

Washington OS/OW Permit Binder

1. Authoritative Sources (Live Links)

- **Washington DOT Oversize/Overweight Permits:**

<https://wsdot.wa.gov/travel/commercial-vehicles/commercial-vehicle-permits> - **Washington Administrative Code (WAC):** <https://apps.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx?cite=468-38> - **Permit Portal (WSDOT):** <https://wsdot.wa.gov/travel/commercial-vehicles/commercial-vehicle-permits> - **Contact WSDOT Commercial Vehicle Services:** (360) 704-6340 | cv@wsdot.wa.gov

2. Core Permit Rules & Restrictions

- **Permit Required:** For vehicles exceeding statutory size/weight limits. - **Legal Limits (without permit):** - Width: 8'6" - Height: 14' - Length: 40' (single vehicle), 65' (combination) - Weight: 20,000 lbs single axle / 34,000 lbs tandem (federal bridge formula applies) - **Superloads:** Loads exceeding 16' wide, 16' high, 125' long, or 200,000 lbs may require engineering review. - **Travel Restrictions:** - Night travel restricted unless specifically allowed on permit. - Holiday and weekend travel restrictions apply. - Special curfews in metro areas (Seattle, Spokane, Tacoma). - **Escort Requirements:** - Width > 11' requires escort(s) depending on route. - Height > 14'6" requires route survey and pilot/escort. - Extreme loads may require Washington State Patrol involvement.

3. Permit Workflow

1. **Carrier/Driver Submits Load Info:** Vehicle dimensions, axle weights, and proposed route. 2. **System Checks:** Validate against WAC standards, bridge restrictions, and construction zones. 3. **Permit Issuance:** Through WSDOT online system or phone/email request. 4. **Routing:** Special restrictions apply to mountain passes, ferries, and metro areas. 5. **Compliance:** Driver must carry permit and follow escort/light/flagging rules.

4. RAG Extraction Checklist

- Vehicle Width, Height, Length - Gross Weight & Axle Weights - Route (with ferry/mountain pass checks) - Travel Date & Time (holidays/curfews) - Escort Requirements - Engineering Review Triggers

5. Driver & Carrier Notes

- **Mountain Passes:** Seasonal restrictions may apply (check WSDOT 511). - **Ferries:** Some oversize vehicles may need special clearance to use ferries. - **Curfew Hours:** Oversize movement restricted in Seattle/Tacoma metro areas during peak traffic. - **Lighting/Flagging:** Required per WAC standards—flags for daytime, amber lights for nighttime. - **Permit Validity:** Most single-trip permits valid for 3–5 days.

6. Contacts

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