

AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; ENACTING A NEW SECTION OF THE  
MOTOR VEHICLE CODE TO PROVIDE FOR MULTIPLE TRIP SPECIAL  
PERMITS FOR OILFIELD EQUIPMENT TRANSPORT VEHICLES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of the Motor Vehicle Code is  
enacted to read:

"MULTIPLE TRIP SPECIAL PERMIT ALLOWANCE--VEHICLES USED  
TO TRANSPORT OILFIELD EQUIPMENT--LIMITATIONS.--

A. An oilfield equipment transport vehicle may be  
issued a special permit to transport loads for multiple trips  
pursuant to Section 66-7-413 NMSA 1978. The area covered by  
the special permit shall be specified on the permit.

B. The multiple trip special permits for oilfield  
equipment transport vehicles may be issued for a load with a  
maximum width not to exceed twenty-two feet, a maximum height  
not to exceed twenty feet and a maximum length not to exceed  
one hundred ten feet; provided that:

(1) any load wider than twenty feet and  
higher than eighteen feet requires:

(a) a private escort; and

(b) a survey of the route for clearance  
of any overhead structures and width clearances prior to  
undertaking the move;

(2) the gross vehicle weight of the loaded vehicle is less than one hundred forty thousand pounds;

(3) the vehicle is marked on the front and the rear with "OVERSIZED LOAD" signs; and

(4) the vehicle is not operated on highways for which a more strict size or weight limitation is required by federal law.

C. The oilfield equipment transport vehicle shall not be operated on routes identified by the department of transportation as having deficient bridge structures. The owner or operator of the oilfield equipment transport vehicle shall obtain and have in its possession the deficient bridge information from the department, which shall be updated annually.

D. As used in this section, "oilfield equipment transport vehicle" means a motor vehicle, trailer or combination of a motor vehicle with a trailer used exclusively for hauling equipment or materials used in the production of oil or gas."

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