons Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-Mail: _____ Height Pole Setting: _____

DATE SURVEY PERFORMED: _____ *(valid for 15 calendar days)*

Proposed Route:

The requestor does hereby certify the proposed route as represented above has been physically checked for clearances relating to the overheight move being requested. Furthermore, it is certified the proposed load can safely clear every obstacle or bridge structure along the identified route.

NAME: _____

TITLE: _____

DATE: _____

Check here if attachments needed for additional routing

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