



KENT COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION BOARD POLICY

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Oversize and Overweight Vehicles

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Vehicles and / or loads that exceed the legal dimensions or weights for Kent County Road Commission roadways (as defined on the attached sheet titled "Truck Weights and Axle Loads") are required to have a Special Transportation Permit. These permits are issued only for the occasional movement of oversize or overweight vehicles and / or loads that cannot be dismantled, reduced or otherwise rearranged to come within the legal limits. The following requirements apply to Special Transportation Permits:

ESCORT

LENGTH

- No escort is needed if 90 feet or less.
- Rear escort is required if greater than 90 feet but less than 100 feet.
- Front and rear escorts are required if greater than 100 feet.

WIDTH

- No escort is needed if 12 feet or less.
- Rear escort is required if greater than 12 feet but less than 14 feet on more than two lanes.
- Front escort is required if greater than 12 feet but less than 14 feet on two-lane roadways.
- Front and rear escorts are required if greater than 14 feet. (This must be reviewed by the Road Commission Permit Department; a County escort may be required at applicants expense.)

HEIGHT

- No escort is needed if 14 feet, 6 inches or less.
- Front escort with wand is required if greater than 14 feet, 6 inches.
- Front escort with wand and rear escort are required if 15 feet or greater. (This must be reviewed by the Road Commission Permit Department; Grand Rapids Signal Services may be required.)

REAR PROJECTION

- Rear escort is required if 12 feet or greater.

WEIGHT

- No escort is needed if not over-dimensional, unless speed restrictions are required.

SIGNS

- Required on vehicle or load, front and rear, for width 10 feet or greater or if over length.
- Signs are required on all escort vehicles.

WARNING FLAGS

Warning flags are required under the following circumstances:

Length:	Anything over legal length
Width:	Anything over legal width
Height:	None required
Weight:	None required
Overhang:	Anything over 4 feet