



## Ohio Administrative Code Rule 5501:2-1-01 Definitions.

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As used in the movement of overweight and overdimension vehicle rules:

(A) "Applicant" means any person that applies for a permit to move an overweight and/or overdimension vehicle on the state highway system and includes any agent or permit agency that is authorized to act on behalf of such person.

(B) "Bill of lading" means a receipt or ticket for property tendered for transportation by a motor common carrier in interstate, intrastate or foreign commerce containing the following information:

(1) Names of consignor and consignee.

(2) Origin and destination points.

(3) Number of packages.

(4) Description of freight.

(5) Date.

(6) Weight, volume, or measurement of freight (if applicable to the rating of the freight).

(C) "Construction equipment permit" means a permit granting a special privilege which allows the unlimited number of movements of construction equipment to or from a construction work site, not to exceed three hundred sixty-five calendar days.

(D) "Continuing permit" means any permit granting a special privilege which allows an unlimited number of movements of the same vehicle, including any approved load, axle weight, and axle spacing, between the same two specific locations over the same specified route not to exceed ninety



calendar days.

(E) "Continuing annual permit" means any permit granting a special privilege which allows an unlimited number of movements of the same vehicle, including any approved load, axle weight, and axle spacing, between the same two specific locations over the same specified route not to exceed three hundred sixty-five calendar days.

(F) "Department" means Ohio department of transportation.

(G) "Director" means the director of the Ohio department of transportation, or the director's designee.

(H) "Emergency" means an occurrence or series of occurrences which causes, or threatens to cause, loss of life or otherwise endangers public health, safety or welfare.

(I) "Emergency permit" means any permit granted for a movement necessitated by any occurrence which causes or threatens to cause the loss of life or otherwise endangers public health, safety or welfare.

(J) "Farm equipment permit" means a permit granting a special privilege which allows the unlimited number of movements of farm machinery and equipment as specified in division (U) of section 4501.01 of the Revised Code to and from a farm or between two farm implement dealers, not to exceed three hundred sixty-five calendar days. The permitted vehicle shall be part of an over dimension vehicle whose maximum weight, length and height do not exceed the limitations specified in sections 5577.02 to 5577.05 of the Revised Code and whose width is fourteen feet or less.

(K) "Legal holiday " is any day appointed and recommended by the governor of Ohio or the president of the United States as a holiday. These shall include, all state and federal holidays, including, but are not limited to the following: New Year's day, Martin Luther King day, Washington-Lincoln day, Memorial day, Independence day, Labor day, Columbus day, Veterans day, Thanksgiving day and Christmas day. If any day designated herein falls on Sunday, the next succeeding day is a legal holiday.



(L) "Marina permit" means a permit granting a special privilege which allows the unlimited number of movements of boats to and from a point of storage, repair or launch, not to exceed three hundred sixty-five calendar days. The permitted vehicle shall be part of an over dimension vehicle whose maximum weight does not exceed the limitations specified in sections 5577.02 to 5577.04 of the Revised Code and whose width is fourteen feet or less, and whose load length is sixty-five or less, and whose overall length is seventy-five feet or less. The pick-up and delivery may not exceed a ten mile radius of state point of origin over state and U.S. highways. Movement is not authorized on fully controlled or limited access highways. Power unit may consist of an agriculture tractor or land tug. Such vehicle must have a three digit unit number clearly displayed. Maximum operating height is not to exceed four inches below the least vertical clearance for overhead obstructions on the route, but in no case shall the operating height exceed fourteen feet, six inches. Properly placed slow moving vehicle signage shall be affixed to the transporting vehicle and at least one rear escort vehicle shall accompany the load at all times.

(M) "Manufactured building permit" means a permit granting a special privilege which allows an unlimited number of movements of a manufactured building or manufactured building component, not to exceed three hundred sixty-five calendar days. The permitted vehicle shall be part of an over dimension vehicle whose maximum weight, length and height do not exceed the limitations specified in sections 5577.02 to 5577.05 of the Revised Code and whose width is twelve feet or less.

(N) "Michigan legal permit" means a permit granting a special privilege which allows an overweight vehicle for movement between a specified point in Williams, Fulton or Lucas counties in Ohio and the Michigan border, over prescribed routes. The permitted weight shall be based on the state of Michigan's weight law, with a gross vehicle weight not to exceed one hundred fifty-four thousand pounds, and shall have sufficient number of axles to meet the Michigan weight law.

