



CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS OVERSIZE & OVERWEIGHT PERMITS

When is a permit needed?

A permit is needed for the movement of a vehicle or a combination of vehicles, including the load, of a size and/or weight that exceeds the maximum legal size and weight limits as established by Indiana law [IC 9-20-3, IC 9-20-4]. Except for certain vehicles, which are given a permit exemption, any transport exceeding these limits must obtain a permit prior to moving on Indianapolis city streets and highways:

1. Legal width limitation is 8 feet 6 inches.
2. Legal height limitation is 13 feet 6 inches.
3. Legal length limitation of a single vehicle operated under the vehicle's own motive power is 40 feet;
4. Recreational vehicle is 40 feet.
5. Common carrier of persons is 40 feet.
6. Two-vehicle combination is 60 feet, with a 53-foot limit on the semitrailer. In addition, a semitrailer longer than 48 feet 6 inches may not be operated on any Indiana public highway when the distance between the kingpin and the rearmost axle of the semitrailer exceeds 40 feet 6 inches for semitrailers manufactured after December 31, 1984; or 42 feet 6 inches for semitrailers manufactured before January 1, 1985.
7. Three-vehicle combination is 65 feet, with a limit of 28 feet 6 inches for each semitrailer and trailer.
8. Legal weight limitation of 80,000 pounds total gross weight, subject to all individual axle weights conforming to the Federal Bridge Formula.
9. In addition to Bridge Formula weight limits, Federal law states that single axles are limited to 20,000 pounds, and axles spaced more than 40 inches and not more than 96 inches apart (tandem axles) are limited to 34,000 pounds. Gross vehicle weight is limited to 80,000 pounds (23 U.S.C. 127).
10. A Superload Permit is needed if, in addition to exceeding the legal

limitations, the dimensions and/or the weight exceed additional pre-defined limitations.

11. The pre-defined limitations for a Superload Permit are as follows:

- A. Width exceeds 16 feet
- B. Height exceeds 15 feet
- C. Length exceeds 110 feet
- D. Weight exceeds 120,000 pounds

Indianapolis Permit Submission and Review (ROW-Use OSOW Permit)

In general, vehicles that exceed these dimensions and weights will require additional efforts, engineering judgment, coordination between INDOT's six District Offices, etc.

1. DRIVER AND/OR TRANSPORT COMPANY IS RESPONSIBLE TO PROVIDE THE ROUTE TO BE TAKEN
2. DRIVER AND/OR TRANSPORT COMPANY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL ROUTE INFORMATION PROVIDED, INCLUDING ANY LIMITATIONS DUE TO, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: CONSTRUCTION, SIGNAL HEIGHT, BRIDGE HEIGHT, ETC.
3. Applicant shall provide **Indiana State OSOW permit** as an attachment to City of Indianapolis application if exiting from an INDOT jurisdiction roadway.
4. Applicant shall provide **axle diagram** with Indianapolis permitting submission.
5. Per **Sec. 441-364** of the City of Indianapolis revised municipal code, additional weight restrictions may be applicable to certain streets under Indianapolis Dept Public Works jurisdiction.

Oversize/Overweight Vehicle General Provisions

1. The permitted oversize vehicle shall be marked on front and rear with a sign reading "oversize load," the sign must be at least 18" high, at least 6' but not over 8' long, the letters shall be black and 12" high, with a 2" stroke on yellow background. Officially approved color combinations or wording of other states will be permitted when the trip originates outside Indiana. This provision applies to oversize loads only; not required on vehicles that are overweight only.
2. The permitted vehicle shall be marked with two (2) red or orange flags, placed at the widest extremities of the vehicle or load. These flags shall be in good condition, plain red with no figures, with a minimum of 18" square and shall be placed so approaching traffic can see them clearly. This provision applies to oversize loads only; not required on vehicles that are overweight only.
3. All permitted vehicles shall have low beam headlights lighted while transporting a permitted load.
4. Mobile homes and sectionalized building movements having a width in excess of 12'4" shall be equipped with four (4) high intensity amber, flashing lights, two (2) of which shall be mounted on the front and two (2) of which shall be mounted on the rear of the combination. The lights mounted on the home or building shall be

placed at the outer edges and not less than six- (6) foot above the level roadway. The front lights may be mounted on the towing vehicle, at the furthest extreme of any safety device, not extending beyond the mirrors, and shall be double-faced lamps visible both front and rear. The lights shall be lighted during the permitted movement and shall have sufficient intensity to be visible at five hundred (500) feet in normal sunlight.

