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### ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL

**SUBJECT:** Emergency Road Use Permit

Executive Orders 24-208, 24-214, 25-13 as amended and extended, FDOT Emergency Orders 24-08, 24-12, 25-02 as amended and extended authorize the Department of Transportation to suspend the size and weight restrictions for divisible loads on any vehicles transporting emergency equipment, services, supplies or personnel, or to transport FEMA mobile homes or office style mobile homes, and agricultural commodities and citrus as recommended by the Commissioner of Agriculture, and as needed to waive by special permit the warning signal requirements in the Utility Accommodation Manual to accommodate public utility companies from other jurisdictions to render assistance in restoring vital services, subject to the limitations expressed in Executive Orders 24-208, 24-214, 25-13 as amended and extended.

Pursuant to this authority, the Florida Department of Transportation issues this letter to suspend the size and weight restrictions for divisible loads on any vehicles transporting emergency equipment, services, supplies or personnel, or to transport FEMA mobile homes or office style mobile homes and agricultural commodities and citrus as recommended by the Commissioner of Agriculture, allowing the establishment of alternative size and weight restrictions for all such vehicles by permit in excess of the normal restrictions on weight, height, length and width as provided below. The weight, height, length, and width for any such vehicle on roadways maintained by the State of Florida shall be as follows:

# WEIGHT:

All overweight vehicles must operate in accordance with the applicable map based upon the vehicle configurations described below. Current versions of these maps are located on the Permit Office website at <a href="https://www.fdot.gov/maintenance/owodpermits.shtm">https://www.fdot.gov/maintenance/owodpermits.shtm</a>. The hauler is responsible for obtaining a copy of the current appropriate map prior to movement.

A. The maximum Gross Vehicle Weight for vehicles equipped with five (5) weight-bearing axles with outer bridge spans of not less than forty (40) feet, but less than fifty-one (51) feet, shall not exceed ninety thousand (90,000) pounds.

Axle weight restrictions are as follows when operating under Bridge Restriction Map TTT-1: Maximum twenty-two thousand (22,000) pounds (single), forty-four thousand (44,000) pounds (tandem) and sixty thousand (60,000) pounds (tridem).

Axle weight restrictions are as follows when operating under Bridge Restriction Map TTT-2: Maximum twenty-five thousand (25,000) pounds (single), forty-eight thousand (48,000) pounds (tandem), and sixty-six thousand (66,000) pounds (tridem).

B. The maximum Gross Vehicle Weight for vehicles equipped with five (5) weight-bearing axles with outer bridge spans of not less than fifty-one (51) feet shall not exceed ninety-five thousand (95,000) pounds.

Axle weight restrictions are as follows when operating under Bridge Restriction Map TTT-1: Maximum twenty-two thousand (22,000) pounds (single), forty-four thousand (44,000) pounds (tandem) and sixty thousand (60,000) pounds (tridem).

Axle weight restrictions are as follows when operating under Bridge Restriction Map TTT-2: Maximum twenty-five thousand (25,000) pounds (single), forty-eight thousand (48,000) pounds (tandem), and sixty-six thousand (66,000) pounds (tridem).

C. The maximum Gross Vehicle Weight for vehicles equipped with four (4) weight-bearing axles with outer bridge spans of not less than forty-three (43) feet shall not exceed eighty thousand (80,000) pounds.

Axle weight restrictions are as follows when operating under Bridge Restriction Map TTT-1: Maximum twenty-two thousand (22,000) pounds (single), forty-four thousand (44,000) pounds (tandem) and sixty thousand (60,000) pounds (tridem).

Axle weight restrictions are as follows when operating under Bridge Restriction Map TTT-2: Maximum twenty-five thousand (25,000) pounds (single), forty-eight thousand (48,000) pounds (tandem), and sixty-six thousand (66,000) pounds (tridem).

D. All straight trucks shall meet the following requirements: The maximum Gross Vehicle Weight shall not exceed eighty thousand (80,000) pounds. The maximum weight of any single axle shall not exceed twenty-seven thousand and five hundred (27,500) pounds and the maximum weight of any tandem axle shall not exceed fifty-five thousand (55,000) pounds and the maximum weight of any tri-axle shall not exceed seventy thousand (70,000) pounds. Movement must be accompanied by Bridge Restriction Map CRN-2.

### LENGTH, WIDTH, AND HEIGHT:

Maximum dimensions shall not exceed fourteen (14) feet wide, fourteen (14) feet six (6) inches high, and ninety-five (95) feet long. Movement requirements are as follows: Vehicles greater than ten (10) feet wide and up to twelve (12) feet wide, and up to eighty (80) feet long shall travel with one (1) amber warning light while operating on state maintained roadways in Florida. Vehicles greater than ten (10) feet wide up to twelve (12) feet wide, and up to ninety-five (95) feet long shall travel with two (2) amber warning lights (one on the front and one on the rear) while operating on state maintained roadways in

Florida. Vehicles greater than twelve (12) feet wide up to fourteen (14) feet wide, and up to ninety-five (95) feet long shall travel with one (1) qualified escort and two (2) amber warning lights (one on the front and one on the rear) while operating on state maintained roadways in Florida. All vehicles shall be marked and have working lights in accordance with the current laws and Federal requirements.

### TRAVEL SOUTH OF FLORIDA CITY:

Vehicles greater than ten (10) feet wide shall operate with one (1) qualified escort at all times when traveling south of Florida City. Overweight loads are not allowed to operate south of Florida City with this letter.

## **AUTHORIZED TRAVEL TIMES:**

Vehicles described in this letter may travel all days, all hours.

### **LIMITED PERMIT (WAIVER):**

Nothing in this letter shall be construed to allow any vehicle to exceed weight and height limits posted for bridges and like structures, nor shall anything in this letter be construed to relieve any vehicle or the carrier, owner, or driver of any vehicle from compliance with any restrictions other than those specified in this letter, or from any statute, rule, order or other legal requirement not specifically waived herein. The transporter is responsible for verifying adequate vertical and horizontal clearance. The transporter shall carry this letter and the appropriate map on board at all times during the move or display an electronic copy of both upon request. The transporter is responsible for demonstrating the move is part of transporting divisible loads on any vehicles transporting emergency equipment, services, supplies and agricultural commodities and citrus as recommended by the Commissioner of Agriculture.

Please honor this letter as a Road Use Permit issued for the purpose of Hurricane Helene, Hurricane Milton, and Gulf Winter Weather System emergency response through the earlier of February 1, 2025, the expiration or rescission of Executive Orders 24-208, 24-214, 25-13 as amended and extended or by order of the Secretary. If you require additional information, please call (850) 410-5777, Florida Department of Transportation Road Use Permit Office.

Sincerely,

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