



**9.6. TRANSPORTATION PERMITS**

**OVERSIZE/OVERWEIGHT PERMITS:**

Pursuant to Act 300 of the Public Acts of 1949, the Michigan Vehicle Code (MVC) authorizes the Tuscola County Road Commission to issue special transportation permits for the movement over county roads of vehicles and/or loads, which exceed the size or weight limitations specified by law. It is the objective of the Road Commission to permit the movement of necessary overweight and oversize vehicles or loads consistent with the following obligations: Protection of motoring public from potential traffic hazards and protection of road surfaces, structures, and private property.

**SEASONAL WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS:**

Under MCL 257.722, seasonal weight restrictions are legal limits placed on the loads that trucks may carry. Roads thaw out from the top down each spring, trapping moisture near the surface. During the thawing period, the melting ice leaves voids underneath the pavement. Heavy loads then compress the gravel and bituminous surfaces, causing them to deteriorate. Therefore, when seasonal weight restrictions are in effect during spring thaw, the maximum allowable axle load and speed is reduced to prevent weather-related deterioration of roads.

**APPLICATION:**

Tuscola County Road Commission’s Transportation Permits are processed using a web-based permitting system called Oxcart Permits (<http://www.oxcartpermits.com>).

**ALL OVERSIZE AND/OR OVERWEIGHT VEHICLES:**

**PERMIT FEE**

Extended/Annual Permit	\$100.00 *
Extended/Annual Permit Mobile Home Permit	\$110.00
Single Move Permit	\$50.00 (round trip- up to 3 days) *
Single Move Permit	\$50.00 (multiple trips- up to 3 days) *
Single Move Mobile Home Permit	\$50.00 (up to 3 days)
Super Move Permit	\$100.00 Per Move (Per Location/Project) *
Refuse Hauler Permit	\$100.00

**SPECIALTY TRANSPORT PERMITS:**

**PERMIT FEE**

Seasonal Milk Haulers	No Charge
Seasonal Public Utilities – Non-Emergency	No Charge
Seasonal Agricultural Permit	\$50.00 + Addi’l Mileage

*\*Asterisk denotes that this fee is set by law.*

*\*\*Permit Fee Schedule is for TCRC Charges, there will be additional service charges from Oxcart.*



## CONDITIONS AND LIMITATIONS:

- A. The maximum allowable axle weight under the Annual Permit is 125% of the legal axle weights. If the applicant requests a permit over 125% of the legal limit and up to 140% limit, the issuing county may authorize this privilege. If the 25% limit is authorized the permit holder must provide the issuing Road Commission 48 hours advanced notice and the applicant must provide Route Notification. In no case may the Annual Permit be issued for loads in excess of 125% legal axle weights.
- B. Permits are issued only to business entities or individuals actually doing the transporting. The transporting vehicles to be used must be owned by the applicant or operated under a bona fide lease or rental agreement. A copy of the lease or rental agreement must be provided.
- C. The issuance of permits is limited to those vehicles and/or loads which cannot reasonably be divided, dismantled, reduced, or otherwise rearranged to conform to legal dimensions and/or weights as provided by law.
  - o Loads shall be arranged to affect the minimum dimensions for height, length, or width. Staggered loading is not permitted. If a loaded commodity creates a single over-dimension, two or more commodities may be transported as one load provided the permit application so indicates, legal axle loadings are not exceeded, and provided no additional nonconforming dimensions of width, height, or length are created or made greater by the additional commodities.
- D. As a matter of general procedure, permits will not be issued for transportation of loads exceeding limitations specified in the attachment. Efforts should be made to move vehicles or loads exceeding these limitations by some means other than by roadway or to dismantle the object being moved to comply with the limitations. However, issuance of permits may be considered for limited movement of special loads if all efforts to utilize other means of transportation have been exhausted and if the object being moved cannot feasibly be reduced to comply with the specified limitations. A complete written explanation is to be submitted with a properly completed application for further consideration.
- E. Weight- A request for an overweight permit will not be approved for a load consisting of more than one object, and in no event, shall any wheel load exceed 700 pounds per inch of tire width.
  - o No overweight permits will be issued during the springtime weight restrictions period, except in case of public emergency.
- F. Height- Careful consideration must be given to any application requesting movement where the overall height exceeds 13 feet 6 inches because of possible overhead obstructions on proposed routes. All applications for permits in excess of 13 feet 6 inches shall certify that the proposed routes have been traveled to assure vertical clearance.
- G. Escort Vehicles- An escort vehicle must be a passenger car or pickup truck with at least one flashing or rotating amber light on top of the cab. Amber lights are to be visible for 360 degrees for a distance of 500 ft.
- H. Oversize Permits are issued for daylight hours only, Monday through Saturday, with the exception that Mobile Home permits are not valid on Saturday. In special instances other time limitations may be considered.