5. The operator of the permitted vehicle shall be at least 18 years of age and hold a valid Indiana Chauffeurs License or a Commercial Drivers License when applicable.
6. The driver of the permitted vehicle and/or load will have the permit in his possession during the progress of transportation, and will show said permit, on demand, to any police officer, motor carrier inspector, or authorized employee of the State of Indiana.
7. The mover and/or owner of said vehicle and/or load will be held responsible in the event that it is necessary to remove any buildings, railings or other structures from the highway or in the event that any buildings, railings or other structures are damaged, said cost of the removal and/or damage shall be borne by the applicant.
8. Escort Vehicle(s) Requirements
 - A. One escort vehicle must be in front when on undivided roads and in rear when on divided roads.
 - B. Permitted vehicles must have escorts when they exceed:
 1. 12'4" in width, 85' in length or 14'6" in height
 2. If over 14'6" high, must have an escort with a height stick traveling in front of load
 3. If between 14'4" and 17" wide, , one rear escort on a dual lane divided road and two escorts (front and rear) on all other roads.
 - C. Escort vehicles must have a minimum of 4 wheels with a maximum gross registered weight of 11,000 lbs. Must have a flashing amber light mounted on top and an oversize load sign, which is visible to approaching traffic. Must have radio communication with permitted vehicle and/or load and may not be more than 500 feet from permitted vehicle and/or load.
9. Hours of operation for permitted vehicles shall be as follows:
 - A. Permitted oversize only vehicles between 85' to 110' in length, 10' to 14'4" in width and up to 15' in height may travel Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and Saturdays from one-half hour before sunrise to 12:00 Noon.
 - B. Permitted vehicles up to 85' in length, 10' in width, legal height and/or overweight may have continuous travel seven days per week.
 - C. Permitted mobile homes, sectionalized buildings, with widths from 8'6" to 14'4" may travel only Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Saturdays from one-half hour before sunrise to 12:00 Noon.
 - D. Permitted vehicles between 14'4" to 16' in width may travel Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m..
10. The transporting company at all locations needing such traffic control will provide Flagmen, in compliance with the provisions of the Indiana Manual on Uniform Traffic

Control Devices. Locations requiring flagmen include, but are not limited to, encroachment into opposing traffic lanes and stops or blockage of traffic at locations where stops are not normally required by existing traffic control devices.

11. The permitted oversize vehicle whose dimensions exceed 8'6" wide, 13'6" high, and/or 80' long shall not be operated at a speed in excess of 45 miles per hour.
12. Permitted vehicle and/or load will at no time block traffic from the use of the roadway, nor will equipment, load or object be loaded or unloaded within the travelway, nor vehicle or object be permitted to be parked either day or night on the shoulder or right-of-way.
13. The permitted vehicle and load are not to be operated during the existence of hazardous weather, road and traffic conditions, and/or when visibility is less than 500 feet. Oversize loads will not be operated at any time when wind velocity exceeds 25 miles per hour.
14. This permit does not apply to any state roads or bridges that are closed for construction purposes, or to any roads or bridges that are posted for gross load limit and/or structures, wires, etc., having a restricted height clearance that will not clear said load; or to any county roads or city streets.
15. Any violation of this permit shall automatically cause the permit to be void and upon violation the police officer or motor carrier inspector shall have the authority to withdraw said permit.
16. All transporting vehicles shall meet all safety requirements as set forth in Title 49, CFR (Code of Federal Regulations).

Superload Special Provisions

1. ON ALL SUPERLOAD APPLICATIONS UNLESS DIRECTED OTHERWISE.

The hours of movement shall be from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., local time only, Monday through Friday.

2. HEIGHT EXCEEDS 15 Feet

Whenever a movement is routed off an interstate system a pre-qualified signal contractor with a bucket truck, for each permitted load, is required to accompany the movement. Any manipulation of a traffic control device shall be conducted at the applicants expense by an approved contractor and shall be performed to the complete satisfaction of the Indiana Department of Transportation.

3. HEIGHT EXCEEDS 17 Feet

The carrier or the driver must complete a route survey. If no utility lines interfere with the route, the carrier or the driver must sign an affidavit attesting the fact. If utility lines exist along the route, the driver must have letters from the utility company(s) stating that overhead lines will be moved and replaced.

4. WIDTH EXCEEDS 16 Feet

Front and rear police escorts are required.

