

1 19A NCAC 02D .0404 is readopted as published in 33:16 NCR 1717-1720 with changes as follows:

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3 **19A NCAC 02D .0404 MAINTENANCE WITHIN MUNICIPALITIES**

4 (a) The definitions set forth in this Paragraph shall apply to this Rule.~~Definitions and Abbreviations.~~ The following
5 is a listing of definitions to provide greater understanding of this Rule:

- 6 (1) “Board” means the Board of Transportation.
- 7 (2) “Cross pipe lines” means pipe lines under the roadway surface, designed to convey water from one
8 side of a street or highway to the other.
- 9 (3) “Maintenance” means routine care or upkeep to keep roads, streets, or highways in the existing
10 condition and with the existing traffic carrying capacity.
- 11 (4) “Municipality” means an incorporated city or town within the State of North Carolina.
- 12 (5) “Non-State municipal street” or “Non-State system municipal highway” (municipal system) mean
13 any street or highway accepted by the municipality that is not a part of the State highway
14 system.
- 15 (6) “Open drainage” means drainage systems utilizing open side ditches, tail, lateral and outfall ditches
16 to convey surface water to outfall streams.
- 17 (7) “Pavement” means the paved portion of streets, including paved shoulders and on-street parking
18 areas, but not including sidewalks and driveways.
- 19 (8) “Rural highway” or “Rural street” means a highway or street on the State highway system
20 outside the limits of a municipality.
- 21 (9) “Shoulder” means earthen, soil, clay, gravel or turf section of pavement support extending from
22 outer pavement edge to the bottom of side ditch, including shoulder sections which are paved.
- 23 (10) “Sidewalk” means paved walkway, parallel to streets or highways.
- 24 (11) The State highway system includes those streets and highways as described in G.S. 136-45.
- 25 (12) “State municipal system street” or “State municipal street highway” mean any street or highway on
26 the State highway system within a municipality.
- 27 (13) “Storm drainage” or “Storm sewers” mean a system of underground pipes, culverts, conduits, or
28 tunnels, including drop inlets and catch basins, designed to convey water from surface areas to
29 eventual disposal into outfall streams.
- 30 (1) ~~Municipality~~ “Municipality” means an incorporated city or town within the State of North
31 Carolina.
- 32 (2) ~~The State Highway System~~ highway system ~~includes those streets and highways as described in~~
33 G.S. 136-44.1.
- 34 (3) ~~State Municipal System Street or Highway is~~ “State municipal system street” or “State municipal
35 street highway” mean ~~any street or highway on the state~~ State ~~highway system within a~~
36 municipality.

37 Note: See G.S. 136-66.1(1)

(4) ~~Non State System Municipal Street or Highway (Municipal System) is [“Non State municipal street” or “Non State system Municipal Highway (municipal system) mean]any street or highway accepted by the municipality which is not a part of the state State highway system. [Note: See G.S. 136-66.1(2)]~~

(5) ~~A Rural Highway or Street is [“Rural highway” or “Rural street” means a]highway or street on the state State highway system outside the limits of a municipality.~~

(6) ~~Board [“Board”]means the Board of Transportation.~~

(7) ~~Maintenance [“Maintenance”]means routine care or upkeep to keep roads, streets [streets,]or highways in the existing condition and with the existing traffic carrying capacity.~~

(8) ~~Pavements are [“Pavement” means]the paved portion of streets including paved shoulders and on street [on street]parking areas but does not include sidewalks and driveways.~~

(9) ~~Storm Drainage or Storm Sewers means [“Storm drainage” or “Storm sewers” mean] a system of underground pipes, culverts, conduits or tunnels including drop inlets and catch basins, designed to convey water from surface areas to eventual disposal into outfall streams.~~

(10) ~~Open Drainage [“Open drainage”]means drainage systems utilizing open side ditches, tail, lateral and outfall ditches to convey surface water to outfall streams.~~

(11) ~~Cross Pipe Lines are [“Cross pipe lines” means]pipe lines under the roadway surface, designed to convey water from one side of a street or highway to the other.~~

(12) ~~Shoulder is [“Shoulder” means]earthen, soil, clay, gravel or turf section of pavement support extending from outer pavement edge to the bottom of side ditch, including shoulder sections which are paved.~~

(13) ~~Sidewalk [“Sidewalk”]means [paved]walkway, [paved or unpaved,] parallel to streets or highways.~~

~~(b) Maintenance Responsibility.~~

(1) ~~The streets and highways comprising a part of the state highway system, at all times, are the responsibility of the Department of Transportation and this overall responsibility is not shifted to the municipality by reason of their assumption, under reimbursable contract, of maintenance, construction, or improvement on behalf of the Department of Transportation as outlined in G.S. 136-66.1.~~

(2) ~~The cost of municipal maintenance is paid for out of funds allocated by the Board for this purpose.~~

(3) ~~The Department of Transportation within its discretion may enter into contracts with municipalities for the purpose of maintenance, repair, construction, reconstructing, widening or improving state system streets within municipalities.~~

(4) ~~The maintenance of state system streets may be performed by the municipality by a continuing agreement with the Department of Transportation on a reimbursement basis. Such an agreement may be executed covering all or part of maintenance operations on all or a part of the state system streets within the limits of the municipality involved.~~

~~(c) Policies and responsibilities. (b) Responsibilities.~~

- 1 (1) ~~The Department shall patch and resurface pavement. Patching and resurfacing of pavements is [are~~
 2 ~~the responsibility of the [Department.] Department of Transportation.~~
- 3 (2) ~~The municipality shall repair pavement cuts made for utility repair or other purposes under the~~
 4 ~~control of the municipality. Repairs for pavement cuts for utility repair and other purposes by or~~
 5 ~~under the control of the municipality shall be the responsibility of the municipality.~~ The Division of
 6 Highways ~~district engineer, or his designated representative, District Engineer, or the District~~
 7 ~~Engineer's designated representative~~ shall be notified in writing 48 hours in advance of any
 8 pavement cut and approval must be obtained prior to making the cut. Pavement cuts due to
 9 emergencies ~~shall may~~ proceed as necessary with the Division of Highways ~~district engineer District~~
 10 ~~Engineer, or the District Engineer's designated representative~~ being notified as soon as possible
 11 after the emergency is discovered and the pavement cut is made or anticipated.
- 12 ~~Note: See G.S. 136-93.~~
- 13 (3) If the maintenance of any ~~state~~ State highway system street is performed by the municipality, then
 14 it shall be the responsibility of the municipality, subject to the approval and direction of the
 15 ~~Department of Transportation, Department,~~ to install and maintain proper signs, ~~barriades~~
 16 ~~barriades,~~ and other safety devices of like ~~nature~~ nature, and to furnish flagmen when necessary;
 17 all ~~shall be performed~~ in accordance with G.S. 136-130, the Manual for Uniform Traffic Control
 18 ~~Devices (MUTCD).~~
- 19 (4) An encroachment agreement is required for the initial installation of any utility on the ~~state~~ State
 20 highway system ~~right of way~~ right-of-way by the municipality as well as by utility companies and
 21 individuals.
- 22 (5) ~~Drainage: Drainage.~~
- 23 (A) The maintenance of roadway ditches including median drainage, where applicable, and
 24 cross drainage pipes, ~~outfalls~~ outfalls, and structures ~~is shall be~~ the responsibility of
 25 ~~Department of Transportation~~ within the highway ~~right of way~~ right-of-way or within a
 26 drainage easement area.
- 27 (B) The maintenance of storm drainage and storm sewer systems draining ~~state~~ State highway
 28 system streets ~~is within the highway right-of-way or within a drainage easement area shall~~
 29 ~~be the responsibility of the Department. Department of Transportation, within the highway~~
 30 ~~right of way or within a drainage easement area.~~ Where systems draining ~~state~~ State
 31 ~~highway~~ system streets are enlarged and expanded to accommodate drainage from
 32 municipal streets, the initial cost and the maintenance cost shall be borne jointly by
 33 agreement.
- 34 (C) Attachments to drainage structures ~~Written~~ shall require the written approval of the
 35 ~~Department of Transportation is required~~ prior to any utility or other attachment being
 36 made to any bridge or structure on the ~~state~~ State highway system. Approval ~~is also~~
 37 ~~necessary~~ shall be required before turning any utility under or through a bridge or drainage

structure on the State ~~highway system. Highway System.~~ Approval is obtained through an encroachment agreement and dependent upon the complexity of the attachment.

(6) ~~Sidewalks.~~ The maintenance of sidewalks is a municipal responsibility.

(7) ~~Roadside Maintenance.~~ Roadside Maintenance.

(A) ~~Freeways, interstate and other controlled access highways.~~ All planting, plant maintenance, mowing, erosion control, and litter pickup ~~are on freeways, interstate, and other controlled access highways shall be~~ the responsibility of the ~~Department, Department of Transportation,~~ except as otherwise provided herein by this Rule.

(B) Non-controlled Access Surface Streets

(i) ~~Without sidewalk or pedestrian space (paved or unpaved).~~ Erosion control, machine mowing, ~~litter pickup~~ litter pickup, and the maintenance of trees over the entire width of ~~right-of-way are~~ right-of-way without sidewalk or pedestrian space, paved or unpaved, shall be the responsibility of the ~~Department, Department of Transportation.~~ Maintenance of shrubs or other planting ~~is also over the entire width of right-of-way without sidewalk or pedestrian space, paved or unpaved, shall be~~ the responsibility of the ~~Department of Transportation~~ subject to the provision providing for specific planting projects as outlined in Part (7)(C) of this Paragraph.

(ii) ~~With sidewalk or pedestrian space (paved or unpaved).~~ Since the The Department shall be responsible for the maintenance of the area outside of the curbs or within and beyond the sidewalk or pedestrian ~~space space, paved or [unpaved,] unpaved.~~ These areas are is used almost exclusively for pedestrians, and the maintenance of such areas ~~is shall be~~ the responsibility of the municipality.

(C) ~~Specific planting projects on state highway system right of way.~~ Should the municipality desire more extensive planting than is provided by the ~~Department, Department of Transportation,~~ a plan for such proposed planting shall be submitted to the ~~Department of Transportation~~ and ~~shall be~~ considered a construction or improvement item. An individual permit and agreement on ~~Department of Transportation~~ and municipal responsibilities for planting and plant maintenance ~~will shall~~ be required in each instance, covering not only financial responsibility but also the furnishing of personnel, equipment and materials for performing plant maintenance and associated hand mowing operations.

(D) ~~Proposed planting by civic organizations.~~ Civic organizations desiring to provide more extensive planting of trees and shrubs in the municipality on ~~Department of Transportation right-of-way~~ right-of-way than is provided by the ~~Department of Transportation~~ shall handle negotiations through the municipality as outlined in Part (7)(C) of this Paragraph.

(8) ~~Snow and Ice Control.~~ Snow and Ice Control.

- 1 (A) The responsibility for clearing ~~state~~ State highway system streets ~~is~~ shall be the
 2 responsibility of the ~~Department~~ Department of Transportation; however, municipalities
 3 may, with the concurrence of the Division Engineer, ~~division engineer~~, execute an
 4 agreement with the ~~Department of Transportation~~ providing for reimbursement by the
 5 ~~Department of Transportation~~ to the municipality for the assumption of this responsibility.
- 6 (B) The removal of snow from sidewalk areas ~~is~~ shall not be the responsibility of the
 7 ~~Department~~ Department of Transportation.
- 8 (9) ~~Guard Rail.~~ The Department shall maintain, maintenance, repair repair, and replacereplacement of
 9 guard rail on ~~Highway System~~ the State highway system streets and highways, highways ~~is~~ shall be
 10 ~~the responsibility of the~~ Department. ~~Department of Transportation.~~
- 11 (10) ~~Street Lighting.~~ Street Lighting.
- 12 (A) ~~Freeways — Interstate System and Other Controlled Access Highways.~~ Where in the
 13 judgment of the ~~The~~ Department shall maintain ~~of Transportation~~ street lighting on
 14 freeways, interstate [system,]systems, and other controlled access highways is ~~if~~
 15 determined to be necessary, necessary for public safety, the maintenance and the electric
 16 current necessary for the operation of the lighting system shall be the responsibility of the
 17 ~~Department.~~ Department of Transportation.
- 18 (B) ~~Other System Streets.~~ The maintenance and the electric current for lighting systems on
 19 streets or highways other than as referred to in Part (10)(A) of this Paragraph ~~is~~ shall be
 20 the responsibility of the municipality, unless otherwise provided for by specific agreement.
- 21 (C) The installation of street lighting systems by the municipality on ~~state~~ State highway
 22 system streets within the ~~right of way~~ right-of-way may be allowed by the ~~Department of~~
 23 ~~Transportation~~ by encroachment agreement only.
- 24 (11) ~~Blocking of Traffic Lanes.~~ In order to provide for the safe movement of traffic, it is ~~shall be~~ a
 25 joint responsibility between the ~~The~~ Department of Transportation and the municipality ~~to insure~~
 26 shall ensure that traffic lanes ~~be are~~ kept open-open and ~~if~~ In the event that any traffic lanes are
 27 blocked at any time for any reason that such blockage is properly reason, the Department and the
 28 municipality shall ensure that the blockage is signed or flagged.