- Under no conditions will an Oversize Permit be issued for a movement to take place from noon on the day preceding and continuing until daylight of the 1<sup>st</sup> day after the holidays here listed: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day.
  - When holiday occurs on a Friday or Monday, permits will not be valid for period beginning at noon before the three-day weekend, and ending daylight of the 1<sup>st</sup> day after the three-day weekend. Mobile Home permits are not valid until noon of the day following the holiday or three-day weekend.
- I. A single round trip permit may be issued for one move in and one move out; this permit may be valid for 5 business days. A multiple trip permit may be issued for an unlimited number of trips in 5 business day period.
  - J. Any of the following actions shall immediately void the permit and subject the applicant to appropriate legal action: (a) Misrepresentation of information set forth in an application for permit; (b) Any operation on highways beyond the size or weight limitations shown on the permit; (c) A change or erasure on the permit.
  - K. All hydraulic attachments or mechanisms must be securely immobilized with adequate chains and binders. Vehicles must have air or lift axles on the ground.
  - L. Vehicles shall be registered as required by Michigan statute and will not violate any statute or ordinance, rule, or regulation of any state agency or subdivision of the state. Vehicles shall comply with all statutory provisions as to other permits, licensing, motor vehicle equipment, and operation. Overweight permits valid only if transporting equipment is licensed for maximum legal axle loadings.
  - M. Any approvals, reviews, and inspections of any nature by the Road Commission, its officers, agents, and employees shall not be construed as a warranty or assumption of liability on the part of the Road Commission. It is expressly understood and agreed that any such approvals are for the sole and exclusive purpose of the Road Commission, which is acting in a governmental capacity. Any approvals, reviews, and inspections by the Road Commission will not relieve the permittee of the permittee's obligations hereunder, nor are such approvals, reviews, and inspections by the Road Commission to be construed as a warranty as to the propriety of the permittee's performance.
  - N. Applicant agrees to accept responsibility for any damage caused to wires, mailboxes, trees, buildings, or the road, including the structures and appurtenances, and shall reimburse the appropriate parties for any damage caused by the moving of said vehicle or load. Applicant shall save harmless, indemnify, defend, and represent the Board against any and all claims for bodily injury or property damage, or and other claim, arising out of or related to the moving of said vehicle, load, or its presence on or use of the highway by said vehicle and load.



### 9.6.1. ANNUAL TRANSPORTATION PERMITS

Applicant requesting permit must complete CRA Form for Annual Transportation Permit. Permits are processed using a web-based permitting system called Oxcart Permits (<http://www.oxcartpermits.com>)

One Permit for EACH vehicle. They must also provide insurance with the following:

- Bodily Injury Liability – each person \$500,000.00
- Bodily Injury Liability – each accident \$1,000,000.00
- Property Damage Liability – each \$1,000,000.00
- Accident – Single Limit Policy \$1,000,000.00
- Worker’s Compensation Statutory Coverage

THIS SENTENCE MUST APPEAR ON THE CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE:

- The Tuscola County Road Commission, The Board of County Road Commissioners, and all its employees are hereby named as additional insured with respect to Job/Permit.

PERMIT WILL EXPIRE WHEN INSURANCE EXPIRES OR ONE YEAR, WHICHEVER COMES FIRST. A new application and payment will need to be sent in with updated insurance upon expiration. Maximum speed 35 mph. All County Roads for travel to Tuscola County Work Sites Only. Permit Holder is not to use county roads for travel routes thru county. Permit is invalid during spring restrictions. If the proposed move utilizes state highways or city streets, permission must be obtained from the state or local authorities.

Applicant shall review and adhere to the Tuscola County Road Commission Class B Restricted Roads & Bridges Map. (<http://www.tuscolaroad.org>) Bridges marked green are permitted to axle weight load of 110% over the PA MCL 257.725 limits. Bridges marked yellow are permitted to legal loads only. Bridges marked red are posted bridges. Any weight beyond the allowed axle weights as designated on the Class B Restricted Roads & Bridges Map shall be considered as a single move transportation permit.

Must use Single or Super Move Transportation Permit Form if dimensions are over maximums stated:

- Width 12’ 6”
- Height 13’ 6”
- Length 75’ 0”
- Length of truck or power unit 45’ 0”



### 9.6.2. SINGLE MOVE TRANSPORTATION PERMITS

Applicant requesting permit must complete CRA Form for Single Move Transportation Permit. Permits are processed using a web-based permitting system called Oxcart Permits (<http://www.oxcartpermits.com>)

One Permit for EACH vehicle. They must also provide insurance with the following:

- Bodily Injury Liability – each person \$500,000.00
- Bodily Injury Liability – each accident \$1,000,000.00
- Property Damage Liability – each \$1,000,000.00
- Accident – Single Limit Policy \$1,000,000.00
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Maximum speed 35 mph. All County Roads for travel to Tuscola County Work Sites Only. Permit Holder is not to use county roads for travel routes thru county. Permit is invalid during spring restrictions. If the proposed move utilizes state highways or city streets, permission must be obtained from the state or local authorities.