5. Restrictions for crossing bridge structures:
 - A. Dual -lane divided highways: The vehicle must travel center of the existing lanes on the structure at a speed not to exceed 45 mph. The civilian escorts must detain trailing traffic.
 - B. Multi -lane undivided highways: The vehicle must travel center of the directional existing travel lanes on that structure at a speed not to exceed 45 mph. The civilian escorts must detain trailing traffic only.
 - C. Two -lane/Two-way highways: The vehicle shall be the only vehicle on the bridge structure. The vehicle must travel in the center of the two lanes and cross the structure at a speed not to exceed 30 mph. A police escort is required and must detain oncoming and trailing traffic.
 - D. After crossing structures every reasonable effort shall be made to allow trailing traffic to pass while vehicle proceeds with movement.

Marion County Vertical Clearances

STREET NAME	ADDRESS	LOCATION	CLEAR.	LANE
9th St	3700 E	Under Penn Central R/R	13' 00"	
10th St	900 E	Under I - 65 / I - 70	16' 11"	
10th St	1129 E	Under Railroad Bridge	14' 00"	
10th St	3780 E	Under Penn Central R/R	13' 09"	Eastbound
10th St	3780 E	Under Penn Central R/R	13' 7"	Westbound
10th St	7700 E	Under I-465	13' 11"	
10th St	7952 W	Under Railroad Bridge	14' 08"	
16th St	3800 W	Under Penn Central R/R	13' 11"	Eastbound
16th St	3800 W	Under Penn Central R/R	14' 00"	Westbound
21st St	7500 E	Under I-465	16' 04"	Westbound
21st St	7500 E	Under I-465	16' 03"	Eastbound
21st St	8100 W	Under Penn Central R/R	13' 09"	Westbound
21st St	8100 W	Under Penn Central R/R	13' 09"	Eastbound
26th St	250 W	Under I-65	14' 03"	
38th St	1051 E	Under Monon Trail	17' 06"	
71st St	6200 W	Under I-465	16' 03"	
71st St	6900 E	Under I-465	13' 04"	
71st St	7400 W	Under I-65	13' 10"	
86th St	3000 E	Under Keystone Ave NB	14' 02"	
86th St	3000 E	Under Keystone Ave SB	14' 02"	
86th St	6500 W	Under I-465	15' 09"	
Alabama St	1100 N	Under I-65	14' 02"	
Bluff Rd	1950 S	Under Penn Central R/R	13' 06"	Southbound

Bluff Rd	1950 S	Under Penn Central R/R	13' 07"	Northbound
Bluff Rd	4500 S	Under I-465	19' 00"	
Bradbury Av	1300 E	Under I-65	14' 04"	
Bridgeport Rd	300 E	Under Penn Central R/R	10' 08"	
Brookville Rd	7600 E	Under I-465	16' 08"	
Capitol Av	300 S	Under Inpls. Union R/R	14' 01"	2 Western
Capitol Av	300 S	Under Inpls. Union R/R	12' 05"	East Lane
Capitol Av	1150 N	Under I-65	14' 02"	
Carroll Rd	298 S	Under Pennsy Trail	14' 03"	
College Av	10 N	Under Inpls. Union R/R	13' 05"	West Lane
College Av	10 N	Under Inpls. Union R/R	13' 05"	East Lane
College Av	10 N	Under Inpls. Union R/R	13' 05"	Middle Lane
College Av	100 S	Under Penn Central R/R	14' 03"	
College Av	1200 N	Under I-65	17' 00"	
College Av	1250 N	Under I-65	17' 00"	
Crawfordsville Rd / US 136	8700 W	Under Penn Central R/R	16' 06"	
Country Club Road	2511 N	Under Railroad Bridge	15' 02"	Northbound
Country Club Road	2511 N	Under Railroad Bridge	13' 08"	Southbound
Davidson St	100 S	Under Penn Central R/R	12' 02"	
Davidson St	150 S	Under Penn Central R/R	11' 09"	
Delaware St	200 S	Under Inpls. Union R/R	14' 00"	
Division St	900 S	Under I-70	14' 01"	
East St	98 S	Under Railroad Bridge	15' 07"	
Emerson Av	900 S	Under Penn Central R/R	13' 07"	
Emerson Av	835 S	Under Penn Central R/R	13' 07"	
Emerson Av	999 S	Under Penn Central R/R	13' 11"	
English Ave	3501 N	Under Railroad Bridge	20' 06"	
English Ave	7099 N	Under Shadeland Ave	13' 09"	
Fairfield Av	1100 E	Under L & N R/R (Monon Trail)	13' 10"	
Fall Creek Pkway N Drive	3501 E	Under Pedestrian Bridge	14' 06"	
Georgia St	900 E	Under Penn Central R/R	11' 08"	
Guion Rd	3790 W	Under I-65	18' 06"	
Guion Rd	3780 W	Under 38th St EB	18' 09"	
Guion Rd	3809 W	Under 38th St WB	18' 06.75"	
Harding St	2320 S	Under Overhead Pipe	*(see note)	

