## **Definitions**

- Daylight Hours For loads 12 feet in width or less is defined as sunrise to sunset reported by National Weather Service For loads greater than 12 feet in width "Daylight Hours" will be defined as 30 minutes after sunrise to 30 minutes before sunset reported by the National Weather Service.
- Escort Vehicle A single motor vehicle equipped with a flashing or revolving amber light, two warning flags mounted on the vehicle, an oversize load sign mounted on top of the vehicle, and/or an oversize load sign mounted on the front for the lead escort and rear for following escort. An escort vehicle that alternates from lead to following shall have oversize load signs front and rear. Two-way communication is required between escort/escorts and towing vehicle.
- 202 Gross Weight The total weight of vehicle or combination of vehicles including all loads.
- Height The maximum vertical dimension of a vehicle above the ground surface, including any load and load-holding device.
- Inclement Weather Anytime when there is not sufficient light to render clearly discernible persons or vehicles upon the highway at a distance of five hundred (500) feet, or when pavement conditions, winds or other weather conditions constitute hazardous travel.
- Length The maximum longitudinal dimension of a vehicle or combination of vehicles, including any load or load-holding device.
- Load The item to be transported, including items placed on or in a vehicle, and towed by a vehicle. A load will generally be a one-piece item which cannot readily be disassembled.
- 207 MDOT The Mississippi Department of Transportation and is referred to as "Department."
- 208 MDOT Permit Section the term "Department" also applies to the Permit Section.
- 210 Motor Vehicle A vehicle which is self-propelled, except such devices moved by human power or designed to operate upon rails or tracks.
- Oversize Load Sign A sign, measuring eighty-four (84) inches by eighteen (18) inches, with the words "OVERSIZE LOAD" in black letters ten (10) inches high with a one-and-five-eights (15/8) inches brushstroke on yellow or orange background.
- 212 Permit Written permission to transport a vehicle or load exceeding the statutory size or weight limits.
- Semi-Trailer A vehicle without motive power, which is designed to carry persons or property and to be drawn by a motor vehicle and so constructed that some part of its weight and/or rests upon, or is carried by another vehicle.
- Single Trip Permit A permit authorizing the movement of specific vehicle and or specific load for a period not to exceed three (3) consecutive days.
- 215 Trailer A vehicle without motive power, which is designed to carry persons or property and to be drawn by a motor vehicle, and so constructed that no part of its weight rest upon another vehicle.

- Warning Flag A red flag measuring eighteen (18) inches square.
- Width The maximum transverse dimension of a vehicle, including any load or load-holding devices thereon.