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**THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND  
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

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CODE” OF THE CODE OF BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS**

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois (the "*City*") is a duly organized and existing City created under the provisions of the laws of the State of Illinois and operating under the provisions of the Illinois Municipal Code, and all laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, with full powers to enact ordinances and adopt resolutions for the benefits of the residents of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Aldermen may from time to time amend the text of the City Code of Blue Island (the "*Code*") when it is determined to be in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the City and its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the Illinois Municipal Code, 65 ILCS 5/1-2-1, provides that the Corporate Authorities of each municipality may pass all ordinances and make all rules and regulations proper or necessary, to carry into effect the powers granted to municipalities, with such fines or penalties as may be deemed proper;

**WHEREAS**, the Illinois Municipal Code, 625 ILCS 5/15-301, provides that local authorities may issue a special permit authorizing an applicant to operate or move a vehicle or combination of vehicles of a size or weight of vehicle or load exceeding the maximum specified in the Code;

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Aldermen desire to modify the Code and create efficient and effective systems for the regulation of overweight and oversized vehicles within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Aldermen find that the following amendments to the Code of Blue Island, Illinois, as set forth herein, are in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the City and its residents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and City Aldermen of the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois as follows:

**Section 1.** That the above recitals and legislative findings are found to be true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof, as if fully set forth in their entirety.

**Section 2.** That the Mayor and City Aldermen find and determine that the adoption of this Ordinance is in the best interests of the City as well as in the best interests of the public.

**Section 3.** Title VII ("*Traffic Code*") of the Code of Blue Island, Illinois is hereby amended by adding the underlined language as follows:

**CHAPTER 75: OVERWEIGHT AND OVERSIZED VEHICLES**

**§ 75.01 DEFINITIONS**

For purposes of this chapter, the following definitions apply:

**ANNUAL PERMIT.** A permit issued to a single truck, truck-tractor power unit or piece of special mobile equipment which is valid for unlimited moves for a period not to exceed one year from the date of issuance.

**NON-DIVISIBLE.** A vehicle and a load will be considered non-divisible when further separating or dismantling the vehicle or load:

- (A) Would require more than eight work hours to dismantle using appropriate equipment. The applicant has the burden of proof as to the number of work hours required to dismantle the load.
- (B) Will compromise or destroy the intended use of the load only. A load can be either permanently mounted or temporarily secured equipment. Any parts, fluids or material necessary to the operation of only the power unit portion of the vehicle shall be deemed non-divisible.
- (C) Would prohibit the vehicle from hauling one attachment that is necessary to the operation of the load. To be considered non-divisible, the attachment must be securely mounted to the load in the manner it is used and not

carried as a separate object on the hauling vehicle. Is the duty of the applicant to declare such an attachment in the permit application.

**ONE-WAY or SINGLE-TRIP PERMIT.** One move from the point of origin to the point of destination. Any additional stops between the point of origin and the point of destination are expressly prohibited. Single trip permits are valid for five consecutive days from the date of issuance unless otherwise directed by the police department.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT.** The City of Blue Island Police Department.

**QUARTERLY PERMIT.** A permit issued to a single truck, truck-tractor power unit or piece of special mobile equipment which is valid for unlimited moves for a period not to exceed three months from the date of issuance.

**ROUND-TRIP PERMIT.** Two trips over the same route in opposite directions. Round-trip permits are valid for ten consecutive days from the date of issuance.

**CITY.** The City of Blue Island.

#### **§ 75.02 PERMITS**

(A) A permit shall be required for the movement of any vehicle or combination of vehicles, that is non-divisible or is carrying a load that is non-divisible, while operating on roadways and/or bridges within the jurisdiction of the City which exceeds the following limits:

- (1) Maximum gross weight of more than 80,000 pounds.
- (2) Maximum single axle weight of more than 20,000 pounds.
- (3) Maximum tandem axle weight of more than 34,000 pounds.
- (4) Axle weights or series of axle weights that exceed the maximum limits set forth in 625 ILCS 5/15-111(f).
- (5) Maximum gross length of 42 feet for single vehicles.
- (6) Maximum gross length of more than 55 feet for tractor-semitrailer combinations.
- (7) Maximum gross length of more than 60 feet for all other combinations.
- (8) Maximum gross width of more than eight feet, six inches.
- (9) Maximum gross height of more than 13 feet, six inches.

