

New Hampshire 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 New Hampshire oversize/overweight (OS/OW) regulations, permitting, and routing.

1. Authoritative Sources (Live Links)

- New Hampshire DOT Oversize/Overweight Permits
- New Hampshire Statutes – Size & Weight (RSA 266)
- NHDOT Main Site
- Contact NHDOT Permits Office: (603) 271-2691

2. Core Permit Rules & Restrictions

- Permit Required: For vehicles exceeding statutory size/weight limits.
- Legal Limits (without permit): Width 8'6", Height 13'6", Length 46' single vehicle / 75' combination, Weight 20,000 lbs per axle.
- Superloads: Loads exceeding 16' wide, 15' high, 150' long, or 150,000 lbs may require engineering review.
- Travel Restrictions: No travel on major holidays; daylight travel required unless specified otherwise.
- Escort Requirements: Width > 12' or height > 14' requires certified escorts; New Hampshire State Police may be required for extreme loads.

3. Permit Workflow

- 1 Carrier/Driver submits vehicle and load details to NHDOT.
- 2 System checks legal limits, bridge clearances, and route restrictions.
- 3 Permit issuance via NHDOT permitting office; fees vary by load size and weight.
- 4 Routing determined based on load dimensions; restrictions apply in metro areas and on secondary roads.
- 5 Permit must be carried in cab; escorts must follow NHDOT safety requirements.

4. RAG Extraction Checklist

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

5. Driver & Carrier Notes

- Curfew/Restrictions: Oversize movement may be restricted during winter storms or peak traffic hours.
- Lighting/Flagging: Red flags required on projections; amber flashing lights required for night travel (if authorized).
- Permit Validity: Standard permits are typically valid for a single trip; duration may vary.
- Emergency Info: Contact NHDOT and call 511 for road closures and conditions.

6. Contacts

- NHDOT Oversize/Overweight Permit Office: (603) 271-2691
- Website: <https://www.nh.gov/dot/>
- Emergency Road Info: Dial 511 in New Hampshire