

Converse County Rules and Regulations

Governing Vehicle Size, Weight, and Permitting

Section 1: Authority and Purpose

The Converse County Road and Bridge Department promulgates these rules by authority of W.S. 31-18-802 (a)(x) and Converse County Resolution 05-15, to administer provisions for issuing permits to operate vehicles or loads exceeding legal statutory limits as described in W.S. 31-18-801 through W.S. 31-18-808.

Section 2: Definitions

Definitions (Please see WS. 31-1-101, WS. 31-5-102, WS. 31-18-101, WS. 31-18-203, and WS. 31-18-801. Definitions are subject to change by legislative action.) The following includes both statutory (s) and administrative (a) definitions:

- (a) "Agricultural operations" means the raising and harvesting of their own crops or livestock in this state by farmers or ranchers, their exchange between farmers or ranchers or the transportation of implements of husbandry to or from farmers or ranchers by persons engaged in the business of selling or repairing such implements. (s)
- (b) "Agricultural products" means the produce of husbandry. (a)
- (c) "Axle" means the common axis of rotation of one or more wheels, whether power driven or freely rotating, and whether in one or more segments and regardless of the number of wheels carried thereon. (s)
- (d) "Axle group" means an assemblage of 2 or more consecutive axles considered together in determining their combined load effect on a bridge or pavement structure. (s)
- (e) "Axle load" means the total load transmitted to the road by an assembly of 2 or more wheels whose centers are in one transverse vertical plane or may be included between 2 parallel transverse vertical planes 40 inches apart extending across the full width of the vehicle. (s)
- (f) "Axle measurement" means the distance between axles to the nearest foot. When the fractional measurement is exactly one-half foot, the next larger whole number shall be used. (s)
- (g) "Camp shack" means portable on-site living quarters. (a)
- (h) "Cargo" means the items or freight to be moved, including items placed on or in a vehicle, towed by a vehicle or a vehicle itself. (s)
- (i) "Coarse aggregate" means material as retained on a No. 4 (4.75 mm) sieve. (a)

- (j) "Commission" means the Transportation Commission of Wyoming. (s)
- (k) "Connecting mechanism" means an arrangement of parts interconnecting 2 or more consecutive axles to a vehicle in such a manner as to equalize the load between axles.
- (l) "Construction or off-road machinery tires" means a minimum tire width of 18 inches (45.72 cm) as stamped on the tire by the manufacturer and a minimum rim diameter of 25 inches (63.5 cm). (a)
- (m) "County Road" means any road or street under the supervision, management and control of the Board of the County Commissioners of Converse County and maintained for the purpose of vehicular travel, including rights-of-way or other interests in land, embankments, retaining walls, culverts, sluices, drainage structures, bridges, railroad-county road crossings, tunnels, signs, guardrails and protective structures. (a)
- (n) "Daylight hours" means one-half hour before sunrise until one-half hour after sunset. (a)
- (o) "Department" means the Department of Transportation. (s)
- (p) "Director" means the director of the Department of Transportation. (s)
- (q) "Dromedary unit" means a box, deck, or plate mounted behind the cab and forward of the fifth wheel on the frame of a truck-tractor not to exceed 6 feet in length from the back of the cab or sleeper berth. (a)
- (r) "Dunnage" means equipment strictly used for loading, unloading, blocking, bracing, and dropping the trailer for operation upon the highway or county road. (a)
- (s) "Emergency" means a condition vital to the national defense or an unforeseen circumstance, threatening life or property, and requiring prompt action. (a)
- (t) "Escort" means a vehicle accompanying a movement displaying proper lights, signs, and equipment. (a)
- (u) "Exchange" means not receiving funds for a service or product. (a)
- (v) "Extended period permit" means a permit issued to cover a specific load, permitting movement for a specified period of time, over specified routes or statewide. (a)
- (w) "Flags or flagged" means the display of red or fluorescent orange flags not less than 12 inches square. (a)
- (x) "Forest products" means logs, poles, posts, rough lumber, wood chips, sawdust, and any other product of the forest which will require further processing. (s)