Additional fees shall apply if route crosses a bridge(s) as designated on Tuscola County Road Commission Class B Restricted Roads & Bridges Map. (<http://www.tuscolaroad.org>) Fee amount shall be based on the amount of bridges crossed and type of analysis required to complete permit overload calculations. Fee Schedule for bridge analysis to be determined annually, contact TCRC permits agent at [permits@tuscolaroad.org](mailto:permits@tuscolaroad.org) for more details.

Must use Super Move Transportation Permit Form if dimensions are over maximums stated:

- Width 16’ 0”
- Height 14’ 0”
- Length 95’ 0”



### 9.6.3. SUPER MOVE TRANSPORTATION PERMITS

Applicant requesting permit must complete CRA Form for Super Move Transportation Permit. Permits are processed using a web-based permitting system called Oxcart Permits (<http://www.oxcartpermits.com>)

One Permit for EACH vehicle. They must also provide insurance with the following:

- Bodily Injury Liability – each person \$500,000.00
- Bodily Injury Liability – each accident \$1,000,000.00
- Property Damage Liability – each \$1,000,000.00
- Accident – Single Limit Policy \$1,000,000.00
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All County Roads for travel to Tuscola County Work Sites Only. Permit Holder is not to use county roads for travel routes thru county. Permit is invalid during spring restrictions. Must notify the County Weighmaster at (989) 550-3431 a minimum of one Working Day before travel to satisfy Police Supervision in Rule 18. Width over 12’ 6” shall be proceeded by an escort vehicle. If the proposed move utilizes state highways or city streets, permission must be obtained from the state or local authorities.

Additional fees shall apply if route crosses a bridge(s) as designated on Tuscola County Road Commission Class B Restricted Roads & Bridges Map. (<http://www.tuscolaroad.org>) Fee amount shall be based on the amount of bridges crossed and type of analysis required to complete permit overload calculations. Fee Schedule for bridge analysis to be determined annually, contact TCRC permits agent at [permits@tuscolaroad.org](mailto:permits@tuscolaroad.org) for more details.



#### 9.6.4. ANNUAL MOBILE HOME TRANSPORTATION PERMITS

Applicant requesting permit must complete CRA Form for Annual Mobile Home Transportation Permit. Permits are processed using a web-based permitting system called Oxcart Permits (<http://www.oxcartpermits.com>)

One Permit for EACH vehicle. They must also provide insurance with the following:

- Bodily Injury Liability – each person \$500,000.00
- Bodily Injury Liability – each accident \$1,000,000.00
- Property Damage Liability – each \$1,000,000.00
- Accident – Single Limit Policy \$1,000,000.00
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PERMIT WILL EXPIRE WHEN INSURANCE EXPIRES OR ONE YEAR, WHICHEVER COMES FIRST. A new application and payment will need to be sent in with updated insurance upon expiration. To be towed by at least a 1 ½ Ton truck with dual wheels. All County Roads for travel to Tuscola County Work Sites Only. Permit Holder is not to use county roads for travel routes thru county. Permit is invalid during spring restrictions. If the proposed move utilizes state highways or city streets, permission must be obtained from the state or local authorities.

Applicant shall review and adhere to the Tuscola County Road Commission Class B Restricted Roads & Bridges Map. (<http://www.tuscolaroad.org>) Bridges marked green are permitted to axle weight load of 110% over the PA MCL 257.725 limits. Bridges marked yellow are permitted to legal loads only. Bridges marked red are posted bridges. Any weight beyond the allowed axle weights as designated on the Class B Restricted Roads & Bridges Map shall be considered as a single move mobile home transportation permit.

Must use Super Move Transportation Permit Form if dimensions are over maximums stated:

- Width 14’ 0”
- Height 14’ 0”
  - Over 13’ 6” applicant must check for vertical clearance & overhead obstructions along route.
- Length 80’ 0” in body length of mobile home or modular
- Length 105’ 0” in overall length with towing vehicle



### 9.6.5. SINGLE MOVE MOBILE HOME TRANSPORTATION PERMITS

Applicant requesting permit must complete CRA Form for Single Mobile Home Transportation Permit. Permits are processed using a web-based permitting system called Oxcart Permits (<http://www.oxcartpermits.com>)

One Permit for EACH vehicle. They must also provide insurance with the following:

- Bodily Injury Liability – each person \$500,000.00
- Bodily Injury Liability – each accident \$1,000,000.00
- Property Damage Liability – each \$1,000,000.00
- Accident – Single Limit Policy \$1,000,000.00
- Worker’s Compensation Statutory Coverage

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To be towed by at least a 1 ½ Ton truck with dual wheels. All County Roads for travel to Tuscola County Work Sites Only. Permit Holder is not to use county roads for travel routes thru county. Permit is invalid during spring restrictions. If the proposed move utilizes state highways or city streets, permission must be obtained from the state or local authorities.

