# CVEU (Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit) Handbook

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## CADDO PARISH COMMISSION

# COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT UNIT

# **PERMIT OFFICE**

The street address for the Truck Permit Office is:

Caddo Parish Commission Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit 505 Travis Street Suite 820 Shreveport, LA 71101

The Oil Field Inspection Office is located at:

Caddo Parish Commission 505 Travis Street Suite 820 Shreveport, LA 71101

Truck Permit Office hours are:

Monday through Friday	8:00A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
Saturday and Sunday	CLOSED
Certain Holidays	CLOSED

Permit request, payments and other business office functions will not be handled after 4:30 P.M.

The telephone and fax numbers for the Truck Permit Office /CVEU/ Oil Field Inspection are:

Phone Number: (318) 841-5522

Fax Number: (318) 698-8004

CVEU Officer Cell: (318) 208-2829

To view a copy of the Caddo Parish Ordinances pertaining to the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit, follow the link provided: www.caddo.org

# **OBTAINING A PERMIT APPLICATION**

### PERMIT APPLICATIONS (PLEASE SUBMIT APPLICATION 72 BUSINESS HOURS BEFORE LOAD IS TRANSPORTED)

There are three ways to apply for a permit:

### 1. **Walk-in:**

Permits may be purchased by appearing in person at the Caddo Parish Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit Office.\*

### 2. Phone/Fax:

Applicants may submit the information required on an application by calling the Caddo Parish Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit.\* Permit applications may also be faxed to our office.\*

### 3. **E-mail:**

Applicants may also obtain and submit permit applications by e-mail: permits@caddo.org.

### ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION MUST BE SUBMITED AT TIME OF APPLICATION.

### METHODS OF PAYMENT

Caddo Parish CVEU accepts two forms of payment:

- 1. Company Check
- 2. Official Check
- 3. Credit Cards- Visa, MasterCard & Discover

FUNDS MUST BE OBTAINED BEFORE PERMIT APPROVED

### Sec. 26-155. Definitions.

Axle means a beam with a spindle or spindles about which wheels rotate.

<u>Axle group</u> means a combination of two or more consecutive axles considered together in determining their combined load effect on a highway (such as tandem, tridum, or quadrum axle groups).

**Booster** means a mechanism which attaches additional axles to the rear of a trailer. The trailer to booster connection may rely on mechanical, air (or other gas), or hydraulic means to provide load transfer. Generally designed to provide axle spacing between groups of a minimum of ten feet bridge or greater. (Also called axle extensions or stingers.)

Caddo Parish means Caddo police commercial vehicle enforcement unit.

<u>Converter dolly</u> means an auxiliary undercarriage assembly consisting of a chassis, fifth wheel and towbar used to convert a semitrailer to a full trailer. (No load distribution occurs between dolly and power unit.)

<u>Deck</u> means the load-carrying area on a platform, lowbed or chassis-type trailer. Can be flat level, dropside, recessed well (transformer) or beam design. *Department* means Caddo Parish commercial vehicle enforcement unit.

<u>Designated truck routes</u> (National Network-NN) means highways designated by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation in accordance with the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1482 that includes provisions for truck-semitrailer-trailer combinations and maximum vehicle width of eight feet six inches.

<u>Dolly, jeep</u>, means a short frame-type trailer complete with upper coupler, fifth wheel and undercarriage assembly and designed in such a manner that when coupled to a semitrailer and tractor it carries a portion of the trailer kingpin load while transferring the remainder to the tractor fifth wheel. (Also called joe dog or a load divider dolly; usually as a sliding fifth wheel or a fixed fifth wheel for the trailer to couple with.)

**Domicile** means the fixed, permanent and principal residence for legal purposes.

Dromedary unit means a load-carrying compartment on a truck-tractor located between the cab and fifth wheel.

<u>Dummy axle</u> means a single axle attached independently to the frame of a vehicle and so designed and placed as to indicate the appearance of and to carry a uniformly distributed load of a normal axle group.

<u>Envelope vehicle</u> means a truck/semitrailer combination or truck tractor/manufactured housing combination that does not exceed the size and weight limits specified by the parish.

<u>Gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR)</u> means the maximum allowable total weight of a road vehicle or trailer when loaded.

**Gross weight (GW)** means the weight of a vehicle and/or combination of vehicles plus the weight of any thereon.

<u>Individual axle</u> means any of the two, three, or four axles which make up the tandem, tridum, or quadrum axle groups.

**Interstate hauling** means vehicle movement between or through two or more jurisdictions.

<u>Intrastate hauling</u> means movement of a vehicle from one point within a jurisdiction to another point within the same jurisdiction, regardless of routes traversed.

<u>Jeep</u> means a short frame-type trailer complete with upper coupler, fifth wheel and undercarriage assembly and designed in such a manner that when coupled to a semitrailer and tractor it carries a portion of the trailer kingpin load while transferring the remainder to the tractor fifth wheel. (Also called joe dog or a load divider dolly; usually as a sliding fifth wheel or a fixed fifth wheel for the trailer to couple with.)

<u>LADOTD</u> means the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

<u>Length</u> means the total longitudinal dimension of a single vehicle, a trailer, or a semitrailer. Length of a trailer or semitrailer is measured from the point of the cargo-carrying unit to its rear and includes load-holding devices thereon.

<u>Mobile home</u> means (a) a trailer or semitrailer which is designed, constructed and equipped as a dwelling place, living abode or sleeping place, either permanently or temporarily, and is equipped for use as a conveyance on highways: or (b) a trailer or semitrailer whose chassis and exterior shell is designed and constructed for use as a mobile home, as defined in (a), but which is used instead permanently or temporarily for the advertising, sales, display or promotion of merchandise or services, or for any other commercial purpose except the transportation of property for hire or the transportation of property for distribution by a private carrier.

<u>Quadrum axle</u> means any four consecutive axles whose centers are 40 or more inches but not more than 96 inches apart. A quadrum axle must be designed to equalize the load between the axles.

<u>Semitrailer</u> means any single vehicle without motive power designed for carrying property and passengers and so designed in conjunction and used with a motor vehicle that some part of its weight and that of its own load rests or is carried by another vehicle and having one or more load-carrying axles.

<u>Single axle</u> means any single axle or any assembly of two or more axles whose containers are less than 40 inches apart.

<u>Stinger-streered combination</u> means a truck tractor semitrailer wherein the fifth wheel is located on a drop frame located behind and below the rearmost axles of the power unit.

<u>Tandem axle</u> means any two consecutive axles whose centers are 40 or more inches but not more than 96 inches apart. A tandem axle must be designed to equalize the load between the axles.

