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1 § 46.2-652. Temporary registration or permit for oversize vehicles; fees.

2 The Commissioner may grant a temporary registration or permit for the operation of (†) a
3 vehicle or equipment that cannot be licensed because the vehicle, excluding any load thereon, is
4 ~~overweight, oversize, or both~~ or (ii) a licensed vehicle that exceeds statutory weight size limits
5 on the highways in the Commonwealth from one point to another within the Commonwealth, or
6 from the Commonwealth to a point or points outside the Commonwealth, or from outside the
7 Commonwealth to a point or points within the Commonwealth. Any temporary registration or
8 permit issued under this section shall show the registration or permit number, the date of issue,
9 the date of expiration, the vehicle to which it refers, and the route to be traveled or other
10 restrictions and shall be displayed in a prominent place on the vehicle.

11 For a single-trip temporary registration or permit issued under this section, the applicant
12 shall pay a fee of \$.10 per mile for every mile to be traveled, in addition to any administrative fee
13 required by the Department. In lieu of a single-trip permit, an annual multi-trip permit may be
14 issued for a fee of \$40, in addition to any administrative fee required by the Department.

15 For any vehicle that is both overweight and oversize, only the fees under § 46.2-652.1
16 shall apply.

17 § 46.2-652.1. Temporary registration or permit for overweight vehicles; fees.

18 A. The Commissioner may grant a temporary registration or permit for the operation of
19 (i) a vehicle or equipment that cannot be licensed because the vehicle, excluding any load

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20 thereon, is overweight or (ii) a licensed vehicle that exceeds statutory weight limits on the
21 highways in the Commonwealth from one point to another within the Commonwealth, or from
22 the Commonwealth to a point or points outside the Commonwealth, or from outside the
23 Commonwealth to a point or points within the Commonwealth. Any temporary registration or
24 permit issued under this section shall show the registration or permit number, the date of issue,
25 the date of expiration, the vehicle to which it refers, and the route to be traveled or other
26 restrictions and shall be displayed in a prominent place on the vehicle.

27 B. For a single-trip temporary registration or permit issued under this section, the
28 applicant shall pay: (i) a fee of \$.30 per mile for every mile to be traveled, to be allocated as
29 follows: (a) \$.20 per mile deposited into the Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund and (b)
30 \$.10 per mile to the Department; and (ii) one of the following fees, depending on gross weight:

31 1. For a single-trip overweight permit issued for gross weights of 115,000 and below, a
32 \$20 administrative fee to the Department, plus, if needed, an additional \$10 to cover extra
33 research and analysis;

34 2. For a single-trip overweight permit issued for gross weights of 115,001 – 150,000
35 pounds, a fee of \$80, to be allocated as follows: (i) \$50 deposited into the Highway Maintenance
36 and Operating Fund and (ii) a \$30 administrative fee to the Department;

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37 3. For a single-trip permit overweight issued for gross weights of 150,001 – 200,000
38 pounds, a fee of \$190, to be allocated as follows: (i) \$160 deposited into the Highway
39 Maintenance and Operating Fund and (ii) a \$30 administrative fee to the Department;

40 4. For a single-trip overweight permit issued for gross weights of 200,001 – 500,000
41 pounds, a fee of \$280, to be allocated as follows: (i) \$250 deposited into the Highway
42 Maintenance and Operating Fund and (ii) a \$30 administrative fee to the Department; or

43 5. For a single-trip overweight permit issued for gross weights of 500,001 pounds and
44 over, a fee of \$1,450, to be allocated as follows: (i) \$1,420 deposited into the Highway
45 Maintenance and Operating Fund and (ii) a \$30 administrative fee to the Department.

46 C. In lieu of a single-trip permit, an annual multi-trip overweight permit may be issued
47 for the following fee:

48 1. For an annual multi-trip overweight permit issued for gross weights of 115,000 pounds
49 and below, a fee of \$500, to be allocated as follows: (i) \$360 deposited into the Highway
50 Maintenance and Operating Fund and (ii) \$140 to the Department; or

51 2. For an annual multi-trip overweight permit issued for gross weights of 115,001 pounds
52 and above, a fee of \$560, to be allocated as follows: (i) \$420 deposited into the Highway
53 Maintenance and Operating Fund and (ii) \$140 to the Department.

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54 D. In lieu of an annual permit, a three-month overweight permit may be issued for a fee
55 of \$220, to be allocated as follows: (i) \$110 deposited into the Highway Maintenance and
56 Operating Fund and (ii) \$110 to the Department.

57 E. For any vehicle that is both overweight and oversize, only the fees under this section
58 shall apply.

59 § 46.2-685. Payment of fees into special fund.

60 ~~All~~Except as otherwise provided, all fees collected by the Commissioner under §§ 46.2-
61 651, ~~46.2-652, and~~ through 46.2-653 shall be paid into the state treasury and set aside as a
62 special fund to be used to meet the expenses of the Department.

