



## **THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX**

### **INFORMATION RELATING TO MOVING OVERSIZE LOAD/WEIGHT VEHICLES ON MIDDLESEX COUNTY ROADS**

The Highway Traffic Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 198, limits the size and weight of loaded vehicles travelling on Highways including County roads. Under certain conditions and circumstances permits may be issued permitting the moving of loaded vehicles which exceed the legal size and/or weight.

The following information is to assist persons wishing to make application to the County of Middlesex for permission to travel Middlesex County Roads with an oversize load/weight vehicle. The information below applies only to Middlesex County Roads and it is the responsibility of the Owner and/or Mover to obtain approval from the Ministry of Transportation Ontario and/or Local Road Authorities where moves require travel on Provincial Highways and/or local roads.

**Overweight Permits WILL NOT be issued during MARCH – APRIL or other periods when road bases are potentially soft.**

#### **A. SINGLE TRIP OVERSIZE LOAD/WEIGHT PERMIT:**

For loads and vehicles NOT greater than 3.75 metres (12.3 ft.) in width or 70,000 kg G.V.W.

1. Police escort **NOT** required but wide load signs and possibly escort vehicles should be used, but not required.
2. a) Permit Fee - **\$50.00 for over-dimensional loads**. A deposit is not required. No charge for moving date changes.  
b) Permit Fee - **\$100.00 for overweight loads up to 70,000 kg. G.V.W.** (and not more than 10% in excess of HTA legal loading per axle). A refundable deposit will also be required. This deposit is refundable upon application seven days after the date of the move providing there has been no damage to County property. Where County property has been damaged and not made good to the County's satisfaction, the County will make the necessary repairs using whatever portion of the deposit necessary to recover our costs.
3. Moving times - daylight hours only, Monday to Friday.
4. Where heights exceed 4.15 metres (13.6 ft.) approval is required from utility companies. Complete Application Form, Page 2 of 2.
5. Complete Application Form (Page 1 of 2) and if height exceeds 4.15 metres complete Page 2 of 2 and submit the forms to the County of Middlesex, County Engineer's Office at 399 Ridout Street North, London. (Blank forms are available from the County office or at the County web site: [www.county@middlesex.on.ca](http://www.county@middlesex.on.ca))

**B. SINGLE TRIP OVERSIZE MOVING PERMIT:**

For Loads and Vehicles in EXCESS of 3.75 metres (12.3 ft) in width or 70,000 kg G.V.W.

1. Wide load signs should be used and escort requirements are as follows:

	<b>NO ESCORT REQUIRED</b>	<b>PRIVATE ESCORT REQUIRED</b>	<b>POLICE ESCORT REQUIRED</b>
<b>WIDTH</b>	To 3.75 m.	3.76 m. to 4.99 m.	5.0 m. and greater

It is the applicant's responsibility to arrange for private or police escort. Please note that the Police will charge for this service and that they require a minimum of seven days advance notice prior to a move to try to arrange for the escort. The County will require written confirmation from the OPP that the police escort is available on the day of the move.

(Use Application Form, Page 2 of 2). No permit will be issued unless this requirement is met.

- 2.(a) Permit Fee - **\$200.00 for over-dimensional loads.** A refundable deposit will also be required. This deposit is refundable upon application seven days after the date of the move providing there has been no damage to County property. Where County property has been damaged and not made good to the County's satisfaction, the County will make the necessary repairs using whatever portion of the deposit necessary to recover our costs.
- (b) Permit Fee - **\$500.00 for overweight loads over 70,000 kg. G.V.W.** (and more than 10% in excess of HTA legal loading per axle). A refundable deposit will also be required. This deposit is refundable upon application seven days after the date of the move providing there has been no damage to County property. Where County property has been damaged and not made good to the County's satisfaction, the County will make the necessary repairs using whatever portion of the deposit necessary to recover our costs. In addition to the above fees, the County will recover its special costs related to moves. This can include the cost of moving traffic signal equipment, pavement/bridge repair and hiring a Consulting Engineer to determine whether the overweight loading will be safe over a structure or roadway pavement.
3. Moving times – **Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday ONLY**. No moves on holidays. Moves must be started after 9 a.m. and completed by 4 p.m. on the same day. Very short distance moves may be permitted at other times. Moves must not be carried out in periods of limited visibility.
4. Where heights exceed 4.15 metres (13.6 ft), approval is required from utility companies. Use Application Form (Page 2 of 2).
5. Mover must provide written proof of liability insurance in the amount of \$2,000,000.00.
6. Changes in moving dates will require a new date approval from the police and utility companies if they are involved. There will be a \$20 fee for changing dates on a permit.
7. It is the movers responsibility to ensure the route selected is suitable.
8. Where wide and/or high loads cross railway lines, the County may request proof that the applicant has advised the appropriate railway company.

**C. ANNUAL OVERSIZE LOAD PERMIT**

For Loads and Vehicles NOT greater than 3.75 metres (12.3 ft) in width.

1. Police escort **NOT** required but wide load signs must be used and escort vehicles should be used, but not required.
2. Permit Fee - **\$300.00** for the initial vehicle in a fleet, with a **\$30.00** fee for each additional vehicle permit issued under the Applicant's name for the same 1-year period as the initial permit. A deposit is not required.
3. Moving Times - Daylight Hours Only
4. Height must not exceed 4.15 metres (13.6 ft)
5. Complete Application Form and submit the form to: The County of Middlesex, County Engineer's Office, 399 Ridout Street North, London. Blank forms are available from this office or at County web site: **www.county@middlesex.on.ca**.

**D. ANNUAL OVERSIZE LOAD PERMIT**

For Loads and Vehicles NOT greater than 4.27 metres (14.0 ft) in width.

1. **Only allowed on certain pre-selected County roads.**
2. Police escort **NOT** required but wide load signs and escort vehicle requirements are as follows:

	<b>NO ESCORT REQUIRED</b>	<b>PRIVATE ESCORT REQUIRED</b>
<b>WIDTH</b>	<b>To 3.75 m.</b>	<b>3.76 m. to 4.27 m.</b>

3. Permit Fee - **\$300.00** for the initial vehicle in a fleet, with a **\$30.00** fee for each additional vehicle permit issued under the applicant's name for the same 1-year period as the initial permit. A deposit is not required.
4. Moving Times - Daylight hours only.
5. Height must not exceed 4.15 metres (13.6 ft).
6. Complete Application Form and submit the form by mail or fax: (519) 434-0638 to:

**The County of Middlesex  
County Engineer's Office, Att: Engineering Supervisor  
399 Ridout Street North, London, ON N6A 2P1**

Blank forms are available from the County Engineer's Office or  
at the County web site: [www.county@middlesex.on.ca](mailto:www.county@middlesex.on.ca)

For clarification re: fee payment and permit processing contact:

**COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE  
Tel.: (519) 434-7321 Ext. 2233, Ext. 2232, or Ext. 2229**