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 30 *History Note:* Authority G.S. 136-66.1; 136-93; 143B-346; 143B-350(f); 143B-350(g);
 31 *Eff. July 1, 1978;*
 32 *Amended Eff. November 1, 1993;*
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1 19A NCAC 02D .0406 is readopted as published in 33:16 NCR 1717-1720 with changes as follows:

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3 **19A NCAC 02D .0406 CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF SIDEWALKS**

4 (a) ~~When [if]~~ The Department shall replace any sidewalk torn up as a result of a highway construction project having
5 to do with the widening of an existing ~~street~~ street requires that an existing sidewalk be torn up to make room for the
6 ~~widening, the Department of Transportation shall replace the sidewalk.~~

7 (b) The Department shall ~~[will]~~ evaluate the need for proposed sidewalks in the planning process ~~stage of a project~~.
8 The Department shall ~~[will]~~ assess information provided by the local government, Transportation Advisory
9 Committee, and ~~departmental~~ Departmental engineering studies.

10 (c) ~~The Department shall [will]~~ analyze the existing and projected future need for a pedestrian facility in every major
11 highway project planning report. The Department may construct a sidewalk if the need is documented and funding is
12 available.

13 (d) ~~The Department and the local sponsor shall negotiate financial responsibilities for a new sidewalk based on~~
14 ~~planning studies.~~

15 (e) The ~~Department shall execute~~ execution of a pedestrian facilities maintenance agreement specifying responsibility
16 for long term maintenance with the lead government entity or other local sponsor shall be required prior to construction
17 for a proposed sidewalk.

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19 *History Note:* Authority G.S. 136-66.1; 143B-346; ~~143B-350(f); 143B-350(g)~~; 23 U.S.C. § 133; 23 U.S.C. § 217;
20 Eff. July 1, 1978;
21 Amended Eff. May 1, 1999; December 29, 1993.
22 Readopted Eff. July 1, 2019.

1 19A NCAC 02D .0601 is amended as published in 33:18 NCR 1886-1889 with changes as follows:

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3 **19A NCAC 02D .0601 PERMITS AUTHORITY, APPLICATION AND ENFORCEMENT PERMIT**
4 **APPLICATION AND ADMINISTRATION**

5 (a) The Chief Engineer's office ~~Engineer or his designee~~ shall issue ~~be responsible for issuing~~ oversize/overweight
6 permits as provided by this Section for qualifying vehicles. ~~[Applications for permits shall be submitted to the Central~~
7 ~~Permit Office unless the application is for a house move permit.]~~ Irrespective of the route shown on the permit, a
8 ~~permitted vehicle shall travel an alternate route:~~

- 9 (1) ~~if directed by a law enforcement officer with jurisdiction;~~
10 (2) ~~if directed by an official traffic control device to follow a route to a weighing device; and~~
11 (3) ~~if the specified route on the permit is detoured by an officially erected highway sign, traffic control~~
12 ~~devices, or law enforcement officer, the driver of the permitted vehicle shall contact the Central~~
13 ~~Permit Office or the issuing field office for house move permits as soon as reasonably possible for~~
14 ~~clearance of route or revision of the permit.~~

15 (b) House move permit applications shall be submitted to the Department division and district offices. The
16 Department's division and district offices ~~[will]~~ shall approve or deny house move permit applications based on safety
17 considerations after reviewing the route of travel and [dimension(s)]dimensions of the structure to be moved. House
18 move permit applications shall be submitted at least two working days prior to the anticipated date of movement.
19 House move permit applications shall contain the following information: ~~Prior to application for an oversize or~~
20 ~~overweight permit, the vehicle or vehicle combination and the commodity in transport shall be reduced or loaded to~~
21 ~~the least practical dimensions and weight. Application for permits with the exception of house move permits shall be~~
22 ~~made to the Central Permit Office. Applications for permits shall be submitted in writing to the Central Permit Office~~
23 ~~for consideration of approval for moves exceeding:~~

- 24 (1) applicant's name and contact information;
25 (2) housemover license and truck license numbers;
26 (3) registered weight, serial number, and number of axles;
27 (4) description of the load dimensions
28 (5) extreme axle measurements, axle weights, and spacings;
29 (6) house construction descriptions
30 (7) requested route of travel descriptions; and
31 (8) travel plan and anticipated use of escort vehicle.

- 32 (1) ~~a gross weight of 132,000 pounds with the fee specified in G.S. 20-119(b) at least ten working days~~
33 ~~prior to the anticipated date of movement;~~
34 (2) ~~a width of 15' with documentation for variances at least ten working days prior to the anticipated~~
35 ~~date of movement with the exception of a mobile/modular unit with maximum measurements of 16'~~
36 ~~wide unit and a 3" gutter edge; a width of 16' 11" with the exception of house moves is required to~~

1 be submitted with the fee specified in G.S. 20-119(b) with documentation for variances at least ten
2 working days prior to the anticipated date of movement; or

3 (3) — a height of 14 feet at least two working days prior to the anticipated date of movement.

4 (c) Superload permits shall be required for the movement of a vehicle and vehicle combination with a gross weight
5 of 132,000 pounds or more; width of 15 feet or more; a mobile or modular unit with a width of 16 feet and a gutter
6 edge of 3 inches; and a width of 16 feet and 11 inches, unless the permit is for house moves in accordance with
7 Paragraph (b) of this Rule. Applicants for Superload permits shall submit a written application, the fee specified in
8 G.S. 20-119(b), and documentation of any variance to the Central Permit Office at least 10 business days prior to the
9 anticipated date of movement. Superload permits applications shall contain the following information:

10 (1) applicant's name and contact information;

11 (2) truck and trailer license information and VIN number;

12 (3) gross weight, registered weight, extreme wheelbase measurements, and number of axles;

13 (4) description of the load dimensions; and

14 (5) description of axle spacings and weight.

15 [Permits for movements of the following shall require the applicant to submit to the Central Permit office, 10 business
16 days prior to the anticipated date of movement, a written application, the fee specified in G.S. 20-119(b), and
17 documentation of any variances:

18 (1) — gross weight of 132,000 pounds or more;

19 (2) — width of 15 feet or more;

20 (3) — mobile or modular unit with a width of 16 feet and a gutter edge of 3 inches; and

21 (4) — width of 16 feet and 11 inches unless the permit shall be for house moves.]

22 Upon completion of an engineering study for moves exceeding a gross weight of 132,000 pounds, a surety bond to
23 cover potential damage to highways and bridge structures shall be required for overweight permits if the engineering
24 study shows potential for damage to highways and bridge structures along the particular route of the requested permit.

25 (d) Applicants shall submit [Permits for movements with a vehicle or vehicle combination height greater than 14 feet,
26 but not equal to or greater than 15 feet, shall require the applicant to submit to the Central Permit Office, two business
27 days prior to the anticipated date of movement,] a written application, the fee specified in G.S. 20-119(b), and
28 documentation of [variances.]variances to the Central Permit Office at least two business days prior to the anticipated
29 date of movement of a vehicle or vehicle combination of a height greater than 14 feet, but not equal to or greater than
30 15 feet. The North Carolina licensed mobile or modular home retail dealer shall maintain records of all mobile or

31 modular units moved by authority of an annual permit for a minimum of four years from the date of movement. The
32 records shall be available for inspection and audit by officers of the Division of Motor Vehicles. Monthly reports
33 shall be submitted by the dealer to the Central Permit Office on a form furnished by the Department of Transportation.
34 Failure to comply with any requirement may be grounds for denying, suspending, or revoking Manufacturer's License,
35 Dealer's License, or both issued by the Division of Motor Vehicles as specified in Chapter 20 of the Motor Vehicle
36 Law, Title 19A NCAC 03D .0219, or North Carolina oversize or overweight permit privileges.

1 ~~(e) The issuance of any permit shall not imply nor guarantee the vertical clearance of the permitted load and the~~
 2 ~~permittee shall be responsible for ensuring all vertical clearances prior to movement. Law enforcement officers may~~
 3 ~~perform on-site inspections of mobile or modular homes ready for shipment at the point of manufacture or at the dealer~~
 4 ~~lot for compliance with Chapter 20 of the General Statutes, dealer and manufacturer regulations, permit regulations,~~
 5 ~~and policy. Notification of violations shall be submitted by enforcement personnel to the Central Permit Office.~~

6 (f) The Department shall accept ~~cash,~~ certified check, money order, company check, or credit card in consideration
 7 for the fees specified in G.S. 20-119(b). No personal checks shall be accepted. ~~The penalties provided in this Rule~~
 8 ~~are in addition to the penalties provided for in Chapter 20 of the North Carolina General Statutes.~~

9 ~~(g) Permits may be declared void by the Chief Engineer or his designee upon determination that such~~
 10 ~~overdimension/overweight permit was being used in violation of the General Statutes of North Carolina, Permit Rules~~
 11 ~~or restrictions stated on the permit.~~

12 ~~(h) Permits may also be denied, revoked or declared invalid as stated in Rule .0633 of this Section.~~

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 14 *History Note:* Authority G.S. 20-119; ~~20-360;20-361; 20-367; 20-369; 20-371; 136-18(5);~~ ~~20-360; 20-361; 20-~~
 15 ~~367; 20-369; 20-371;~~ ~~143B-346; 143B-350(f);~~

16 *Eff. July 1, 1978;*

17 *Amended Eff. November 1, 1993; October 1, 1991;*

18 *Temporary Amendment Eff. January 10, 2002; October 1, 2000;*

19 *Amended Eff. December 1, 2012; April 1, 2009; August 1, 2002;*

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 21 *6, 2016;*

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1 19A NCAC 02D .0602 is readopted as published in 33:18 NCR 1886-1889 with changes as follows:

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3 **19A NCAC 02D .0602 PERMITS ISSUANCE AND FEES PERMITS – ISSUANCE REQUIREMENTS**

4 (a) General The following are general issuance requirements for oversize/overweight permits.

- 5 (1) Permits shall be issued by the Department. ~~on authorized forms, designate the qualifying~~
6 movement and permitted route of travel, and evidence the consideration of vertical clearances, work
7 zones, and safety. The route of travel shall include the origination location, a detailed description of
8 the exact route, including applicable county and state road numbers and routes, and the destination
9 location for the movement. The maximum weight permitted on a designated route shall be
10 determined by the bridge capacity of the bridges to be crossed during movement. Movements
11 exceeding weight limits for highways or bridge structures shall be denied if considered by the
12 Department to be unsafe or if the movement may cause damage to the highway or bridge structures.
13 If the Department determines that the permitted movement may cause damage to the highway,
14 bridge structures, or any other State property, the permittee shall be required to obtain a surety bond
15 to cover the estimated cost of damages. A permit issued by the Department shall not be valid for
16 travel over municipal streets, defined as streets or highways not maintained by the State of North
17 Carolina.
- 18 (2) Prior to applying for an oversize/overweight permit, the applicant shall be responsible for reducing
19 and loading the item, commodity, or combinations thereof to the least possible dimensions and
20 weight. Permits may be issued in accordance with this Section for movements of items or
21 commodities ~~which~~ that cannot be loaded, divided, dismantled, or disassembled to meet legal
22 requirements.
- 23 (3) One item or commodity shall qualify for overweight considerations. Multiple items or commodities
24 shall not qualify for an overweight permit.
- 25 (4) One item or commodity or multiple items or commodities loaded in-line shall qualify for overwidth
26 considerations. If loaded side-by-side, multiple items or commodities shall not exceed eight feet,
27 six inches in width.
- 28 (5) One item or commodity of continuous length shall qualify for overlength considerations. The
29 maximum length for a vehicle or vehicle combination shall be 105 feet. Approval may be given by
30 the Central Permit Office for permitted loads in excess of 105 feet after review of the geographic
31 route of travel, consideration of local construction projects, and evaluation of the other dimensions
32 of the load.
- 33 (6) One item or commodity shall qualify for overheight considerations. If piled or stacked, multiple
34 items or commodities shall not exceed 13 feet, 6 inches.

35 ~~Permits may be issued for movements of loads which cannot be reasonably divided, dismantled or disassembled, or~~
36 ~~so loaded to meet legal requirements. Permits are issued on authorized forms with appropriate designation for~~
37 ~~qualifying moves on the most direct route of travel to the destination after consideration of vertical clearances, work~~

1 ~~zones, and other factors to ensure safe movement. A permit issued by the Department is not valid for travel over~~
 2 ~~municipal streets (defined as streets or highways not maintained by the State of North Carolina).~~

3 (b) Annual Trip Permits

4 (1) Annual permits shall be valid for 12 months from the effective date of the permit. Annual trip
 5 permits shall require an escort for vehicle and vehicle combinations that exceed 12 feet in width.

