

South Dakota 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 South Dakota oversize/overweight (OS/OW) regulations, permitting, and routing.

1. Authoritative Sources (Live Links)

South Dakota DOT Oversize/Overweight Permits:

<https://dot.sd.gov/doing-business/permits/oversize-overweight>

South Dakota Codified Laws – Size & Weight: https://sdlegislature.gov/Statutes/Codified_Laws

Permit Application Portal (SDDOT): <https://sdtruckinfo.sd.gov/permits>

Contact South Dakota DOT Permits Office: (605) 773-3571 | permits@state.sd.us

2. Core Permit Rules & Restrictions

Permit Required: For vehicles exceeding legal size/weight limits.

Legal Limits (without permit): Width 8'6", Height 14', Length 45' single / 75' combination, Weight 20,000 lbs per axle (federal bridge formula applies).

Superloads: Generally > 16' wide, > 17' high, > 150' long, or > 250,000 lbs require engineering review.

Travel Restrictions: No movement on major holidays; daylight travel only unless otherwise specified.

Escort Requirements: Width > 14' requires escorts; Height > 16' requires route survey + escort; extreme loads may require State Highway Patrol coordination.

3. Permit Workflow

Carrier/Driver Submits Load Info: Vehicle dimensions, axle weights, and route requested.

System Checks: Compare against South Dakota statutory limits, verify bridge restrictions, and clearance points.

Permit Issuance: Through SDDOT online portal; fees determined by load size/weight.

Routing: Certain routes restricted (low bridges, seasonal closures).

Compliance: Permit must be carried in cab; escort vehicles must be certified.

4. RAG Extraction Checklist

Vehicle Width, Height, Length

Total Gross Weight

Axle Count & Weights

Origin & Destination

Route (including highways, restrictions)

Dates/Times requested

Escort Requirement Triggers

Holiday/curfew restrictions

5. Driver & Carrier Notes

Daylight travel only unless otherwise specified on permit.
Flagging & Lighting: Red flags during the day; amber lights at night.
Permit Validity: Most permits valid for 3 days unless otherwise stated.
Emergency Info: Call 511 for statewide traffic and closure updates.

6. Contacts

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