63 § 46.2-1128. Extensions of weight limits; fees.

64 The owner of any motor vehicle may obtain an extension of single axle, tandem axle, and
65 gross weight set forth in this article by purchasing an overload permit for such vehicle. The
66 permit shall extend the single axle weight limit of 20,000 pounds, tandem axle weight limit of
67 34,000 pounds, and gross weight limit based on axle spacing and number of axles on such
68 vehicle by a maximum of 5%. However, no such permit shall authorize the operation of a motor
69 vehicle whose gross weight exceeds 84,000 pounds, nor shall any such permit authorize any
70 extension of the limitations provided in § 46.2-1127 for interstate highways.

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71 Permits under this section shall be valid for one year and ~~the fee shall be issued according~~
72 ~~to the following fee schedule:~~

73	Percentage	Fee for Permit
74		
75	1%	\$ 35
76		
77	2%	75
78		
79	3%	115
80		
81	4%	160
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83	5%	200 \$250.
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85 Such fee shall be allocated as follows: (i) \$245 deposited into the Highway Maintenance and
86 Operating Fund and (ii) a \$5 administrative fee paid into the state treasury and set aside as a
87 special fund to be used to meet the expenses of the Department.

88 The Commissioner shall make the permit available to vehicles registered outside the
89 Commonwealth under the same conditions and restrictions which are applicable to vehicles
90 registered within the Commonwealth. The Commissioner may promulgate regulations governing
91 such permits. Except as provided in this section and § 46.2-1129, no weights in excess of those
92 authorized by law shall be tolerated.

93 Vehicles that are registered as farm use vehicles as provided in § 46.2-698 may operate as
94 authorized under this section without a permit or the payment of any fee; provided, however, that
95 should such vehicle violate the weight limits permitted by this section and § 46.2-1129, such

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96 vehicle shall be required to apply for and receive a permit and pay the permit fee to operate as
97 authorized in this section.

98 § 46.2-1129. Further extensions of weight limits for certain vehicles hauling Virginia-
99 grown farm or forest products.

100 The owner of any motor vehicle used for hauling Virginia-grown forest or farm products,
101 as defined in § 3.2-4709, from the place where they are first produced, cut, harvested, or felled to
102 the location where they are first processed may obtain from the Commissioner an extension for
103 such vehicle of the single axle, tandem axle, and gross weight limits set forth in this title. The
104 permit shall extend the single axle weight limit, tandem axle, and gross weight limits set forth in
105 this title. The permit shall extend the single axle weight limit, tandem axle weight limit, and
106 gross weight limit based on axle spacing and number of axles on such vehicle by five percent,
107 respectively. However, no such permit shall authorize the operation of a motor vehicle whose
108 gross weight exceeds 84,000 pounds.

109 No permit issued under this section shall permit the operation on an interstate highway of
110 any vehicle with (i) a single axle weight in excess of 20,000 pounds, or (ii) a tandem axle weight
111 in excess of 34,000 pounds, or (iii) a gross weight, based on axle spacing, greater than that
112 permitted in § 46.2-1126, or (iv) a gross weight, regardless of axle spacing, in excess of 80,000
113 pounds. The Commissioner ~~shall~~ may promulgate regulations governing such permits.

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114 Weight extensions provided in this section shall be in addition to those provided in §
115 46.2-1128, but no weights beyond those permitted by the combination of the extensions provided
116 in this section and § 46.2-1128 shall be tolerated.

117 Vehicles that are registered as farm use vehicles as provided in § 46.2-698 may operate as
118 authorized under this section; provided, however, that should such vehicle violate the weight
119 limits permitted by this section and § 46.2-1128, such vehicle shall no longer be permitted to
120 operate as authorized in this section.

121 § 46.2-1139. Permits for excessive size and weight generally; penalty.

122 A. The Commissioner and, unless otherwise indicated in this article, local authorities of
123 cities and towns, in their respective jurisdictions, may, upon written application and good cause
124 being shown, issue a permit authorizing the applicant to operate on a highway a vehicle of a size
125 or weight exceeding the maximum specified in this title. Any such permit may designate the
126 route to be traversed and contain any other restrictions or conditions deemed necessary by the
127 body granting the permit.

128 A1. Beginning January 1, 2013, any local authority of a city, town, or other authorized
129 locality under § 46.2-1138 that issues permits under this chapter shall enter into a memorandum
130 of understanding with the Commissioner that at a minimum: (i) provides the requirements the
131 locality shall satisfy prior to issuing such permits and (ii) allows the Commissioner to issue

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132 permits on behalf of that locality. If the locality satisfies the requirements in the memorandum
133 of understanding, the locality may issue permits under this chapter.

