



LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

ATTACHMENT NO. 7 – PILOT CAR(S) PROVISIONS

1. **LIMIT OF AUTHORIZATION.** This permit is valid only on routes under the jurisdiction of Los Angeles County and/or the incorporated cities which have a current permit issuance agreement with the County. See attachment number 13 "INCORPORATED CITIES – PERMIT ISSUANCE AUTHORITY"
 - This permit is not valid on State Highways or the roadway crossing under or over a State Freeway. A separate moving permit is required from the State (CALTRANS).
 - This permit is **not valid** on streets or bridges that have posted weight limits.

2. **EQUIPMENT.** Pilot Car(s) driver safety equipment and vehicle shall conform and comply with all regulations of the California Vehicle Code. Failure to comply with all (C.V.C.) regulations may result in the permitted vehicle & load being placed out of service until all necessary corrections or additional equipment is obtained to meet said regulations. Regulations include, but are not limited to the following:
 - Company identification placards (C.V.C. section 27904).
 - Warning signs (C.V.C. sections 27904.5 and 35783.5).
 - Warning lights (C.V.C. section 25270).
 - Warning flags (C.V.C. section 28100).
 - Clearance measurement devices (C.V.C. sections 28102 and 35252).
 - Additional requirements as outlined in C.V.C. section 28101

3. **LOCATION.**
 - If one pilot car is required; the pilot car shall precede the permitted vehicle and load while traveling on two (one lane in each direction) or three-lane conventional roadways. When a pilot car is required for rear overhang (i.e. more than 25' 0"); the pilot car shall follow the permitted vehicle and load. On conventional roadways having four or more lanes; the pilot car shall follow permitted vehicle and load.
 - If two pilot cars are required; one pilot car shall precede permitted vehicle and load and the other pilot car shall follow permitted vehicle and load.
 - Pilot cars must remain right of the centerline of the roadway at all times, unless accompanied by an authorized police agency.

4. **RESPONSIBILITIES.**
 - Pilot cars shall maintain communications with the permitted vehicle and load, at all times, via a two-way radio communication device.
 - Pilot cars shall maintain a safe distance from the permitted vehicle and load to allow both passing, when safe and convenient, and as a warning for other traffic.
 - Pilot cars to accompany the permitted vehicle and load through all open/operational scale facilities and/or inspection sites.

5. **RESTRICTIONS.**
 - Pilot car(s) **are not** authorized to stop, pre-empt, or impede opposing traffic.
 - Pilot car(s) **are not** authorized to tow another vehicle while escorting a load unless it is specifically stated on the face of the transportation permit or in a permit rider attached to the valid permit.
 - Pilot car(s) **are not** authorized to escort more than one vehicle and/or load at one time unless specified on the face of the transportation permit or in a permit rider attached to the valid permit.
 - Pilot car(s) **are not** authorized to display STOP/SLOW sign paddles from the window of a moving vehicle.