

MOVEMENT OF OVERSIZE OR OVERWEIGHT VEHICLES

A. Enabling Acts

Michigan Vehicle Code Act 300, 1949. Section 714 and 719A.725.

B. Policy

The responsibility for obtaining annual transportation permits for the Department of Natural Resources is assigned to the Forest Management Division under Department Policy No. 6604. Procedure 6604.4 dated November 1, 1977.

C. Explanation

The Department of State Highways and Transportation has requested that all annual extended transportation permit requests from the Department of Natural Resources be submitted from one office to avoid confusion. This responsibility has been assigned to the Forest Management Division.

D. Procedure

Each year the division will send to the regions a supply of application forms for permits for movement of oversize or overweight vehicles and a supply of current regulations. The regional forest manager will provide application forms and regulations to all other department divisions with overwidth or overweight vehicles. Prior to January 31 of each year, the regional forest manager will submit completed applications for all department equipment to the division. The division will submit all applications to the Department of State Highways and Transportation and when the approved permits are returned from Highway, the division will send the originals back to each region. The regional forest manager will distribute to the other divisions their approved permit. Each division is responsible for assuring that the original permit is placed in the vehicle for which the permit was issued.

New vehicles needing the annual permit may be added at any time by submitting the completed application form to the Forest management Division office.

Requests for permits for individual oversize or overweight loads (not an annual permit) may be made direct to the Utilities Permits Division, Transport Permit Section, Department of State Highways and Transportation, Lansing. This may be done by telegraph or by mailing the regular application form, which will be provided upon request from the Forest management Division office.

Fire apparatus is exempt from the oversize and overweight restrictions. This does not allow the movement of our tractors and other equipment for non-fire control activities during weight restriction periods, if the weight, width or height exceeds the specified restrictions.

The permits referred to apply only to movement on state highways. County authorizations must be obtained through the County Road Superintendent for vehicles to be driven on county roads, not a part of the state highway system.

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