

BOAT TRANSPORTATION PERMIT

BERRIEN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT

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ANNUAL PERMIT \$100

SINGLE TRIP PERMITS \$50

EQUIPMENT	MAKE, MODEL, YR.	UNIT NO.	VEHICLE REGISTRATION		BOAT DIMENSIONS		
			PLATE NO./STATE	EXP. DATE	WIDTH	HEIGHT*	LENGTH
TRUCK							
TRAILER							
BOAT							

CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS:

1. Subject to the conditions, restrictions, and approval, this permit for the transportation of overweight and/or oversize equipment listed above or on Contractor Equipment List has been issued for movement on select Berrien County Road Department Roads.
2. The permittee shall be responsible for damages to the roadway, to persons, and to property caused by or arising from operations covered by this permit. The permittee shall indemnify and save harmless the Berrien County Road Department and all of their employees from any and all suits, claims, and damages of every kind arising out of, under or by reason of this permit, or from operations covered by this permit.
3. The driver of the vehicle shall carry an original cab card permit in the vehicle to which it applies and shall have it available for inspection by any police officer or agent of the Berrien County Road Department.
4. Oversize permits valid only if favorable driving and traffic conditions prevail. Daylight hours only. Permits are not valid from 12 noon on the day preceding and continuing until daylight of the 1st day after the holidays here listed: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas, except with the approval of the Weighmaster when emergency repair movements are necessary in the best interest of public safety and welfare.
5. Overweight permits valid only if favorable driving and traffic conditions prevail. Daylight hours only, Monday through Saturday. Permits are not valid during the period beginning at 12 noon the day before and continuing until 12 noon on the first day after the holidays here listed: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. When the holiday occurs on a Friday or Monday, permits will not be valid for the period beginning the noon before the three-day weekend, and ending the noon of the first day after the three-day weekend.
6. The movement shall not impede other traffic in an unreasonable manner and at no time shall other traffic be blocked from the use of the roadway. Vehicles and loads shall not be parked on the roadway day or night.
7. The speed of the vehicle shall not exceed 45 MPH on 4 lanes or more, 35 MPH on less than 4 lanes.
8. Vehicles shall be operated in a safe manner and only when the surface condition of the roadway is not slippery. Permit not valid when the wind velocity exceeds 25 MPH.
9. Vehicles shall be registered as required by the Michigan statutes and will not violate any statute or valid ordinance, rule, or regulation by any state agency or sub-division of the state. Vehicles are to comply with all statutory provisions as to other permits, licensing, motor vehicle equipment, and operation.
10. Permits in no way will supercede posted axle loading limits on any bridge, culvert or roadway. The applicant agrees to reimburse the Berrien County Road Department for any damage resulting from the disregard of such posting.
11. All dimensions listed in the application for permit are to be the actual dimensions of the described vehicle(s).

**If a permit is granted, the applicant agrees to comply with all the conditions, restrictions and provisions listed on this application
 Violation of any will VOID this permit**

TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT			FOR BERRIEN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT USE ONLY		
COMPANYNAME			APPROVAL OF APPLICATION AND INSURANCE OR PERMIT BY BERRIEN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT		
ADDRESS			PERMIT NO.		
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	EXPIRATION DATE		
PHONE NO.	FAX NO.		DATE APPROVED		
SIGNATURE		DATE	APPROVED BY		
PRINT/TYPE NAME AND TITLE			TITLE WEIGHMASTER		
DATES OF TRAVEL REQUESTED			FEE PAID	DATE PAID	
EMAIL ADDRESS			RECEIPT #	RECEIVED BY	
ADDRESS OF DESTINATION					
ROUTE(S):					

