

## **RECENT CHANGES TO OVERSIZE-OVERWEIGHT HAULING POLICES AND TO PERMIT PROCESSES**

### **I. PERMIT APPLICATIONS**

- a. All hauling permit applications are now submitted through either [www.gotpermits.com](http://www.gotpermits.com) or <https://wv.gotpermits.com>. These are both self-issue websites owned and operated by Bentley Systems. Applicants may enter their load information, select their routes, click a button to analyze the trip and – if it passes the analysis – issue their own permit (print it out and go). Permit fees may be paid with a major credit card or by setting up an escrow account with Bentley Systems. The state charge accounts that used to be available were discontinued on May 15, 2013 (when the old application system was discontinued). There is a convenience fee to use [www.gotpermits.com](http://www.gotpermits.com), in addition to the regular state permit fees. There is no convenience fee charged at <https://wv.gotpermits.com>.
- b. Applicants may still come to our office in the Capitol Complex to get permits and we will help with getting their application into <https://wv.gotpermits.com>. We can take checks or credit cards for payment here, but not cash.
- c. Applicants may still go through a commercial permit service for our permits. The service will use one of the two available websites.

### **II. BLANKET HAULING PERMITS**

- a. All blanket permits (Oversize, Oversize/Overweight, Mobile Home, and Seagoing Containerized Cargo) are now truck, or power unit specific, as of April 15, 2014 and they are all available for self-issue at either of the two websites.
- b. Blanket permits are no longer printed on security paper and laminated, nor are they shipped from our office.
- c. If a blanket permit gets lost or destroyed, the owner is now free to print another copy from either of the two websites, so long as the permit is not expired.

### **III. WEEKEND TRAVEL**

- a. We will grant weekend travel, if requested, for all loads that are 14' wide or less except on the West Virginia Turnpike.
- b. To qualify for weekend travel on the Turnpike, loads can be no more than 14' 6" high, 14' wide, 95' long, have no more than 15' total overhang, and weigh no more than 110,000 lbs. GVW.

### **IV. LEGAL LENGTH LIMIT ON COUNTY ROUTES**

On April 1, 2014, the Commissioner of Highways raised the legal length limit on all county routes to 70' (just like it is on WV routes and US routes). Before April 1, the legal length limit on county routes was 55' and there were a number of haulers (particularly companies working in the oil and gas industry) that had to get hauling permits to cover their length (they were legal in other respects) – those haulers no longer need hauling permits. The legal GVW on most county routes is still 65,000 lbs.