

**MATAGORDA COUNTY**  
**LOAD PERMIT AND BOND PROCEDURE**

Matagorda County has adopted the following Heavy Load Permitting Policy effective immediately:

1. All single loads exceeding 80,000 lbs. gross weight in dimensions in accordance with provisions of **§ 621.101 and § 621.201, TRANSPORTATION CODE** are required to carry with them a copy of approved permit. **ALL** heavy loads must follow approved route. Any alternate routes must be requested in writing and be approved by Precinct Commissioner.
2. A. \$150,000.00 Surety Bond as approved by Precinct Commissioner or Irrevocable Letter of Credit is required for all oil/gas exploration locations on a 90-day permit involving the usage of any county road, bridge or culvert in Matagorda County, per state law **§ 623.011 and § 623.012, TRANSPORTATION CODE**. If distance traveled is more than one mile, surety bond shall be calculated at \$150,000.00 per mile measured in the nearest 1/10 mile increment.
3. Heavy Load Permit, outlining route to be taken as well as all other pertinent information, must be applied for and approved by Precinct Commissioner:

Precinct 1 Commissioner  
2604 Nichols  
Bay City, Texas 77414  
(979) 245-3914

Precinct 3 Commissioner  
1200 Perryman Avenue  
Palacios, Texas 77465  
(361) 972-2719

Precinct 2 Commissioner  
P.O. Box 571  
Matagorda, Texas 77457  
(979) 863-7861

Precinct 4 Commissioner  
P.O. Box 99  
El Maton, Texas 77440  
(361) 588-6866

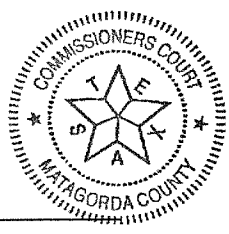
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4. Permit must be applied for by the Primary Company, not sub-contractors. It will be the responsibility of the Primary Company to issue copies of the permit to all pertinent sub-contractors and service companies.
5. Failure to provide approved permit to proper county enforcement agencies will result in delays to the company as well as potential criminal charges being brought and fines being assessed per vehicle. Offenses are misdemeanors pursuant to **§ 621.506, TRANSPORTATION CODE**, and may include, but not limited to, the following:

- (a) by a fine of not less than \$100 and not more than \$150;
  - (b) on conviction of an offense involving a vehicle having a single axle weight, tandem axle weight, or gross weight that is more than 5,000 but not more than 10,000 pounds heavier than the vehicle's allowable weight, by a fine of not less than \$300 or more than \$500;
  - (c) on conviction of an offense involving a vehicle having a single axle weight, tandem axle weight, or gross weight that is more than 10,000 pounds heavier than the vehicle's allowable weight, by a fine of not less than \$500 or more than \$1,000; or
  - (d) on conviction before the first anniversary of the date of a previous conviction under this section, by a fine in an amount that is twice the amount specified by Subdivision (a), (b), or (c).
6. All approved permits and bonds will be held by the County Judge's office. Requests for the time extension on an existing permit about to expire must be approved by Precinct Commissioner.
  7. Upon completion of permit activity, the Primary Company will contact Precinct Commissioner requesting permission to release bond. Commissioner or designated agent will inspect all county roads, bridges and/or culverts used by permit, and only if roads, bridges and/or culverts are acceptable will Matagorda County release the bond.
  8. If Primary Company has more than one approved Heavy Load Permit in force concurrently or in succession, original bond may be carried over to be held against these permitted activities.

APPROVED, SIGNED and ENTERED into the Official Court Records this 10th day of May, 2008.

ATTEST:

Gail Denn  
 GAIL DENN,  
 County Clerk  
*By: Cathy Marshall*



COUNTY OF MATAGORDA

By: James Gibson  
 JAMES GIBSON  
 County Judge Pro Tem

OFFICE OF COUNTY JUDGE NATE MCDONALD  
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
1700 SEVENTH STREET, ROOM 301  
BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414  
(979) 244-7605

All requests must be submitted to the Commissioner of the precinct for which request is sought. Original must be filed with the Commissioner prior to Commissioners Court Meeting date.

HEAVY LOAD PERMIT APPLICATION

1. Name and Address of Primary Company:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Telephone Numbers (including Cellular phones)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Office Hours: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other: \_\_\_\_\_

3. SITE LOCATION (plat or map to be attached)

4. ROUTE (to be specified)

INGRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
EGRESS \_\_\_\_\_

5. ANTICIPATED DATE OF ARRIVAL \_\_\_\_\_

6. ANTICIPATED DATE OF DEPARTURE \_\_\_\_\_

7. Amount of Bond: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$150,000.00 Surety Bond or, if distance traveled is more than one mile: \$150,000.00 per mile measured in the nearest tenth of a mile increment) as approved by Precinct Commissioner/ Irrevocable Letter of Credit required for OIL & GAS EXPLORATION- 90 day permit.

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

County Commissioner

Approved in open court on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Nate McDonald, County Judge

As amended 5-19-08

Super-Heavy or Oversize Permit Bond

MATAGORDA COUNTY, TEXAS

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, \_\_\_\_\_ of  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ as Principal, and the  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto Matagorda County in the penal sum of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND AND 00/100 (\$150,000) dollars as approved by Precinct Commissioner, to the payment of which, well and truly to be made, we hereby bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns.

The condition of the above obligation is such that the said \_\_\_\_\_, as Principal, will make payment to Matagorda County of and for any and all damages that may be sustained to any County Road under the jurisdiction of Matagorda County by virtue of the operation of any equipment by the said \_\_\_\_\_, for which a permit is issued to operate under the state law, 623.011 and 623.012, TRANSPORTATION CODE.

NOW, therefore, if the said \_\_\_\_\_ shall pay to Matagorda County any and all damages that may be sustained to any County Road as above recited by virtue of the operation of any equipment under the provisions of the law referred to above during a period beginning with the date of this bond and ending ninety days following, then this obligation to be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue at Law.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINCIPAL

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Title)

\_\_\_\_\_  
SURETY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
ATTORNEY IN FACT

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PRINCIPAL

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(Title)

\_\_\_\_\_  
SURETY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
ATTORNEY IN FACT