



Circular 8/2012

TO ALL:

**NATIONAL CONSULTANTS AND HAULIERS: ABNORMAL LOADS AND VEHICLES
PROVINCIAL PERMIT ISSUING OFFICE (WITHIN THE RSA)
TRAFFIC CHIEFS AND MANAGERS OF THE PROVINCIAL TRAFFIC CENTRES:
WESTERN CAPE**

Dear Sir/Madam

**NATIONAL ROAD TRAFFIC ACT, 1996 (ACT 93 OF 1996): SECTION 81: RESTRICTION ON THE
CONVEYANCE OF ABNORMAL LOADS AND MOVEMENT OF ABNORMAL VEHICLES DURING
THE DECEMBER 2012 / JANUARY 2013 HOLIDAY PERIOD.**

1. As we are moving towards the December 2012 / January 2013 festive season, it again becomes necessary to consider the approval for the transportation of abnormal loads and movement of abnormal vehicles on public roads.
2. The following was agreed between the Provincial Department of Transport and Public Works, the Provincial Traffic Division and the City of Cape Town.
 - 2.1 To limit the transportation / movement of abnormal loads and vehicles on public roads during the festive period to the absolute minimum; and,
 - 2.2 **Applications requiring traffic escort shall not be considered from 07 December 2012 until 15 January 2013.**
3. Applications that **do not** require traffic escort could, however be considered if it accompanied by:
 - 3.1 A motivation for the necessity of the movement; and
 - 3.2 A duly completed route description.
4. An application will be considered on the basis of whether it is an emergency or of public interest and whether the specific route and traffic conditions will be able to accommodate such movement during the required period.

5. The restrictions on movement of abnormal loads and vehicles for the period 07 December 2012 until 15 January 2013 will be as follows:

5.1 PERIOD 07 – 09 DECEMBER 2012

NO permit applications shall be considered.

5.2 PERIOD 10 -14 DECEMBER 2012

Applications will be considered as per conditions indicated in paragraphs 2 to 4 above. On 14 December 2012 transportation/movement shall only be considered until 13h00.

5.3 PERIOD 15 – 17 DECEMBER 2012

NO permit applications shall be considered.

5.4 PERIOD 18 – 21 DECEMBER 2012

Applications will be considered as per conditions indicated in paragraphs 2 to 4 above. On 21 December 2012 transportation/movement shall only be considered until 13h00.

5.5 PERIOD 22 – 26 DECEMBER 2012

NO permits applications shall be considered.

5.6 PERIOD 27 – 28 DECEMBER 2012

Applications for movement within the Cape Metropolitan areas only will be considered. On 28 December 2012 transportation/movement shall only be considered until 13h00.

5.7 PERIOD 29 DECEMBER 2012 – 01 JANUARY 2012

NO permit application shall be considered.

5.8 PERIOD 02 – 04 JANUARY 2013

Applications will be considered as per conditions indicated in paragraphs 2 to 4 above.

5.9 PERIOD 05 – 06 JANUARY 2013

NO permit application shall be considered.

5.10 PERIOD 07 – 11 JANUARY 2012

Applications will be considered as per conditions indicated in paragraphs 2 to 4 above.

5.11 PERIOD 12 – 16 JANUARY 2013

No permit applications shall be considered.

6. **17 JANUARY 2013 ONWARDS** embargo period ends and applications will be considered in the normal manner.
7. The closure of private companies, industries, factories may influence consideration of certain applications on certain routes during these periods.
8. With your co-operation, the Department will ensure that the roads of the province of Western Cape may remain safe for all, particularly over the festive period.

Yours faithfully



SENIOR MANAGER: TRAFFIC LAW ADMINISTRATION

Date: 30 October 2012



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**TO ALL: TRANSPORT CONSULTANTS AND HAULIERS; ABNORMAL LOADS AND VEHICLES
PROVINCIAL PERMIT OFFICES (WITHIN THE RSA)
MANAGERS OF THE PROVINCIAL TRAFFIC CENTRES: WESTERN CAPE**

Circular 9/2012

**RESTRICTIONS ON THE CONVEYANCE OF ABNORMAL LOADS AND MOVEMENT OF
ABNORMAL VEHICLES DURING 2013/2014**

- 1) In terms of the provisions of standard permit condition 9 (a) of the exemption permit for AV loads and vehicles an embargo is in place for the conveyance of abnormal loads/ movement of abnormal vehicles on public roads during weekends and public holidays. The school terms for 2013/14 are also reflected below for your information although only from 06 December 2013 till 15 January 2014 there will be an embargo period and the Department will provide another circular indicating the way emergency abnormal loads/vehicles will be dealt with. Such circular will be forwarded to the industry in advance of the commencement of the December / January holiday period. The Department is committed to promote road safety and therefore an embargo is placed on the following dates during March 2013 up to January 2014.

WEEKENDS	PUBLIC HOLIDAYS	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	EMBARGO PERIOD
ALL	21 MARCH; 29 MARCH 2013; 01 APRIL	29 MARCH - 07 APRIL 2013	20 MARCH (AFTER 13:00) - 24 MARCH; 28 MARCH (AFTER 13:00) 01 APRIL 2013, (LONG WEEKEND)
	27 APRIL, 01 MAY 2012		26 APRIL (AFTER 13:00) - 01 MAY 2013
	16 JUNE 2012; 17 JUNE 2013		14 JUNE 2013 (AFTER 13:00) -17 JUNE 2013 (LONG WEEKEND)
		22 JUNE - 14 JULY 2013	21 JUNE 2012 (AFTER 13:00)
	09 AUGUST 2013	09 AUGUST 2013	08 AUGUST 2013 (AFTER 13:00) - 12 AUGUST 2013 (LONG WEEKEND)
	24 SEPTEMBER 2013	20 SEPTEMBER - 30 SEPTEMBER 2013	20 SEPTEMBER (AFTER 13:00) - 24 SEPTEMBER 2013
	16 DECEMBER 2013	06 DECEMBER 2013 - 14 JANUARY 2014	04 DECEMBER 2013 (AFTER 13:00) - 22 JANUARY 2014
	25 - 26 DECEMBER 2013		
01 JANUARY 2014			

2.) However, applications to transport abnormal loads during these periods will, in cases of emergencies and travelling on non-holiday routes, be considered on merit. In such cases a written motivation must accompany the permit application.

3.) **Applications requiring escorts by Provincial Traffic Inspectors during the above periods shall not be considered.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'D. M. C.', written over the printed text.

SENIOR MANAGER: TRAFFIC LAW ADMINISTRATION

DATE:

29/10/12