Exempt from permits are the following:

- (1) Fire department vehicles.
- (2) Those vehicles operating under an emergency declaration.
- (3) City owned vehicles engaged in emergency utility repair.

- (4) Equipment used for snow and ice removal, owned and/or operated by any governmental body.
- (B) Permits shall be issued only in the name of a person, firm, business, or corporation that owns and operates the transporting vehicle or that operates the vehicle under a bona fide lease agreement.
- (C) Permits for vehicles that are both overweight and/or oversize are valid only one-half hour before sunrise until one-half hour after sunset, on any day which a permit issued by the Illinois Department of Transportation is valid.
- (D) Permits are non-transferable and apply only to the permittee.
- (E) The City may issue revisions to permits:
- (1) To correct an error attributed to the City.
  - (2) To correct an error attributed to the applicant, discovered prior to the move.
  - (3) To adjust weights, dimension or routes as issued on the permit, before the move is made.
- (F) The permit, when issued, constitutes an agreement between the permittee and the City that the move described in the application will take place only as described. The permittee has the responsibility to report to the police department any inaccuracies or errors on the part of either the City or the permittee before starting any move. Undertaking the move is prima facie evidence of acceptance of the permit as issued and its terms.
- (G) The routing prescribed in the permit constitutes the sole extent of the authority granted by the permit for the use of the roads within the jurisdiction of the City and any vehicle and/or load found to be off route will be considered off route and without a permit. Permits shall be in the drivers possession at all times unless otherwise directed by the police department and presented upon demand to any and all police officers for the purpose of inspection.
- (H) Any vehicle(s) and/or load found to be divisible will render the permit null and void. The entire gross weight and axle weights of the vehicle(s) with the load are subject to legal weights. It is the duty of the applicant to verify the non-divisibility of the vehicle(s) before making application for the permit. The permit application itself is prima facie evidence that the applicant confirmed the vehicle(s) and/or load were non-divisible.
- (I) If required, arrangement shall be made by the permittee to have the proper utilities notified, property moved and/or bridge or highway analysis performed and completed in advance of any permit movement.
- (J) All movements under the permit shall be made in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations.
- (K) Permits are null and void if altered for the purpose of deception. The permits issued under this section constitute the grant of a privilege by the City and may be denied or suspended for such reasons as the City may deem rationally related to its government interests including, but not limited to;



- (1) A permittee knowingly providing incorrect information in an application for a permit.
  - (2) A permittee, its agents or employees operating on a permit which has been altered for purposes of deception.
  - (3) Non-compliance by permittee, its agents or employees with federal, state or local ordinances pertaining to the transport of goods or operation of a vehicle engaged in the transport of goods.
  - (4) Moving on City streets without a valid permit as required under this section.
- (L) All single trip or round-trip permits are limited to movements on assigned routes only.
- (M) All quarterly or annual overweight permits are restricted to the following maximum limitations and routing:
- (1) 12 foot width.
  - (2) 13 foot, six inch height.
  - (3) 115 foot length.
  - (4) May not use any City street as a "cut-thru" to avoid using a county, state or township highway.

These permits are subject to all standards of application set forth in the following section (applications for permit), except that the load may be interchanged provided none of the above listed maximum weight and size dimensions are exceeded. Quarterly and annual permits shall list the registration number (commonly referred to as the license plate number) and state for the power unit and vehicle identification number (VIN). The serial number of the power unit and/or owner applied number shall also be listed if applicable.

### **§ 75.03 APPLICATION FOR PERMIT**

- (A) All applications for permits shall be given full consideration. Permits for proposed moves may be issued:
- (1) When the City roadways and bridges will not be unduly damaged and;
  - (2) When the safety of the traveling public will be adequately protected.
- (B) Applications for a permit to move an oversized and/or overweight vehicle, and/or load must be made to the police department. The following information shall be included on the permit application:
- (1) Company name.
  - (2) Company address.
  - (3) Company fax and telephone numbers.
  - (4) Description of hauling vehicle or power unit.
  - (5) Description of load to be moved and if the load is carrying an attachment.