<u>Trailer</u> means any single vehicle without motive power designed for carrying property and passengers wholly on its own structure, drawn by a motor vehicle, which carries no part of the weight and load of the trailer on its own wheels, and having two or more load carrying axles.

<u>Trailer dolly</u> means an auxiliary undercarriage assembly consisting of a chassis, fifth wheel and towbar used to convert semitrailer to a full trailer.

<u>Trailer, drop center (double drop)</u> means a trailer design employing an offset or drop in the cargo deck immediately behind the supports and another immediately in front of the suspension, the purpose of which is to lower the cargo deck and/or to provide the greatest height possible for the cargo in the dropped area.

<u>Trailer, drop frame</u>, means a trailer design employing one offset or drop in the cargo deck immediately behind the supports. (Also called a single drop trailer.)

<u>Tridum axle</u> means any three consecutive axles whose centers are 40 or more inches but not more than 96 inches apart. A tridum axle must be designed to equalize the load between the axles.

<u>Trunion axle</u> means an axle configuration with two individual axles mounted in the same transverse plane, with four tires on each axle, connected at a pivot which allows each individual axle to oscillate in a vertical plane to provide constant and equal weight distribution on each individual axle.

<u>Trunion axle group</u> means two or more consecutive trunion axles, which are individually attached to, and/or articulated, from the vehicle by a weight equalizing suspension system.

<u>Variable load suspension axles</u> means axles which can be regulated by the driver of the vehicle either through the use of an in—cab valve or switch or by turning a valve on the outside of the truck. These axles are controlled by hydraulic and air suspension systems, mechanically, or by a combination of these methods.

<u>Vehicle</u> means any device by which a person, or things may be transported upon a public highway or bridge. A trailer or semitrailer shall be a separate vehicle. For the purposes of this article such vehicles or a combination of vehicles operating intrastate with a single or combined gross vehicle weight rating equal to or greater than 20,001 pounds; or a vehicle or combination of vehicles operating interstate with a single or combined gross vehicle weight rating equal to or greater than 10,001 pounds; or any vehicle that is used in transporting material found by the U. S. Secretary of Transportation to be hazardous.

<u>Width</u> means the total outside transverse dimension of a vehicle including any load or load holding devices thereon, but, excluding approved safety devices and tire bulge due to load.

### Sec. 26-156. Width; projecting loads.

- (a) The width of any vehicle shall not exceed 102 inches, exclusive of safety devices.
- (b) The load of any vehicle shall not project more than 12 inches beyond the width of the vehicle.

(c) All projecting loads shall be properly marked. Warning flags are required on vehicles and loads that exceed the legal width or length on roadways maintained by Caddo Parish. Loads shall be flagged in accordance with the requirements of Caddo Parish (the industry standard). All four corners shall be flagged and an "oversize load" sign shall be in front and on the rear of the vehicle.

### Sec. 26-157. Height.

The height of any vehicle and its load shall not exceed 13 feet six inches on the roadways maintained by Caddo. Vehicles operating exclusively on interstate highway (due to their configuration) will have a one-road mile exclusionary zone from the interstate highway to allow for access to terminals, facilities for food, fuel, repairs, and rest.

### Sec. 26-158. Length.

- (a) On roadways maintained by Caddo the length of a single vehicle shall not exceed 45 feet. The length of the semitrailer portion of a tractor-semitrailer combination shall not exceed 59 feet six inches maximum. The maximum length of a combination vehicle/Semi Truck and trailer on Caddo Parish roadways shall not exceed 65 feet. The maximum length for specialized hauling equipment (car haulers, boat haulers, dromedary units) is 75 feet noninclusive of a three-foot front overhang and a four-foot rear overhang.
- (b) The load carried by a combination of vehicles transporting poles and piling and forest products in their natural state shall not exceed 65 feet plus one foot for slippage of cargo. These loads may operate during daylight hours with 20-foot rear overhang plus one foot for slippage and two red flags (one foot by one foot) posted on rearmost portion of load, indicating both the width and length of the load; and at night with 15-foot rear overhang plus one foot for slippage and a single steady illuminated red lamp posted at rearmost portion of load. These loads must maintain a two-foot clearance above the pavement structure. Daylight shall be defined as the period from 30 minutes after sunrise until 30 minutes before sunset.
- (c) The load upon any single vehicle or upon the front vehicle of a combination of vehicles shall not project more than four feet beyond the foremost part of said vehicle, and the load upon the rear of any single vehicle or upon the rearmost part of a combination of vehicles shall not project more than eight feet beyond rearmost portion of vehicle (excluding forest products). Equipment that is more than six feet off of pavement surface is not considered overhang when it is to the foremost part of vehicle.
- (d) No combination of commercial motor vehicles operated on Caddo roadways shall consist of more than two vehicles.

### Sec. 26-159. Cargo securement.

- (a) The load on a vehicle shall not drop, sift, leak, or otherwise escape therefrom.
- (b) Cargo securement is product specific and will be secured accordingly. All parts of the load shall be secured to the deck, with a load securing device that is not damaged or pieced together and must be in proper working order (obvious damage), not allowing the load to shift or move in any way.
- (c) All loose material will be covered with a tarp that does not allow the load from spilling or dropping from the vehicle. This includes dirt, sand, gravel, nails or other material that is capable of blowing or spilling from a vehicle as a result of movement or exposure to air, wind currents, or weather, but shall not include agricultural products in their natural state or wood chips.

### Sec. 26-160. Trailer connections.

Draw bars and other connections must be strong enough to pull all the towed weight, be maintained properly, and shall not exceed 15 feet in length.

### Sec. 26-161. Exemptions.

- (a) Farm and agricultural vehicles, and equipment, except draglines, and bulldozers, being operated or transported for bona fide agricultural or agronomical/horticultural purposes or the transportation of farm vehicles and equipment to be used for normal farm purposes by persons transporting such farm equipment, landscaping, hardware store delivery operations or any type of agronomical machinery, fertilizing tending units for a distance not to exceed 50 miles from point of origin, shall be exempted from sections 26-156 through 26-159
- (b) Trailers and semitrailers with a gross vehicle weight rating of not more than 12,000 pounds, when owned and used by a retail business in this state and designed for the purpose of pickup and delivery of new, used and repaired farm equipment for a distance not to exceed 50 miles from point of origin shall be exempt from section 56-156.
- (c) Vehicles being operated to transport timber cutting or logging equipment from one job site to another and the equipment being transported, when the trailer upon which the equipment is being towed, are owned or leased by the same person, shall be exempt from sections 26-156, 26-157 and 26-158
- (d) Such farm vehicles and vehicles transporting cutting and logging equipment may use any Caddo road during the period from 30 minutes after sunrise until 30 minutes before sunset provided that such machinery or equipment shall be equipped with front and rear reflector lights and with a blinking

- hazard light clearly visible from the front and rear during dusk/dawn and properly marked with flags during daylight.
- (e) Trucks which transport seed cotton modules or cotton from the field to the gin, or cottonseed from the gin to the mill shall be exempt from sections 26-156, 26-157 and 26-158.
- (f) The first violation of any of the above articles shall be punishable by a civil fine of not more than \$175.00. A subsequent violation shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$500.00, as defined by the Director of Public Works.

