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000. LEGAL AUTHORITY.

This rule, governing the movement of vehicles or loads which are in excess of the sizes or weights allowed by Sections 49-1001, 49-1002 or 49-1010, Idaho Code, is adopted under the authority of Sections 40-312 and 49-1004, Idaho Code. (10-2-89)

001. TITLE AND SCOPE.

This rule lists when a special permit is required and when exemptions and temporary waivers from obtaining special permits are allowable. (12-26-90)

002. -- 009. (RESERVED).

010. DEFINITIONS.

Refer to Rule 39.03.01 for definitions of the terms used in this rule. (10-2-89)

011. -- 099. (RESERVED).

100. GENERAL.

A special permit in writing shall be required for any movement on any completed section of highway under the jurisdiction of the Department by any vehicle or vehicles with non-reducible loads which exceed the allowable weights or sizes established in Section 49-1001, 49-1002 and 49-1010, Idaho Code. (8-24-94)

101. -- 199. (RESERVED).

200. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS AND ORDINANCES.

The special permit will be effective only insofar as the Department has authority for its issue and does not release the permittee from complying with other existing laws, local ordinances or resolutions which may govern the movement. (8-24-94)

201. -- 299. (RESERVED).

300. WAIVER OF LIMITATIONS FOR EMERGENCY MOVEMENTS.

Notwithstanding other provisions of these rules, the Idaho Transportation Board may waive existing permit policy limitations in the event of an emergency, subject to such limitations or special requirements as the Board may impose. (8-25-94)

01. Military Emergency Affecting National Security. Any movement by or for a military or other government agency which is in excess of permit policy maximum limits of weight or size or which is otherwise outside established rules must be certified as a military necessity involving national security before receiving any special consideration to provide any waiver of normal permit rules. Certification of military necessity must be made by an official designated as having such authority by the Department of Defense Directory, issued by the Office of the Chief of Transportation, Department of Army. All applications for military emergency movements must be channeled through the Vehicle Size and Weight Specialist, Idaho Transportation Department. (8-25-94)

02. Emergencies Endangering the Public Health, Safety or Welfare Including But Not Limited to Fire, Flood, or Earthquake. During an emergency endangering the public health, safety or welfare, there may be an urgent and immediate need for equipment and it will not be in the public interest to require that a special permit be in the vehicle prior to an over legal movement. Verbal approval to proceed without a special permit in the vehicle may be obtained from the Special Permit Office or an Idaho Port-of-Entry. Once the emergency movement is completed, formal application for a Special Permit must be submitted to the Special Permit Office. (1-3-92)

03. Economic Emergencies. When a circumstance occurs in which an economic hardship is expected to result due to the application of existing rules or limitations, the Transportation Board may consider a petition for the

temporary waiver of those rules or limitations which are perceived as being the cause of such economic hardship. (8-25-94)

04. Emergency Removal of Disabled Transportation Vehicles. Annual permits or single trip permits will be issued to heavy duty wrecker trucks or other vehicles used for the emergency removal of disabled trucks and/or trailers or combinations and their unladen return, subject to the following rules: (8-25-94)

a. The permitted vehicle involved in the removal of disabled vehicles shall have adequate weight and traction to control the combination of wrecker and attached vehicles, and shall provide brakes to the trailer axles and stop signal and clearance lights to such towed disabled vehicles. (12-26-90)

b. Loaded weight of the permitted vehicle's drive axle(s) will be permitted up to twenty-five thousand (25,000) pounds/single and up to forty-three thousand (43,000) pounds/tandem axle. Length of the combination will be limited to the legal or permitted length of the disabled combination plus forty-five (45) feet. Width will be limited to ten (10) feet or to the permitted width of a permitted disabled over width vehicle/load. (8-25-94)

c. Time of travel restrictions shall be waived when necessary to clear the travel way. (10-2-89)

d. Emergency movement of disabled vehicles will be authorized from the point at which the vehicles were disabled to the nearest appropriate commercial site having facilities for adequate repair services and cargo security. Secondary movements shall not be covered by the disabled vehicles permit. Secondary movements shall be required to operate by single trip permit in accordance with Rule 39.03.13 and Rule 39.03.16. (8-25-94)

05. Emergency Movements After Dark or Weekends. Any overwidth load moving after dark or on weekends on a red coded route of the escort vehicle and Travel Time Requirements Map must be preceded by an escort vehicle displaying a rotating or flashing amber light to warn other traffic of the presence of the hazard. Any overwidth load moving after dark on black coded routes, if width exceeds ten (10) feet, must also be preceded by such an escort vehicle. All overwidth loads moved after dark shall have the extreme dimensions marked by lights as required by Sections 700 and 800 of Rule 39.03.12. Self-propelled vehicles utilized to clear the travelway of snow or debris are exempt from the provisions listed in this paragraph. (8-25-94)

301. - 399. (RESERVED).

