

Additional Form M-4902 Permit Information

- Local traffic exemptions do not apply to weight-restricted bridges.
- A separate permit is required for a weight posted roadway.
- Vehicles that weigh less than the bridge weight posting are not required to have a Form M-4902 permit to use the bridge.
- All vehicles must adhere to bridge weight postings.



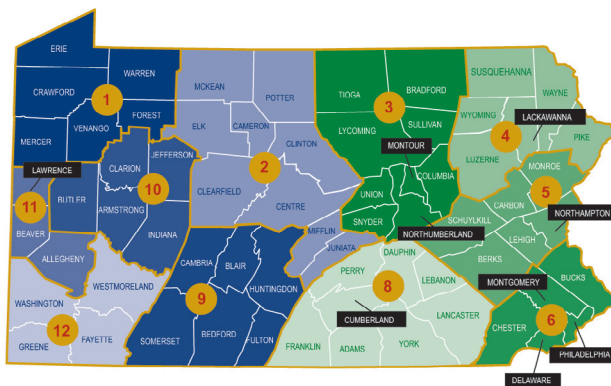
PennDOT Trucker's Handbook:

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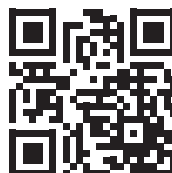
Traveler Information:
www.511PA.com

The PennDOT Permit Form M-4902 Coordinator at each engineering district will provide direction on how the permit application and payment should be submitted.



PennDOT Engineering Districts

1-0	814-678-7018
2-0	814-768-0783
3-0	570-368-4333
4-0	570-963-3513
5-0	610-871-4591
6-0	610-205-6923
8-0	717-787-2692
9-0	814-696-7281
10-0	724-357-2428
11-0	412-429-2855
12-0	724-439-7266



PennDOT Website:
www.pa.gov/pennidot



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Bridge Weight Posting Guide



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When heavy vehicles use Pennsylvania's roads and bridges, wear and tear are increased. To help slow the deterioration and extend the service-life of the state's bridges, certain poor condition bridges are posted with weight restrictions based on a bridge's safe-load capacity.

Owners of heavy vehicles must obtain a permit to cross weight-restricted bridges with weights higher than the posted limit.

When bridges are weight restricted, signs at the bridge indicate the legal weights.

This sign signifies that the weight posting applies to the bridge only.

This sign signifies the weight limit for a single-unit vehicle.

This sign signifies the weight limit for a combination vehicle. If this sign is not posted, the single-unit weight posting applies to both single unit and combination vehicles.



4-axle single-unit

Type of Vehicle	Max. Gross Weight	
	Pounds	Tons
2-Axle Motor Vehicle	38,000	19
3-Axle Motor Vehicle	58,400	29.2
4-Axle Motor Vehicle	73,280	36.64
5-Axle Motor Vehicle	73,280	36.64
6-Axle Motor Vehicle	77,000	38.5
7-Axle Motor Vehicle	80,000	40



5-axle combination

Type of Vehicle	Max. Gross Weight	
	Pounds	Tons
3-Axle Combination	58,400	29.2
4-Axle Combination	73,280	36.64
5 or more Axle Comb.	80,000	40

Weight-Posted Bridge Permits

A vehicle that exceeds the bridge weight posting can use the bridge legally with an approved permit. The permit application to use a weight-posted bridge is PennDOT Form M-4902. PennDOT may approve the application after a safety evaluation is completed.

Permit Options

The permit offers applicants three options:

- One trip in each direction across the bridge, \$15 permit fee.
- An unlimited amount of trips for three months, \$50 permit fee.
- A specified number of trips over a year, \$50 permit fee.

Permit Process

An applicant preparing a Form M-4902 permit application should follow these steps:

- Identify what state route or local road the bridge is located on and the nearest adjacent intersections.
- Locate in which PennDOT Engineering District the weight-posted bridge is located.
- Contact the PennDOT District Permit Form M-4902 Coordinator at the contact information listed in this publication or scan this code with your smart phone for an application.



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