### Sec. 26-162. Weights allowed on Caddo roadways.

- (a) The total gross weight of a type 6 vehicle is 80,000 pounds. The total gross weight for a type 8 vehicle is 88,000 pounds (this includes all type 8 vehicles and any tractor with three or more axles pulling a trailer with three or more axles that are all properly rated).
- (b) No tire mounted on any axle attached to any vehicle or combination of vehicles shall impose a greater weight on the surface of a roadway than 650 pounds per square inch. No tire shall exceed its manufacturers tire rating.
- (c) The total gross weight of any single axle attached to any vehicle and equipped with low-pressure pneumatic tires shall not exceed 22,000 pounds.
- (d) The total gross weight of any tandem axle attached to any vehicle and equipped with low-pressure pneumatic tires is 37,000 pounds; however any vehicle carrying forest products in their natural state shall be given 40,000 pounds.
- (e) The total gross weight for tridum axles attached to a vehicle and equipped with low-pressure pneumatic tires is 45,000 pounds.
- (f) The total gross weight for a quadrum axle attached to a vehicle equipped with low-pressure tires is 55,000 pounds.
- (g) The total gross weight for a five-axle group attached to a vehicle equipped with low-pressure tires is 61,000 pounds.
- (h) The gross steering axle gross weight of any vehicle shall be determined by the size of the tire; it shall not exceed 22,000 pounds.

- (i) When by reason of the condition of the weather, or the physical condition of any Caddo roadway or its recent construction, or the making of repairs thereto, Caddo Parish deems it necessary, then for such time as is reasonably necessary to remedy the situation, it may prohibit the use of such a highway or specify lesser gross weights than those fixed in this section, pursuant to the recommendations of the director of public works for Caddo Parish in order to protect the public roadways and the persons and property of the traveling public from unnecessary damage. Notice of such restrictions, prohibitions, or weight reductions shall be given by Caddo Parish by proper posting of signs giving notice of these restrictions, prohibitions, or reductions at the terminal of the roadway. These roadways and bridges will be posted with regulatory weight limit signs (black lettering on a white background). Violation tickets will be issued for vehicles crossing these bridges in excess of the posted weight limit. Neither the Parish of Caddo, the Caddo Parish commission, its officers, agents and employees shall incur any liability from injury or property damage caused by the crossing of a posted bridge or travel on a roadway with a load/vehicle in excess of posted or advisory (black lettering on a yellow background) weight limits.
- (j) Caddo Parish requires reasonable distribution of axle weight on tandem, tridum, quandrum axle groups.
  - 1. Tandem axles. A tandem axle group is properly distributed if neither of the axles carries more than 21,500 pounds.
  - 2. Tridum axle. A tridum axle group is properly distributed if none of the individual axles carries more than 17,000 pounds.
  - 3. Quadrum axles. A quadrum axle group is properly distributed if none of the individual axles carries more than 15,500 pounds.

Those vehicles and loads with permits that exceed the legal axle weight must comply with the axle weight distribution described in the overweight permit procedures.

The regulator that controls the pressure for these axles must be mounted outside the cab. The only control that may be in the cab is that which is necessary to activate the system (raise and lower the axle).

### Sec. 26-163. Permits.

(a) No vehicle or combination of vehicles which does not meet the requirements of sections 26-156 through 26-162 shall use the public roadways of Caddo Parish without first obtaining a special permit from the Parish. The special permit herein provided shall be issued at the discretion of Caddo Parish.

Any special permit shall be carried with the vehicle using it at all times shall be available for inspection by the proper authorities. All special permits are issued per vehicle and shall have the vehicle, trailer, and commodity information listed in detail (all license plate numbers, height, weight, length, width, total axles, and a copy of any State issued permit). There shall be a penalty for failure to obtain and/or possess required special permits of not less than \$100.00 or not more than \$500.00, as prescribed by the director of public works.

- (b) Caddo Parish may adopt rules and regulations necessary to carry out the purpose of this section relating to special permits.
- (c) The director of public works may issue a special permit for the operation of vehicles or combination of vehicles having dimensions or weight in excess of the limits imposed by Caddo Parish sections 26-156 through 26-162 if the shipment is not readily divided, broken, or dismantled, or the operation of such vehicle is otherwise prohibited by law, however, if the parts which have been divided, broken, or dismantled from the shipment weight in the aggregate weight of 500 pounds, or less, then the shipment shall be considered as indivisible. If any parts remain with the shipment weight and exceed 500 pounds, the load shall be considered as divisible and no special permit shall be granted, and any existing special permit shall be deemed void. In the exercise of its discretion, the director of public works shall consider the following factors, as well as any other circumstance existing in the particular case:
  - (1) There is a vital and exceptional economic necessity therefor.
  - (2) The existence of a real necessity of transportation by parish roadways.
  - (3) The director of public works considers the best interest of Caddo Parish, the Caddo road system and the citizens of Caddo and their property during the issuance of the permit.
- (d) When an application for a special permit is made, the director of public works may require the special permit applicant to supply any information it deems necessary for the protection of the interests of Caddo, the Caddo road system, and the public.
- (e) The director of public works may impose conditions upon the issuance of special permit and may also impose requirements upon its use, including but not restricted to, the use of additional axles, so as to require that the axle weight conform as close as possible to the weight provided for in section 26-162; the routing over the roadways of the shipment under special permit; the date, time of day, the speed limit; the furnishing of a bond with good and solvent surety to protect Caddo Parish, and all officers and employees of Caddo Parish from all liability and damage resulting from the use of such permit (overweight—exceeding weights allowed for the axle configuration, or 14 feet wide or more, the minimum amount of the certificate of insurance must be \$100,000.00 for one trip or \$250,000.00 for a year). The permittee accepts and uses the special permit at his or her own risk, even though all

instructions, directions and requirements of Caddo Parish have been followed. Neither the Parish of Caddo nor the Caddo Parish commission or its employees and agents shall incur any liability of any nature from the use of a special permit. The accompaniment of the vehicle and shipment by proper escort, all at the expense of the permittee; and such other conditions or requirements as the director of public works deems necessary and proper. When law enforcement vehicles are required as a proper escort, there shall be a charge for the use thereof. Such charges shall be based on the mileage of the escort with a minimum charge of \$25.00.