6 (2) Annual permits may be issued for unlimited movement on all North Carolina highways, as permitted
 7 by the posted road and bridge limits, and without the requirement of an escort for the following:

8 (A) vehicle and vehicle combinations transporting non-divisible commodities;

9 (B) vehicle and vehicle combinations transporting a non-divisible commodity with a minimum
 10 extreme wheelbase of 51 feet;

11 (C) self-propelled equipment with four or five axles; and

12 (D) non-property hauling vehicles with permanently attached equipment, a minimum wheel
 13 base of 30 feet, the capability of traveling at highway speeds of 45 miles per hour, the
 14 operational purpose of traveling to and from a non-highway job, and a special mobile
 15 equipment license issued by the Division of Motor Vehicles.

16 (3) Dimensions for vehicle and vehicle combination permits issued pursuant to Subparagraph 2 of this
 17 Paragraph shall not exceed:

18 (A) a width of 12 feet;

19 (B) a height of 13 feet, 6 inches; and

20 (C) a length of 105 feet.

21 (D) Part A of Subparagraph 2 within this Paragraph shall not exceed the length as set forth in
 22 G.S. 20-115.1(b) and G.S. 20-116(e), and gross weights and axle weights as set forth in
 23 G.S. 20-118(b)(1)(2)(3).

24 (E) Parts B, C, and D of Subparagraph 2 within this Paragraph shall not exceed a gross weight
 25 of 90,000 pounds, and axle weights of 20,000 pounds for steer axle, 25,000 pounds for
 26 single axle, 50,000 pounds for tandem axle, 60,000 pounds for tridem axle, and 68,000
 27 pounds for axle groupings of four or more.

28 (4) Annual permits may be issued for unlimited movement on all North Carolina highways, as permitted
 29 by the posted road and bridge limits, and with the requirement of an escort for vehicles and vehicle
 30 combinations transporting farm equipment. Dimensions for vehicle and vehicle combination
 31 permits issued pursuant to this Subparagraph shall not exceed:

32 (A) a width of 14 feet;

33 (B) a height of 13 feet, 6 inches; and

34 (C) a weight as set forth in G.S. 20-118(b)(3).

35 (5) Annual permits may be issued with the requirement of an escort for mobile or modular homes if
 36 transported from a manufacturer to a North Carolina mobile or modular home dealership, or if
 37 transported from a North Carolina licensed mobile or modular home retail dealer to the transporter

1 for the delivery of mobile or modular homes. Permitted mobile or modular homes shall be
 2 authorized to travel on designated routes approved by the Department considering construction work
 3 zones, highway lane widths, origin and destination, and other factors to ensure safe movement.
 4 Dimensions for vehicle and vehicle combination permits issued under this subparagraph shall not
 5 exceed:

6 (A) a width of 14 feet;

7 (B) a roof overhang of 12 inches, unless the unit width shall be 16 feet, in which case the gutter
 8 edge shall not exceed 3 inches;

9 (C) a height of 13 feet, 6 inches; and

10 (D) a weight as set forth in G.S. 20-118(b)(3).

11 ~~Single trip permits may include a return trip to origin if requested at the time of original issuance and the return trip~~
 12 ~~can be made within the validation of such permit. No single trip permit request shall be issued for a time period to~~
 13 ~~exceed 30 days. Annual permits (blanket) are valid 12 months from the effective date of the permit.~~

14 (c) Single Trip Permits

15 (1) Single trip permits shall be issued to the registered owner of the vehicle and valid for 10 calendar
 16 days for a single, one-way trip. Single trip permit applications shall include the exact origin,
 17 [detailed] route, and exact destination, including applicable county and state road numbers and
 18 routes. A return trip shall only be considered for a single trip permit if the return trip is requested
 19 within the original permit application. No single trip permit shall be issued for a time period that
 20 exceeds 30 days.

21 (2) Single trip permits for vehicle and vehicle combinations with non-divisible overwidth loads are
 22 limited to a maximum width of 15 feet and the conditions specified in this Rule.

23 (3) Single trip permits shall not be restricted by overall length limitations, except the total combination
 24 length of mobile homes shall not exceed 105 feet.

25 (4) Single trip permits shall not authorize a vehicle or vehicle combination height in excess of the
 26 vertical clearances on the authorized route.

27 ~~The Department of Transportation shall collect a fee as specified in G.S. 20-119(b). Only cash, certified check, money~~
 28 ~~order, company check, or credit card shall be accepted. No personal checks shall be accepted. The Department shall~~
 29 ~~bill permittees with established credit accounts monthly for permits issued for the previous month.~~

30 (d) Non-divisible Loads

31 (1) The maximum single trip and annual permit weight allowed for a vehicle or vehicle combination,
 32 not including off-highway construction equipment, shall be:

33 (A) 20,000 pounds for steer axles;

34 (B) 25,000 pounds for single axles;

35 (C) 50,000 pounds for tandem axles;

36 (D) 60,000 pounds for tridem axles;

37 (E) 68,000 pounds for axle groupings of four or more; and

1 (F) an engineering study is required for axle groupings of five or more that exceed 68,000
 2 pounds.

3 (2) The maximum single trip and annual permit gross weight allowed for a vehicle or vehicle
 4 combination, not including off-highway construction equipment, shall be:

5 (A) 70,000 pounds for a three-axle single vehicle;

6 (B) 90,000 pounds for a four-axle single vehicle;

7 (C) 94,500 pounds for a five-axle single vehicle;

8 (D) 112,000 pounds for a five-axle vehicle combination;

9 (E) 108,000 pounds for a six-axle single vehicle;

10 (F) 120,000 pounds for a six-axle vehicle combination;

11 (G) 122,000 pounds for a seven-axle single vehicle;

12 (H) 132,000 pounds for a seven-axle vehicle combination; and

13 (I) determined upon the completion of an engineering study for axle-vehicle combinations of
 14 7 or more if their gross weight exceeds 132,000 pounds.

15 (3) The maximum permit weight allowed for self-propelled off-highway construction equipment with
 16 low pressure or low flotation tires shall be:

17 (A) 37,000 pounds for a single-axle vehicle; and

18 (B) 50,000 pounds for a tandem-axle vehicle;

19 (4) The maximum permit gross weight allowed for self-propelled off-highway construction equipment
 20 with low pressure or low flotation tires shall be:

21 (A) 70,000 pounds for a two-axle single vehicle;

22 (B) 80,000 pounds for a three-axle single vehicle; and

23 (C) 90,000 pounds for a four-axle single vehicle.

24 (5) An overweight permit with a specified route shall be available for a vehicle combination consisting
 25 of a power unit and trailer hauling a sealed ship container. No permit shall be issued in accordance
 26 with this subparagraph unless the vehicle combination shall be:

27 (A) traveling to or from a designated seaport, whether in-state or out-of-state;

28 (B) transported by marine shipment;

29 (C) licensed for the maximum allowable weight for the 51-foot extreme wheelbase
 30 measurement as specified in G.S. 20-118;

31 (D) equal to or less than the maximum width, height, and length dimensions as specified in
 32 G.S. 20-116;

33 (E) a vehicle combination with at least five axles; and

34 (F) in possession of and able to furnish for inspection the ~~proper~~ documentation of the sealed
 35 commodity being transported.

36 (e) Superload Permits

1 (1) Superload permits shall be available for vehicle or vehicle combinations with axles or axle
 2 groupings that exceed the weight limitations provided by this Rule, a gross weight that exceeds
 3 132,000 pounds, or a maximum width in excess of 15 feet. The Chief Engineer or the Chief
 4 Engineer's designee may authorize the issuance of a superload permit after analysis of the proposed
 5 load and evaluation of the proposed route of travel.

6 (2) Superload permits shall be issued to the registered owner of the vehicle and valid for 10 calendar
 7 days for a single, one-way trip. Superload permit applications shall include the exact origin,
 8 [detailed] route, and exact destination, including applicable county and state road numbers or routes.
 9 A separate permit application shall be required for return trips.

10 (f) Houses

11 (1) Applications for permits to move buildings or structures in excess of 15 feet in width shall be made
 12 by a licensed housemover. Housemover license applications and supporting documentation are
 13 issued and renewed by the Central Permit Office. Please see 19A NCAC 02D .0601 for information
 14 on Housemover permits.

15 (2) An individual shall not be required to acquire a housemover license prior to applying for a permit if
 16 the power unit and building [shall be] is owned by the permittee and the movement [shall be to or]
 17 is from property individually owned by the permittee.

18 (g) Mobile or Modular Homes

19 (1) Mobile or modular home units shall not exceed a length of 76 feet and the total vehicle combination
 20 length shall not exceed 105 feet.

21 (2) A 14-foot-wide mobile or modular home unit may be transported with a bay window, room
 22 extension, or porch if the protrusion [shall] does not extend beyond the maximum roof overhang of
 23 12 inches or the total width of overhang on the applicable side of the home. An extender shall be
 24 placed on the front and rear of the mobile or modular home with a length to extend horizontally
 25 equal to but not beyond the outermost edge of the mobile or modular home's extension. The
 26 extenders shall have retro-reflective sheeting, sized at a minimum of 4 inches, that shall be Type III
 27 high intensity, encapsulated lens, or Type IV-high performance, prismatic, with alternating
 28 fluorescent yellow and black diagonal stripes that slope towards the outside of the home with a
 29 minimum area of 288 square inches. The bottom of the extenders shall be 6 feet to 8 feet above the
 30 road surface. The top of each extender shall have mounted a 5-inch, amber-colored, flashing beacon.

31 (3) The North Carolina licensed mobile or modular home retail dealer shall maintain records of all
 32 mobile or modular units moved by authority of an annual permit for a minimum of four years from
 33 the date of movement. The records shall be available for inspection and audit by any officer,
 34 employee, or contractor of the North Carolina Division of Motor Vehicles. [Monthly reports shall
 35 be submitted by the mobile or modular home retail dealer to the Central Permit Office on a form
 36 furnished by the Department.] Failure to comply with any requirement shall be grounds for denying,

1 suspending, or revoking Manufacturer's License, Dealer's License, and any North Carolina
2 oversize/overweight permit privileges.

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4 *History Note:* Authority G.S. 20-119; ~~20-360; 20-361; 20-367; 20-369; 20-371;~~ 136-18(5); ~~20-360; 20-361; 20-~~
5 ~~367; 20-369; 20-371;~~ 143B-346; ~~143B-350(f);~~

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3 **19A NCAC 02D .0607 ~~PERMITS WEIGHT, DIMENSIONS AND LIMITATIONS~~ PERMITS -**
4 **MOVEMENT AND TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS**

5 (a) ~~[Movement of all]~~ All vehicles and vehicle combinations ~~[subject to this Section]~~ described in 19A NCAC 02D
6 .0601 and .0602 shall adhere to the following movement requirements.

- 7 (1) ~~Unless otherwise authorized or restricted by this Rule, [Movement]~~ movement shall be made
8 between sunrise and sunset. Movement of 16-foot wide mobile or modular home units with a
9 maximum of 3-inch gutter edge shall be permitted Monday through Saturday from 9:00 am to 2:30
10 pm. Movement of 16-foot wide mobile or modular home unit with a maximum 3-inch gutter edge
11 may occur after 2:30 pm, but not beyond sunset, if the unit is traveling on an approved route as
12 determined by an engineering study, and exported out-of-state. Sunday travel may be authorized
13 from sunrise to sunset after consideration of the vehicle or vehicle combination dimensions.
14 ~~[Movement shall be permitted Monday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. for 16 foot~~
15 ~~wide mobile or modular home units with a maximum 3 inch gutter edge. Movement of a 16 foot~~
16 ~~wide mobile or modular home unit with a maximum 3 inch gutter edge may occur after 2:30 p.m.,~~
17 ~~but not beyond sunset, if the unit shall be traveling on an approved route as determined by an~~
18 ~~engineering study and exported out of state.]~~ Considerations of safety and traffic flow may require
19 the issuing office to impose additional time restrictions or allowances.
- 20 (2) ~~No movement shall be permitted for a vehicle or vehicle combination after 12:00 p.m. on the~~
21 ~~weekday preceding and until 12:00 p.m. on the weekday following Independence Day,~~
22 ~~Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. If Independence Day, Thanksgiving Day, or Christmas Day~~
23 ~~fall on a Saturday or Sunday, travel is restricted from 12:00 p.m. on the preceding Friday until 12:00~~
24 ~~p.m. on the following Monday.~~
- 25 (3) ~~Continuous travel occurring 24 hours a day, each day per year, shall not be authorized for vehicle~~
26 ~~or vehicle combinations with a gross weight in excess of 112,000 pounds. Self-propelled equipment~~
27 ~~[may] be authorized for continuous travel if the overhang is less than 10 feet in length and meets all~~
28 ~~other requirements of this Subparagraph.~~ The overhang shall be marked on both sides and end with
29 high-intensity, glass-bead, retro-reflective sheeting tape. Each side of the self-propelled equipment
30 shall be marked 24 inches from the road surface at the nearest feasible center point, between the
31 steer and drive axles. The sheeting tape shall be 2 inches by 12 inches. Any rear overhang shall
32 display a mounted brake light and flashing amber light, 8 inches in diameter with a minimum
33 candlepower of 800 watts.
- 34 (4) ~~Permitted vehicles owned or leased by the same company or permitted vehicles originating at the~~
35 ~~same location shall travel no less than two miles apart. Convoy travel shall not be authorized except~~
36 ~~as directed by law enforcement escort or permit office.~~