134 B. Except for permits issued under § 46.2-1141 for overweight vehicles transporting
135 containerized freight and permits issued for overweight vehicles transporting irreducible loads,
136 no overweight permit issued by the Commissioner or any local authority under any provision of
137 this article shall be valid for the operation of any vehicle on an interstate highway if the vehicle
138 has:

139 1. A single axle weight in excess of 20,000 pounds; or

140 2. A tandem axle weight in excess of 34,000 pounds; or

141 3. A gross weight, based on axle spacing, greater than that permitted in § 46.2-1127; or

142 4. A gross weight, regardless of axle spacing, in excess of 80,000 pounds.

143 C. The Commissioner may issue permits to operate or tow one or more travel trailers as
144 defined in § 46.2-1900 or motor homes when any of such vehicles exceed the maximum width
145 specified by law, provided the movement of the vehicle is prior to its retail sale and it complies
146 with the provisions of § 46.2-1105. A copy of each such permit shall be carried in the vehicle for
147 which it is issued.

148 D. 1. Every permit issued under this article for the operation of oversize or overweight
149 vehicles shall be carried in the vehicle to which it refers and may be inspected by any officer or

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150 size and weight compliance agent. Violation of any term of any permit issued under this article
151 shall constitute a Class 1 misdemeanor. Violation of terms and conditions of any permit issued
152 under this article shall not invalidate the weight allowed on such permit unless (i) the permit
153 vehicle is operating off the route listed on the permit, (ii) the vehicle has fewer axles than
154 required by the permit, (iii) the vehicle has less axle spacing than required by the permit when
155 measured longitudinally from the center of the axle to center axle with any fraction of a foot
156 rounded to the next highest foot, or (iv) the vehicle is transporting multiple items not allowed by
157 the permit.

158 2. Any permit issued under this article may be transferred to another vehicle of the same
159 size and weight equivalents no more than two times within a 12-month period of the issued
160 permit. The applicant shall pay an administrative fee of \$50 for each transfer.

161 E. Any permit issued by the Commissioner or local authorities of cities and towns
162 pursuant to state law may be restricted so as to prevent travel on any federal-aid highway if the
163 continuation of travel on such highway would result in a loss of federal-aid funds. Before any
164 such permit is restricted by the Commissioner, or local authority, written notice shall be given to
165 the permittee.

166 F. When application is made for permits issued by the Commissioner as well as local
167 authorities ~~of one or more cities and towns~~, any fees imposed therefor by the Commissioner as
168 well as all affected local authorities may be paid by the applicant, at the applicant's option, to the

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169 Commissioner, who shall promptly transmit the local portion of the total fee to the appropriate
170 locality or localities.

171 G. Engineering analysis, performed by the Virginia Department of Transportation or
172 local authority, shall be conducted of a proposed routing before the Commissioner or local
173 authority issues any permit under this section when such analysis is required to promote safety
174 and preserve the capacity and structural integrity of highways and bridges. The Commissioner or
175 local authority shall not issue a permit when the Virginia Department of Transportation or local
176 authority determines that the roadway and bridges to be traversed cannot sustain the vehicles'
177 size and weight.

178 § 46.2-1140. Authority to use certain streets and highways in cities and towns.

179 When the Commissioner issues a permit to a person to move a vehicle of excessive size
180 and weight along specified highways in Virginia, the Commissioner may also include within
181 such permit, after coordinating with or notifying the authorities of a city or town, the authority to
182 use specified highways at specified times within any such city or town which highways
183 constitute extensions of any part of the primary highway system. No city or town otherwise
184 having jurisdiction over its highways, shall have authority to prohibit the use of its highways to a
185 person holding a permit issued by the Commissioner so long as such person travels upon the
186 highways specified in the permit.

187 § 46.2-1140.1. Annual overweight permits; fees.

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188 Except as otherwise provided, the annual fee for overweight permits issued under §§
189 46.2-1141 through 46.2-1149.5 shall be \$130. Such fee shall be allocated as follows: (i) \$120 to
190 the Virginia Department of Transportation, to be distributed to the localities pursuant to §§ 33.1-
191 23.5:1 and 33.1-41.1 proportionally on the basis of lane mileage and (ii) a \$10 administrative fee
192 to the Department.

193 Unless otherwise prohibited, overweight permits issued under §§ 46.2-1141 through
194 46.2-1149.5 shall be valid on all unrestricted state and local highways.

195 § 46.2-1141. Overweight permits for containerized freight.

196 Permits to operate on the highways a vehicle exceeding the maximum weight specified in
197 this title shall be granted ~~without costs~~ if the vehicle is hauling containerized cargo in a sealed,
198 seagoing container bound to or from a seaport and has been or will be transported by marine
199 shipment. In order to qualify for such a permit the contents of such seagoing container shall not
200 be changed from the time it is loaded by the consignor or his agents to the time it is delivered to
201 the consignee or his agents. Cargo moving in vehicles conforming to specifications shown in this
202 section shall be considered irreducible and eligible for permits under regulations of the
203 Commissioner.