- (f) An overweight special permit shall be issued and required for the gross weight of the vehicle or combination of vehicles that exceed sec. 26-162 Weights allowed on Caddo roadways. Vehicles must be registered for the maximum allowable licensed weight in order to obtain an overweight special permit.
- (g) The director of public works may issue an annual special permit for the operation of those vehicles which are of such design that they do not comply with section 26-161
- (h) Special permits must be obtained before movement of an oversize or overweight vehicle or load begins or before the vehicle enters upon the roadways of Caddo Parish. Movement of overweight permitted loads onto a road or bridge with a posted weight limit shall be considered on an individual basis. Inquiries should be directed to the director of public works well in advance of the movement as it may require analysis and adequate time should be allowed for this analysis. The permittee shall pay any cost incurred for the analysis.
- (i) Caddo Parish may establish and collect reasonable fees for each special permit issued. Permit fees shall be uniform for each classification of vehicle and/or purpose for which issued. All of the funds/fees collected shall be deposited into an account designated by Caddo Parish following their collection. Caddo Parish shall keep a set of books showing from whom funds are received and for what purpose.
- (j) The director of public works shall recognize and honor any legally obtained LADOTD-issued annual special permit. The permittee accepts and uses the special permit at his or her own risk, even though all instructions, directions and requirements of Caddo Parish have been followed. A Caddo Parish Permit shall be required if the vehicle exceeds any part of Section 14-112. /Sec.26.-156 through Section 14-118./Sec.-162, while operating on Caddo Parish maintained roadways. Neither the Parish of Caddo nor the Caddo Parish commission or its employees shall incur any liability of any nature from the use of a special permit. Any special permit shall be carried with the vehicle using the same and shall be available for inspection by the proper authorities. Vehicles using an LADOTD-issued annual special permit shall be prohibited from violating Section14-112. /Sec. 26-156 through Section 14-118. /Sec26-162 and any posted weight limits on parish roadways or bridges without first contacting the director of public works for permission with adequate response time allowed. Violation of these terms and conditions shall result in termination of observance of said permit by the director of public works.

### Sec. 26-164. Monthly permits.

- i. Monthly overweight permit for machinery/heavy equipment (Based on Gross Weight (GW) of vehicle not to exceed \$500.00 per month/per vehicle). The director of public works may issue special permits upon application and payment of fees by the owner or operator of any vehicle or combination of vehicles transporting heavy equipment with gross vehicle weight not to exceed 120,000 pounds. Oversize dimensions not exceeding 14 feet four inches in height, 12 feet zero inches in width, 90 feet zero inches in length and a rear overhang of 25 feet zero inches shall be included in the cost of the permit. Loads with dimensions exceeding the parameters of this permit must obtain a separate oversize/overweight permit. Vehicles using this permit are prohibited from crossing bridges with a posted weight limit and from travel in restricted construction zones. Vertical clearances will be the responsibility of the permittee. The permit will be good for one month from the date of purchase. The permit will be issued for the pulling unit and is non-transferable and non-refundable. Loads with a gross vehicle weight exceeding 108,000 pounds are required to have a combination of at least six axles. Vehicles with valid permit are not prohibited from traveling at night, during moderate rain, or on holidays, if the width and length conform to legal standards. The issuance of this permit requires a signed agreement, an application from the company, power of attorney giving authority to a person to execute the agreement on behalf of the corporation and must be dated on or before the agreement is dated. The original permit shall be carried in the vehicle for which it was issued. They may only be obtained from Caddo Parish. The vehicle shall have a current valid oversize/overweight permit issued by the LADOTD.
- ii. Off-road equipment-monthly (Based on Gross Weight (GW) of vehicle not to exceed \$500.00 per month/per vehicle). The director of public works may issue special permits upon application and payment of fees by the owner or operator of vehicles that are classified as off-road equipment. In general, included in this category are vehicles that have single-single, single-tandem, or tandem-tandem configurations that do not exceed 30,000 pounds on a single axle, 60,000 pounds on a tandem axle and 66,000 pounds on tridum axles. Reasonable oversize dimensions will be covered as well; however appropriate escort regulations will apply. This permit shall not supersede any lesser weight limit posted on a bridge or roadway. Sec. 26-162 weights allowed on Caddo roadways. The permit will be good for one month from the date of purchase. The original permit shall be carried in the vehicle for which it was issued. The vehicle shall have a current valid off-road equipment annual permit issued by the LADOTD.
- iii. Harvest season or natural forest products (\$25.00 per job site in Caddo Parish to haul timber or natural forest products on Caddo Parish roadways).
  - Upon application and payment of fees by the owner or operator of any vehicle or combination
    of vehicles transporting farm and forest products in their natural state, transporting seed cotton
    modules, transporting cotton seed from the gin to the mill, transporting brewers grain, director
    of public works shall issue special harvest season permits for transportation of these farm and

forest products in their natural state on Caddo roadways for a total gross weight of 86,600 pounds for any vehicle or combination of vehicles provided:

- a. The total weight of any single axle shall not exceed 22,000 pounds.
- b. The total gross weight of any tandem axle shall not exceed 40,000 pounds.
- c. A Parish of Caddo Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit, Timber/Logging Permit form, shall be required for logging or hauling natural forest products in Caddo Parish. This is to assure companies are routed the right way to avoid crossing Posted Caddo Parish Bridges over posted legal weight limits.
- 2. The vehicle shall have a current valid harvest or natural forest product annual permit issued by the LADOTD.
- 3. While working the site location in Caddo Parish the roadways shall be clearly marked, warning of trucks entering the roadway in both directions. The roadway shall be kept clear of "DEBRIS" so that it is safe for use at all times. (The company the permit is issued to is responsible)
- iv. Agronomical/horticultural permit (\$100.00 per year).
  - 1. Upon application and payment of fees by the owner or operator of any vehicle or combination of vehicles hauling agronomic or horticultural crops in their natural state, have a minimum of 18 wheels, are legal in size and exceed axle group or gross vehicle weights director of public works shall issue a special permit authorizing the vehicle or combination of vehicles to operate on Caddo roadways provided:
    - a. Gross vehicle weight does not exceed 100,000 pounds.
    - b. Steering axle weight does not exceed 12,000 pounds.
    - c. Tandem axle weight does not exceed 48,000 pounds.
    - d. Tridum axle weight does not exceed 60,000 pounds.
  - 2. This permit shall not supersede any lesser weight limit posted bridge or roadway (Sec. 26-162 weights allowed on Caddo roadways). This vehicle or combination of vehicles may operate at night during moderate rain and holidays. The permit will be good for one year from the date of

purchase. The original permit shall be carried in the vehicle for which it was issued. The vehicle shall have a current valid agronomical/horticultural annual permit issued by the LADOTD.