High School Rd	4700 S	Under Penn Central R/R	10' 07"	
Hillside Ave	2075 N	Under Railroad Bridge	14' 01"	
Holt Rd	387 S	Under Railroad Bridge	14' 07"	
Illinois St	300 S	Under Inpls. Union R/R	14' 09"	
Kentucky Av	1000 S	Under I-70	13' 10"	
Kessler Blvd E Drive	1031 E	Under Monon Trail	14' 10"	
Keystone Ave	1508 S	Under Railroad Bridge	* (see note)	
Keystone Ave	1601 S	Under Railroad Bridge	15' 01"	
Keystone Av	9200 N	Under I-465	16' 09"	
Koehne St	100 N	Under Penn Central R/R	13' 02"	
Lick Creek Pkwy	1300 E	Under Penn Central R/R	12' 01"	
Lynhurst Dr	2458 S	Under Sam Jones Expressway	15' 01"	
Madison Av	850 S	Under Penn Central R/R	14' 07"	
Madison Av	1500 E	Under Pedestrian Bridge	15' 04"	
Madison Av	1700 E	Under Railroad Bridge	14' 06"	
Madison Av	1950 E	Under Penn Central R/R	14' 03"	Southbound
Madison Av	1950 E	Under Penn Central R/R	14' 03"	Northbound
Madison Av	2172 E	Under Raymond St	15' 00"	
Market St	800 E	Under Inpls. Union R/R	13' 06"	
Massachussetts Ave	4979 E	Under 30th St	22' 05"	
Massachussetts Ave	5145 E	Under Emerson Ave	23' 07"	
McCarty St	150 E	Under Penn Central R/R	13' 09"	
Meridian St	300 S	Under Inpls. Union R/R	12' 11"	
Meridian St	1959 S	Under Railroad Bridge	15' 00"	
Michigan Rd	9400 N	Under I-465	15' 01"	Southbound
Michigan Rd	9400 N	Under I-465	15' 02"	Northbound
Michigan St	800 E	Under I - 65 & I - 70	17' 05"	
Michigan St	3500 E	Under Penn Central R/R	13' 05"	
Minnesota St	4500 W	Under I-70	14' 04"	
Missouri St	272 S	Under Railroad Bridge	15' 04"	
Missouri St	300 S	Under Inpls. Union R/R	14" 02"	East Lane
Missouri St	300 S	Under Inpls. Union R/R	14" 08"	All other Lanes
Morris St	700 E	Under I-65	14' 05"	Eastbound
Morris St	900 E	Under I-65	14' 03"	Westbound
Morris St	69 E	Under Madison Ave	16' 04"	
Morris St	131 E	Under Railroad Bridge	16' 00"	
Morris St	1200 W	Under Railroad Bridge	19' 04"	

Morris St	1400 W	Under Penn Central R/R	16' 09"	
Morris St	4600 W	Under Penn Central R/R	10' 06"	
Morris St	8000 W	Under Penn Central R/R	13' 3"	
Nelson Av	1400 E	Under I-65	14' 10"	
New York St	800 E	Under I - 65 & I - 70	18' 07"	
New York St	3500 E	Under Penn Central R/R	11' 08"	
Orange St	150 E	Under Penn Central R/R	13' 05"	
Pennsylvania St	245 S	Under Railroad Bridge	14' 00"	
Pennsylvania St	333 S	Under Railroad Bridge	14' 02"	
Pine St	100 S	Under Penn Central R/R	13' 00"	
Plsnt Run Pky. N Dr	350 E	Under Penn Central R/R	11' 11"	
Plsnt Run Pky. N Dr	850 E	Under Railroad Bridge	11' 00"	
Plsnt Run Pky. N Dr	1230 E	Under I-65	15' 10"	
Plsnt Run Pky. S Dr	895 E	Under Railroad Bridge	10' 06"	
Plsnt Run Pky. S Dr	1230 E	Under I-65	13' 10"	
Plsnt Run Pky. S Dr	4700 E	Under Railroad Bridge	8' 05"	
Prospect St	2535 W	Under Railroad Bridge	14' 06"	
Prospect St	2952 W	Under Penn Central R/R	14' 04"	
Raceway Rd	300 S	Under Penn Central R/R	10' 06"	Northbound
Raceway Rd	300 S	Under Penn Central R/R	10' 06"	Southbound
Ray St	150 E	Under Penn Central R/R	12' 01"	
Raymond St	1300 E	Under I-65	14' 05"	
Ritter Av	2500 N	Under I-70	14' 10"	
Riverview Dr.	6300 N	Under Meridian St	8' 09"	Southbound
Riverview Dr.	6300 N	Under Meridian St	8' 09"	Northbound
Rockville Rd	4000 W	Under Penn Central R/R	8' 11"	Eastbound
Rockville Rd	4000 W	Under Penn Central R/R	8' 11"	Westbound
Rural St	150 S	Under Penn Central R/R	10' 03"	
Rural St	2200 N	Under I-70	17' 01"	
Sam Jones Expressway	2460 Executive Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46241	Under Executive Dr	14' 02"	Eastbound
Sam Jones Expressway	2460 Executive Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46241	Under Executive Dr	17' 07"	Westbound
Senour Rd	2301 N	Under Whispering Hills Golf Cart Bridge	21' 10"	
Shadeland Av	10 N	Under Washington St	14' 05"	Southbound

