



## *Florida Department of Transportation*

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### **ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL**

September 5, 2008

**SUBJECT:** Hurricane Ike Road Use Permit authorizing the movement of Overweight and/or Overdimensional Emergency Equipment, Services and Supplies.

Executive Order 08-187 issued September 5, 2008 directs the Department of Transportation to "waive the size and weight restrictions for divisible loads on any vehicles transporting emergency equipment, services and supplies, or fallen timber for harvesting."

With this authority, the Florida Department of Transportation provides this letter to permit the movement of vehicles transporting emergency equipment, services and supplies. The weight, height, length, and width for any such vehicle on roadways maintained by the State of Florida shall not exceed the following:

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- D. Maximum dimensions shall not exceed fourteen (14) feet wide, fourteen (14) feet six (6) inches high, and ninety five (95) feet long.
- E. 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 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.

This letter permits movement of such vehicles traveling on the Florida Interstate System. Movement of overweight vehicles is permitted off the Florida Interstate System when accompanied by the attached (9) page TT Map # 1, 2001, when traveling on routes shown on the attached map.

Authorized travel times: Vehicles described above may travel all days, all hours.



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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 and up to twelve (12) feet wide, and up to ninety-five (95) feet long shall travel with two (2) amber warning lights while operating on state maintained roadways in Florida. Vehicles greater than twelve (12) feet wide and up to fourteen (14) feet wide, and up to ninety five (95) feet long shall travel with one (1) certified escort and two (2) amber warning lights 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.

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 on board at all times during the move. The Transporter is responsible for demonstrating the move is part of the response to the emergency.

Please honor this letter as a Road Use Permit issued for the purpose of the State of Florida emergency response, for a period of time not to exceed fourteen (14) days from the date of Executive Order 08-187 issued September 5, 2008. If you require additional information, please call (850) 410-5777, Florida Department of Transportation Road Use Permit Office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tim Lattner".

Tim Lattner, P.E.  
Director, Office of Maintenance