- v. Solid waste permit (\$50.00 per year).
  - 1. Upon application and payment of fees by the owner or operator of any truck fitted with a compactor body which is engaged in the collecting and hauling of solid waste including residential solid waste, agricultural waste, commercial solid waste, construction or demolition debris, garbage, industrial solid waste, trash, white goods, wood waste, and yard trash as defined by the DEQ rules and regulations, the director of public works shall issue a special permit authorizing said single vehicle with tandem axles to operate on Caddo roadways at a total gross weight not to exceed 68,000 pounds provided:
    - a. Steering axle does not exceed 20,000 pounds.
    - b. Tandem axles do not exceed 48,000 pounds.
  - 2. Said single vehicle with tridum axles to operate on Caddo roadways at a total gross weight not to exceed 80,000 pounds provided:
    - a. Steering axle does not exceed 20,000 pounds.
    - b. Tridum axle does not exceed 60,000 pounds.
  - 3. This permit shall not supersede any lesser weight limit posted on a bridge or roadway (Sec. 26-162 weights allowed on Caddo roadways). Vehicles with a valid solid waste permit are not prohibited from traveling at night, during moderate rain, or on holidays. The permit will be good for one year from the date of purchase. The original permit shall be carried in the vehicle for which it was issued. The vehicle shall have a current valid solid waste annual permit issued by the LADOTD.
- vi. Monthly Oversize permit (\$250.00 per month/per vehicle).
  - Upon application and payment of fees, the owner or operator of a vehicle or combination of
    vehicles shall be issued by the director of public works, a special permit for vehicles and loads
    which exceed the legal limitations on width, height, or length or projecting loads but not to
    exceed legal weight limitations. These vehicles and loads may not exceed 90 feet in length, 12
    feet in width, 25 feet rear overhang or 14 feet four inches in height. If the load being transported

does not project beyond the boundaries of the vehicle, and the width and length of the load and vehicle do not exceed legal limitations, then movement will be granted in moderate rain, and holidays. The permit will be good for one month from date of purchase.

- 2. In general, oversize and overweight permits are issued only for indivisible vehicles and loads. Indivisible vehicles and loads are those which cannot be easily divided or broken down or dismantled to conform to the legal weight limitations or by being in their natural state may be hauled in greater bulk due to its vital and exceptional economic necessity. No type of permit issued by Caddo Parish shall supersede any lesser weight limit posted on a bridge or roadway (Sec. 26-162 weights allowed on Caddo roadways). The traveling configuration of each piece of equipment will be subject to the initial approval of the director of public works. The proposed route for each permit will be subject to the approval of Caddo Parish relative to the operation of the Caddo maintained roadway system. Restrictions will be specified on each permit; failure to comply with any of these conditions will result in a penalty being assessed. If any owner or operator of a vehicle or combination of vehicles fails to follow the adopted policies, procedures (falsify dimensions/weights to circumvent, restrictions, and/or conditions) they shall be fined. Continued disregard of the policies and procedures set forth by Caddo Parish will result in their being denied permits to move, or a temporary restraining order applied for by Caddo Parish restricting said owner/operator from operating on roadways maintained by Caddo. The vehicle shall have a current valid oversize annual permit issued by the LADOTD.
- vii. Oversize special permit (\$10.00 per movement, see Home Movers Permit form at www.caddo.org). Upon application and payment of fees, an owner or driver of a vehicle or combination of vehicles may be issued a special oversize permit to allow the envelope vehicle and mobile homes to exceed the legal limits set forth in sections 26-156, 26-157 and 26-158 at a cost of \$10.00 per movement. All conditions of the movement of these loads shall be prescribed by the director of public works. These permits will be valid for the number of days that are requested (at \$10.00 a day). Movement shall be restricted to daylight hours (the period of time from 30 minutes after sunrise until 30 minutes before sunset). All regulations concerning the flagging and marking of load that exceed legal dimensions as set forth by Caddo Parish (the industry standard) shall be applied. These envelope vehicle and mobile homes shall not exceed Sec. 26-162 weights allowed on Caddo roadways.

### Sec. 26-165. Overweight permit procedures.

Maximum Permit Weights Allowed

- (1) Off-road equipment.
  - a. Each single axle 30,000 pounds.

- b. Each tandem axle 60,000 pounds. Any vehicle with a tandem axle weighing over 48,000 pounds must have removed all counterweights, footing plates, spreader bars and other easily removable components.
- c. Each tridum axle 66,000 pounds. Any vehicle with a tridum axle weighing over 60,000 pounds must have removed all counterweights, footing plates, spreader bars and other easily removable components. The maximum gross weight that will be permitted for off road equipment is 212,000 pounds.

### (2) All other vehicles.

- 1. Each single axle:
  - a. 24,000 pounds if the gross vehicle weight is 120,000 pounds or less.
  - b. 20,000 pounds if the gross weight exceeds 120,000 pounds.
- 2. Each tandem axle group:
  - a. 48,000 pounds if the gross vehicle weight is 120,000 pounds or less.
  - b. 40,000 pounds if the gross weight exceeds 120,000 pounds.
  - c. 45,000 pounds if the gross weight exceeds 120,000 pounds and the spread between the axle groups is a minimum of 12 feet and the spread between tires in a group is a minimum of four feet.
  - d. 54,000 pounds if it is a set of trunion axles with a minimum of 16 tires.
- 3. Each tridum axle group 60,000 pounds.
- 4. Each quadrum axle group 80,000 pounds.
- 5. Each 5 axle group 100,000 pounds.

When the gross weight exceeds 254,000 pounds, permit request will require detailed information. Inquiries should be directed to Caddo Parish well in advance of the movement (generally two (2) weeks). Loads exceeding 254,000 pounds may require analysis from an independent engineering firm and additional time should be allowed for that analysis. The permittee shall incur any analysis expenses.