204 The fee for a permit issued under this section shall be as provided in § 46.2-1140.1. Only
205 the Commissioner may issue a permit under this section.

206 § 46.2-1142. Overweight permits for concrete haulers.

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207 The Commissioner ~~and local authorities of cities and towns, in their respective~~
208 ~~jurisdictions~~, upon written application made by the owner or operator, shall issue overweight
209 permits for operation of certain vehicles used to haul concrete. Permits under this section shall be
210 issued only for vehicles that are used exclusively for the mixing of concrete in transit or at a
211 project site or for transporting necessary components in a compartmentalized vehicle to produce
212 concrete immediately upon arrival at a project site and either have (i) four axles with more than
213 22 feet between the first and last axle of the vehicle or (ii) three axles. Any vehicle operating
214 under a permit issued pursuant to this section shall have a gross weight of no more than 60,000
215 pounds for three-axle vehicles and 70,000 pounds for four-axle vehicles, a single axle weight of
216 no more than 20,000 pounds, tandem axle weight of no more than 40,000 pounds, and a tri-axle
217 grouping weight of no more than 50,000 pounds, with no single axle of such tri-axle grouping
218 exceeding the weight permitted for a single axle. ~~Such~~ The fee for such permits shall be issued
219 ~~without cost as provided in § 46.2-1140.1.~~ Such permit shall not designate the route to be
220 traversed nor contain restrictions or conditions not applicable to other vehicles in their general
221 use of the highways.

222 Each vehicle, when loaded according to the provisions of a permit issued under this
223 section, shall be operated at a reduced speed. The reduced speed limit is to be 10 miles per hour
224 slower than the legal speed limit in 55, 45, and 35 miles per hour speed limit zones.

225 § 46.2-1142.1. Extensions of overweight limits authorized under § 46.2-1142 for vehicles
226 used to haul concrete; fees.

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227 Owners or operators of vehicles used exclusively to haul concrete may apply for permits
228 to extend the single axle weight limit of 20,000 pounds, the tandem axle weight limit of 40,000
229 pounds, the four axle weight of 70,000 pounds, the tri-axle grouping weight of 50,000 pounds,
230 and the three-axle weight of 60,000 pounds provided for in § 46.2-1142, by ~~the percentages and~~
231 ~~upon payment of the fees set forth in this section:~~

	Percentage	Fee for Permit
232	1%	\$35
233		
234	1%	\$35
235		
236	2	75
237		
238	3	115
239		
240	4	160
241		
242	5	200
243		

244 a maximum of 5%. The fee for such permits shall be \$250, to be allocated as follows: (i) \$245
245 deposited into the Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund and (ii) a \$5 administrative fee to
246 the Department.

247 Permits issued under this section shall be valid for one year from the date of issuance. No
248 permit issued under this section shall authorize violation of any weight limitation, promulgated
249 and posted in accordance with § 46.2-1130, applicable to bridges or culverts. Permits issued
250 under this section shall authorize extensions of the limitation provided for in § 46.2-1128 for
251 vehicles operating on interstate highways only to the extent that any such extension (i) is not
252 inconsistent with federal law and (ii) will not jeopardize or require the withholding or reduction

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253 of federal transportation funding otherwise available to the Commonwealth or any of its political
254 subdivisions.

255 The Commissioner shall make the permit available to vehicles registered outside the
256 Commonwealth under the same conditions and restrictions which are applicable to vehicles
257 registered within the Commonwealth. The Commissioner may promulgate regulations governing
258 such permits. Except as provided in this section and § 46.2-1142, no weights in excess of those
259 authorized by law shall be tolerated.

260 § 46.2-1143. Overweight permits for coal haulers; trucks hauling gravel, sand, crushed
261 stone, or liquids produced from gas or oil wells in certain counties; penalties.

262 A. The Commissioner ~~and local authorities of cities and towns in their respective~~
263 ~~jurisdictions~~, upon written application by the owner or operator of vehicles used exclusively for
264 hauling coal or coal byproducts from a mine or other place of production to a preparation plant,
265 electricity-generation facility, loading dock, or railroad shall issue, without cost, a permit
266 authorizing those vehicles to operate with gross weights in excess of those established in § 46.2-
267 1126 on the conditions set forth in this section.

268 B. Vehicles with three axles may have a maximum gross weight, when loaded, of no
269 more than 60,000 pounds, a single axle weight of not more than 24,000 pounds and a tandem
270 axle weight of no more than 45,000 pounds. Vehicles with four axles may have a maximum
271 gross weight, when loaded, of no more than 70,000 pounds, a single axle weight of no more than

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272 24,000 pounds, and a tri-axle weight of no more than 50,000 pounds. Vehicles with five axles
273 having no less than 35 feet of axle space between extreme axles may have a maximum gross
274 weight, when loaded, of no more than 90,000 pounds, a single axle weight of no more than
275 20,000 pounds, and a tandem axle weight of no more than 40,000 pounds. Vehicles with six
276 axles may have a maximum gross weight, when loaded, of no more than 110,000 pounds, a
277 single axle weight of no more than 24,000 pounds, a tandem axle weight of no more than 44,000
278 pounds, and a tri-axle weight of no more than 54,500 pounds.