- 1 (5) Blades of construction equipment and front-end loader buckets shall not extend more than 14 feet
 2 across the roadway. A blade, bucket, or other attachment that is an original part of the manufactured
 3 equipment may be removed and hauled with the equipment without being considered a divisible
 4 load.
- 5 (6) Permitted vehicle or vehicle combination movements shall not travel at a speed in excess of the
 6 posted speed limit. The issuing office shall be permitted to impose speed restrictions below the
 7 posted speed limit considering safety and load. A towing unit and mobile or modular home
 8 combination shall not exceed a maximum speed of 60 miles per hour. The driver of the permitted
 9 vehicle shall avoid creating traffic congestion by relinquishing the traffic way when a buildup of
 10 traffic occurs.
- 11 (7) The object to be transported shall not be loaded or parked on the highway right of way without
 12 permission from the office that originally issued the permit and after confirmation of an emergency
 13 ~~condition.~~ condition, such as mechanical problems or weather events.
- 14 (8) No movements shall be made when visibility is less than 500 feet. Moves shall not be made when
 15 travel conditions are considered unsafe by the Division of Highways, State Highway Patrol, or other
 16 law enforcement officers having jurisdiction. Movement of a mobile or modular unit that exceed a
 17 width of 10 feet shall be prohibited if wind speed gusts are in excess of 25 miles per hour.
- 18 (9) The mover shall be responsible for any expenses, arrangements, or approvals associated with
 19 removing or replacing any obstructions, including traffic signals, signs, and utility lines. Trees,
 20 shrubs, or ~~official.~~ State signs shall not be cut, trimmed, or removed without approval from the
 21 Division of Highways District Engineer having jurisdiction over the area involved. In determining
 22 whether to grant ~~approval.~~ approval for cutting or trimming trees or shrubs, the District Engineer
 23 shall consider the species, age, and appearance of the tree or shrub in question and its contribution
 24 to the aesthetics of the area.

25 ~~The State Highway Administrator or his designee may issue a vehicle specific single trip permit for vehicle and vehicle~~
 26 ~~combinations with non-divisible overwidth loads limited to a maximum width of 15 feet under the conditions specified~~
 27 ~~in this Rule. The State Highway Administrator or his designee may authorize the issuance of a permit for movement~~
 28 ~~of load width in excess of 15 feet in accordance with 19A NCAC 02D .0600 after analysis of the proposed load and~~
 29 ~~evaluation of the proposed route of travel. However, a mobile or modular unit is limited to a maximum width of 16~~
 30 ~~feet and a 3 inch gutter edge.~~

31 (b) Movement of all vehicles and vehicle combinations subject to this Section shall adhere to the following safety
 32 requirements.

- 33 (1) A yellow banner measuring a total length of 7 feet x 18 inches high bearing the legend "Oversize
 34 Load" in 10-inch black letters 1.5-inch-wide brush stroke shall be displayed in one or two pieces
 35 totaling the required length on the front and rear bumpers of a permitted vehicle and vehicle
 36 combination with a width greater than 10 feet. A towing unit mobile or modular home combination
 37 shall display banners of the size specified bearing the legend "Oversize ----- feet Load" identifying

1 the actual width of the unit in transport. Escort vehicles shall display banners as specified in this
 2 Subparagraph with the exception of length to extend the entire width of the bumpers.

3 (2) Red or orange flags measuring 18 inches square shall be displayed on all sides at the widest point
 4 of load for all loads in excess of 8 feet 6 inches wide, but the flags shall be mounted so as not to
 5 increase the overall width of the load.

6 (3) All permitted vehicles and vehicle combinations shall be equipped with ~~tires~~ tires, axels and brakes
 7 in accordance with ~~of the size specified and the required number of axles equipped with operable~~
 8 ~~brakes in good working condition as provided in~~ North Carolina Statutes and Motor Carrier and
 9 Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations.

10 (4) Rear view mirrors and other safety devices on towing units attached for movement of overwidth
 11 loads shall be removed or retracted to conform with legal width when unit is not towing or hauling
 12 such vehicle or load.

13 (5) Flashing amber lights shall be used as determined by the issuing permit office.

14 An annual oversize and overweight permit may be issued as follows:

15 (1) ~~for unlimited movement without the requirement of an escort on all North Carolina highways, where~~
 16 ~~permitted by the posted road and bridge limits, for vehicle and vehicle combinations transporting a~~
 17 ~~general non-divisible commodity which has a minimum extreme wheelbase of 51 feet and does not~~
 18 ~~exceed:~~

19 (A) ~~width of 12 feet;~~

20 (B) ~~height of 13 feet, 6 inches;~~

21 (C) ~~length of 105 feet;~~

22 (D) ~~gross weight of 90,000 pounds; and~~

23 (E) ~~axle weights of 20,000 pounds steer axle, 25,000 pounds single axle, 50,000 pounds~~
 24 ~~tandem axle, 60,000 pounds tridem axle and 68,000 pounds for a four or more axle~~
 25 ~~grouping.~~

26 (2) ~~for unlimited movement without the requirement of an escort on all North Carolina highways, where~~
 27 ~~permitted by the posted road and bridge limits, for four or five axle self-propelled equipment or~~
 28 ~~special mobile equipment, defined as a non-property hauling vehicle, which has permanently~~
 29 ~~attached equipment, that is operated on the highway only for the purpose of traveling to and from a~~
 30 ~~non-highway job and is licensed as special mobile equipment by the Division of Motor Vehicles,~~
 31 ~~capable of traveling at a highway speed of 45 miles per hour which has a minimum wheel base of~~
 32 ~~30 feet and which does not exceed:~~

33 (A) ~~width of 12 feet;~~

34 (B) ~~height of 13 feet, 6 inches;~~

35 (C) ~~length of 105 feet;~~

36 (D) ~~gross weight of 90,000 pounds; and~~

~~(E) — axle weights of 20,000 pounds steer axle, 25,000 pounds single axle, 50,000 pounds tandem axle, 60,000 pounds tridem axle and 68,000 pounds for a four or more axle grouping.~~

~~(3) — for unlimited movement with the requirement of an escort vehicle on all North Carolina highways, where permitted by the posted bridge and load limits, for vehicles and vehicle combinations transporting farm equipment and which does not exceed:~~

~~(A) — a width of 14 feet;~~

~~(B) — a height of 13 feet 6 inches; and~~

~~(C) — a weight as set forth in G.S. 20-118(b)(3).~~

~~(4) — with the requirement of an escort for mobile or modular homes with a maximum height of 13 feet 6 inches being transported from a manufacturer to a North Carolina mobile or modular home dealership with a unit width not to exceed 14 feet with an allowable roof overhang not to exceed a total unit width of 12 inches or 16 feet with a 3 inch gutter edge. These mobile or modular homes shall be authorized to travel on designated routes approved by the Department of Transportation considering construction work zones, highway lane widths, origin and destination or other factors to ensure safe movement.~~

~~(5) — with the requirement of an escort to a North Carolina licensed mobile or modular home retail dealer and the transporter for delivery of mobile or modular homes not to exceed a maximum unit width of 14 feet with a total roof overhang not to exceed 12 inches and a height of 13 feet 6 inches. The annual permit shall be valid for delivery of mobile or modular homes within a maximum 25-mile radius of the dealer location. Confirmation of destination for delivery shall be carried in the permitted towing unit readily available for law enforcement inspection.~~

~~(6) — for unlimited movement without the requirement of an escort on all North Carolina highways, where permitted by the posted road and bridge limits, for vehicle and vehicle combinations transporting non-divisible commodities which do not exceed:~~

~~(A) — width of 12 feet;~~

~~(B) — length as set forth in G.S. 20-115.1(b) and G.S. 20-116(e) but not to exceed 105 feet;~~

~~(C) — height of 13 feet 6 inches;~~

~~(D) — gross weight and axle weights as set forth in G.S. 20-118(b)(1)(2)(3).~~

~~(e) A 14-foot wide mobile or modular home unit may be transported with a bay window, room extension, or porch providing the protrusion does not extend beyond the maximum 12 inches of roof overhang or the total width of overhang on the applicable side of the home. An extender shall be placed on the front and rear of the mobile or modular home with a length to extend horizontally equal to but not beyond the extreme outermost edge of the home's extension. The extenders shall have retro-reflective sheeting, a minimum of 4 inches, which shall be Type III high intensity (encapsulated lens) or Type IV high performance (prismatic) with alternating fluorescent yellow and black diagonal stripes sloping towards the outside of the home with a minimum area of 288 square inches. The bottom of~~

1 ~~the extenders shall be 6 feet to 8 feet above the road surface with a 5 inch amber flashing beacon mounted on the top~~
 2 ~~of each extender.~~

3 ~~(d) The maximum weight permitted on a designated route is determined by the bridge capacity of bridges to be crossed~~
 4 ~~during movement. The route traveled from an origin to a destination must be included within one permitted route of~~
 5 ~~travel. Moves exceeding weight limits for highways or bridge structures shall be denied if considered by the issuing~~
 6 ~~agent to be unsafe or if they may cause damage to the highway or structure. A surety bond shall be required if the~~
 7 ~~Department determines it is necessary to cover the cost of potential damage to pavement, bridges or other damages~~
 8 ~~incurred during the permitted move.~~

9 ~~(e) The maximum permissible weights for non-divisible loads are as follows:~~

10 ~~(1) The maximum single trip and annual permit weight allowed for a vehicle or vehicle combination~~
 11 ~~not including off-highway construction equipment is:~~

12 ~~(A) Steer Axle 20,000 pounds;~~

13 ~~(B) Single axle 25,000 pounds;~~

14 ~~(C) Tandem axle 50,000 pounds;~~

15 ~~(D) Tridem axle 60,000 pounds;~~

16 ~~(E) Four or more axle group 68,000 pounds;~~

17 ~~(F) Five or more axle group exceeding 68,000 pounds requires an engineering study;~~

18 ~~(G) Three axle single vehicle may have a maximum gross weight up to 70,000 pounds;~~

19 ~~(H) Four axle single vehicle may have a maximum gross weight up to 90,000 pounds;~~

20 ~~(I) Five axle single vehicle may have a maximum gross weight up to 94,500 pounds;~~

21 ~~(J) Five axle vehicle combination may have a maximum gross weight up to 112,000 pounds;~~

22 ~~(K) Six axle single vehicle may have a maximum gross weight up to 108,000 pounds;~~

23 ~~(L) Six axle vehicle combination may have a maximum gross weight up to 120,000 pounds;~~

24 ~~(M) Seven axle single vehicle may have a maximum gross weight up to 122,000 pounds;~~

25 ~~(N) Seven axle vehicle combination may have a maximum gross weight up to 132,000 pounds;~~

26 ~~and~~

27 ~~(O) Seven or more axle vehicle combination with a gross weight exceeding 132,000 pounds~~
 28 ~~requires an engineering study.~~

29 ~~(2) The maximum permit weight allowed for self-propelled off-highway construction equipment with~~
 30 ~~low pressure or low flotation tires is:~~

31 ~~(A) Single axle 37,000 pounds;~~

32 ~~(B) Tandem axle 50,000 pounds;~~

33 ~~(C) Two axle single vehicle may have a maximum gross weight up to 70,000 pounds;~~

34 ~~(D) Three axle single vehicle may have a maximum gross weight up to 80,000 pounds; and~~

35 ~~(E) Four axle single vehicle may have a maximum gross weight up to 90,000 pounds.~~

36 ~~(3) A vehicle combination consisting of a power unit and trailer hauling a sealed ship container may~~
 37 ~~qualify for a specific route overweight permit provided the vehicle:~~

1 (A) ~~Is going to or from a designated seaport (to include in state and out of state) and has been~~
2 ~~or shall be transported by marine shipment;~~

3 (B) ~~Is licensed for the maximum allowable weight for a 51-foot extreme wheelbase~~
4 ~~measurement specified in G.S. 20-118;~~

5 (C) ~~Does not exceed maximum dimensions of width, height and length specified in G.S. 20-~~
6 ~~116;~~

7 (D) ~~Is a vehicle combination with at least five axles; and~~

8 (E) ~~Has proper documentation (shippers bill of lading or trucking bill of lading) of sealed~~
9 ~~commodity being transported available for law enforcement officer inspection.~~