### Overweight Permit Fee Schedule

Gross Weight In pounds	Distance in miles	
	<u>50</u>	<u>100</u>
80,000—100,000	\$30.00	\$45.00
100,001—108,000	\$50.00	\$95.00
108,001—120,000	\$70.00	\$130.00
120,001—132,000	\$90.00	\$170.00
132,001—152,000	\$120.00	\$225.00
152,001—172,000	\$155.00	\$295.00
172,001—192,000	\$190.00	\$365.00
192,001—212,000	\$225.00	\$435.00
212,001—232,000	\$260.00	\$505.00
232,001—254,000	\$295.00	\$575.00

### Over 254,000:

1-\$10.00-plus \$0.50 per ton-mile in excess of 80,000 pounds, plus a fee for structural evaluation based on the following schedule:

- (1) \$125.00 for evaluation of treated timber, concrete slab, and precast concrete slab bridges.
- (2) \$850.00 for evaluation of truss, continuous span bridges.
- (3) \$500.00 for all other structures.

All special permits are non refundable. Once the permits are issued they will not be rescinded. A special permit may be revised due to inclement weather or mechanical breakdown. Each revision will be taken on a case-by-case basis.

### (3) Escorts.

- a. Law enforcement escorts are required for all vehicles and loads:
  - 1. Over 16 feet wide.
  - 2. Over 125 feet long.

- b. Law enforcement escorts are required when specific areas may require a city or parish escort and/or permit. Contact with parish law enforcement authorities is the responsibility of the hauler for possible requirements or restrictions.
- c. Private escorts are required for all vehicles and loads:
  - 1. Over 12 feet wide.
  - 2. Over 90 feet long.
- d. An oversize and/or overweight permit is required for each escort movement. The driver of the escort vehicle shall make certain a permit has been issued and shall familiarize themselves with and abide by requirements of the issued permit.
- e. The escorting vehicle shall be registered according with state law.
- f. At no time may an escort pull a trailer, tow another vehicle, or carry a load.
- g. Each driver of an escort vehicle must have a valid driver's license issued by a state or territory of the U.S.
- h. The driver of an escort vehicle must be able to read and understand this directive.
- i. The driver of an escort vehicle is responsible for the movement and shall ensure the vehicle is operated in a manner consistent with these provisions and all provisions of the permit. In the event the driver of the escorted vehicle does not or refuses to operate in accordance with these stipulations, the driver of the escort vehicle shall terminate the movement and report this action to the proper company officials or local police authority or Caddo Parish.
- j. It shall be the responsibility of the driver of the escort vehicle to operate as a warning vehicle only. The driver shall not run traffic lights, fail to stop at stop signs, improperly pass, etc. His authorization to warn motorists of danger shall not imply the vehicle is or should be used as a police and/or emergency vehicle.
- k. Escorts and flagman (when required) engaged in escorting loads on the roadways of Caddo shall present a neat appearance and shall be courteous in their contact with the motoring public at all times.
- 1. All costs incidental to escorts shall be borne by the escorter or permittee.
- m. The equipment required on escort vehicles shall be available for inspection at all times and be available for inspection on demand by Caddo Parish.
- n. Payment of escort service shall be determined by the escorter and permittee.

- o. Escorts must be furnished for all movements in excess of 12 feet in width or in excess of 90 feet in length and for any other movement so designated by the Caddo Parish.
- p. In the event a law enforcement escort is required, the permittee shall pay the escort fee.
- q. The owner and/or operator of the escort vehicle agrees to hold harmless Caddo Parish and its agents and employees against any action for personal injury or property damage sustained by reason of the authority to escort an oversize load.
- r. The director of public works will determine that proper escort procedures are complied with and shall have full authority to enforce all provisions of the permits and escort regulations. The authority to revoke permits and terminate the movement shall rest with Caddo Parish.

### (4) Equipment required for proper escort vehicle.

- a. The escort vehicle shall display an approved 360-degree "emergency warning lamp," It may be a bar, strobe, revolving and stationary lamp. It shall be amber in color.
- b. There shall be two solid red/fluorescent orange flags, 18 inches square, mounted at a 45-degree angle atop the escort vehicle. These flags are not to extend more than six inches on either side of the vehicle and in no event shall exceed eight feet zero inches in width. These flags shall be mounted in line with the warning lamps.
- c. The escort vehicle must have the name and address or telephone number and the city and state of the company/owner of the escort vehicle on each front door of the vehicle, plainly legible and visible to the motoring public. Well-known company logos are acceptable.
- d. The escorting vehicle shall be equipped with two rear view mirrors, one on each side, so as to provide vision to the rear to ensure movement is progressing safely.
- e. Headlights and rear lights on the escort vehicle shall be lighted during movement.
- f. The escort vehicle and the towing vehicle shall be equipped with radios such that communication between vehicles is possible. The escort vehicle will be responsible for advising the towing vehicle of any conditions arising that may require cautionary action such as reducing speed, pulling off roadway, etc.
- g. The escorting vehicle shall be equipped with and have readily accessible a ten-pound BC dry or equivalent chemical type fire extinguisher, four 15-minute burning flares and two red/fluorescent orange handheld flags. It must also have available four additional red/fluorescent flags that are 18 inches square and two signs with the wording "OVERSIZE LOAD." These signs must be 18 inches high and seven feet in length.

The lettering must be black on a yellow background and is to be ten inches high with a 1½-inch brushstroke.

h. For all over height loads it is strongly recommended that a clearance bar/pole of some design be attached to the escort vehicle to warn of clearance problems of the load being escorted.

### (5) Escorting procedures.

- Speed limit for the escort load is determined by the Caddo Parish, and in any event shall not exceed 50 mph.
- b. Movement shall be made on only those roadways designated on the permit. Alternate routes shall not be used unless approved by the Caddo Parish.
- c. Movement shall be made only on dates and/or hours during times shown on the permit. No movement shall be made during the hours of darkness unless prior approval is obtained from the Caddo Parish.
- d. An escorted movement approaching any bridge structure, which cannot be traversed safely because of an inability to distinguish potential hazards by sight, shall be parked (off the roadway where possible) and the escort vehicle shall proceed across said bridge (hill or incline). Adequate time shall be allotted to allow escort to stop oncoming traffic before the oversize movement traverse said bridge, hill, or incline.
- e. Escorted vehicles will not impede the normal flow of traffic whenever possible. Whenever vehicular traffic to the rear becomes congested, it is required that the escort causes the movement to be halted onto the shoulder or safe location. The movement shall remain off the main traveled portion of the roadway until traffic has cleared. Movement may continue then until congestion reoccurs.
- f. Movement shall not be made during severe/inclement weather (heavy rain, fog, etc). When the movement is in progress and severe/inclement weather occurs, it shall be the responsibility of the escort driver to have the vehicle being escorted removed from the travel portion of the roadway to a safe location.
- g. The operator of the escort vehicle will ensure that the oversize vehicle is not allowed to park on the maintraveled portion of the highway unless absolutely necessary or in case of extreme emergency. Anytime the combination is parked on the shoulder or right-of-way, flares, flags, flagman, etc shall adequately protect it.
- h. The escort vehicle shall travel to the rear of the over width movement on multilane roadways and in front of the escorted load on two lane roadways. The escort must be behind over-length loads and vehicles.

