



INTERSTATE PERMIT POLICY  
NDHP Motor Carrier Division  
Ref: 9-14 (8/2023)

## PURPOSE

To establish guidelines when permits will be issued for legal size divisible load vehicles exceeding the federal gross vehicle weight cap of 80,000 pounds for movement on the interstate highway system.

## POLICY STATEMENT

As authorized by section 39-12-02 NDCC and Article 38-06 NDAC, the North Dakota Highway Patrol (NDHP) will issue permits, when good cause is shown, for the movement of divisible load vehicles on I-29 and I-94.

The following procedures outline the requirements and methods for issuing permits for legal size divisible load vehicles.

## PROCEDURE

### A. Permit Requirements

1. Permits must be in possession prior to starting any movement. Permits may contain restrictions as deemed necessary by the NDHP or North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT).
2. Single trip and annual interstate permits are available for legal size divisible load vehicles exceeding 80,000 pounds when traveling on the interstate system.
3. Gross vehicle weight may not exceed 105,500 pounds.
4. Vehicles must have sufficient number of axles and bridge lengths for gross weights desired as shown on the Weight Limitations Chart (Policy 9-1 Annex C).
5. Tire and axle weights must be legal.
6. Vehicles must be legally registered for the gross weight of the vehicle and load.
7. A single trip permit will be valid for multiple movements made in one 24-hour period or a one-way trip not to exceed five days.
8. A 30-day permit is valid for thirty days.
9. An annual permit is valid for a twelve-month period from the date of issuance.
10. Vehicles already operating on a \$20 overdimensional or overweight permit will not be required to have an interstate permit when traveling on the interstate.
11. The NDHP has the authority to revoke permits when the holder violates or abuses the privilege or conditions of the permits.

### B. Application Procedure

1. Permits can be purchased online at [www.nd.gov/ndhp](http://www.nd.gov/ndhp), click on E-permits.
2. Information required to obtain a permit:
  - a. Company name, address, city, state, zip code, and e-mail address (optional).
  - b. Description of power unit: year, make, ND registered gross vehicle weight, license number and state, and serial number (minimum of last eight digits).
  - c. Additional information required on single trip:
    - 1) Description of load.
    - 2) Total number of axles, number of tires per axle, tire width (reading from tire sidewall), bridge lengths, and track width measurements.
    - 3) Start date of travel, point of origin and destination on the interstate system.
3. Permits can also be obtained from the NDHP permit office, motor carrier inspectors, or troopers.
  - a. Applications to the permit office may be made in person, by telephone, by mail, by e-mail, or through a permit service company.
  - b. Applications may also be made with a trooper or motor carrier inspector, in person or by telephone.
4. The permit is issued on an Official Receipt/Permit, SFN 3507.
  - a. A window decal will be issued with each annual permit.
  - b. The decal may be displayed in the lower left corner of the windshield or carried in the vehicle.
5. Each permit shall be company and vehicle specific, and they are not transferrable.
6. A legible electronic or paper copy of the permit must be in possession prior to entering North Dakota

or starting movement.

- a. The applicant/driver is responsible for complying with the travel restrictions and safety requirements listed on the permit.

C. Fees

1. \$10 for each single trip permit.
2. \$8 service and routing fee for each single trip permit.
3. \$50 for each thirty day permit.
4. \$300 for each annual interstate permit.
5. \$5 faxing fee.
6. A commercial hauler engaged in charity hauling and official, publicly-owned, emergency, and military vehicles are not required to pay charges for this permit.

D. Decal Sample

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Display in lower left corner of windshield.



**North Dakota Highway Patrol**  
Official Permit Decal

**PERMIT # 2014005907**  
Date/Time Issued 1-8-2014

**Interstate - Annual**

**Owner Name** Concrete Inc **DOT No.** 179525  
**City, State** Grand Forks, ND **VIN** 1XKADB9X3SS655026  
**License No.** 4433 **State** ND **Year** 1995 **Make** KW  
**Permit Begin Date** 1/8/2014 3:05:00PM  
**Permit End Date**

**12/31/2014**

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Cut along the dotted line and display in the lower left corner of windshield.