Additional fees shall apply if route crosses a bridge(s) as designated on Tuscola County Road Commission Class B Restricted Roads & Bridges Map. (<http://www.tuscolaroad.org>) Fee amount shall be based on the amount of bridges crossed and type of analysis required to complete permit overload calculations. Fee Schedule for bridge analysis to be determined annually, contact TCRC permits agent at [permits@tuscolaroad.org](mailto:permits@tuscolaroad.org) for more details.

Must use Super Move Transportation Permit Form if dimensions are over maximums stated:

- Width 14’ 0”
- Height 14’ 0”
  - Over 13’ 6” applicant must check for vertical clearance & overhead obstructions along route.
- Length 80’ 0” in body length of mobile home or modular
- Length 105’ 0” in overall length with towing vehicle





#### 9.6.6. REFUSE TRANSPORTATION PERMITS

Applicant requesting permit must complete Form for Annual Transportation Permit for Licensed Refuse Haulers. Permits are processed using a web-based permitting system called Oxcart Permits (<http://www.oxcartpermits.com>)

One Permit for EACH vehicle. They must also provide insurance with the following:

- Liability Insurance of at least \$500,000 with permit application.

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### 9.6.7. SEASONAL UTILITY TRANSPORTATION PERMITS

Applicant requesting permit must complete CRA Form for Seasonal Public Utility Transportation Permit. Permits are processed using a web-based permitting system called Oxcart Permits (<http://www.oxcartpermits.com>). If the applicant is a subcontractor the Public Utility must be listed.

One Permit for EACH vehicle. They must also provide insurance with the following:

- Bodily Injury Liability – each person \$500,000.00
- Bodily Injury Liability – each accident \$1,000,000.00
- Property Damage Liability – each \$1,000,000.00
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The use of restricted roads shall be minimized. Movement shall be as early in the morning as possible when at axle weight maximums as stated in Rule 10. Speed Reduced to 35 MPH when on restricted roads. All County Roads for travel to Tuscola County Work Sites Only. Permit Holder is not to use county roads for travel routes thru county.

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#### 9.6.8. SEASONAL MILK HAULER TRANSPORTATION PERMITS

Applicant requesting permit must complete CRA Form for Seasonal Milk Transportation Permit. Permits are processed using a web-based permitting system called Oxcart Permits.

(<http://www.oxcartpermits.com>)

One Permit for EACH vehicle. They must also provide insurance with the following:

- General Liability of at least \$1,000,000.00 each occ./gen aggregate
- Automobile Liability of at least \$1,000,000.00
  - combined single limit each accident, bodily injury, and
- Property Damage of at least \$500,000.00 for bodily injury per person.

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Route Notification with route and weight in and out at each address must be provided. Move as early in morning as possible. Maximum speed 35 mph. All County Roads for travel to Tuscola County Work Sites Only. Permit Holder is not to use county roads for travel routes thru county.

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#### 9.6.9. AGRICULTURAL TRANSPORTATION PERMITS

A company/farmer can obtain a permit to use a roadway for the frost law season. Applicant requesting permit must complete CRA Form for Agricultural Transportation Permit. Permits are processed using a web-based permitting system called Oxcart Permits. (<http://www.oxcartpermits.com>)

The company/farmer must supply Liability Insurance of at least \$500,000 with permit application.

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Route Notification with a copy of the route including weights in and out (at all stops) plus axle configuration for all trucks. Weights must STILL be legal subject to State Law 257.722(5) or 257.725, and Tuscola County Road Commission MUST be called before each move. (We document the permit.) Once all above is supplied the permit must be approved by TCRC Staff. With the approved permit, the fee must be collected before issuing. The Weighmaster/or TCRC Staff will take video before and after of road conditions. The Weighmaster and Management will review the video and verify there is indeed no damage. If there is damage- The permit holder will be notified in writing of needed repairs and an estimate will be determined.

#### 9.6.10. ROUTE NOTIFICATION

Applicant submit Route Notification by using a web-based permitting system called Oxcart Permits (<http://www.oxcartpermits.com>). There is no Fee for Route Notification, each truck or power unit shall be required to submit one per route.