- The oversize load shall travel as near to the right as is safely possible to ensure traffic will be able to pass
  as safely as possible. The escort and escorted load shall not infringe upon the opposite bound lane
  whenever possible.
- j. A single escort may be used to escort one or two loads that are over-length in one movement.
- k. An escort will be required for each over width load exceeding 12 feet in width.
- 1. The escort shall remain a sufficient distance from the movement to warn oncoming/overtaking traffic of the potential danger, but not so far as to hinder control over the movement.
- m. Violators of these provisions or requirements shall be subject to all penalties provided by the law, including revocation of permit.
- n. Warning flags are required on vehicles and loads which exceed the legal width or length. Loads will be flagged in accordance with the requirements of Caddo Parish (the industry standard). All four corners of projecting load will be flagged, plus any load extending beyond the four corners of the load. Vehicles and loads exceeding ten feet in width must display two signs with the wording "OVERSIZE LOAD." One sign must be to the front of the vehicle. The other must be on the rear of the load, or if that does not result in an easily read sign, then the sign must be on the rear of the vehicle. If the load exceeds legal length or rear overhang it shall display two signs. These signs must be on the sides of the overhanging part of the load or, if that is not possible, then the signs must be on the side of the vehicle. If the load to the rear clears the road surfaces by at least six feet then no signs are required. Loads and vehicles exceeding the front-end overhang must display one sign with the wording "OVERSIZE LOAD." The sign will be displayed to the front of the vehicle. If the load or vehicle clears the road surface by six feet no sign is required. All warning signs must be at least seven feet long and 18 inches high. The background must be yellow and the lettering black. Letters must be ten inches high with a 1½-inch brushstroke.
- o. All vehicle and loads which exceed the legal limitations for width, and length shall, when moving during hours of darkness, be equipped with the required warning lights.

### Sec. 26-166. Penalties.

- A. Whoever owns or drives any vehicle or combination of vehicles in violation of any rule, regulation, directive, or requirement of Caddo Parish adopted pursuant to sections 26-156 through 26-171 shall be assessed a civil penalty of not more than \$175.00 for each initial violation and not more than \$500.00 for subsequent violations, at the discretion of the director of public works.
- B. Except as provided for in subsections (1), (2) and (4) of this subsection (b), whoever owns or operates any vehicle or combination of vehicles in violation of any rule, regulation, directive, or requirement of Caddo Parish shall be required to reduce the load to the maximum permissible

gross weight and shall be assessed a penalty on such weight which exceeds the permissible gross weight as defined by Caddo Parish or maximum allowable axle weights, whichever results in the higher fine in accordance with the following schedule:

Overweight Pounds	Penalty
1 to 999	\$10.00 minimum
1,000 to 1,999	\$0.01 per pound in excess legal limit
2,000 to 2,999	\$0.02 per pound in excess legal limit
3,000 to 3,999	\$0.03 per pound in excess legal limit
4,000 to 4,999	\$0.04 per pound in excess legal limit
5,000 to 5,999	\$0.05 per pound in excess legal limit
6,000 to 6,999	\$0.06 per pound in excess legal limit
7,000 to 7,999	\$0.07 per pound in excess legal limit
8,000 to 8,999	\$0.08 per pound in excess legal limit
9,000 to 9,999	\$0.09 per pound in excess legal limit
10,000 to 10,999	\$0.10 per pound in excess legal limit
11,000 and over	\$0.11 per pound in excess legal limit

- Any truck hauling concrete or construction aggregates shall not be assessed a
  penalty for weight, which exceeds the maximum allowable axle weights, if such
  truck does not also exceed the maximum permissible gross weight as provided
  by Caddo Parish.
- 2. Any truck hauling hot mix asphalt which is performing work pursuant to a contract with the state or the governing authority of a parish or municipality shall not be assessed a penalty for weight which exceeds the maximum allowable axle weights, if such truck does not exceed the maximum permissible gross weight as provided by Caddo Parish.
- 3. Any truck fitted with a compactor body which is engaged in the collecting and hauling of solid waste including residential solid waste, agricultural waste, commercial solid waste, and yard trash as defined by the department of environmental quality, shall not be assessed a penalty for weight which exceeds the maximum allowable axle weights if such truck does not also exceed the maximum permissible gross weight as provided by Caddo Parish. Such truck shall not be assessed a penalty for exceeding its maximum permissible gross weight, as determined by law or pursuant to issuance of a special permit, if the waste is wet and the location from which the waste was collected received

measurable precipitation (0.25 inches or more), as recorded by the National Weather Service recognized observation stations, within 24 hours prior to collection provided the total excess weight is ten percent or less of the trucks maximum permissible gross weight. If the total excess weight is greater than ten percent of the truck's maximum permissible gross weight, as determined by law or pursuant to issuance of a special permit, the assessed penalty shall be calculated only on the excess weight, which is above the ten percent allowance for water weight.

- 4. Prior to assessment of a penalty for weight, which exceeds the maximum allowable weights, the owner or operator is authorized to shift the load to reduce or eliminate such excess axle weight penalties as long as no part of the shipment is removed.
- 5. A penalty for both failure to possess a required special permit and for operating a vehicle in violation of Caddo Parish arising from the same activity may be issued and shall be cumulative in nature.
- 6. Whoever owns or drives a vehicle or combination of vehicles without a proper escort when such escort is required by a special permit shall be assessed a penalty of \$100.00, and the vehicle or combination of vehicles shall be impounded until proper escort is secured by the permittee.
- 7. Whoever owns or drives any vehicle or combination of vehicles in violation of any rule, regulation, directive, or requirement of the secretary adopted pursuant to Caddo Parish, or in violation of the terms and conditions of any special permit issued under Caddo Parish shall be assessed a penalty of not less than \$100.00 or more than \$500.00.
- 8. Whoever owns or drives a vehicle or combination of vehicles in violation of an overweight special permit shall be assessed a penalty for each pound of gross weight authorized by the special permit weight in accordance with the following schedule and shall increase the permissible gross weight authorized by the special permit if he shall satisfy any special conditions imposed by the director of public works (annual permits cannot be amended) or otherwise shall reduce his load to the maximum weight allowed under his special permit.

