

# Connecticut 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 Connecticut oversize/overweight (OS/OW) regulations, permitting, and routing.

## 1. Authoritative Sources (Live Links)

- Connecticut DMV Oversize/Overweight Permits:

<https://portal.ct.gov/dmv/commercial-vehicles/oversize-overweight> - Connecticut General Statutes – Motor Vehicles: <https://www.cga.ct.gov/current/pub/titles.htm> - Online Permit Portal (CTPERMITS): <https://ct.gov/dmv> - Contact CT DMV OS/OW Permit Office: (860) 263-5280 | Email: [dmv.osowpermits@ct.gov](mailto:dmv.osowpermits@ct.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 vehicle), 65' (combination) • Weight: 20,000 lbs single axle / 34,000 lbs tandem (federal bridge formula applies) - Superloads: Generally > 16' wide, > 15'6" high, > 120' long, or 200,000 lbs require engineering review. - Travel Restrictions: • No travel on Sundays or state holidays. • No movement during rush hours in major metro areas. • Night travel requires escorts and lighting. - Escort Requirements: • Width > 12' requires escorts. • Height > 14'6" requires route survey + escort. • State Police escort may be required for extreme loads.

## 3. Permit Workflow

1. Carrier/Driver Submits Load Info: Vehicle dimensions, axle weights, and route requested. 2. System Checks: Compare against Connecticut statutory limits and verify clearances. 3. Permit Issuance: Through DMV OS/OW office or CTPERMITS portal. 4. Routing: Restricted on parkways, low bridges, and metro curfews. 5. Compliance: Permit must be carried in cab; escorts must follow CT DMV rules.

## 4. RAG Extraction Checklist

- Vehicle Width, Height, Length - Total Gross Weight - Axle Count & Weights - Origin & Destination - Route Restrictions (parkways, bridges) - Dates/Times requested - Escort Requirement Triggers - Holiday/curfew restrictions

## 5. Driver & Carrier Notes

- Parkways are prohibited for all oversize/overweight vehicles. - Red flags required during daytime travel; amber lights at night. - Most permits valid for 3–5 days. - 511 provides live traffic and closure information.

## 6. Contacts

- Connecticut DMV OS/OW Permit Office: (860) 263-5280 - Email: [dmv.osowpermits@ct.gov](mailto:dmv.osowpermits@ct.gov) - Online Permit Portal: <https://portal.ct.gov/dmv/commercial-vehicles/oversize-overweight>