

PERMIT POLICY MANUAL

SUBJECT: Implements of Husbandry (Agricultural Equipment) and Farm Tractors

POLICY NUMBER: 4.13

Intent: To permit implements of husbandry (agricultural equipment) and farm tractors when exceeding dimensions as prescribed in *Manitoba Regulation 155/2018*

Definition: Under the *Highway Traffic Act*, an implement of husbandry is defined as:

"agricultural equipment" means a vehicle designed and used primarily in agricultural, horticultural or livestock operations, but excludes

- (a) any vehicle designed primarily for transporting passengers, cargo or vehicles other than agricultural equipment on a highway, and
- (b) a garden tractor, lawnmower or lawn tractor; (« matériel agricole »)

General Information:

- **Overwidth permits are not required** for implements of husbandry (agricultural equipment) and/or farm tractors which are temporarily operated (self propelled) or drawn (towed) on a highway;
 - a) for agricultural purposes, including repair.
 - b) for, by or on behalf of a dealer for the purpose of moving it between a farm and the dealers place of business during daylight hours.

(Reference: Vehicle Weights and Dimensions on Classes of Highways Regulation 155/2018, Part 4, Permissible Vehicle and Axle Width, Application Section 8.)

- Implements of husbandry (agricultural equipment) and farm tractors that are exempt as mentioned above, are still required to obtain permits when the height, length and/or weight exceeds the dimensions as prescribed in Manitoba Regulation 155/2018.
- Implements of husbandry (agricultural equipment) and farm tractors loaded on trailers are not included in the exemption for overwidth and must obtain all required permits. See Pilot Vehicle Requirements.
- Dealer to dealer moves do not qualify for exemption are subject to all regulations and standard conditions pertaining to the movement of oversize loads.
- When implements of husbandry (agricultural equipment) are drawn (in tow) upon a highway, length allowances are only permitted when the combination is an integral part of the operation of the implement and only when travelling from farm to field or vice versa.
- Specialized trailers manufactured/designed specifically to haul an implement of husbandry (agricultural equipment) (swather, combine, sprayer, etc.) are considered to be implements of husbandry (agricultural equipment) and do not require overwidth permits as per exemption above.

Annual Dimensions: Province of Manitoba and City of Brandon

Width: 6.1 metres Height: 4.6 metres Length: up to 35.0 metres

For City of Winnipeg, see General Policies for width, height and length: 4.6 m wide, 4.6 m high and 31.0 m long.

Pilot Vehicle Requirements:

- Pilot vehicles are not required for implements of husbandry (agricultural equipment) operated (self-propelled) or drawn (in tow) upon a highway and which are exempt from obtaining a permit for overwidth.
- Pilot vehicles are not required for implements of husbandry (agricultural equipment) up to 6.1 m wide, when loaded on a trailer and being hauled to and/or from a farm, so long as the load does not protrude over the centre line of the highway. Daylight (sunrise to sunset) travel only.

Over Width Permit Conditions:

General permit conditions are applied cumulatively. The operator must adhere to all conditions up to and including those for the maximum width of the load or vehicle, whichever is greater. For example, if the load is 4.20 m wide, then all conditions from the 2.60 m, 3.05 m and 3.70 m categories would apply.

Exceeding (metres)					When	Highway	Conditions
2.60					Day	All	Orange or red flags are required from one-half hour after sunrise to one-half hour before sunset.
					Night	All	Amber and red lights are required beginning one-half hour before sunset and ending one-half hour after sunrise.
	3.05	3.70			Always	All	“D” or “WIDE LOAD” sign is required.
					Day (sunrise to sunset)	Provincial Undivided	Front pilot vehicle is required, if load overhangs centre line.
					Night (sunset to sunrise)	Provincial Undivided	Front and rear pilot vehicles required.
						Night	Provincial Divided
					Summer Holiday Season	Provincial Holiday Restricted Routes	Holiday travel restrictions apply.
					Public Holidays	Provincial Holiday Restricted Routes	Holiday travel restrictions apply.

			4.60	Day (sunrise to sunset)	Provincial Undivided	Front and rear pilot vehicles are required.
				Day	PTH 1 from Falcon Lake to ON Border and From PTH 1 W & PTH 100 to Headingley	One front pilot vehicle is required.
				Day	Provincial Divided	Rear pilot vehicle is required.
				Commuter Hours	Commuter Routes	No travel allowed.
				Night (sunset to sunrise)	All	No travel allowed.
			6.10	Day (sunrise to sunset)	Provincial	Front and rear pilot vehicles are required.
				Always	All	Permit must be carried in the vehicle.

Standard Over Width Permit Approval Requirements:

Exceeds 3.7 m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May require City of Brandon Police escort
Exceeds 4.6 m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires MI Regional approval during spring road restrictions for travel on restricted highways only.
Exceeds 6.1 m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires MI regional approval. Requires MI Traffic Engineering review.
Exceeds 10.36 m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Railway approval required if crossing railroad infrastructure (CN, CP, GWWD, Boundary Trail).