Shadeland Av	10 N	Under Washington St	14' 01"	Northbound
Shadeland Av	7241 Brookville Rd	Under Brookville Rd	15' 00"	
Shadeland Av	930 S Shortridge Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46239	Under Railroad Bridge	14' 07"	
Shadeland Av	6931 E Washington St	Under Pennsy Trail	14' 02"	
Shelby St	100 S	Under Penn Central R/R	14' 00"	
Shelby St	1900 S	Under Penn Central R/R	14' 00"	
Sherman Dr	200 S	Under Penn Central R/R	10' 07"	Northbound
Sherman Dr	200 S	Under Penn Central R/R	10' 09"	Southbound
Sherman Dr	800 S	Under Penn Central R/R	13' 08"	
Sherman Dr	900 S	Under Railroad Bridge	13' 08"	
South St	118 E	Under Railroad Bridge	15' 01"	
South St	142 E	Under Railroad Bridge	15' 00"	
Southeastern Av	3410 W	Under Railroad Bridge	14' 06"	
Southeastern Av	3501 W	Under Railroad Bridge	14' 06"	
Southern Av.	1300 E	Under I-65	14' 03"	
St. Clair St	900 E	Under I - 65 & I - 70	17' 02"	
State Road 37	4700 S	Under I-465	16' 07"	
Tibbs Av	700 S	Under Penn Central R/R	10' 10"	
Valley Av	2000 E	Under I-70	15' 07"	
Valley Av	2500 E	Under Penn Central R/R	11' 10"	
Vermont St	800 E	Under I - 65 & I - 70	15' 10"	
Virginia Av	200 S	Under Conrail R/R	15' 02"	
Warman Av	650 S	Under Penn Central R/R	11' 02"	
Warman Av	900 S	Under I-70	14' 00"	
Washington St	1473 W	Under Railroad Bridge	15' 05"	
Washington St	3500 W	Under Penn Central R/R	14' 09"	Eastbound
Washington St	3500 W	Under Penn Central R/R	14' 09"	Westbound
Washington St	698 E	Under Railroad Bridge	13' 02"	
Washington St	3469 E	Under Railroad Bridge	16' -3"	
Washington St / US 40	7700 E	Under Penn Central R/R	16' 08"	
Washington St	7800 E	Under I-465	14' 02"	Westbound
Washington St	7800 E	Under I-465	14' 03"	Eastbound
Weir Cook Memorial Drive	8703 E	Under Perimeter Dr	19' 04"	

West St	268 S	Under Railroad Bridge	14' 10"	
West St	301 S	Under Railroad Bridge	14' 10"	
West St	2115 S	Under Railroad Bridge	15' 11"	
West St / Old Raymond St	2088 S	Under Raymond St	23' 00"	
White River Pky W. Dr.	200 S	Under Washington St	15' 06"	
White River Pky W. Dr.	250 S	Under Railroad Bridge	15' 07"	
White River Pky W. Dr.	300 S	Under Railroad Bridge	13' 05"	
White River Pky W. Dr.	1900 S	Under Penn Central R/R	15' 10"	
White River Pky W. Dr.	3700 N	Under I-65	14' 04"	
White River Pky W Dr.	3800 N	Under 38th St	14' 06"	
White River Pky E Dr.	3800 N	Under 38th St	14' 06"	

* For routes under a structure marked with an asterisk, additional review is required by the City of Indianapolis staff.