12. Any of the following actions shall immediately void the permit and subject the applicant to appropriate legal action:
 - (a) Misrepresentation of information set forth in application for permit.
 - (b) Noncompliance with the conditions, restrictions or provisions on which a permit is issued.
 - (c) A change or erasure on a permit.
13. Permit NOT VALID for City, Village or State routes.
14. Permit NOT VALID if the combined weight of the vehicle and the load exceeds 700 pounds per inch of tire width on any wheel.
15. The granting of a permit shall not be considered as a guarantee of the sufficiency of a roadway, roadway width or vertical clearance, or roadway structure for transporting on the route.
16. Permittee certifies that the route has been checked as necessary for vertical clearance and overhead obstructions prior to any movement. Striking or damage, to any structure or facility will be perceived to be in non-compliance with this section and will result in termination of this permit.
17. All movements to be made in the farthest right hand lane. Towing vehicle headlights to be turned on low beam.
18. The rear of the mobile home or building module shall be equipped with two taillights, two brake lights, and two turn signals in operating condition.
19. All movements of mobile homes or modules by special permit shall have displayed two signs with the words "OVERSIZE LOAD". One sign is to be placed on or within a suitable frame on the front bumper of the towing vehicle; one sign on the rear of the mobile home or module. The sign on the rear is to be attached so that it is not less than 7 feet above the roadway. These signs are to be made of durable material and in good condition, with black block lettering on Interstate Yellow background. The words and letters are to be proportionately spaced on the sign. The sign on the front bumper is to be 6' long by 16' high with 12" high lettering, and the sign on the rear of the mobile home or module is to be 8' long by 18" high in size with 16" high lettering. In the case where the mobile home or building module is 16 feet wide then the signs shall read "16-Ft. WIDE LOAD".
20. All moves shall require the display of 6 clean, plain red or orange flags at least 18 inches square. One flag shall be displayed on each end of the front bumper of the towing vehicle, and shall be supported on a short staff at an angle so as to wave freely. One flag shall be displayed on each corner of the mobile home or building module, placed so as to be clearly seen by approaching traffic.
21. Any approvals, reviews, and inspections of any nature by the Berrien County Road Department its' officers agents and employees shall not be construed as a warranty or assumption of liability on any part of the Berrien County Road Department. It is expressly understood and agreed that any such approvals are for the sole and exclusive purposes of the department, which is acting in a governmental capacity. Any approvals, reviews, and inspections by the department will not relieve the permittee's obligations hereunder, nor are such approvals, reviews, and inspections by the department to be construed as a warranty as to the propriety of the permittee's performance.
22. Route to be traveled in order given. Any deviation from thereof shall void permit.
23. Distance between mobile home or building module axle centers shall not be less than 34 inches.
24. When combination exceeds 80 feet in length or more than 12 feet wide all of the following apply:

Mobile home or building module shall be equipped with 2 flashing amber lights on the rear of the mobile home or building module and 1 flashing amber light on the top of the towing vehicle.

When combination vehicle is operated on 4 lanes or more it is to be followed by one escort vehicle (passenger car or pickup truck).

When combination vehicle is operated on less than 4 lanes it is to be preceded by one escort vehicle (passenger car or pickup truck).

Escort shall have at least one flashing or rotating amber light on the roof of the vehicle.

In addition there will be displayed on the roof of the escort vehicle, one OVERSIZE LOAD sign 5' long by 12" high with 8" high black letters on yellow background.

If height of the vehicle or load exceeds 13' 6", the escort vehicle will be required to have a fixed measuring device set at a height to assure clearance of the load.

All flashing amber lights to be visible for a distance of 500 feet.

In addition, when mobile home or building module exceeds 14 1/3 feet wide the following shall apply:
 Front and rear escorts required and marked as above.
 Each towing vehicle shall be equipped with a radio or other device that allows for continuous communication between the towing vehicle and each escort vehicle.
 The person transporting the mobile home or building module shall have in effect a liability insurance policy covering personal injury and property damage and having policy limits not less that \$1,000,000.00.
 The towing vehicle and mobile home or building module shall not exceed a speed of 45 MPH or 10 MPH below the posted speed limit, whichever is lower.
25. The applicant shall provide a CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE covering the term of the permit and the vehicles involved in the transportation movement. The Berrien County Road Department shall be a Certificate Holder and Additional Insured.

AUTHORITY. MCL 257.725

COMPLIANCE: Required

PENALTY- Civil Infracrion/\$250.00