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Exceeds 3.7 m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Brandon Police Escort may be required (at carrier's expense).
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- Where moving of the load will require services of the City with respect to temporary barricading of streets, police escorts, or other similar services and where these services are required beyond a 30 minute time period, the applicant shall also pay an additional fee to the City of Brandon, at a rate established in the City of Brandon Annual Schedule of Fees Bylaw.

Over Height Permit Conditions:

Standard over height permit conditions are applied cumulatively. The operator must adhere to all conditions up to and including those for the maximum height of the load or vehicle, whichever is greater. For example, if the load is 4.72 m high, then all conditions from the 4.15 m and 4.6 m categories would apply.

Exceeding (metres)	When	Highway	Conditions
4.15	Always	Brandon	Approval from Manitoba Hydro is required for travel in back lanes.
	Always	Brandon	Approval from Bell-MTS is required for travel in back lanes.
4.60	Always	Brandon	Carrier to survey route for potential conflicts with traffic signal equipment, traffic signs and/or parked vehicles.

Over Height General Approval Requirements:

- Applicants are responsible for contacting all required utilities when required (i.e.: Bell-MTS, Manitoba Hydro, CN Rail, CP Rail, etc.) and must reference the Permit Application number.

Height exceeds 4.6 m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carrier must obtain approval from Bell MTS. (Contact (204) 326-8292)
Height exceeds 4.8 m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carrier must obtain approval from Manitoba Hydro as well as Bell MTS as indicated above. (Contact Manitoba Hydro at 1-888-624-9376)
Height exceeds 5.18 m (5.2m)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CN Rail: (204) 231-7805 CP Rail: (204) 946-3414 Boundary Trail: (204) 242-4201 Greater Winnipeg Water District: (204) 986-4121 – Certain crossings may require approval under 5.2 metres. Central Manitoba Railway: (204) 235-1175 Vintage Railway Society [Prairie Dog]: (204) 668-2192 Keewatin Railway Company: (204) 623-5255

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Height exceeds 4.6 m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Load shall not be moved on City streets until authorized by Brandon Police Services, through the Chief of Police or his designate, and the applicant meeting all additional conditions which may be required by the Police Service. Applicant must secure clearance from City of Brandon Operations Dept., BELL MTS, MI Traffic Signals, and Manitoba Hydro.
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Over Length Permit Conditions:

General length conditions are applied cumulatively. The operator must adhere to all conditions up to and including those for the maximum length of the load or vehicle, whichever is greater. For example, if the load is 42.0 m long, then all conditions from the 31.0 m and 41.0 m categories would apply.

Exceeding (metres)			When	Highway	Conditions
27.5			Summer Holiday Season	Provincial Holiday Restricted Routes	Holiday travel restrictions apply.
			Public Holidays	Provincial Holiday Restricted Routes	Holiday travel restrictions apply.
	31.0		Always	All	"D" or "Long Load" at the front and rear. LCVs are exempt from this requirement.
			Always	Provincial Undivided	Rear pilot vehicle is required. LCVs are exempt from this requirement.
			Always	Provincial Undivided	No left turns at uncontrolled intersections in high speed zones.
	41.0		Day	Provincial Divided	Rear pilot vehicle is required.
			Day	Provincial (Divided & undivided)	No left turns at uncontrolled intersections in high speed zones.
			Day	Provincial Undivided	Front and rear pilot vehicles required.
			Night (sunset to sunrise)	All	No travel allowed.

Rear Effective Overhang:

These standard conditions apply to rear effective overhangs even if the vehicle does not exceed legal length.

Exceeding (metres)		When	Highway	Conditions
1.0 (from the rear of the vehicle)		Day	All	Red flag required on the rear extremity from one-half hour after sunrise to one-half hour before sunset.
		Night	All	Red clearance light required on the rear extremity beginning one-half hour before sunset and ending one-half hour after sunrise.
6.5		Always	Provincial	Rear pilot required.
	9.0	Day	Provincial	Front and rear pilot vehicle required.
		Night	Provincial	No travel allowed.

Front Projections:

These standard conditions apply to front projections even if the vehicle does not exceed legal length.

Exceeding (metres)	When	Highway	Conditions
1.0 (from front bumper or front wheels, if no bumper)	Night	All	Amber clearance light or reflector required on the sides of the front extremity beginning one-half hour before sunset and ending one-half hour after sunrise.
3.0 (from the king pin setback)	Always	Provincial All	Front pilot vehicle is required.
6.0 (from the turn centre of the steer axle)	Always	Provincial All	Front pilot vehicle is required.

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Length (vehicle/load) exceeds 31.0 m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May require a City of Brandon Police Escort as determined by the Police Service.
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General Conditions:

- Implements of husbandry (agricultural equipment) and farms tractors must abide by the *Highway Traffic Act* (Section 177) in regards to Speed limit for agricultural equipment.
- Implements and farm tractors (agricultural equipment) must abide by all regulations as prescribed in the *Vehicle Equipment, Safety and Inspection Regulation 31/2019*.
- Implements of husbandry (agricultural equipment) and farm tractors must abide by all lighting and flagging regulations as prescribed in the *Vehicle Weights and Dimensions Classes of Highways Regulation 155/2018*.

Reference: The Vehicle Weights and Dimensions Committee Standard 4.13

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