10 (f) ~~Overlength permits shall be limited as follows:~~

11 (1) ~~Single trip permits are limited to 105 feet inclusive of the towing vehicle. Approval may be given~~
12 ~~by the Central Permit Office for permitted loads in excess of 105 feet after review of geographic~~
13 ~~route of travel, consideration of local construction projects and other dimensions of the load;~~

14 (2) ~~Mobile or modular home units shall not exceed a length of 76 feet and a total overall length inclusive~~
15 ~~of the towing vehicle of 105 feet; and~~

16 (3) ~~Annual (blanket) permits shall not be issued for lengths to exceed 105 feet.~~

17 (g) ~~An Overheight Permit Application for heights in excess of 14 feet must be submitted in writing to the Central~~
18 ~~Permit Office at least two working days prior to the anticipated date of movement. An Overheight Permit Application~~
19 ~~for heights 14 feet and less must be submitted in writing or verbally to the Central Permit Office. The issuance of the~~
20 ~~permit does not imply nor guarantee the clearance for the permitted load and all vertical clearances shall be checked~~
21 ~~by the permittee prior to movement underneath.~~

22 (h) ~~Movement of all vehicles and vehicle combinations subject to this Rule shall be made as follows:~~

23 (1) ~~Movement shall be made between sunrise and sunset Monday through Saturday. Sunday travel may~~
24 ~~be authorized from sunrise to sunset after consideration of the overall permitted dimensions.~~
25 ~~Exception: A 16-foot wide mobile or modular home unit with a maximum 3-inch gutter edge is~~
26 ~~restricted to travel from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. A 16-foot wide unit is~~
27 ~~authorized to continue operation after 2:30 p.m., but not beyond sunset, when traveling on an~~
28 ~~approved route as determined by an engineering study and the unit is being exported out of state.~~
29 ~~Additional time restrictions may be set by the issuing office if it is in the best interest for safety or~~
30 ~~to expedite flow of traffic.~~

31 (2) ~~No movement is permitted for a vehicle and vehicle combination after noon on the weekday~~
32 ~~preceding the six holidays of New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day,~~
33 ~~Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day until noon on the weekday following a holiday. If the~~
34 ~~observed holiday falls on the weekend, travel is restricted from 12:00 noon on the preceding Friday~~
35 ~~until 12:00 noon on the following Monday.~~

36 (3) ~~Continuous travel (24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days per year) is authorized for any vehicle~~
37 ~~and vehicle combination up to but not to exceed a permitted gross weight of 112,000 pounds~~

1 provided the permitted vehicle has no other over legal dimension of width, height or length included
 2 in the permitted move. Exception: Self propelled equipment may be authorized for continuous
 3 travel with overhang (front or rear or both) not to exceed a total of 10 feet provided overhang is
 4 marked with high intensity glass bead retro reflective sheeting tape measuring 2 inches by 12 inches
 5 displayed on both sides and the end of the extension and on each side of the self propelled vehicle
 6 24 inches from the road surface at nearest feasible center point between the steer and drive axles.
 7 Any rear overhang must display a mounted brake light and a flashing amber light, 8 inches in
 8 diameter with a minimum candlepower of 800 watts.

9 (4) Permitted vehicles owned or leased by the same company or permitted vehicles originating at the
 10 same location shall travel at a distance of not less than two miles apart. Convoy travel is not
 11 authorized except as directed by law enforcement escort.

12 (5) If blades of construction equipment or front end loader buckets cannot be angled to extend no more
 13 than 14 feet across the roadway, they shall be removed. A blade, bucket or other attachment that is
 14 an original part of the equipment as manufactured may be removed and hauled with the equipment
 15 without being considered a divisible load.

16 (6) The speed of permitted moves shall be that which is reasonable and prudent for the load, considering
 17 weight and bulk, under conditions existing at the time; however, the maximum speed shall not
 18 exceed the posted speed limit. A towing unit and mobile or modular home combination shall not
 19 exceed a maximum speed of 60 miles per hour. The driver of the permitted vehicle shall avoid
 20 creating traffic congestion by periodically relinquishing the traffic way to allow the passage of
 21 following vehicles when a build up of traffic occurs.

22 (7) The object to be transported shall not be loaded or parked, day or night, on the highway right of way
 23 without permission from the office issuing the permit after confirmation of an emergency condition.

24 (8) No move shall be made when weather conditions render visibility less than 500 feet for a person or
 25 vehicle. Moves shall not be made when travel conditions are considered unsafe by the Division of
 26 Highways, State Highway Patrol or other Law Enforcement Officers having jurisdiction. Movement
 27 of a mobile or modular unit exceeding a width of 10 feet is prohibited when wind velocities exceed
 28 25 miles per hour in gusts.

29 (9) All obstructions, including traffic signals, signs and utility lines shall be removed prior to and
 30 replaced after the move at the expense of the mover, provided arrangements for and approval from
 31 the owner is obtained. Trees, shrubs, or official signs shall not be cut, trimmed or removed without
 32 approval from the Division of Highways District Engineer having jurisdiction over the area
 33 involved. In determining whether to grant approval, the district engineer shall consider the species,
 34 age and appearance of the tree or shrub in question and its contribution to the aesthetics of the area.

35 (10) The Department of Transportation may require escort vehicles to accompany oversize or overweight
 36 loads. The weight, width of load, width of pavement, height, length of combination, length of

1 overhang, maximum speed of vehicle, geographical route of travel, weather conditions and restricted
2 time of travel shall be considered to determine escort requirements.

3 (i) Additional safety measures are as follows:

- 4 (1) ~~A yellow banner measuring a total length of 7 feet x 18 inches high bearing the legend "Oversize~~
5 ~~Load" in 10 inch black letters 1.5 inch wide brush stroke shall be displayed in one or two pieces~~
6 ~~totaling the required length on the front and rear bumpers of a permitted vehicle and vehicle~~
7 ~~combination with a width greater than 10 feet. A towing unit mobile or modular home combination~~
8 ~~shall display banners of the size specified bearing the legend "Oversize _____ feet Load" identifying~~
9 ~~the actual width of the unit in transport. Escort vehicles shall display banners as specified in this~~
10 ~~Subparagraph with the exception of length to extend the entire width of the bumpers;~~
11 (2) ~~Red or orange flags measuring 18 inches square shall be displayed on all sides at the widest point~~
12 ~~of load for all loads in excess of 8 feet 6 inches wide but the flags shall be mounted so as not to~~
13 ~~increase the overall width of the load;~~
14 (3) ~~All permitted vehicles and vehicle combinations shall be equipped with tires of the size specified~~
15 ~~and the required number of axles equipped with operable brakes in good working condition as~~
16 ~~provided in North Carolina Statutes and Motor Carrier and Housing and Urban Development (HUD)~~
17 ~~regulations;~~
18 (4) ~~Rear view mirrors and other safety devices on towing units attached for movement of overwidth~~
19 ~~loads shall be removed or retracted to conform with legal width when unit is not towing or hauling~~
20 ~~such vehicle or load; and~~
21 (5) ~~Flashing amber lights shall be used as determined by the issuing permit office.~~

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3 **19A NCAC 02D .0633 ~~DENIAL: REVOCATION: REFUSAL TO RENEW: APPEAL: INVALIDATION~~**
4 **PERMITS – DECISIONS, APPEALS, AND ENFORCEMENT**

5 (a) A permit that is revoked or voided by the Chief Engineer's office shall be surrendered without any refund of fees.
6 An oversize or overweight permit application may be denied for a period of up to six months upon written
7 documentation that the applicant operated in violation of any of the rules contained in this Section, or any state or
8 local law or any rule or ordinance regulating the operation of oversize or overweight vehicles. Repeated violations
9 may result in a permanent denial of the right to use State highway system for transportation of oversize/overweight
10 loads or vehicles. An oversize/overweight permit may be revoked and considered void by the Chief Engineer's office
11 upon inspection and written documentation that the permittee:

- 12 (1) violated either the terms and conditions of the permit, state or local laws, or ordinances regulating
13 the operation of oversize and overweight vehicles;
14 (2) misrepresented, fraudulently obtained, altered, or used in an unauthorized manner any information
15 on the permit application; and
16 (3) operated or is currently operating a vehicle or vehicle combination in violation of the General
17 Statutes of North Carolina, these rules, the authorized route of travel, time of movement, escort
18 requirements, axle weights, number of axles, or any other conditions of the permit.

19 ~~An oversize or overweight permit may be revoked and considered void by the Chief Engineer or his designee upon~~
20 ~~inspection and written documentation that the permittee violated the terms and conditions of the permit, or state and~~
21 ~~local laws and ordinances regulating the operation of oversize and overweight vehicles. A permit may also be revoked~~
22 ~~or considered void if information on the permit application is misrepresented, if the permit is obtained fraudulently, if~~
23 ~~the permit is altered, or if the permit is used in an unauthorized manner. Permits may be revoked or considered void~~
24 ~~by the Chief Engineer or his designee if the vehicle or vehicle combination is found by a law enforcement officer to~~
25 ~~be operating in violation of the authorized route of travel, time of movement, escort requirements, axle weights,~~
26 ~~number of axles, or any other special conditions of the permit that may damage North Carolina highway infrastructure~~
27 ~~or create unsafe travel conditions for the motoring public. A permit that is determined by the Chief Engineer or his~~
28 ~~designee to be revoked or void must be surrendered without consideration for refund of fees to the law enforcement~~
29 ~~officer for delivery to the Chief Engineer or his designee.~~

30 (b) ~~No permit application shall be denied or renewal refused or an issued permit revoked~~ denied, renewal refused,
31 permit revoked, ~~or considered void until a~~ unless the Chief Engineer's office provides verbal or written
32 notice of the denial of permit request or revocation of the issued permit has been furnished to the permittee. The
33 permittee may appeal in writing to the Chief Engineer's office ~~Engineer or his designee~~ within 10 business days of
34 the permittee receiving notice, receipt of a verbal or written notice of such denial or revocation. The ~~If a hearing is~~
35 ~~requested, [pursuant to G.S. 20-374,] the Chief Engineer's office~~ Engineer or his designee shall send a provide the
36 permittee with written notice, sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, not no fewer than 10 business
37 days prior to the scheduled date of the hearing. The Chief Engineer's office ~~Engineer or his designee~~ shall provide to

1 ~~the permittee a written decision~~ decision, sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the permittee within 10
2 business days from the date of the hearing.

3 (c) A permittee who ~~has had~~ has permit privileges suspended or revoked by the Chief ~~Engineer's office~~ Engineer or
4 ~~his designee may,~~ may make a written appeal to the Secretary of Transportation within 15 days following the date
5 listed on the return receipt, notification of the adverse action, ~~make written appeal to the Secretary of Transportation~~
6 ~~for review of the suspension or revocation.~~ The Secretary of Transportation or the Secretary's designee ~~may~~ affirm
7 or set aside the suspension or revocation based on a review of the written appeal, the suspension or revocation decision,
8 as well as any available documents, exhibits or other evidence bearing on the appeal. The individual appealing shall
9 be advised of the final disposition of the action within 21 days following receipt of the appeal.

10 (d) [Enforcement.] The following pertains to enforcement, inspections, and alternate routes as set out in this Rule.

11 (1) Law enforcement officers may perform on-site inspections at the point of manufacture or dealer lot
12 for mobile or modular homes ready for shipment. Notification of violations shall be submitted by
13 enforcement personnel to the Central Permit Office.

14 (2) Irrespective of the route shown on the permit, a permitted vehicle shall travel an alternate route if:

15 (A) directed by a law enforcement officer with jurisdiction;

16 (B) directed to follow a specific route, for weighing purposes, by an official traffic control
17 [device;] device; or

18 (C) the specified route on the permit is detoured by an officially erected highway sign, traffic
19 control devices, or law enforcement officer. If the specified route on the permit is detoured
20 by an officially erected highway sign, traffic control device, or law enforcement officer,
21 the driver of the permitted vehicle shall contact the Central Permit Office or the issuing
22 field office for house move permits [as soon as reasonably possible] for clearance of route
23 or revision of the permit.

24 ~~An oversize or overweight permit application may be denied for a period of up to six months upon written~~
25 ~~documentation that the applicant operated in violation of any of the rules contained in this Section, or any state and~~
26 ~~local law or any rule or ordinance regulating the operation of oversize or overweight vehicles. Repeated violations~~
27 ~~may result in a permanent denial of the right to use the N.C. State Highway System of roads for transportation of~~
28 ~~oversize or overweight loads or vehicles.~~

30 *History Note:* Authority G.S. 20-119; 20-360; 20-361; 20-367; 20-369; 20-371; 136-18(5); 143B-346; 143B-
31 350(f);

32 *Eff. July 1, 1978;*

33 *Amended Eff. November 1, 1993; October 1, 1991; April 1, 1984; April 11, 1980;*

34 *Temporary Rule Eff. October 1, 2000;*

35 *Amended Eff. December 1, 2012; April 1, 2009; August 1, 2002;*

36 *Readopted Eff. July 1, 2019.*

1 19A NCAC 02D .0643 is readopted as published in 33:18 NCR 1886-1889 with changes as follows:

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3 **19A NCAC 02D .0643 ESCORT VEHICLE DRIVER CERTIFICATION**
4 ~~On or after July 1, 2003, when~~When an escort vehicle is required, escort vehicle drivers shall be certified in accordance
5 with 19A NCAC 02D .0644. Certification credentials shall be carried in the vehicle and shall be ~~readily~~available for
6 inspection by law enforcement officials with jurisdiction.

