

SEALED OCEAN CONTAINER PERMITS

ALABAMA

Strictly for international trade permit must accompanied by the international bill of lading. Max weight: 90,000 lbs. on 5 or more axles (40,000 lbs. per tandem) Overall height is 13-6. Need Make and Model on sealed ocean container, From & To, Original From & Final Destination & Routes.

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ARKANSAS

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COLORADO

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CONNECTICUT

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CALIFORNIA

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You can however get sealed ocean container permits for Los Angeles & Long Beach Port area's only.

DELAWARE

Load Code 5 Sealed Ocean Container: Permit application requires name of Entering or Exiting Port and Seal.

Max GVW 90,000 lbs. Monday through Friday sunrise to sunset. Duration is 3 days.

Max GVW 100,000 lbs. Monday through Sunday 24 hour continuous movement.

FLORIDA

Minimum 5 axles is required

Minimum 51 feet wheelbase (outerbridge) required

Minimum 10 feet required between groupings

Max GVW 100,000 lbs.

Max 25,000 lbs. on a any single axle

Max 50,000 lbs. on any tandem axle grouping

Max 60,000 lbs. on any Tri or Quad axle grouping

GEORGIA

A sealed container with an origin or destination being a port used for international trading. The driver must be prepared to show an international bill of lading. A 40' box container is allowed a gross weight of 100,000 lbs. on 5 axle tractor/trailer combination. A 20' box container is allowed 80,000 lbs. with a tandem weight of 44,000 lbs. A 20' box container transported on a 40' center mount or center-mount triaxle trailer is allowed a vehicle gross weight of 100,000 lbs. on 5 or more axle tractor/trailer configuration.

IDAHO

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ILLINOIS

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INDIANA

A permit that is issued for a sealed ocean container is valid for one year. Once the driver has paid \$800 for the permit, he or she must follow the below provisions: The container is sealed at the place of origin and has not been opened except by an agent of the federal government that may inspect the contents; and

1. Being transported to and from a distribution facility.
2. Ocean containers cannot exceed 53 feet (trailer and load length) in length with a tractor-trailer hook-up, 60 feet overall in length with a truck-trailer hook up, 8 feet 6 inches wide and 13 feet 6 inches overall height and 95,000 pounds.

The carrier must complete a form [M-233](#) to request the sealed ocean container permit. Once completed, the carrier must fax the form to (317) 615-7241. If a carrier has more than one truck that will move these containers, a permit must be ordered for each truck.

If you have any questions, please contact the Department at (317) 615-7320.

IOWA

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KANSAS

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KENTUCKY NEED MSCU#

Section 19. Permits for Sealed, Containerized, Ocean-going Cargo Units. (1) A vehicle moving a sealed, containerized, ocean-going cargo unit shall be eligible for an overweight or oversized single trip permit.

(2) A vehicle eligible for an overweight or oversized permit shall meet the specifications and limitations established in KRS 189.222 and Section 4 of this administrative regulation.

(3) An applicant for an overweight or overdimensional permit shall submit the following to the Division of Motor Carriers:

- (a) A completed Kentucky Overweight or Overdimensional Permit Worksheet, TC Form 95-10;
- (b) A payment of sixty (60) dollars pursuant to KRS 189.270(2); and
- (c) A copy of an international bill of lading signed by a custom's official, or an international bill of lading with an equipment interchange and inspection report.

(4) An overweight or overdimensional permit shall be valid for:

- (a) One (1) move;
- (b) A duration of ten (10) days; and
- (c) Twenty four (24) hour continuous movement during the duration of the overweight or overdimensional permit.

(5) During transit, an operator shall have in his or her possession a copy of the documents established in subsection (3)(c) of this section.

LOUISIANA

Container Cargo – Class 1: \$50.00 – 1 Calendar Year – International Trade – 80,000 lbs. – 40,000 lbs – per tandem.

Container Cargo – Class 2: \$500.00 – 1 Calendar Year – International Trade – 95,000 lbs. – rear set must be a tridum.

MAINE

Treated as a load that CAN'T be reduced. Depends on each situation it will be allowed for more than 80,000 lbs. Need MSCU Number

MARYLAND

A special permit may be purchased for a combination of vehicles carrying manifested international freight as the only load of the vehicle in a sealed, sea-going container on a semi-trailer carrying an indivisible load. The load must be going to or from a Port in Maryland.

Yearly Blanket Type Permit Only

Route of travel is specific

The cargo must be coming from or going to a port in Maryland

Application must be on original with seal

It must be a sealed sea-going container

A 20 ft. container carried on a 20 ft. intermodal chassis is allowed a max gross weight of 80,000 lbs. The following axle weights apply.

-Single Axle 22,400 lbs.

-Two Consecutive axles is 44,000 lbs.

A 20 ft. container carried on a 40 foot intermodal chassis is allowed a max gross weight of 90,000 lbs. The following axle weights apply.

-Single axle 22,400 lbs.

-Two Consecutive Axle is 44,000 lbs.