279 C. No load of any vehicle operating under a permit issued according to this section shall
280 rise above the top of the bed of such vehicle, not including extensions of the bed. Three-axle
281 vehicles shall not carry loads in excess of the maximum bed size in cubic feet for such vehicle
282 which shall be computed by a formula of 60,000 pounds minus the weight of the empty truck
283 divided by the average weight of coal. For the purposes of this section, the average weight of
284 coal shall be 52 pounds per cubic foot. Four-axle vehicles shall not carry loads in excess of the
285 maximum bed size for such vehicle which shall be computed by a formula of 70,000 pounds
286 minus the weight of the truck empty divided by the average weight of coal. Five-axle vehicles
287 shall not carry loads in excess of the maximum bed size for such vehicle, which shall be
288 computed by a formula of 90,000 pounds minus the weight of the truck empty divided by the
289 average weight of coal. Six-axle vehicles shall not carry loads in excess of the maximum bed
290 size for such vehicle, which shall be computed by a formula of 110,000 pounds minus the weight
291 of the truck empty divided by the average weight of coal.

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292 D. For the purposes of this section, the term bed shall mean that part of the vehicle used
293 to haul coal. Bed size shall be measured by its ~~interior~~ exterior dimensions with volume
294 expressed in cubic feet. In order to ensure compliance with this section by visual inspection, if
295 the actual bed size of the vehicle exceeds the maximum as provided above, the owner or operator
296 shall be required to paint a horizontal line two inches wide on the sides of the outside of the bed
297 of the vehicle, clearly visible to indicate the uppermost limit of the maximum bed size applicable
298 to the vehicle as provided in this section. In addition, one hole two inches high and six inches
299 long on each side of the bed shall be cut in the center of the bed and at the top of the painted line.
300 Any vehicle in violation of this section shall subject the vehicle's owner or operator or both to a
301 penalty of \$250 for a first offense, \$500 for a second offense within a 12-month period, and
302 \$1,000 and revocation of the permit for a third offense within a 12-month period from the first
303 offense.

304 E. If the bed of any vehicle is enlarged beyond the maximum bed size for which its
305 permit was granted, or if the line or holes required are altered so that the vehicle exceeds the bed
306 size for which its permit was granted, the owner, operator, or both shall be subject to a penalty of
307 \$1,000 for each offense and revocation of the permit. Upon revocation, a permit shall not be
308 reissued for six months. The penalties provided in this section shall be in lieu of those imposed
309 under § 46.2-1135.

310 F. For any vehicle with a valid permit issued pursuant to the conditions required by this
311 section, when carrying loads which do not rise above the top of the bed or the line indicating the

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312 bed's maximum size, if applicable, it shall be, in the absence of proof to the contrary, prima facie
313 evidence that the load is within the applicable weight limits. If any vehicle is stopped by
314 enforcement officials for carrying a load rising above the top of the bed or the line indicating the
315 bed's maximum size, the operator of the vehicle shall be permitted to shift his load within the bed
316 to determine whether the load can be contained in the bed without rising above its top or above
317 the line.

318 G. No such permit shall be valid for the operation of any such vehicle for a distance of
319 more than 85 miles within the Commonwealth of Virginia from the preparation plant, loading
320 dock, or railroad.

321 ~~Until July 1, 2012, in~~ H. In counties that impose a severance tax on coal and gases as
322 authorized by § 58.1-3712, ~~the weight limits prescribed in subsection B of this section shall also~~
323 ~~apply to trucks~~ the Commissioner, upon written application by the owner or operator of vehicles
324 used exclusively for hauling gravel, sand, or crushed stone no more than 50 miles from origin to
325 destination, shall issue a permit authorizing those vehicles to operate with the weight limits
326 prescribed in subsection B. Nothing contained in this subsection shall authorize any extension of
327 weight limits provided in § 46.2-1127 for operation on interstate highways. Any weight violation
328 hauling sand, gravel, or crushed stone under this subsection shall be subject to the penalties
329 authorized by § 46.2-1135.

330 The fee for a permit issued under this subsection shall be \$70, to be allocated as follows:
331 (i) \$65 to the Virginia Department of Transportation, to be distributed to the localities pursuant

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332 to §§ 33.1-23.5:1 and 33.1-41.1 proportionally on the basis of lane mileage and (ii) a \$5
333 administrative fee to the Department.

