



# THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

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BY THE GOVERNOR:

**WHEREAS:** Due to the catastrophic damage to timber trees caused by the forest fires in the southern region of the state and bordering states, it has been determined that specific restrictions be lifted on lumber trucks to accommodate for the emergency removal of the burnt timber; and

**WHEREAS:** It is requested that the State of Georgia allow vehicles transporting such loads to travel on pre-approved state maintained roadways as indicated on the permit; and no company shall exceed the allowable gross weight indicated on the permit; and

**WHEREAS:** Authorization is granted to the Georgia Department of Transportation to issue overdimensional permits accommodating the movement of vehicles and loads as stated above with coordination and cooperation from law enforcement of the Georgia Department of Public Safety, Motor Carrier Compliance Division is warranted.

**NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY**

**ORDERED:** That weight, height, and length for any such vehicle on roadways maintained by the State of Georgia and shown on the permit, shall not exceed the following:

(A) A maximum gross vehicle weight for vehicles equipped with five (5) weight-bearing axles, with an outer bridge span of not less than fifty-one (51) feet shall not exceed a gross weight of ninety (90) thousand pounds, a width of ten (10) feet and an overall length of one hundred (100) feet. Continuous travel is authorized; with the proper escorts.

(B) Transporters are responsible for ensuring they have proper oversize signs, markings, flags and escorts as defined in the Georgia Department of Transportation, Rules and Regulations 672-2-.06 and 672-2-.07.

(C) When traveling after nightfall, transporters are required to have a vehicle front and a rear escort/amber light when traveling on a 2-lane roadway and a vehicle rear escort is required when traveling on a 4-lane highway.

Permits may be issued by the Georgia Department of Transportation, Oversize Permit Unit, during normal business hours from 7:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., Monday through Friday by calling 1-800-570-5428.

This Executive Order shall be valid for ninety (90) days from this date.

This 2<sup>ND</sup> day of May, 2007.

  
GOVERNOR