Gross Weight	Pounds Over Permit Penalty
0 to 3,000	0.02 a pound
3,001 to 5,000	0.03 a pound
5,001 to 10,000	0.04 a pound
10,000 and over	0.05 a pound + 100.00

- 9. Payments and penalties imposed by the director of public works shall be remitted to Caddo Parish.
- 10. Upon completion of the proper vehicle inspection report required by the Director of public works, a letter shall be sent to the owner/operator of the vehicle advising what if any action shall be taken in regard to that report. The letter will advise of all fines that may have resulted from the report, how they may be paid, and the proper method of appeal.

### Sec. 26-167. Impounding of vehicles; prohibitions.

Upon discovery of any vehicle or combination of vehicles or companies operating in repeated violation (Habitual Offenders) of the laws, regulations, rules, failure to pay fines, or ordinances set forth by Caddo Parish regulating the movement/operation of commercial motor vehicles in the Parish of Caddo, the vehicle or combination of vehicles shall not be impounded but may be directed by the director of public works, the permits supervisor, or the CVEU officer to the nearest appropriate place suitable for unloading to its licensed gross weight or maximum size and weight requirements as set forth by Caddo Parish and storage of said product to preserve it for its intended use in commerce and in either case shall be detained or unloaded at the expense and responsibility of the owner or driver. A letter will be sent to the company that is in violation of this ordinance, warning them of possible actions for their noncompliance with the directives of the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit.

### Sec. 26-168. Authority of Caddo Parish.

- (a) Caddo Parish as an exercise of its police powers through appropriate law enforcement agencies, shall supervise and regulate all traffic, on all roadways within the parish roadway system and shall have the authority, in its discretion, to regulate traffic on all roadways within Caddo including city streets, state, U.S., and interstate highways.
- (b) The commercial vehicle enforcement unit is hereby created. It shall enforce applicable ordinances adopted by Caddo Parish on all roadways maintained by Caddo Parish. It shall be vested with the authority to direct, control, and regulate all traffic in the Parish of Caddo.
- (c) Upon direction of the director of public works, the Caddo Parish commercial vehicle enforcement unit may restrict traffic on limited access highways; temporarily reducing the permissible weight of vehicles, which

may operate thereon. On specified roadways, when due to, but not limited to, deterioration, abuse, climatic conditions or the making of required repairs, it will be done in accordance with the proper posting of signs at the terminal of said roadways, giving notice of such traffic regulation.

- (d) The parish administrator may delegate in writing to any other parish employee or office of parish government any of the duties and responsibilities of the director of public works as set forth in this chapter.
- (e) Any person aggrieved by a decision of the director of public works or his designee may appeal same to the parish administrator. Any such written appeal must be received in the parish administrator's office within ten calendar days of the decision complained of being rendered. The parish administrator shall render his decision within seven calendar days of receipt of any appeal. His decision shall be final.

### Sec. 26-169. Operator requirements

- (a) No person shall drive or operate any commercial motor vehicle upon any roadway within Caddo Parish unless he has been issued the proper class CDL or chauffeur's license for the vehicle driven required by the laws of this state. The license shall be in the driver's possession when operating a vehicle on Caddo Parish roadways.
- (b) No company/person may allow any person to drive or operate any commercial motor vehicle owned or controlled by them upon the roadways of Caddo Parish, unless or until such person has been issued the proper class CDL or chauffeur's license to do so as required by the laws of this state.
- (c) No person shall operate any commercial motor vehicle unless he has been medically qualified and can produce proper and valid documentation to prove so (such as a medical card or long form).
- (d) A company that is working a job site that requires a permit in Caddo Parish shall be responsible to inform all other companies or individuals they hire about permit requirements and their responsibilities, for being in compliance with the requirements of the Caddo Parish Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit. The company pulling the Permit is ultimately responsible for any violations.
- (e) All companies working a job-site location shall be required to post the roadway in both directions, warning that tracks are entering the roadway. The roadway shall be clear of "debris" so the road is safe for travel. This is the responsibility of the company working the site location, road damage shall be repaired by the company responsible.

### Sec. 26-170. Vehicle requirements.

- (a) No person shall drive or move, nor cause or knowingly permit any vehicle or combination of vehicles owned or controlled by him to be driven or moved on any roadway of Caddo Parish, at any time which is in an unsafe condition as to endanger any person or property, or which does not contain those parts or is not at all times equipped with such lamps, reflectors, clearance lamps, side marker lamps, head lamps, tall lamps, stop lamps, turn signals, required auxiliary lighting, fire extinguishers, tires shall be in good condition (not bald, no holes, or coming apart, no obvious deformity), truck/trailer shall have mud flaps/mud guards on all tires, and emergency devices; and a properly operating brake system free of leaks, both visible and audible and adjusted within normal limits pursuant to the accepted industry standard.
- (b) No person shall drive a commercial motor vehicle upon Caddo Parish roadways unless and until such vehicle or combination of vehicles has obtained a proper motor vehicle inspection certificate and has proper and valid proof of inspection in his possession.
- (c) No person shall operate a commercial motor vehicle upon Caddo Parish roadways unless and until such vehicle or combination of vehicles has obtained a proper and valid proof of motor vehicle registration for both vehicle and semi-trailer in his possession.
- (d) No person shall operate a commercial motor vehicle upon Caddo Parish roadways unless and until such vehicle has obtained proper and valid proof of vehicle insurance for both the vehicle and semi-trailer in his possession.
- (e) Temporary 48-Hour Trip Permits (out-of-state vehicles only)
- (f) Out-of-state vehicle, eligible for apportioned registration but not registered as such, will be required to purchase a 48-HOUR TRIP PERMIT for a fee a \$50.00 prior to entering the state. This permit covers interstate and intrastate movement and allows a vehicle to operate in Louisiana for 48 continuous hours. Temporary 48-Hour Trip applies as follows: A vehicle is properly registered in a jurisdiction which belongs to the International Registration Plan (IRP) but the vehicle not apportioned for Louisiana. A TEMPORARY 48-HOUR TRIP PERMIT must be in the cab of the vehicle for which it was issued from time the vehicle enters Louisiana unless the vehicle is on a direct route to a port-of-entry enforcement unit. This is a state issued permit.

### Sec. 26-171. Obligations of drivers.

- (a) No person shall drive or move any vehicle, nor cause or knowingly permit any vehicle owned or controlled by him to be driven or moved, on any roadway in Caddo Parish, when such vehicle is of a size or weight exceeding the limitations set forth herein.
- (b) No person shall operate, or knowingly permit to be operated on any roadway of Caddo parish, a vehicle or combination of vehicles, which by proper authority has been excluded from said roadway. Notice of such exclusion shall be conspicuously posted at the entrance to such roadway.
- (c) No person shall fail to or refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction of an officer of the Caddo Parish commercial vehicle enforcement unit, or interfere with such officer in carrying out his duties.