334 HI. In counties that impose a severance tax on coal and gases as authorized by § 58.1-
335 3712, the weight limits prescribed in subsection B shall also apply to motor vehicles hauling
336 liquids produced from a gas or oil well and water used for drilling and completion of a gas or oil
337 well no more than 50 miles from origin to destination. Nothing contained in this subsection shall
338 authorize any extension of weight limits provided in § 46.2-1127 for operation on interstate
339 highways. Any weight violation involving hauling liquids produced from a gas or oil well and
340 water used for drilling and completion of a gas or oil well under this subsection shall be subject
341 to the penalties authorized by § 46.2-1135.

342 § 46.2-1143.1. Overweight permits for haulers of excavated material.

343 ~~The Commissioner and local authorities of cities and towns, in their respective~~
344 ~~jurisdictions,~~ upon written application made by the owner or operator, shall issue overweight
345 permits for operation of certain vehicles hauling excavated material from construction-related
346 land-clearing operations. Permits shall be issued under this section only for vehicles that have
347 either (i) four axles with more than 22 feet between the first and last axle of the vehicle or (ii)
348 three axles. Any vehicle operating under a permit issued pursuant to this section shall have a
349 gross weight of no more than 60,000 pounds for three-axle vehicles and 70,000 pounds for four-
350 axle vehicles, a single axle weight of no more than 20,000 pounds, tandem axle weight of no
351 more than 40,000 pounds, and a tri-axle grouping weight of no more than 50,000 pounds, with

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352 no single axle of such tri-axle grouping exceeding the weight permitted for a single axle. ~~Such~~
353 The fee for such permits shall be issued without cost as provided in § 46.2-1140.1.

354 No permit issued under this section shall authorize the operation of any vehicle hauling
355 excavated material for a distance of more than 25 miles from the land-clearing operation.
356 However, such permit shall not designate the route to be traversed nor contain restrictions or
357 conditions not applicable to other vehicles in their general use of the highways. Each vehicle,
358 when loaded according to the provisions of a permit issued under this section, shall be operated
359 at a reduced speed of 10 miles per hour slower than the legal speed limit in 55, 45, and 35 miles
360 per hour speed limit zones.

361 For purposes of this section, the term "excavated material" shall mean natural earth
362 materials, which includes stumps, brush, leaves, soil, and rocks, removed by any mechanized
363 means.

364 § 46.2-1144. Overweight permits for solid waste haulers.

365 The Commissioner, upon written application by the owner or operator of vehicles used
366 exclusively for hauling solid waste other than hazardous waste, shall issue ~~without cost~~ a permit
367 authorizing the operation on the highway of such vehicles at gross weights in excess of those set
368 forth in § 46.2-1126.

369 No permit issued under this section shall authorize a single axle weight of more than
370 20,000 pounds or a tandem axle weight of more than 40,000 pounds. No such permit shall be

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371 issued for a total gross weight in excess of 40,000 pounds for a two-axle vehicle, or of more than
372 60,000 pounds for a three-axle vehicle. Such permit shall be obtained annually at the time the
373 vehicle is registered. The Commissioner ~~shall~~ may promulgate regulations governing such
374 permits.

375 No such permit shall authorize the operation of any vehicle enumerated in this section
376 beyond the boundary of the county or city where it is principally garaged or for a distance of
377 more than 25 miles from the place where it is principally garaged, whichever is greater.
378 However, the permit shall not designate the route to be traversed nor contain restrictions or
379 conditions not applicable to other vehicles in their general use of the highways. Each vehicle,
380 when loaded according to the provisions of a permit issued under this section, shall be operated
381 at a reduced speed of 10 miles per hour slower than the legal speed limit in 55, 45, and 35 miles
382 per hour speed limit zones.

383 The fee for a permit issued under this section shall be as provided in § 46.2-1140.1.

384 For the purposes of this section, the terms "solid waste" and "hazardous waste" shall have
385 the meanings provided in § 10.1-1400.

386 § 46.2-1144.1. Overweight permits for tank wagons.

387 The Commissioner, upon written application and payment of a fee by the owner of tank
388 wagon vehicles as defined in § 58.1-2201, shall issue overweight permits for operation of said
389 vehicles. The fee for such permit shall be as provided in § 46.2-1140.1.

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390 ~~The overweight permit fees shall be based on a fee schedule established by the~~
391 ~~Commissioner of Highways. Such fees shall be dedicated to and deposited into the Highway~~
392 ~~Maintenance and Operating Fund.~~

393 ~~The Commissioner may also assess a separate application fee for applications pursuant to~~
394 ~~this section that covers the administrative expenses of the Department. Funds from the~~
395 ~~application fee are to be designated as specified in § 46.2-1149.3.~~

396 No permit issued under this section shall authorize a single axle weight of more than
397 24,000 pounds and a total gross weight in excess of 40,000 pounds. Permits issued under this
398 section shall be valid for one year from the date of issuance. No permit issued under this section
399 shall authorize violation of any weight limitation, promulgated and posted in accordance with §
400 46.2-1130, applicable to bridges or culverts. This permit shall not be combined with any other
401 overweight permit or extension of weight limits.

