IDAPA 39 – IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

Division of Motor Vehicles

39.03.07 – Rules Governing Special Permits for Reducible Loads

Who does this rule apply to?
Commercial vehicle transporters operating specific excess-width or excess-height loads exceeding legal size must obtain a permit for the movement on approved Idaho roadways.

- Commercial Vehicle Operators moving cylindrical hay bales which may be five foot or more in width, or kiln lumber stacks which may be not in excess of nine foot three inches wide for operation on designated routes; and
- Commercial Carriers or farmers regularly engaged in moving cylindrical hay bales or kiln lumber stacks on legal vehicles, for which width or height is in excess of limits, requiring special permits and operation on designated routes.

What is the purpose of this rule?
This rule provides the width and height requirements for moving cylindrical hay bales and kiln lumber stacks on legal size vehicles, and obtaining special permits for the excess width or excess height, and travel on approved routes. The purpose of the rule is to ensure safety to the traveling public and safety to the state's infrastructure.

What is the legal authority for the agency to promulgate this rule?
This rule implements the following statutes passed by the Idaho Legislature:

Motor Vehicles -
General:
- 49-201, Idaho Code – Duties of Board

Weight, Speed and Tire Regulations:
- 49-1004, Idaho Code – Permits for Overweight or Oversize Loads – Special Routes and Annual Permits
- 49-1010, Idaho Code – Size of Vehicles and Loads

Who do I contact for more information on this rule?

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000. LEGAL AUTHORITY.
This rule, governing the movement of vehicles and/or loads that are in excess of the sizes allowed by Sections 49-1004 and 49-1010, Idaho Code, is adopted under the authority of Section 49-201, Idaho Code. (7-1-19)

001. TITLE AND SCOPE.

01. Title. This rule is titled IDAPA 39.03.07, "Rules Governing Special Permits for Reducible Loads," IDAPA 39, Title 03, Chapter 07. (7-1-19)

02. Scope. This rule states the maximum sizes allowed by special permit for reducible loads. (7-1-19)

002. -- 009. (RESERVED)

010. DEFINITIONS.
Refer to IDAPA 39.03.01, "Rules Governing Definitions Regarding Special Permits," for definitions of the terms used in this rule. (7-1-19)

011. – 099. (RESERVED)

100. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS.
Refer to IDAPA 39.03.05, "Rules Governing Special Permits – Oversize Non-Reducible," for conditions required for the issuance of special permits. (7-1-19)

01. Maximum Dimensions Allowed. The maximum dimensions of oversize vehicles or oversize loads shall depend on the character of the route to be traveled: width of roadway, alignment and sight distance, vertical or horizontal clearance, and traffic volume. (7-1-19)

02. Overwidth Overhang. Overwidth loads shall distribute overhang to the sides of the trailer as evenly as possible. (7-1-19)

101. – 199. (RESERVED)

200. PERMITS FOR MULTIPLE-WIDTH OR MULTIPLE-HEIGHT LOADING.

01. Cylindrical Hay Bales. Special permits may be issued for overwidth transportation of cylindrical hay bales, produced by balers having bale chambers which may be five (5') feet or more in width. Such bales may be loaded two (2) bales wide and two (2) bales high. Hauling vehicles eligible for permit for this purpose shall be legal size vehicles registered for travel on public highways. Operation of such overwidth loads shall be subject to the same time of travel and other safety requirements as other overwidth loads having a similar width, see IDAPA 39.03.04, "Rules Governing Special Permits – Overweight Non-Reducible." This type of operation is intended as an option to the use of farm tractors hauling such loads on size-exempt implement of husbandry vehicles. Maximum width of such loads without tolerance may not exceed eleven feet six inches (11'6"). (7-1-19)

02. Reducible Height Loads. Special permits may be issued to allow the transportation of reducible loads in excess of fourteen (14') feet high but not in excess of fifteen (15') feet high on designated highways. The vehicle height must not exceed fourteen (14') feet. A map listing the vertical clearances is available at the Idaho Transportation Department Special Permit Office and online at itd.idaho.gov. (7-1-19)

03. Kiln Lumber Stacks. Special permits may be issued to allow the transportation of specifically produced kiln lumber stacks in excess of eight feet six inches (8'6") wide but not in excess of nine feet three inches (9'3') wide on designated highways. Each kiln lumber stack shall be considered a single non-reducible unit and may be hauled two (2) stacks wide and two (2) stacks high. Hauling vehicles eligible for permit for this purpose shall be legal size vehicles registered for travel on public highways. Operations of such overwidth loads shall be subject to the same type of travel restrictions and other safety requirements as other overwidth loads having a similar width, see IDAPA 39.03.04, "Rules Governing Special Permits – Overweight Non-Reducible." (7-1-19)

201. – 999. (RESERVED)

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