Permit must have all attachments to be valid.

MASSACHUTES

Max weight is 88,000 lbs.

Components must be detached. All pieces over 14-0 wide must be reduced. If a component, which is detached creates the overweight is must be hauled separately.

MICHIGAN

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MINNESOTA

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MISSISSIPPI

Sealed Ocean Containers can travel 24/7 with Max Weight of 95,000lbs. – All other dimensions must be legal.

MISSOURI

Max Weight Allowed 92,000 – Needs MSCU # - 20,000 lbs. on each axle must have 5 or 6 axles

MONTANYA

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NEBRASKA

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NEVEDA

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NEW HAMPSHIRE

No set rule. Each shipment would be looked at to determine if it would be allowed.

NEW JERSEY

Annual Permit: Ocean borne Containers – overweight permits are valid for sealed containers of the type commonly used for the conveyance of freight transported in international ocean-going commerce, bearing the seal of the United States Custom Service, the seal of another governmental agency, or seal of the shipper, where the per-axle weight limitation does not exceed 38,000 lbs. for one tandem axle unit or 56,400 lbs. for any tri-axle trailer configuration only in a tractor/semitrailer combination. These vehicles must follow other axle limitations in N.J.S.A. 39:3-84 and the maximum tire load in N.J.A.C. 13:18-1.10 (2), as well as comply with the Federal Bridge Formula. An annual permit is issued for these vehicles up to 90,000 lbs. At a cost of \$100, the permit may be used for multiple trips by the company of invoice. Need MSCU Number!

NEW MEXICO

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NEW YORK

Load must be identified as “Sealed Shipping Container”

Max weight is 45,000 a tandem axle

Max weight is 54,000 a tri axle

Container Number (MSCU) must be specified on the permit.

Routing for point to point moves with New York state will NOT approved.

Move must be through the state, from a point with the state to outside the state or from outside to a location within the state and must be from a foreign country or port.

NORTH CAROLINA

A sealed ship container is defined as containerized freight being transported to or from a designated seaport and has or will be transported by marine shipment for international trade with the original unbroken seal or replacement seal affixed by an authorized government agency.

A sealed ship container must meet all of the following requirements to qualify for a permit.

1. All dimensions of width, height and length do not exceed limits specified in NC.
2. Traveling to or from a designated seaport (either in state or out of state) and has been or will be transported intact by marine shipment.

3. Power unit is licensed for 80,000 lbs.
4. Is a vehicle/vehicle combination of at least five axles; and
5. Has proper documentation (shippers bill of lading and / or trucking bill of lading) of sealed commodity being transported available for enforcement inspection.

Allowable weights are specified in the Annual Permit and Single Trip sections of the handbook (See Page 6 and 7)

NORTH DAKOTA

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OHIO

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OKLAHOMA

Permits may be issued if the load is going to a port or coming from a port. It is up to the department's discretion.

OREGON

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PENNSYLVANIA

Sealed, seagoing, international containerized cargo may operate under an annual permit up to 90,000 lbs.

Can NOT get a single trip permit

Max weight is 21,000 lbs. on a single axle

Max weight is 21,000 lbs. on steering

RHODE ISLAND

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SOUTH CAROLINA

Up to 8-6 wide, 13-6 high and 90,000 on 5 or more axles (not to exceed 40,000 lbs. per tandem)

1. A Multiple Trip Permit is valid for one (1) year from the date of issuance.
 2. A Multiple Trip Permits may travel all US, SC and Interstate routes (unless posted for load) with the maximum dimensions defined above. Travel on secondary routes is prohibited; an additional route specific permit must be obtained from the permit office when traveling on secondary roads.
 3. The complete vehicle identification number and tag number for the towing vehicle is required on each permit issued.
 4. Multiple Trip Permits for Non-Divisible loads and Mobile Homes can obtain a route specific permit for loads up to a maximum height of 15-0 feet and up to 130,000 lbs. gross weight.
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TENNESSEE

Need MSCU Number

Max weight is 90,000 lbs.

Max weight is 20,000 lbs. per axle on 5 or 6 axles

TEXAS

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UTAH

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VERMONT

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VIRGINIA

Permit is valid only for travel of containerized cargo in a sealed seagoing container.

Need the MSCU number

Max Weight is 24,000 lbs. a single axle

Max Weight is 44,000 lbs. on 3 axles

WASHINGTON

Max Weight is 34,000 a tan-axle

Max Weight is 99,200 on a 5 axle combo

Max Weight is 108,000 on a 6 axle combo

Need MSCU Number

WEST VIRGINIA

Permits will be issued for seagoing containerized cargo

Need MSCU Number

Max Weight is 90,000 lbs.

No breakdowns

WISCONSIN

Same axle weights as allowed with other state permits.

Max weight is 90,000 lbs.

Need MSCU Number

Max Weight is 65,000 tan-axle

Max Weight is 20,000 a single axle

Max Weight is 81,000 a tri-axle

WYOMING

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