402 § 46.2-1144.2. Overweight permits for haulers of farm animal feed.

403 The Commissioner, upon written application by the owner or operator of certain vehicles
404 used exclusively for hauling farm animal feed, shall issue overweight permits for operation of
405 said vehicle. Permits shall be issued under this section only for specially designed five-axle
406 tractor-trailer combinations with bulk feed compartments and at least 51 feet of axle spacing
407 between the first and last axle. Such permits shall not be combined with any other overweight
408 permits or extension of weight limits.

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409 No permits issued under this section shall authorize a tandem axle weight of more than
410 37,400 pounds or a total gross weight in excess of 84,000 pounds. Permits issued under this
411 section shall be valid for one year from the date of issuance. No permit issued under this section
412 shall designate the route to be traversed or contain restrictions or conditions not applicable to
413 other vehicles in their general use of the highways. However, no such permit shall authorize
414 violation of any weight limitation applicable to bridges or culverts, as promulgated and posted in
415 accordance with § 46.2-1130. Nothing contained in this section shall authorize any extension of
416 weight limits provided in § 46.2-1127 for operation on interstate highways.

417 The fee for a permit issued under this section shall be as provided in § 46.2-1140.1.

418 § 46.2-1145. Overweight permits for certain trucks operated by Arlington County.

419 The Commissioner of ~~Highways~~, upon written application by Arlington County, shall
420 issue without cost to such county a permit authorizing the county's operation of vehicles used for
421 hauling household waste and vehicles used for highway or utility construction, operation, or
422 maintenance upon the highways of such county at gross weights exceeding those set forth in §
423 46.2-1126. Permits issued hereunder shall specify that vehicles with two axles may have a
424 maximum gross weight of no more than 48,000 pounds and a single axle weight of not more than
425 24,000 pounds and that vehicles with three axles may have a maximum gross weight of not more
426 than 60,000 pounds and a single axle weight of not more than 24,000 pounds and a tandem axle
427 weight of not more than 40,000 pounds.

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428 The permit shall not designate the route to be traversed nor contain restrictions or
429 conditions not applicable to other vehicles in their general use of the highways. Each vehicle,
430 when loaded according to the provisions of a permit issued under this section shall be operated at
431 a reduced speed of ~~ten~~ 10 miles per hour slower than the legal speed limit in ~~fifty-five~~55, ~~forty-~~
432 ~~five~~45, and ~~thirty-five~~35 miles per hour speed limit zones.

433 § 46.2-1147. Permits for excessive size and weight for articulated buses.

434 ~~The Commissioner and local authorities of cities and towns in their respective~~
435 ~~jurisdictions~~, upon written application by the owner or operator of passenger buses having three
436 or more axles consisting of two sections joined together by an articulated joint with the trailer
437 being equipped with a mechanically steered rear axle, and having a gross weight of no more than
438 60,000 pounds, a single axle weight of no more than 25,000 pounds and a width of no more than
439 102 inches shall issue to such owner or operator, ~~without cost~~, a written permit authorizing the
440 operation of such vehicles on the highways. The fee for such permit shall be as provided in §
441 46.2-1140.1.

442 § 46.2-1148. Overweight permit for hauling Virginia-grown farm produce.

443 In addition to other permits provided for in this article, the Commissioner ~~and local~~
444 ~~authorities of cities and towns, in their respective jurisdictions~~, upon written application by the
445 owner or operator of any three-axle vehicle used for hauling farm produce grown in Virginia
446 shall issue permits for overweight operation of such vehicles as provided in this section. Such

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447 permits shall allow the vehicles to have a gross weight of no more than 50,000 pounds, a single
448 axle weight of no more than 20,000 pounds, and a tandem axle weight of no more than 36,000
449 pounds. Additionally, any five-axle combination used for hauling Virginia-grown farm products
450 may have a gross weight of no more than 80,000 pounds and any four-axle combination hauling
451 Virginia-grown produce, may have a tandem axle weight of 36,000 pounds.

452 Except as otherwise provided in this section, no such permit shall designate the route to
453 be traversed nor contain restrictions or conditions not applicable to other vehicles in their general
454 use of the highways.

455 No permit issued under this section shall authorize any vehicle whose axle weights or
456 axle spacing would not be permissible under §§ 46.2-1122 through 46.2-1127 to cross any bridge
457 constituting a part of any public road.

458 ~~Permits~~ The fee for a permit issued under this section shall be \$45, to be allocated as
459 follows: (i) \$40 to the Virginia Department of Transportation, to be distributed to the localities
460 pursuant to §§ 33.1-23.5:1 and 33.1-41.1 proportionally on the basis of lane mileage and (ii) a \$5
461 administrative fee to the Department. Such permits shall be valid only in Accomack and
462 Northampton Counties.

