

Sec. 14-270-1. Definitions

(a) **Cargo** — the items or freight to be moved; including items placed on or in a vehicle, towed by a vehicle, or a vehicle itself.

(b) **Divisible load** — any load consisting of a product, material or equipment which can be reduced in height, weight, length and/or width to the specified statutory limit.

(c) **Flag** — a plain red cloth marker having a minimum size of 18 inches square.

(d) **Gross weight** — the weight of a vehicle and/or vehicle combination without load plus the weight of any load thereon.

(e) **Height** — the total vertical dimension of any vehicle above the ground surface including any load and load-holding device thereon.

(f) **Highway** — includes any state or other public highway, road, street, avenue, alley, driveway, parkway or place, under the control of the state or any political subdivision thereof, dedicated, appropriated or opened to public travel or other use.

(g) **House trailer** — (a) a trailer or semi-trailer which is designed, constructed, and equipped as a dwelling place, living abode, or sleeping place, either permanent or temporary, and is equipped for use as a conveyance on streets and highways; (b) a trailer or semi-trailer whose chassis and exterior shell is designed and constructed for use as a house trailer as defined in paragraph (a), but which instead is used permanently or temporarily for the advertising, sales, display, or promotion of merchandise or services, or for any other commercial purpose except the transportation of property for hire or the transportation of property for distribution by a private carrier.

(h) **Indivisible load** — a vehicle or load which cannot be dismantled, disassembled, or loaded so as to meet the specified statutory limit for height, weight, length and/or width of the subject vehicle.

(i) **Length** — the total longitudinal dimension of any vehicle or combination of vehicles, including any load or load-holding device thereon.

(j) **Load** — a weight or quantity of anything resting upon something else regarded as its support.

(k) **Mobile home** — same definition as “house trailer” as defined in subsection (g).

(l) **Modular home** — same definition as “house trailer” as defined in subsection (g).

(m) **Motor vehicle** — means any vehicle suitable for operation on a highway which is propelled or drawn by any power other than muscular, except aircraft, motor boats, road rollers, baggage trucks used about railroad stations, electric battery-operated wheel chairs when operated by physically handicapped persons at speeds not exceeding fifteen miles per hour, golf carts operated on highways solely for the purpose of crossing from one part of the golf course to another, agricultural tractors, farm implements, such vehicles as run only upon rails or tracks and self-propelled snow plows, snow blowers and lawn mowers, when used for the purposes for which they were designed and operated at speeds not exceeding four miles per hour, whether or not the operator rides on or walks behind such equipment.

(n) **OOV** — Oversize and/or overweight vehicle or vehicle and load. The combination of vehicles required to transport a heavy or large load.

(o) **Owner** — means any person, firm, corporation or association holding title to a motor vehicle, or having legal right to register the same including purchasers under conditional bills of sale.

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(p) **Permit** — a written authorization to move or operate on a highway a vehicle or vehicle with load of size and/or weight exceeding the limits prescribed for vehicles in regular operation.

(q) **Permittee** — an applicant for a permit who has received written permission to make an oversize and/or overweight movement.

(r) **Sectional house** — same definition as “house trailer” as defined in subsection (g).

(s) **Semi-trailer** — any vehicle of the trailer type so designed and used in conjunction with a motor vehicle that some part of its own weight and load rests upon or is carried by another vehicle.

(t) **Transceiver** — an apparatus, system or process for communicating at a distance by electric transmission over wire.

(u) **Trailer** — means any rubber-tired vehicle without motive power drawn or propelled by a motor vehicle.

(v) **Tractor** — a motor vehicle designed and used for the purpose of drawing a semi-trailer.

(w) **Truck** — every motor vehicle designed, used or maintained primarily for the transportation of property.

(x) **Truck tractor** — same definition as “Tractor” as defined in subsection (v).

(y) **Vehicle** — includes any device suitable for the conveyance, drawing or other transportation of persons or property, whether operated on wheels, runners, cushion of air between it and the surface or by any other means, except those propelled or drawn by human power or those used exclusively upon tracks.

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