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8 *History Note: Authority G.S. 20-119;*
9 *Temporary Adoption Eff. March 11, 2002;*
10 *Eff. April 1, 2003;*
11 *Readopted Eff. July 1, 2019.*

1 19A NCAC 02D .0644 is readopted as published in 33:18 NCR 1886-1889 with changes as follows:

2
3 **19A NCAC 02D .0644 ~~OVERSIZE-OVERWEIGHT~~ OVERSIZE/OVERWEIGHT LOAD ESCORT**
4 **VEHICLE OPERATOR CERTIFICATION PROGRAM**

5 (a) ~~The Secretary of Transportation or his~~ the Secretary's ~~designee shall administer an~~ Oversize Overweight
6 [Oversize/Overweight] Load Escort Vehicle Operator Certification Program as required by G.S. 20-119.

7 (b) ~~The~~ escort vehicle operator certification program ~~[Escort Vehicle Operator Certification Program]~~ shall include
8 the following: Prior to obtaining certification as an oversize/overweight load escort vehicle operator, a person shall
9 complete a program that provides instruction on escort skills and shall pass an examination. The escort vehicle operator
10 certification program shall provide for reciprocity with other states having similar escort certification programs.

11 (1) ~~Instruction~~ [instruction] ~~[on safe and effective escort~~ skills;] ~~skills.~~

12 (2) ~~Examination~~ [examination] ~~[that documents course~~ [comprehension;] ~~comprehension.~~

13 (3) ~~Recognition~~ [recognition] ~~[of escort vehicle operator~~ [certification; and] ~~certification.~~

14 (4) ~~Recognition~~ [recognition] ~~[of escort vehicle operator certification from other states~~ which ~~[that] have~~
15 certification programs for operators with out of state driver's license.

16 (c) ~~The department shall~~ Department will ~~issue a certificate which~~ [that] ~~provides recognition of satisfactory~~
17 completion of the instruction.

18 (1) ~~The certificate shall be effective for four years from~~ the ~~issue date.~~

19 (2) ~~The certificate shall be reissued upon satisfactory completion of a current certification examination~~
20 administered by North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) training providers.

21 (d)(b) Any person seeking [authorization] ~~to be certified as an operator~~ authorized to escort a permitted ~~[to escort an]~~
22 oversize overweight oversize/overweight load escort vehicle operator in North Carolina shall ~~make~~ submit an
23 application to NCDOT ~~the Department~~ and attach a State certified copy of their driving record. The application shall
24 contain the applicant's name and contact information; driver's license number and state; physical and demographic
25 identification information; school name, location, and date of class; and Social Security number if the applicant is
26 applying with an out-of-state driver's license. Any person ~~[seeking authorization under this paragraph]~~ seeking to be
27 certified as an oversize/overweight load escort vehicle operator shall be qualified as follows:

28 (1) ~~An~~ an ~~escort certified by another state's approved program;~~

29 (2) ~~A~~ a ~~North Carolina law enforcement officer; or~~

30 (3) ~~A~~ a ~~person who:~~

31 (A) is at least 21 years of age or 18 years of age with a Class A commercial driver's license;
32 Meets one of the following requirements:

33 (i) ~~Is at least 21 years of age; or~~

34 (ii) ~~Is at least 18 years of age with a Class A commercial driver's license;~~

35 (B) ~~Possesses~~ possesses a valid driver's license without restrictions other than for the use of
36 corrective lens lenses and has demonstrated evidence of operating a motor vehicle safely
37 which includes shall not have received a citation in the previous 12 months for operating a

1 ~~vehicle in a reckless manner or driving while impaired; impaired in the previous 12 months.~~
 2 ~~The driving record shall be documented by a certified copy of Division of Motor Vehicles~~
 3 ~~(DMV) Driver's Record accompanying the application;~~

4 (C) ~~Possesses~~ possesses and provides with their application documentation of their
 5 [satisfactory] completion of a defensive driving course that has been approved by the
 6 National Safety Council; and Council or an equivalent course; and

7 (D) ~~Has~~ has received a certification examination score of at least 75 percent after completing
 8 ~~successfully completed the all eight~~ classroom-hours of the North Carolina Department of
 9 ~~Transportation-Oversize Overweight~~ Oversize/Overweight Load Escort Vehicle Operator
 10 Certification Program. The [Oversize/Overweight Load Escort Vehicle Operator
 11 Certification Program]program is ~~program~~ offered by the North Carolina Community
 12 ~~College System. System with a certification examination score of at least 75% correct and~~
 13 ~~has received escort certification by the Department.~~

14 (c) Upon completion of the requirements set forth in this Rule, the Department shall issue a certificate that provides
 15 recognition of completion of the escort vehicle operator certification program. The certificate shall be effective for
 16 four years from the issue date and reissued upon completion of a current escort certification program examination
 17 administered by Department training providers.

18 ~~(e)(d) Certification~~ An authorized operator's certification shall be revoked during its effective period upon any of the
 19 following occurrences; for the following:

- 20 (1) ~~Failure~~ failure to maintain a valid driver's license without restrictions other than for corrective
 21 ~~lenses; lens;~~ or
 22 (2) ~~Failure~~ failure to operate a motor vehicle safely as evidenced by receiving a conviction for operating
 23 a vehicle in a reckless manner, driving while impaired, or other evidence that the operator performed
 24 their escort duties in a manner likely to cause an accident, personal injury, or damage to property.
 25 ~~safely. Conviction of operating in a reckless manner or driving while impaired shall constitute prima~~
 26 ~~facie evidence of not operating a motor vehicle in a safe manner; or~~
 27 (3) ~~Evidence of performing the duties of an escort driver in a manner with the potential to cause an~~
 28 ~~accident, personal injury, or damage to property.~~

29 ~~(f)(c) If certification is~~ shall be ~~revoked under pursuant to this Rule. Section,~~ subsequent certification as an Escort
 30 ~~Vehicle Operator shall require reapplication, satisfaction of program prerequisites, and requalification through the~~
 31 ~~certification program.~~

32 ~~(g)(f) An individual who has had his or her certificate revoked may,~~ may make written appeal within 15 days following
 33 ~~notification of the adverse action, make written appeal action to the Secretary of Transportation for review of the~~
 34 ~~revocation. The Secretary may affirm or set aside the revocation based on a review of the written appeal, the~~
 35 ~~revocation decision, as well as any available documents, exhibits, or other evidence bearing on the appeal. The~~
 36 ~~individual appealing will~~ shall be advised of the final disposition ~~of the action~~ within 21 days following receipt of the
 37 ~~appeal.~~

1 ~~(h)~~(g) The Secretary of Transportation or ~~his~~ the Secretary's designee shall only recognize certificates of other states
2 ~~whose if those programs meet the State objectives of North Carolina's as outlined in this Rule and G.S. 20-119.~~
3 program for operators with out of state driver's license.

4 ~~(i) Escort Vehicle Operator certification [Certification] and a valid driver's license shall be available in the escort~~
5 ~~vehicle for inspection [at all times.] whenever the operator is performing the role of escort.~~

6 ~~(j) Failure to conform to the escort requirements of this Rule shall result in penalties imposed in G.S. 20-119(d).~~

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8 *History Note: Authority G.S. 20-119;*
9 *Temporary Adoption Eff. March 11, 2002;*
10 *Eff. April 1, 2003;*
11 *Amended Eff. April 1, 2009;*
12 *Readopted Eff. July 1, 2019.*

1 19A NCAC 02E .0402 is readopted as published in 33:18 NCR 1886-1889 with changes as follows:

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3 **19A NCAC 02E .0402 PILING OBSTRUCTIONS ON HIGHWAYS OR WITHIN RIGHT OF WAY**

4 It shall be unlawful to pile, ~~place~~ place, or leave, ~~or cause to be piled,~~ placed ~~[placed,~~ or left temporarily or
5 permanently, any trash, refuse, garbage, lumber, logs, cordwood, tree-laps, scrapped automobile, scrapped truck or
6 part thereof, or any other material upon any road, highway, or shoulders thereof, within the right-of-way, or over the
7 ditches or drainways ~~road or highway or the shoulders thereof, or within the right of way or over the ditches or~~
8 ~~drainways~~ of any road or highway of the ~~state~~ State highway system.

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10 *History Note: Authority G.S. 136-18(5); 136-90;*

11 *Eff. July 1, 1978;*

12 *Readopted Eff. July 1, 2019.*

1 19A NCAC 02E .0403 is readopted as published in 33:18 NCR 1886-1889 with changes as follows:

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3 **19A NCAC 02E .0403 DEPOSITING MUD ON STATE HIGHWAYS**
4 No person operating a vehicle with "dual wheels" or a vehicle equipped with ~~four wheel~~ ~~four-wheel~~ drive shall track
5 ~~or cause~~ mud ~~onto to be deposited on the paved portion of~~ any state ~~paved portion of any~~ State highway so as to create
6 a ~~safety~~ hazard to the traveling public. ~~Any person who causes or permits mud to be tracked or deposited by a vehicle~~
7 ~~with dual wheels or a vehicle equipped with four wheel drive shall immediately remove the same or cause it to be~~
8 ~~removed.~~

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10 *History Note: Authority G.S. 136-18(5); 136-90;*
11 *Eff. July 1, 1978;*
12 *Amended Eff. November 1, 1993;*
13 *Readopted Eff. July 1, 2019.*

1 19A NCAC 02E .0404 is readopted as published in 33:18 NCR 1886-1889 with changes as follows:

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3 **19A NCAC 02E .0404 HIGHWAY OBSTRUCTIONS INTERFERING WITH**
4 **TRAFFIC/MAINTENANCE**

5 ~~Highway obstructions include driveway headwalls, fences, rural mailboxes, newspaper delivery boxes and other~~
6 ~~roadside obstructions interfering with traffic or maintenance.~~

7 (a) — (1) — It shall be unlawful to place any highway obstruction, ~~including~~ including, but not limited to, a
8 driveway headwall, fence, rural mailbox, newspaper delivery ~~box~~ box, or other roadside obstruction,
9 so as to interfere with the traffic or maintenance of the roads and highways of the ~~state~~ State highway
10 system.

11 (b) — (2) — If the ~~department determines~~, Department determines that any highway obstruction, ~~including~~
12 [including, but not limited to,] a driveway headwall, fence, rural mailbox, newspaper delivery box,
13 its supports supports, or other roadside obstruction, constitutes an unreasonable a roadside collision
14 hazard, the highway obstruction shall be removed by the person or entity responsible for placing the
15 obstruction within the ~~right of way~~ right-of-way within 30 days of receipt of a written notice from
16 the ~~Department~~, department to the person responsible for placing the obstruction within the right of
17 way. Only mailboxes or newspaper delivery boxes with 4" x 4" wooden or small diameter metal
18 posts shall be permitted on road additions made to the State highway system after May 3, 1990. If
19 determined to be a roadside collision hazard, the location of any brick column, mailboxes, or
20 newspaper delivery boxes, on rigid stands such as block, stone, or any other type of material, shall
21 be prohibited within the State highway system right-of-way.

22 (c) If a person fails to remove the highway obstruction in accordance with Paragraph (b) of this Rule,
23 the Division Engineer may take action to remove the obstruction and bill the responsible party for
24 the expense.

25 [(c)] (3) — Only mailboxes or newspaper delivery boxes with non rigid type posts, such as a 4" x 4" wooden
26 or a small diameter metal type, are [posts shall be]permitted on road additions made to the state
27 State highway system after May 3, 1990.[If determined to be a traffic hazard, the location of any
28 brick column, mailboxes, or newspaper delivery boxes, on rigid stands such as block, stone, or any
29 other type of material, shall be prohibited within the State highway system right of way.] The
30 location within the right of way of an addition to the system of any brick columns, mailboxes or
31 newspaper delivery boxes on rigid stands such as block, stone, or any other type determined to be a
32 traffic hazard is prohibited.

