

Overweight Allowances

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Overview

The contractor must comply with federal and state laws concerning legal gross and axle weights.

The goal of this document is to provide information regarding the requirement for project records related to overweight allowances.

Overweight Allowances

Overweight allowances are specific to a project, construction work to be performed, and contractor requests. Discuss with the Engineer, Project Manager, or Chief Inspector if any of these may be applicable to the project.

- **Payment of Items with Overweight Loads**

If quantities delivered in contractor equipment are determined to be over the legal weight limit, request copies of the appropriate overweight permits from the contractor. Overweight quantities may be paid if permits are provided. Overweight quantities cannot be paid if the load was transported on the designated Interstate system. Track deductions made to the total quantities due to lack of permits or noncompliance as supporting documentation for payment. Save all documentation in ProjectWise. Refer to the Construction Support's Project File Index for appropriate file location.

- **Overweight Construction Traffic Crossing Structures**

If applicable to the project, the contractor may request written approval to make crossings of structures not yet open to the public within the work locations when equipment loads exceed legal weight limitations. Refer to the Standard Specifications, Section 7.16.1, "Overweight Construction Traffic Crossing Structures," (2014 and 2024 spec books) for additional submittal requirements. If a request is received, submit it to the appropriate Engineer for approval. Maintain the response to contractor's request and related

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correspondence in ProjectWise. Refer to the Construction Support's Project File Index for appropriate file location.

- **Construction Equipment Operating on Structures**

If applicable to the project, the contractor may request cranes and other construction equipment used to perform construction operations that exceed legal weight limits be allowed on structures. Refer to the Standard Specifications, Section 17.6.2, "Construction Equipment Operating on Structures," (2014 and 2024 spec books) for additional submittal requirements. If a request is received, submit it to the appropriate Engineer for approval. Maintain the response to the contractor's request and related correspondence in ProjectWise. Refer to the Construction Support's Project File Index for appropriate file location.

Loads on Structures

If applicable to the project, the contractor may request to store or stockpile material on bridge structures. Refer to the Standard Specifications, Section 17.6.3, "Loads on Structures," (2014 and 2024 spec books) for additional submittal requirements. If a request is received, submit it to the appropriate Engineer for approval. Maintain the response to the contractor's request and related correspondence in ProjectWise. Refer to the Construction Support's Project File Index for appropriate file location.

Hauling Divisible Overweight Loads on Pavement Within Work Locations

If applicable to the project, the contractor may request to haul divisible overweight loads on pavement structures within the work locations not open to the traveling public. Refer to the Standard Specifications, Section 17.6.4, "Hauling Divisible Overweight Loads on Pavement Within Work Locations,"

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(2014 and 2024 spec books) for additional submittal requirements. If a request is received, submit it to the appropriate Engineer for approval. Maintain the response to the contractor's request and related correspondence in ProjectWise. Refer to the Construction Support's Project File Index for appropriate file location.