

City of Sault Sainte Marie Heavy Hauling/Bonding Policy

The following is a new policy for the Heavy Hauling/Bonding Policy as amended at a Regular Meeting, February 20, 2023.

The City of Sault Ste. Marie, hereinafter referred to as the City, on this the 20th day of February, 2023, does hereby place into effect the following policy for Heavy Hauling on all roads under its jurisdiction within the city.

Heavy Hauling is considered the hauling of 50 or more overweight loads to or from any site within 7 days on any City of Sault Ste. Marie roads.

Contractors, Sub-contractors, or individuals doing Heavy Hauling on any city road shall apply for a permit from the city Engineering Office. Applicants shall state which roads they wish to haul over, the amount and type of material to be hauled, and the type of equipment they plan to use. Examples of equipment include, but are not limited to: Tandem trucks, Tri-axle trucks, 2 or 3 axle trailers, etc. Applicant shall also list the gross weight of each unit when loaded.

The City will require a cash bond, certified cashier's check or irrevocable bank letter of credit as deemed necessary when the City feels that damage may occur. A non-refundable permit fee, as determined by the user fee schedule, will be required in addition to bonding. The permit fee amount will vary depending on the existing circumstances, and shall be established at the discretion of the City.

The bond amount shall be determined by the City Engineering Department based on an estimated cost to repair the haul route due to heavy hauling. 25% of the estimated costs will be charged as a bond and 25% of the bond shall be non-refundable, unless the engineering department finds it necessary to adjust these percentages.

The City has the authority to change the haul route at any time, or to stop all hauling if the roads will not withstand the pressure of heavy hauling.

Damage exceeding the fee amount to any road designated on the permit, which is a direct result of the contractor's operations, will be deducted from the cash bond, or other instrument provided.

Permits issued for a specific project including the haul route shall be for that project and route only, unless otherwise approved by the City.

Any part of this policy that conflicts with or is contrary to State or Federal Law shall be deemed null and void.

The City reserves the right to cancel any and all permits if it is determined that there will be excessive damage to the road or roads to be used, or other conditions of the permit are not being followed.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is a true and this policy was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Commission on February 20th, 2023.

Signed:

Robin Troyer, City Clerk

David S. Boyle, PE, City Engineer