- (6) Maximum dimensions, gross weight and axle weights of the vehicle including load.
- (7) Roads under the jurisdiction of the City to be traveled.
- (8) Any special conditions.

#### **§75.04 POLICE ESCORTS**

Police escorts are required for certain vehicles and loads as indicated in the subsection herein. The total number of officers necessary to provide for a safe move shall be determined by the police department, based upon the size and weight of the permit move. Fees for escorts shall be in addition to the permit fees set forth herein. Escort fees shall provide for a minimum of two hours of service calculated by the most current overtime rate established by the police department.

#### **§75.05 BONDS, INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE**

- (A) The permittee shall assume total liability for any and all damages to streets, bridges, City owned appurtenances and private or public property while engaged in a permit move. The measure of liability is the cost for all repairs or replacement of property damaged by the permittee.
- (B) The permittee shall indemnify and hold harmless the City and/or members of the police department from any costs, judgements or settlements, including attorneys fees, arising from physical injuries, including loss of life, or damage to or loss of property related to acts or omissions by the permittee, its officers, agents or employees pursuant to the permit.
- (C) Upon application for a permit, each applicant shall provide evidence of a valid comprehensive general liability insurance policy, with an insurance company approved by the City, for protection against personal injury or property damage in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence. The City and the police department shall be listed as a certificate holder on the policy.

#### **§76.06 SUSPENSION AND REINSTATEMENT**

- (A) Suspension of a current permit shall be for the time determined appropriate by the police department; however, reinstatement may be made upon conditions determined by the City and payment of all outstanding settlements or judgements.
- (B) The chief of police or their designee shall administer and enforce this section and shall have the authority to grant, deny, suspend or reinstate permits. Any applicant or permittee denied a permit or who has had a permit suspended, upon request, shall be given a hearing before the chief of police first, then the City mayor if the permittee is still unsatisfied.
- (C) No permits shall be issued to an applicant or company who has outstanding fees or payments due to the City.

#### **§76.07 PERMIT FEES SCHEDULE**

- (A) The City with respect to highways under its jurisdiction shall collect a fee as shown herein from applicants for the issuance of a permit to operate or move a vehicle or combination of vehicle(s), and/or loads, which fit the categories shown. Any axle or gross weight greater than the maximum weights set forth in this ordinance are subject to special assessment and investigation to determine appropriate fees.
- (B) The City Clerk's office is responsible for the billing, invoicing and collection of permit fees. The clerk's office, in their discretion, may make rules and regulations as to acceptable methods of payment and due dates. Any unpaid permit fees will be turned over to a collection agency under contract of the City.
- (C) Fee schedule.
- (1) The fee schedule for single vehicles shall be as follows:

Maximum length: 45 feet.  
Maximum width: 12 feet.  
Maximum height: 13 feet, 6 inches.

**Category #1A;**

Axles: 2

Gross weight: 48,000 pounds.

Any single axle weight not to exceed: 25,000 pounds.

Single trip permit fee: \$15.00

Round trip permit fee: \$25.00

Quarterly permit fee: \$85.00

Annual permit fee: \$340.00

**Category #2A;**

Axles: 2

Gross weight: 54,000 pounds.

Any single axle weight not to exceed: 28,000 pounds.

Single trip permit fee: \$20.00

Round trip permit fee: \$35.00

Quarterly permit fee: \$100.00

Annual permit fee: \$400.00

**Category #3A;**

Axles: 3+

Gross weight: 60,000 pounds.

Any single axle weight not to exceed: 21,000 pounds.

Two axle tandem weight not to exceed: 40,000 pounds.

Single trip permit fee: \$25.00

Round trip permit fee: \$45.00

Quarterly permit fee: \$115.00

Annual permit fee: \$460.00

**Category #4A;**

Axles: 3+

Gross weight: 68,000 pounds.

Any single axle weight not to exceed: 25,000 pounds.

Two axle tandem weight not to exceed: 48,000 pounds.



Single trip permit fee: \$30.00

Round trip permit fee: \$55.00

Quarterly permit fee: \$130.00

Annual permit fee: \$520.00

**Category #5A:**

Axles: 3+

Gross weight: 72,000 pounds.

Any single axle weight not to exceed: 25,000 pounds.

Two axle tandem weight not to exceed: 48,000 pounds.