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01. Military Emergency Affecting National Security. Any movement by or for a military or other government agency which is in excess of permit policy maximum limits of weight or size or which is otherwise outside established regulations must be certified as a military necessity involving national security before receiving any special consideration to provide any waiver of normal permit regulations. Certification of military necessity must be made by an official designated as having such authority by the Department of Defense Directory, issued by the Office of the Chief of Transportation, Department of Army. All applications for military emergency movements must be channeled through the Vehicle Size and Weight Specialist, Idaho Transportation Department. (10-2-89)

02. Emergencies Endangering the Public Health, Safety or Welfare Including but not Limited to Fire, Flood, or Earthquake. During an emergency endangering the public health, safety or welfare, there may be an urgent and immediate need for equipment and it will not be in the public interest to require that a special permit be in the vehicle prior to an overlegal movement. Verbal approval to proceed without a special permit in the vehicle may be obtained from the Special Permit Office or an Idaho Port-of-Entry. Once the emergency movement is completed, formal application for a Special Permit must be submitted to the Special Permit Office. (1-3-92)

03. Emergency Movement of Implements of Husbandry. It shall be considered an emergency when an implement of husbandry being operated on an official state holiday or a weekend (The Permit Office is closed on weekends and holidays, for hours of Permit Office operation see Rule 39.03.09) breaks down and needs to be taken to a dealer for immediate repair, or a dealer brings replacement equipment to the farmer that exceeds the annual permit

maximum width of fourteen (14) feet - six (6) inches. Verbal approval to proceed without a special permit in the vehicle may be obtained from an Idaho Port of Entry. That verbal authorization will include escort vehicle requirements based on the route of travel and width of load. Once the emergency movement is completed, the permittee shall make formal application for a permit to the Permit Office on the first working day after the occurrence. (10-1-94)

04. Economic Emergencies. When a circumstance occurs in which an economic hardship is expected to result due to the application of existing regulations or limitations, the Transportation Board may consider a petition for the temporary waiver of those regulations or limitations which are perceived as being the cause of such economic hardship. (10-2-89)

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a. The permitted vehicle involved in the removal of disabled vehicles shall have adequate weight and traction to control the combination of wrecker and attached vehicles, and shall provide brakes to the trailer axles and stop, signal and clearance lights to such towed disabled vehicles. (12-26-90)

b. Loaded weight of the permitted vehicle's drive axle(s) will be permitted up to twenty-five thousand (25,000) pounds/single and up to forty-three thousand (43,000) pounds/tandem axle. Length of the combination will be limited to the legal or permitted length of the disabled combination plus forty (40) feet. Width will be limited to ten (10) feet or to the permitted width of a permitted disabled overwidth vehicle/load. (12-26-90)

c. Time of travel restrictions shall be waived when necessary to clear the travelway. (10-2-89)

d. Emergency movement of disabled vehicles will be authorized from the point at which the vehicles were disabled to the nearest appropriate commercial site having facilities for adequate repair services and cargo security. Secondary movements shall be limited to seventy-five (75) feet overall length. (10-2-89)

06. Emergency Movements After Dark or Weekends. Any overwidth load moving after dark or on weekends on a red coded route must be preceded by an escort vehicle displaying a rotating or flashing amber light to warn other traffic of the presence of the hazard. Any overwidth load moving after dark on black coded routes, if width exceeds ten (10) feet, must also be preceded by such an escort vehicle. All overwidth loads moved after dark shall have the extreme dimensions marked by lights as required by Sections 500 and 700 of Rule 39.03.12. Self-propelled vehicles utilized to clear the travelway of snow or debris are exempt from the provisions listed in this paragraph. (1-1-90)

401. -- 999. (RESERVED).