



## PUBLIC UTILITY OR AGRICULTURAL NON-EMERGENCY RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Permits are automatically invalidated by the violation of any of the conditions specified by the terms of the permit or false information given on the application. Failure to comply with the conditions of this permit shall be just cause for the immediate suspension or revocation of any or all permits and the operator and/or owner of the vehicle subject to appropriate legal action.
2. Applicant shall provide notification to the Road Commission, using a notification application provided by the Road Commission, when requesting access to operate on restricted roads. Applicant shall provide notification to the Road Commission, via facsimile or electronically, not later than one business day (24 hours) before the time of intended travel. If the Road Commission determines that the condition of a particular road under its jurisdiction makes it unusable, the Road Commission may deny access to all or any part of that road. The denial shall be made and communicated via facsimile or electronically to the Applicant within one business day after receiving notification that the public utility intends to perform non-emergency work that requires use of that road. Any notification that is not disapproved within one business day after the notice is received by the Road Commission is considered approved. Permits are issued for daylight hours only, Monday through Friday, unless otherwise authorized by the Road Commission.
3. In the permit Travel on seasonally restricted roads during weight restrictions will be minimized and only utilized when necessary to perform work using the public utility agricultural vehicle or vehicle configuration. Unrestricted roads shall be used for travel when available and for routine travel. The movement of vehicle and load upon said highway(s) shall be restricted to the specified hours as stated on permit. Recommended movements are early mornings when the ground is more stable.
4. The movement shall not impede other traffic in an unreasonable manner and at no time shall traffic be blocked from use of the highway. Vehicles and loads shall not be parked loaded or unloaded on the highway at any time.
5. Vehicles shall be registered as required by the Michigan Vehicle Code and will not violate any statute or valid ordinance, rule or regulation by any state agency or sub-division of the state. Vehicles are to comply with all statutory provisions as to other permits, licensing, motor vehicle equipment and operation.
6. The driver of the vehicle shall carry this permit, route notification, and rules in the vehicle to which it applies and shall have these documents available for inspection by any police officer, Motor Carrier Officer or duly authorized Weighmaster Permit not valid unless accompanied by supplemental route notification.
7. Vehicles used for public utility work must display signage on the outside of the vehicle to identify the vehicle as operating on behalf of the public utility.
8. Applicant shall be responsible 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 any 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. Permits are not valid if insurance expires. Applicant to present evidence that at least the following insurance coverage and effect on each vehicle while operating on the public highways under special permit:

Bodily Injury Liability-each person	\$500,000.00
Bodily Injury Liability-each accident	\$1,000,000.00
Property Damage Liability-each accident	\$1,000,000.00
Single Limit Policy	\$1,000,000.00
Worker's Compensation	Statutory Coverage
10. The applicant or contractor shall name the Road Commission as additional insured and certificate holder, by name, on any general comprehensive liability insurance or commercial general liability insurance carried by the applicant or contractor worded as follows:

The Board of Ionia County Road Commissioners, the Ionia County Road Commission, and their officers, agents and employees, are named as additional insured parties.
11. Permits will be issued only for vehicles owned by the applicant or operated under a bona fide lease or rental agreement. The applicant may be required to deposit a inspection fee and to furnish a good and sufficient cash deposit, Certified Check or Irrevocable Letter of Credit to cover any damage that might occur to roads, bridges, or highway structures, by the movement of vehicles and loads under the proposed permit. The applicant agrees to reimburse the Road Commission for any damage resulting from disregard of the permit.
12. The gross vehicle weight of vehicles transporting Agricultural Commodities or Public Utilities shall not exceed weights provided in 257.722. Permits will in no way supersede posted axle loading limits on any bridge/structure or highway.
13. The maximum width of any portion of equipment shall not exceed 102 inches unless falls under an implement of husbandry or other special conditions stated on permit. Oversize movement up to 12 feet requires the display of a clean red or orange flags at least 18 inches square on all four corners of the vehicle or load. No widths over 12 feet allowed during seasonal weight restrictions.
14. The Road Commission may temporarily suspend or amend a permit, either in its entirety or in certain of its provisions, due to seasonal or other special conditions.