463 § 46.2-1149. Unladen, oversize and overweight, rubber-tired, self-propelled haulers and
464 loaders; permits; engineering analysis; costs.

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465 The Commissioner ~~and local authorities of cities and towns in their respective~~
466 ~~jurisdictions~~, upon written application by the owner or operator of any empty, oversize and
467 overweight, rubber-tired, self-propelled hauler or loader used in the construction and coal mining
468 industries, may issue to such owner or operator a permit authorizing operation upon the
469 highways of such equipment with gross empty weights in excess of those established in §§ 46.2-
470 1122 through 46.2-1127 and sizes in excess of those established in §§ 46.2-1105 through 46.2-
471 1108.

472 The permits shall be issued only after an engineering analysis of a proposed routing has
473 been conducted by the Virginia Department of Transportation or local authorities of counties,
474 cities, and towns in their respective jurisdictions to assess the ability of the roadway and bridges
475 to be traversed to sustain the vehicles' size and weight. Costs shall be assessed against the
476 applicant to cover engineering analysis.

477 No permit issued under this section shall be valid for the operation of the equipment for a
478 distance of more than 35 miles.

479 § 46.2-1149.1. Excess tandem axle weight permits for cotton module haulers.

480 The Commissioner, upon application made by the owner or operator of vehicles used
481 exclusively to transport seed cotton modules, shall issue ~~without cost~~ a permit authorizing the
482 operation on the highway of such vehicles, from September 1 through December 31 of each year,
483 at tandem axle weights in excess of that authorized in § 46.2-1125. The Commissioner ~~shall~~ may

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484 promulgate regulations governing such permits. Such permits shall allow the vehicles to have
485 tandem axle weights of no more than 44,000 pounds. No permit issued under this section shall
486 authorize a single axle weight in excess of that authorized in § 46.2-1124 or a gross weight in
487 excess of 56,000 pounds.

488 The fee for a permit issued under this section shall be \$45, to be allocated as follows: (i)
489 \$40 to the Virginia Department of Transportation, to be distributed to the localities pursuant to
490 §§ 33.1-23.5:1 and 33.1-41.1 proportionally on the basis of lane mileage and (ii) a \$5
491 administrative fee to the Department.

492 § 46.2-1149.3. Payment of fees into special fund.

493 Except as otherwise provided in § 46.2-1144.1, all fees collected by the Commissioner
494 under ~~§§ 46.2-1139 through 46.2-1149.2~~ this article shall be paid into the state treasury and set
495 aside as a special fund to be used to meet the expenses of the Department.

496 § 46.2-1149.4. Overweight permits for specialized mobile equipment.

497 ~~The Commissioner and local authorities of cities and towns, in their respective~~
498 ~~jurisdictions~~, upon written application made by the owner or operator, shall issue ~~without cost~~ an
499 overweight permit for the operation of specialized mobile equipment. Any vehicle operating
500 under a permit issued pursuant to this section shall have a gross weight of no more than 64,000
501 pounds, a single axle weight of no more than 20,000 pounds, and a tandem axle weight of no
502 more than 44,000 pounds. Such permit shall not designate the route to be traversed nor contain

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503 restrictions or conditions not applicable to other vehicles in their general use of the highways.

504 The fee for such permit shall be as provided in § 46.2-1140.1.

505 For purposes of this section, "specialized mobile equipment" means a self-propelled
506 motor vehicle manufactured for the specific purpose of supporting well-drilling machinery on the
507 job site and whose movement on any highway is incidental to the purpose for which it was
508 designed and manufactured.

509 § 46.2-1149.5. Overweight permits for underground pipe cleaning, hydroexcavating, and
510 water blasting equipment.

511 The Commissioner ~~and local authorities of cities and towns, in their respective~~
512 ~~jurisdictions~~, upon written application made by the owner or operator, shall issue an overweight
513 permit for the operation of underground pipe cleaning, hydroexcavating, and water blasting
514 equipment. Any vehicle operating under a permit issued pursuant to this section shall have a
515 gross weight of no more than 64,000 pounds, a single axle weight of no more than 20,000
516 pounds, and a tandem axle weight of no more than 44,000 pounds. Such permit shall not
517 designate the route to be traversed nor contain restrictions or conditions not applicable to other
518 vehicles in their general use of the highways. The fee for such permit shall be as provided in §
519 46.2-1140.1.

520 For purposes of this section, "underground pipe cleaning equipment" means a self-
521 propelled motor vehicle manufactured for the specific purpose of vacuuming and cleaning

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522 underground sanitary and storm pipe. "Hydroexcavating equipment" means a self-propelled
523 motor vehicle manufactured for the specific purpose of digging with water and vacuuming of
524 debris. "Water blasting equipment" means a self-propelled motor vehicle manufactured for the
525 specific purpose of waterblasting flat concrete surfaces and vacuuming spent water for reuse.

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