33 [(d)] (4) — The failure of the person [party,]responsible for placing the unlawful obstruction within the right
34 of way, [State highway system right of way,]to remove the obstruction within 30 days after [of
35 receiving]written notice by the Department of Transportation shall constitute a misdemeanor.
36 Failure to remove or make safe any mailbox or newspaper delivery box, its supports or any other
37 obstruction within the specified 30 days of this Rule shall be cause for the Department's Division

1 ~~Engineer to take action to remove the unacceptable mailbox or newspaper delivery box, its supports~~
2 ~~or other obstruction [obstructive]installation and also bill the responsible party for the expense of~~
3 ~~[removal.] removal if appropriate.~~

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5 *History Note: Authority G.S. 136-18(5); 136-90; ~~136-93; 143B-350(f)(13);~~*
6 *Eff. July 1, 1978;*
7 *Amended Eff. November 1, 1993; October 1, 1991;*
8 *Readopted Eff. July 1, 2019.*

1 19A NCAC 02E .0405 is readopted as published in 33:18 NCR 1886-1889 with changes as follows:

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3 **19A NCAC 02E .0405 ~~MOVING VEHICLES WHICH DAMAGE~~ TO STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM**
4 **SURFACE OR SHOULDER**

5 It shall be unlawful to move on, over, or across the surface or shoulder of any State highway system bridge, road, road,
6 or highway, including shoulders thereof, of the state highway system any object, tractor, engine, farm equipment
7 equipment, or vehicle of any kind that has wheels or objects of any kind attached thereto that will could cut, mutilate
8 mutilate, or damage the surface or shoulder of the any State highway system bridge, road, or highway or shoulders
9 thereof without the written permission of the Chief Engineer's office. Engineer or his authorized agent. The Chief
10 Engineer or the Chief Engineer's designee shall consider factors such as the ability of the road or bridge to handle the
11 equipment without damage, planned protection of the roadway or bridge to prevent damage, planned traffic control
12 and law enforcement assistance to safely move the equipment, and day and time of the planned move to evaluate
13 potential disruptions to the traveling public.

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15 *History Note: Authority G.S. 20-115; 20-119; 136-18(5);*
16 *Eff. July 1, 1978;*
17 *Amended Eff. December 1, 2012;*
18 *Readopted Eff. July 1, 2019.*

1 19A NCAC 02E .0406 was readopted as published in 33:18 NCR 1886-1889 and is repealed as follows:

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3 **19A NCAC 02E .0406 VEHICLES SERVED BY SERVICE STATION**

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5 *History Note: Authority G.S. 136-18(5); 136-90;*

6 *Eff. July 1, 1978;*

7 *Repealed Eff. July 1, 2019.*

1 19A NCAC 02E .0407 is readopted as published in 33:18 NCR 1886-1889 with changes as follows:

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3 **19A NCAC 02E .0407 CONTROL AND REGULATION OF ROADSIDE PARKS AND REST AREAS**

4 **(a)** It shall be unlawful, within any scenic service overlook, ~~rest area rest area,~~ or other designated parking area on
5 the primary and secondary roads and highways of the ~~state,~~ State, for any person, ~~firm firm,~~ or corporation to erect
6 tents, booths, or structures of any kind for camping or any other activity; to ~~create loud music or other objectionable~~
7 ~~create, cause, or allow any unreasonably loud or disturbing~~ noise; ~~except as permitted pursuant to 19A NCAC 2E~~
8 ~~.0800 of the North Carolina Administrative Code,~~ to solicit contributions, names, ~~support support,~~ or for any ~~other~~
9 ~~purpose; other purpose,~~ except as permitted pursuant to ~~19A NCAC 2E .0800 of the North Carolina Administrative~~
10 ~~Code;~~ **Section .0800 of this Subchapter** to conduct or participate in public or private auctions and other ceremonies;
11 to distribute tracts, pamphlets, favors or any material, product or literature; to erect displays, signs, or carry on any
12 commercial activity; to use public address ~~systems;~~ **such as loud speakers;** to distribute or use alcoholic beverages;
13 ~~endanger the life, property, and welfare of the traveling public.~~ ~~to engage in disorderly conduct or use vulgar, obscene~~
14 ~~or profane language; or, [or] to commit any nuisance producing a material annoyance, inconvenience, hurt, discomfort,~~
15 ~~or that is dangerous to the life, property [property,] and welfare of the traveling public.~~

16 **(b) For the purposes of this Rule, the following definitions apply.**

17 **(1)** **“Unreasonably loud noise” means a noise which is incompatible with the time and location where**
18 **created to the extent that it creates an actual or imminent interference with peace, order, or calm of**
19 **the area, or which is obnoxious to, or unreasonably disturbing to, a person whose residence, work,**
20 **or commercial enterprise is within a reasonable proximity to the point, place, or person from whom**
21 **the noise is emanating, or emanated, and the noise is of such a kind, nature, duration, or extent that**
22 **a reasonable person would consider the noise to be unreasonably loud or disturbing.**

23 **(2)** **“Disturbing noise” means a noise which is perceived by a person of reasonable and ordinary**
24 **firmness and sensibilities as interrupting the normal peace, order, and calm of such person, or**
25 **persons, or tending to annoy, disturb, or frighten such persons in such proximity to the point, place,**
26 **or person from whom the noise is emanating, or emanated.**

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28 *History Note: Authority G.S. 136-18(9); 136-125;*
29 *Eff. July 1, 1978;*
30 *Amended Eff. October 1, 1991; August 1, 1986;*
31 *Readopted Eff. July 1, 2019.*

1 19A NCAC 02E .0408 is readopted as published in 33:18 NCR 1886-1889 with changes as follows:

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3 **19A NCAC 02E .0408 FISHING FROM BRIDGES**

4 It shall be unlawful to fish from any bridge on any ~~interstate, controlled access highway, or other portion of the State~~
5 ~~highway system.]~~ interstate or other controlled access highway.

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7 *History Note:* Authority *G.S. 136-18(5); 136-89.50; ~~136-102.5~~; 153A-242; 160A-302.1;*

8 *Eff. July 1, 1978;*

9 *Readopted Eff. July 1, 2019.*

1 19A NCAC 02E .0409 is readopted as published in 33:18 NCR 1886-1889 with changes as follows:

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3 **19A NCAC 02E .0409 OPERATING NONMOTORIZED VEHICLES**

4 ~~It is~~ Unless otherwise authorized by the Board of Transportation, it shall be unlawful for any person to ride any animal,
5 or to operate a ~~bicycle or~~ bicycle, horse drawn ~~wagon wagon,~~ or any nonmotorized vehicle or moped on any ~~interstate,~~ interstate or controlled access ~~highway, or other portion of the State highway system.~~ highway, interstate
6 or other fully controlled access highway.
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9 *History Note:* Authority G.S. 136-18(5); ~~143B-350(f);~~

10 *Eff. July 1, 1978;*

11 *Amended Eff. June 15, 1981;*

12 *Readopted Eff. July 1, 2019.*

1 19A NCAC 02E .0410 is readopted as published in 33:18 NCR 1886-1889 with changes as follows:

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3 **19A NCAC 02E .0410 HITCHHIKING ON INTERSTATE OR CONTROLLED ACCESS HIGHWAYS**

4 (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to hitchhike or to solicit rides, or for the driver of any vehicle to stop for the
5 purpose of picking up one who is hitchhiking or soliciting a ride, on any interstate or ~~fully~~ controlled access highway.

6 (b) ~~Nothing herein. This Rule shall not~~ shall prohibit an operator or passengers in a vehicle stopped on a controlled
7 access facility by reason of any emergency, mechanical ~~failure-failure.~~ or other failure of the vehicle to operate, from
8 requesting aid or soliciting a ride, nor does it prohibit the operator of any other vehicle from stopping to render aid or
9 assistance and giving rides in such situations.

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11 *History Note: Authority G.S. 136-18(5); 136-89.50;*
12 *Eff. July 1, 1978;*
13 *Readopted Eff. July 1, 2019.*

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1 19A NCAC 02E .0423 is readopted as published in 33:18 NCR 1886-1889 with changes as follows:

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3 **19A NCAC 02E .0423 REGULATION OF AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION**

4 (a) ~~In order to preserve safe clearances between highways and airways, except~~Except as otherwise provided by this
5 Rule, all construction or alteration of airports or aircraft landing areas on any part of land adjoining any public highway
6 or in close proximity, shall be in conformity with the Federal Air Regulations, Title 14, Chapter I, Part 77, Subpart C,
7 Code of Federal Regulations, which is incorporated by reference ~~into this Rule, includes including~~ any subsequent
8 editions or amendments. Copies of these regulations are available at no cost to the public by visiting
9 <https://www.govinfo.gov>. Close proximity, as referenced in this Paragraph, shall be assessed on a case-by-case basis
10 according to the orientation of the landing area, and its respective alignment to the public highway.~~The document is~~
11 ~~available from the Superintendent of Documents, Mail Stop SSOP, Washington, DC 20402-9328, at a cost of twenty~~
12 ~~nine dollars (\$29.00).~~

13 (b) No ~~such~~ construction or alteration as referenced in Paragraph (a) of this Rule shall be undertaken without having
14 first obtained ~~a written permit~~ an Aircraft Landing Area Permit from the ~~Department.~~ North Carolina Department of
15 Transportation or its duly authorized officers. An Aircraft Landing Area Permit shall be approved upon confirmation
16 of satisfaction, by written documentation, of the clearance requirements detailed in Paragraph (a), all applicable
17 requirements by the county or municipality, and Federal regulations. All construction or alteration shall be in
18 accordance with the Aircraft Landing Area Permit.~~written permit.~~ ~~No permit shall be issued if the proposed~~
19 ~~construction or alteration is not in accordance with subsection above.~~ Except for highways on the Federal-aid highway
20 system, the Board of Transportation ~~may, however, in its discretion, shall~~ authorize a permit at variance with the
21 foregoing Federal Aviation Administration standards ~~when if~~ it determines that the construction or alteration of the
22 aircraft landing area will not result in a public road being a hazard to air navigation. The Department's determination
23 of whether a public road is a hazard to air navigation shall be dependent on the type of aircraft, orientation of the
24 landing ~~area and~~ area, and its respective alignment to the public highway, traffic, and utilities.

25 (c) Applicants seeking an Aircraft Landing Area Permit shall provide the Department with all plans, designs,
26 estimates, and supporting data at the time the application is made.~~Any person, firm, or corporation seeking a permit~~
27 ~~for the construction or alteration of any airport or aircraft landing areas shall, at the time application is made for said~~
28 ~~permit, submit to the North Carolina Department of Transportation the plans and designs of the proposed construction~~
29 ~~or alteration, along with such estimates and supporting data as the department may require.~~ The estimates and data
30 required may include, ~~but shall not necessarily be limited to,~~ topographical surveys of the airport or aircraft landing
31 area site and surrounding areas, including the proposed construction or alteration, with particular references to
32 highways in the vicinity; hydrographic surveys, with particular reference to the effect that the proposed construction
33 or alteration will have upon drainage patterns; and area maps,~~and airport traffic patterns~~ patterns, and approach
34 surfaces.

35 (d) ~~The provisions of this ordinance~~ This Rule shall not apply to publicly owned and operated airports and aircraft
36 landing areas receiving Federal funds and subject to regulation by the Federal Aviation Administration, nor shall ~~the~~

1 ~~provisions of this ordinance~~ Rule be construed to prohibit necessary repairs from being made to or on any airport
2 facilities regardless of their present location.

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4 *History Note: Authority G.S. 136-18(22);*
5 *Eff. November 1, 1985;*
6 *Amended Eff. November 1, 1993;*
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3 **19A NCAC 02E .0426 ACCESS ROUTES FOR STAA DIMENSIONED VEHICLES**

4 The following definitions and ~~procedures~~ requirements set forth in this Rule shall apply to ~~this [Rule.]~~ Rule: access
5 routes for Surface Transportation Assistance Act (STAA) dimensioned vehicles.

6 (1) DEFINITIONS: Definitions.

7 (a) "Twin trailer truck" means a vehicle combination consisting of a truck-tractor and two
8 trailing units, with a width not to exceed 102 inches, as authorized by G.S. 20-115.1. ~~STAA~~
9 ~~(Surface Transportation Assistance Act) Dimensioned Vehicles are described as follows:~~

10 (i) ~~— A "twin trailer truck" is a vehicle combination consisting of a truck tractor and~~
11 ~~two trailing units, 102 inches wide, as authorized by G.S. 20-115.1.~~

12 (ii) ~~— A "48 foot Semi trailer truck" is a vehicle combination consisting of a~~
13 ~~truck tractor and one trailer 48 feet in length, 102 inches wide, as authorized by~~
14 ~~G.S. 20-115.1.~~

15 (iii) ~~— A "53 foot Semi Trailer truck" is a vehicle combination consisting of a~~
16 ~~truck tractor and one trailer 53 feet in length, 102 inches wide, and a "kingpin"~~
17 ~~axle distance of 41 feet, as authorized by G.S. 20-115.1 and G.S. 20-116.~~

18 (b) ~~The "The National Truck Network" Network is~~ means a network of interstate, federal-aid
19 primary, and other highway routes within the State that have been designated by the
20 Department for motor vehicle combination use pursuant to G.S. 20-115.1(g) or the United
21 States Secretary of Transportation consisting of the Interstate and certain Federal aid
22 Primary highways designated for [Surface Transportation Assistance Act (STAA)] STAA
23 dimensioned vehicle use. State highway system roads designated by the Department
24 pursuant to G.S. 20-115.1(g) shall herein be referred to as the "North Carolina Truck
25 Network." use by the U.S. Secretary of Transportation, and other highway routes that have
26 been designated for this type vehicle use by the North Carolina Department of
27 Transportation under the authority of G.S. 20-115.1(g).

