

Oklahoma Administrative Code

Title 595. Department of Public Safety

595:30-3-16. "Oversize Load" sign and warning flags

(a) **"Oversize Load" sign.** All oversize vehicles and loads moving under permit must have the regulation "Oversize Load" sign attached to the front of the towing vehicle and on the rear of the load or towed vehicle, whichever extends the farthest. The "Oversize Load" signs shall not be displayed on a vehicle that is of legal dimensions. Regulation "Oversize Load" signs must meet the following requirements:

- (1) **Color.** The sign shall consist of a yellow background with black lettering.
- (2) **Size.** The sign shall be at least five (5) feet long and at least fourteen (14) inches high. The letters shall legible from a distance of at least fifty (50) feet and shall be at least eight (8) inches high using a one and one-eighth (1 1/8) inch wide brush stroke.
- (3) **Placement of sign.** The sign mounted on the rear of the load or the towed vehicle whichever extends the farthest must be as high as practicable from ground level. For manufactured homes, the sign must be no lower than five (5) feet from ground level. If an escort vehicle is required, the regulation "Oversize Load" sign shall be mounted either on the roof or on the front of the escort vehicle, if movement is on two-lane highways or super two-lane roadways, or on the rear or on the roof of the escort vehicle, if movement is on multi-lane roadways.
- (4) **Wording.** The wording shall state "Oversize Load" or "Wide Load".
- (5) **Sign material.** The sign shall be made of a durable material.

(b) **Warning flags.** All overwidth and overlength vehicles and loads moving under permit, excluding extra-length vehicle combinations, shall be marked by warning flags. All loads which overhang the rear of the vehicle or trailer by four (4) feet or more shall be marked by warning flags. Warning flags must meet the following requirements:

- (1) **Color.** Each flag shall be a solid red or flourescent orange.
- (2) **Size.** Each flag shall be at least eighteen (18) inches by eighteen (18) inches.
- (3) **Placement of flags.** Flags shall be placed at the four (4) corners of the vehicle or load and on the extremities of the vehicle or load, if applicable, in the following manner:
 - (A) **Front.** Two (2) flags required: a flag shall be fastened to each front corner or extremity of the vehicle or load, whichever extends the farthest, if the width requires the vehicle or load to be permitted.
 - (B) **Rear.**

(i) **Overwidth.** Two (2) flags required: a flag shall be fastened to each rear corner or extremity of the vehicle or load, whichever extends the farthest, if the width requires the vehicle or load to be permitted.

(ii) **Overlength.** If the rear overhang of the load extends beyond the end of the vehicle by four (4) feet or more:

(I) One (1) flag required: a flag shall be fastened at the extreme rear of the load if the width of the load projection is two (2) feet or less.

(II) Two (2) flags required: a flag shall be fastened to each rear corner of the load if the width of the load projection is more than two (2) feet.

(C) **Side.** Flags required: A flag shall be fastened in such a manner so as to mark any extremity of size which is wider than the front or rear of the vehicle or load, whichever is wider.

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