(O) "Multi-State permit" means a permit granting a special privilege which allows an overweight and/or over dimension vehicle with a non-divisible load to make one move on the effective date of the permit during a ten day period between two specific points over prescribed routes with a maximum gross vehicle weight not to exceed one hundred twenty thousand pounds, a maximum overall width not to exceed fourteen feet and a maximum overall height not to exceed fourteen feet six inches. The maximum overall length not to exceed one hundred feet. Movement in Ohio must



originate from or be destined to a state participating in the southeastern association of state highway and transportation officials multi-state permit program and travel under the permit must include Ohio and at least one other participating state. Such participating states are Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, Oklahoma, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia.

(P) "Nondivisible load" means that which cannot be reduced in size or weight, or which is impractical to divide, or which cannot be so adjusted as to be within the size and weight limitations specified in sections 5577.02 to 5577.05 of the Revised Code, because to do so would:

(1) Compromise the intended use of the vehicle, i.e., make it unable to perform the function for which it was intended;

(2) Destroy the value of the load or vehicle, i.e., make it unusable for its intended purpose; or

(3) Require more than eight workhours to dismantle using appropriate equipment. The applicant for nondivisible load permit has the burden of proof as to the number of workhours required to dismantle the load.

For the purposes of this rule, three or fewer steel or aluminum coils, transported by a vehicle, are deemed nondivisible loads.

(Q) "Over dimension vehicle" means any vehicle, machinery, equipment, load, or combination thereof, which exceeds the maximum widths, heights or lengths specified in section 5577.05 of the Revised Code.

(R) "Overweight vehicle" means any vehicle, machinery, equipment, load or combination thereof, which exceeds the maximum weights specified in sections 5577.02 to 5577.04 of the Revised Code.

(S) "Overweight and/or over dimension vehicle" means any vehicle and/or load which exceeds the limitations specified in sections 5577.02 to 5577.05 of the Revised Code.

(T) "Permit" means a written document, verified and issued by the director, granting a special



privilege which allows the movement of an overweight and/or over dimension vehicle, subject to the conditions and limitations specified on that document.

(U) "Permittee" means any applicant that is granted a permit under Chapter 5501:2-1 of the Administrative Code.

(V) "Person" means any individual, trust, firm, joint stock company, federal agency, corporation (including government corporation), partnership, association, the state, municipality, commission, political subdivision of the state or any interstate body.

(W) "Pneumatic tires" means tires of rubber and fabric or tires of similar material, inflated with air.

(X) "Steel coil permit" means a permit granting a special privilege which allows the movement of three or fewer steel coils with a maximum gross vehicle weight in excess of the eighty thousand pounds legal load limit, but not to exceed one hundred twenty thousand pounds, between two specific points, over prescribed routes. Such permits may be issued as a single trip, a continuing permit or annual continuing trip permit.

(Y) "Single trip permit" means any permit granting a special privilege which allows an overweight and/or over dimension vehicle to make one move on the effective date of the permit during a five day period, between two specific points over prescribed routes.

(Z) "Single trip and return permit" means any permit granting a special privilege which allows an overweight and/or over dimension vehicle to make a movement between two specific points and returning to the origin, over prescribed routes. The return trip must take place within five days of the original movement.

(AA) "Unpermitted movement" means any movement involving a vehicle and load exceeding the weight and/or dimension limitations of sections 5577.01 to 5577.09 of the Revised Code that is made either without a permit issued pursuant to Chapter 5501:2-1 of the Administrative Code or contrary to the conditions and limitations imposed by a permit issued pursuant to Chapter 5501:2-1 of the Administrative Code.



(BB) "Vehicle" means every device in, upon, or by which any person or property may be transported or drawn upon a highway except devices other than bicycles moved by human power.

(CC) "Boat permit" means a permit issued for granting a special privilege which allows an unlimited number of movements of a vehicle hauling a trailer designed and used for the transportation of boats. The permitted vehicle shall be part of an over dimension vehicle whose maximum weight, length and height do not exceed the limitations specified in sections 5577.02 to 5577.05 of the Revised Code and whose width is twelve feet or less.

(DD) "Regional heavy haul permit" means any permit granting a special privilege which allows an overweight and/or over dimension vehicle to make movements between an origin and up to five separate destinations within a proximal geographical vicinity over prescribed routes.

(EE) "Aluminum coil permit" means a permit granting a special privilege which allows the movement of three or fewer aluminum coils with a maximum gross vehicle weight in excess of the eighty thousand pounds legal load limit, but not to exceed one hundred twenty thousand pounds, between two specific points, over prescribed routes. Such permits may be issued as a single trip, a continuing permit or annual continuing trip permit.