Single trip permit fee: \$60.00

Round trip permit fee: \$115.00

Quarterly permit fee: \$270.00

Annual permit fee: \$1,080.00

**Category #6A:**

Axles: 3+

Gross weight: 80,000 pounds.

Any single axle weight not to exceed: 27,000 pounds.

Two axle tandem weight not to exceed: 54,000 pounds.

Single trip permit fee: \$70.00

Round trip permit fee: \$135.00

Quarterly permit fee: \$285.00

Annual permit fee: \$1,140.00

**Category #7A:**

Axles: 4+

Gross weight: 72,000 pounds.

Any single axle weight not to exceed: 21,000 pounds.

Two axle tandem weight not to exceed: 40,000 pounds.

Single trip permit fee: \$35.00

Round trip permit fee: \$65.00

Quarterly permit fee: \$145.00

Annual permit fee: \$580.00

**Category #8A:**

Axles: 4+

Gross weight: 76,000 pounds.

Any single axle weight not to exceed: 23,000 pounds.

Two axle tandem weight not to exceed: 44,000 pounds.

Single trip permit fee: \$40.00

Round trip permit fee: \$75.00

Quarterly permit fee: \$160.00

Annual permit fee: \$640.00

**Category #9A:**

Axles: 4+

Gross weight: 80,000 pounds.

Any single axle weight not to exceed: 27,000 pounds.

Two axle tandem weight not to exceed: 54,000 pounds.

Three or four axle group weight not to exceed: 60,000 pounds.

(2) The fee schedule for combination vehicles shall be as follows:

Maximum length: 115 feet.

Maximum width: 12 feet.

Maximum height: 13 feet, 6 inches.

**Category #1B;**

Axles: 5+

Gross weight: 88,000 pounds.

Any single axle weight not to exceed: 23,000 pounds.

Two axle tandem or three or four axle group weight not to exceed: 44,000 pounds.

Single trip permit fee: \$30.00

Round trip permit fee: \$55.00

Quarterly permit fee: \$190.00

Annual permit fee: \$760.00

**Category #2B;**

Axles: 5+

Gross weight: 100,000 pounds.

Any single axle weight not to exceed: 25,000 pounds.

Two axle tandem or three or four axle group weight not to exceed: 48,000 pounds.

Single trip permit fee: \$40.00

Round trip permit fee: \$75.00

Quarterly permit fee: \$220.00

Annual permit fee: \$880.00

**Category #3B;**

Axles: 6+

Gross weight: 110,000 pounds.

Any single axle weight not to exceed: 23,000 pounds.

Two axle tandem weight not to exceed: 44,000 pounds.

Three or four axle group weight not to exceed: 54,000 pounds.

Single trip permit fee: \$45.00

Round trip permit fee: \$85.00

Quarterly permit fee: \$235.00

Annual permit fee: \$940.00

**Category #4B;**

Axles: 6+

Gross weight: 120,000 pounds.

Any single axle weight not to exceed: 25,000 pounds.

Two axle tandem weight not to exceed: 48,000 pounds.

Three or four axle group weight not to exceed: 60,000 pounds.

Single trip permit fee: \$50.00

Round trip permit fee: \$95.00

Quarterly permit fee: \$250.00

Annual permit fee: \$1,000.00

**Category #5B;**

Axles: 6+

Gross weight: 143,000 pounds.  
Any single axle weight not to exceed: 27,000 pounds.  
Two axle tandem weight not to exceed: 54,000 pounds.  
Three or four axle group weight not to exceed: 78,000 pounds.  
Single trip permit fee: \$60.00  
Round trip permit fee: \$115.00  
Quarterly permit fee: \$325.00  
Annual permit fee: \$1,300.00

**Category #6B;**

Axles: 7+  
Gross weight: 162,000 pounds.  
Any single axle not to exceed: 25,000 pounds.  
Two axle tandem weight not to exceed: 50,000 pounds.  
Three axle group weight not to exceed: 75,000 pounds.  
Four axle group weight not to exceed: 100,000 pounds.  
Single trip permit fee: \$70.00  
Round trip permit fee: \$135.00  
Quarterly permit fee: \$400.00  
Annual permit fee: \$1,600.00

**Category #7B;**

Axles: 8+  
Gross weight: 187,000 pounds.  
Any single axle weight not to exceed: 25,000 pounds.  
Two axle tandem weight not to exceed: 50,000 pounds.  
Three axle group weight not to exceed: 75,000 pounds.  
Four axle group weight not to exceed: 100,000 pounds.  
Single trip permit fee: \$80.00  
Round trip permit fee: \$155.00  
Quarterly permit fee: \$500.00  
Annual permit fee: \$2,000.00

(3) The fee schedule for over dimension (oversized vehicles) shall be as follows:

Legal weight(s) but oversize only.

