

Delaware OS/OW Permit Binder

This document is designed for integration into your RAG (Retrieval-Augmented Generation) system for OpenAI, serving as the authoritative reference for Delaware oversize/overweight (OS/OW) regulations, permitting, and routing.

1. Authoritative Sources (Live Links)

- Delaware DOT Oversize/Overweight Permits
- Delaware Code – Title 21, Chapter 45 (Size & Weight)
- Delaware DOT Portal
- Contact Delaware DOT Permits Office: (302) 744-2700 | Email: dot_haulingpermits@delaware.gov

2. Core Permit Rules & Restrictions

- Permit Required: For vehicles exceeding legal size/weight limits.
- Legal Limits (without permit): Width 8'6", Height 13'6", Length 40' (single) / 60' (combination).
- Weight Limits: 20,000 lbs single axle / 34,000 lbs tandem (federal bridge formula applies).
- Superloads: Over 120,000 lbs, > 16' wide, or > 15' high require engineering review.
- Travel Restrictions: No travel on major holidays. Some restrictions apply during peak traffic hours.
- Night Travel: Allowed with proper lighting and escorts if required.
- Escort Requirements: Width > 12' or height > 15' requires escort vehicles.

3. Permit Workflow

- Carrier/Driver submits load info: vehicle dimensions, axle weights, and requested route.
- System checks statutory limits, bridge restrictions, and clearance points.
- Permit issued through Delaware DOT online system. Fees vary by load size/weight.
- Routing: Restricted on certain routes (low clearance bridges, construction zones).
- Compliance: Permit must be carried in cab. Escort vehicles must follow Delaware DOT rules.

4. RAG Extraction Checklist

- Vehicle Width, Height, Length
- Total Gross Weight
- Axle Count & Weights
- Origin & Destination
- Requested Route
- Dates/Times of Travel
- Escort Requirement Triggers
- Holiday/curfew restrictions

5. Driver & Carrier Notes

- Curfew Hours: Restrictions in urban areas during morning and evening rush hours.
- Lighting/Flagging: Red flags (day) and amber lights (night) required for oversize loads.

- Permit Validity: Most permits valid for 5 days unless otherwise specified.
- Emergency Info: Call 511 for statewide traffic and closure updates.

6. Contacts

- Delaware DOT Oversize/Overweight Permit Office: (302) 744-2700
- Email: dot_haulingpermits@delaware.gov
- Online Permit Portal: https://deldot.gov/Business/permits/index.shtml?dc=permits_oversize

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