28 (c) "Terminal" means any location where:

29 (i) ~~Freight~~ freight either originates, terminates, or is handled in the transportation
30 process, process; or

31 (ii) ~~Commercial~~ commercial motor carriers maintain operating facilities.

32 (d) ~~"Reasonable Access" The term "reasonable access" means provisions for STAA~~
33 ~~dimensioned vehicle access to terminals and services from the National Truck Network, as~~
34 ~~follows:~~

35 (i) ~~Terminals Located Within Three Road Miles of the National Truck Network:~~

- 1 (A) ~~Reasonable access shall be deemed to be the use of the most reasonable,~~
2 ~~and practical route(s) available for access to terminals, and services for~~
3 ~~gas, food, lodging, and repairs.~~
- 4 (B) ~~An access route(s) may only be denied by the Department of~~
5 ~~Transportation based on specific safety reasons on individual routes.~~
- 6 (ii) ~~Terminals Located Beyond Three Road Miles of the National Truck Network:~~
- 7 (A) ~~Reasonable access shall be deemed to be the use of only those routes~~
8 ~~specifically authorized by the Department of Transportation, or provided~~
9 ~~for in this Rule, for access to terminals.~~
- 10 (B) ~~Authorization by the Department of Transportation shall consist of an~~
11 ~~application review and approval process for these access routes, as~~
12 ~~provided in this Rule.~~
- 13 (e) "Vehicle Template" ~~is~~ means a drawing of the radius of a twin trailer which tracks the
14 radius of turns turn used to determine the route design necessary to accommodate the
15 vehicle.
- 16 (e) "Short-cut" means a route used for the purpose of connecting two National or North
17 Carolina Truck Network routes.
- 18 (f) ~~"STAA" means Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982 and is the enabling federal~~
19 ~~legislation which allows twin trailers to travel on interstate highways and other approved~~
20 ~~routes.~~
- 21 (2) ~~REASONABLE ACCESS PROCEDURES:~~ Reasonable Access Requirements.
- 22 (a) ~~STAA dimensioned vehicles are allowed "reasonable access" between terminals and the~~
23 ~~National Truck Network only in accordance with this Section.~~
- 24 (b) No filing or authorization by the Department shall be required for ~~For~~ access to terminals
25 and service facilities located within three road miles of the National or North Carolina
26 Truck Network. ~~Network no filing or authorization by the Department of Transportation is~~
27 ~~required.~~
- 28 (e)(b) The following requirements shall apply for ~~For~~ access to terminals located beyond three
29 road miles from the National or North Carolina Truck Network. ~~Truck Network the~~
30 ~~following procedures apply:~~
- 31 (i) ~~Access routes approved prior to June 1, 1991~~ 1991, ~~for any one particular type of~~
32 ~~STAA dimensioned vehicle are approved for all STAA dimensioned vehicles for~~
33 ~~access purposes only.~~
- 34 (ii) ~~Terminal officials and truck operators shall submit an application for a proposed~~
35 ~~new access route(s)route to the State Traffic Engineer of the Department of~~
36 ~~Transportation for approval. The application shall be~~ on a form ~~provided by the~~
37 ~~State Traffic Engineer. The contents of the application shall include the type of~~

1 route designation requested, and name and contact information of the requesting
 2 party. The submittal shall also include a map, or photocopy of a portion of a map,
 3 showing the proposed access route(s) or changes to an existing approved access
 4 route(s) and the terminal location. The State Traffic Engineer may be reached at
 5 919-814-5100 or 750 N. Greenfield Parkway, Garner, North Carolina 27529.

6 (iii) The State Traffic Engineer may seek advice from the State Highway Patrol, the
 7 Division of Motor Vehicles, or other law enforcement officials concerning the
 8 application.

9 (iv) Public notice of all applications for "reasonable access" pursuant to ~~this~~ Paragraph
 10 (2)(c) shall be published by the Department of Transportation in a newspaper
 11 regularly circulated in the ~~affected~~ area of the State where access is requested.
 12 State. The notice shall be published at least once a week on the same day of the
 13 week for two consecutive weeks. ~~In addition, governing~~ Governing bodies of
 14 incorporated municipalities ~~will~~ shall be notified by the Department ~~of~~
 15 Transportation of all applications within their jurisdictions.

16 (v) Access Route Review and Evaluation:

17 (A) ~~The review and evaluation process of access routes will utilize the~~
 18 ~~application of vehicle templates where suitable roadway plans or~~
 19 ~~photographs are available for the requested route(s). Where such plans~~
 20 ~~or photographs are not available and the use of vehicle templates is not~~
 21 ~~practical, the State Traffic Engineer shall require the terminal official or~~
 22 ~~truck operator requesting the access route(s) to furnish an appropriate~~
 23 ~~STAA dimensioned test vehicle and driver for the purpose of observing~~
 24 ~~the test vehicle traverse the requested access route(s). The State Traffic~~
 25 ~~Engineer shall approve or deny all applications for proposed new~~
 26 ~~accessed routes based upon the application of vehicle templates,~~
 27 ~~roadway plans, and photographs. If plans or photographs are not~~
 28 ~~available or the use of vehicle templates is not practical, the terminal~~
 29 ~~official or truck operator shall provide a STAA dimensioned test vehicle~~
 30 ~~and driver for the purpose of observing the text vehicle traverse the~~
 31 ~~requested access route.~~

32 (vi) Safety factors that shall be taken into consideration when reviewing and
 33 evaluating requested access [routes(s)]route shall include, [but not be limited to,]
 34 traffic congestion, traffic volume, route length, vehicle mix, geometric design of
 35 the highway, intersection geometrics, width of the shoulders, width of the
 36 pavement, super-elevation of the pavement, pavement conditions, at-grade
 37 railroad crossings, stopping sight distance, percentage passing sight distance,

1 speed limits, vertical and horizontal alignments, ability of other vehicles to pass
 2 trucks, width of bridges, previous accident statistics, and location of schools.

3 (B) — Since traffic safety is the overriding concern, the following safety factors
 4 shall also be taken into consideration in reviewing and evaluating a
 5 requested access route(s):

6 (I) — traffic congestion,

7 (II) — traffic volumes,

8 (III) — route length,

9 (IV) — vehicle mix,

10 (V) — geometric design of the highway,

11 (VI) — intersection geometries,

12 (VII) — width of the shoulders,

13 (VIII) — width of pavement,

14 (IX) — superelevation of the pavement,

15 (X) — pavement condition,

16 (XI) — at grade railroad crossings,

17 (XII) — stopping sight distance,

18 (XIII) — percentage passing sight distance,

19 (XIV) — speed limits,

20 (XV) — vertical and horizontal alignment,

21 (XVI) — ability of other vehicles to pass trucks,

22 (XVII) — widths of bridges,

23 (XVIII) — previous accident experience, and

24 (XIV) — location of schools.

25 ~~This does not preclude consideration of other relevant safety factors, not included in Paragraph (2)(v)(B)(I) through~~
 26 ~~(XIV).~~

27 ~~(vi)(vii)~~ A route(s) used for the purpose of connecting two National Truck Network routes
 28 is considered a "short-cut" route(s) and is ~~Short-cut routes shall not be~~ authorized
 29 by this Rule. Such a ~~route(s) route shall may~~ be considered for designation as an
 30 addition to the National or North Carolina Truck Network by the Department of
 31 Transportation under pursuant to G.S. 20-115.1(g).

32 ~~(vii)(viii)~~ The State Traffic Engineer shall approve or reject any [fully completed]
 33 application submitted pursuant to this Sub-item within 90 days of receipt. ~~have a~~
 34 ~~period of 90 days from receipt of any fully completed application pursuant to Sub-~~
 35 ~~item (2)(c)(ii) of this Rule to approve or reject the applied for route(s) based on~~
 36 ~~safety considerations and the review and evaluation process outlined in Sub-item~~
 37 ~~(2)(c)(v) of this Rule. Terminal official and truck operators requesting an access~~

~~route(s)~~ The State Traffic Engineer shall provide notification and justification for any approval or rejection to the applicant and ~~appropriate~~ law enforcement officials. ~~officials shall be notified of any approval or rejection and the reasons.~~ Automatic approval of a requested access ~~route(s)route~~ is shall be provided if such notification is not received within the ~~90-day~~ 90-day period.

~~(d)~~(c) The Department of Transportation shall notify ~~appropriate~~ State and local law enforcement officers of an approved "reasonable access" ~~route(s)route~~ that serves each terminal within the jurisdiction of the enforcement agency. The State Traffic Engineer shall also make available to terminal officials and commercial motor vehicle operators information regarding reasonable access to and from the National or North Carolina Truck Network.

~~(e)~~(d) The Department of Transportation may, at any time subsequent to approval, revoke any routes ~~designated~~ as a "reasonable access" ~~route(s)route~~ based on safety considerations. Terminal officials, truck operators, and ~~appropriate~~ law enforcement officials shall be notified in writing 30 days prior to any revocation.

~~(f)~~(c) Any STAA dimensioned vehicle traveling an access ~~route(s)route~~ shall have on board an ~~appropriate~~ cargo manifest.

~~(g)~~ — Approval of an access ~~route(s)~~ for one particular type STAA dimensioned vehicle shall constitute approval for all STAA dimensioned vehicles for access purposes only.

~~(h)~~(f) Appeal — A terminal official, truck operator, or an ~~appropriate state and local~~ law enforcement ~~official-officer~~ may appeal the rulings concerning an access ~~route(s)route~~ made by the State Traffic Engineer to the Secretary of Transportation. In giving notice of appeal, the documentation to support reasons for believing that the determination of the State Traffic Engineer was erroneous shall be provided. The decision of the Secretary of Transportation shall be the final agency decision.

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3 **19A NCAC 02E .0427 BICYCLE TRAILS-MULTI-USE [TRAILS]PATHS**

4 Department of Transportation may permit the municipal governing bodies to jointly use rights of way comprising a
5 part of the State Highway System for the purpose of constructing bicycle trails within the following conditions and
6 limitations:

- 7 (1) ~~The municipality will be totally responsible for the design, construction, and maintenance (including~~
8 ~~adequate signing) of any bicycle trails proposed to be constructed on rights of way of State Highway~~
9 ~~System routes.~~
- 10 (2) ~~The municipality will be responsible for the preparation of plans for the bicycle trails and will submit~~
11 ~~said plans to the division of highways for review and approval.~~
- 12 (3) ~~Approval of plans for bicycle trails will be on the basis that said trails do not conflict with highway~~
13 ~~needs and will not create additional traffic safety problems.~~
- 14 (4) ~~Where requests involve the utilization of highway rights of way acquired through the use of~~
15 ~~federal aid highway funds, concurrence by the Federal Highway Administration is required.~~
- 16 (5) ~~Authorization to the municipality to construct and maintain bicycle trails on State Highway System~~
17 ~~rights of way will be handled by an encroachment agreement specifying the conditions of the~~
18 ~~approval and which will include the provision that the municipality will be totally responsible for~~
19 ~~removing or relocating the bicycle trail from the rights of way if the highway right of way is needed~~
20 ~~in the future by the Department of Transportation.~~

21 (a) Authorization for a municipality to construct and maintain multi-use [trails]paths on State highway system rights-
22 of-way shall be provided through an encroachment agreement between the municipality and Department. The
23 encroachment agreement shall specify the conditions of approval.

24 (b) The municipality shall submit multi-use [trail]path plans with a standardized encroachment agreement to the local
25 highway Division Engineer for review and approval. Encroachment agreements shall include provisions indicating
26 that the municipality is responsible for the following:

- 27 (1) design, construction, signage, and maintenance of the proposed multi-use [trail;]paths;
28 (2) submitting design and construction plans to the local highway Division Engineer for review and
29 approval prior to bidding for construction; and
30 (3) relocating the proposed multi-use trail if the highway right-of-way is required for the purpose of
31 road widening by the Department.

32 (c) A proposed encroachment agreement shall be approved by the Division Engineer upon a determination that the
33 proposed multi-use [trail does not conflict with traffic safety, or]path is safe and does not conflict with planned
34 highway improvements that have been recommended in an adopted transportation plan.

35 (d) If a proposed multi-use [trail]path [shall utilize] utilizes State highway system rights-of-way acquired through the
36 use of federal aid highway funds, then approval shall be obtained from the Federal Highway [Administration is
37 required.] Administration.

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