**Category #1C;**

Width: 10 feet.  
Height: 13 feet, 6 inches.  
Length: 115 feet.  
Escort: No.  
Single trip permit fee: \$15.00  
Round trip permit fee: \$25.00  
Quarterly permit fee: \$75.00  
Annual permit fee: \$300.00

**Category #2C;**

Width: 12 feet.  
Height: 13 feet, 6 inches.  
Length: 115 feet.

Escort: No.  
Single trip permit fee: \$20.00  
Round trip permit fee: \$40.00  
Quarterly permit fee: \$120.00  
Annual permit fee: \$480.00

**Category #3C;**  
Width: 14 feet.  
Height: 13 feet, 6 inches.  
Length: 115 feet.

Escort: No.  
Single trip permit fee: \$30.00  
Round trip permit fee: \$55.00  
Quarterly permit fee: \$165.00  
Annual permit fee: \$660.00

**Category #4C;**  
Width: 18 feet.  
Height: 16 feet.  
Length: 135 feet.  
Escort: Yes.  
Single trip permit fee: \$50.00  
Round trip permit: \$95.00

**Category #5C;**  
Width: >18 feet.  
Height: >16 feet.  
Length: >135 feet.  
Escort: Yes.  
Single trip permit fee: \$100.00  
Round trip permit fee: \$195.00

**Section 4.** If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any other provision of this Ordinance.

**Section 5.** All ordinances, resolutions, motions or orders in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**Section 6.** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

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ADOPTED this 14th day of December, 2021, pursuant to roll call as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT	ABSTAIN
Alderman JOHNSON	X				
Alderman FAHRENWALD	X				
Alderman RITA	X				
Alderman MONTOYA	X				
Alderman MCGEE	X				
Alderman CARR	X				
Alderman ROLL			X		
Mayor BILOTTO					
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APPROVED by the Mayor on December 14, 2021.

FRED BILOTTO  
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND,  
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

ATTESTED and Filed in my office this  
14th day of December, 2021.

RAEANN CANTELO-ZYLMAN, CITY CLERK

PUBLISHED in pamphlet form this  
14th day of December, 2021.

RAEANN CANTELO-ZYLMAN, CITY CLERK



STATE OF ILLINOIS     )  
                                  ) SS  
COUNTY OF COOK     )

**CERTIFICATE**

I, RAEANN CANTELO-ZYLMAN, certify that I am the duly elected and acting Municipal Clerk of the City of Blue Island of Cook County, Illinois.

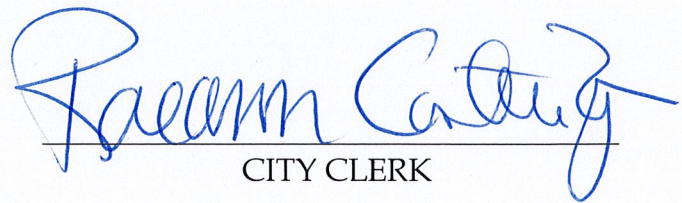
I further certify that on **December 14, 2021** the Corporate Authorities of such municipality passed and approved Ordinance No. **2021 - 063** Entitled: **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AMENDING TITLE VII "TRAFFIC CODE" OF THE CODE OF BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS**

Which provided by its terms that it should be published in pamphlet form.

The pamphlet form of Ordinance No. **2021 - 063** including the Ordinance and a cover sheet thereof, was prepared, and a copy of such Ordinance posted in the municipal building commencing on **December, 2021** and continuing for at least ten days thereafter. Copies of such Ordinance were also available for public inspection upon request in the office of the municipal clerk.

DATED at Blue Island, Illinois, this **14th** day of **December, 2021**.

CORPORATE SEAL

  
CITY CLERK