

**Commercial Vehicle Safety
& Enforcement**

Commercial Transport Department

NOTICE

To All Permit Issuers, Industry and the General Public

TIPS for Speeding Up Over Weight Permit Approvals Requiring Bridge Review

Make use of identical loads procedures where possible.

In response to Industry input the Ministry of Transportation, Bridge Engineering branch will process, on a priority basis, permit approvals for “Identical Loads “.

Approval times for loads that are identical to previous overload approvals will be one (1) to three (3) business days.

Identical Loads are defined as:

- Same truck configuration including axle groups and spacings.
- All axle weights are the same or less than a previous approval.
- Same roads being travelled on in same direction as previous approval.
- Same start and end locations.
- Permit request provides previous Bridge Engineer approval number (i.e., OL1111).
- Previous approval within last five (5) years.

Reference: *Commercial Transport Procedure Manual Chapter 6 Heavy Haul and extraordinary Loads* page 29. http://www.cvse.ca/CTPM/Chapter_6.pdf

Whenever possible, request return empty permit at the same time and/or return load permit at same time.

This is more efficient for transportation companies, Ministry of Transportation permit staff, and Bridge Engineers.

Yours truly,



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