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## Bridge Evaluation Procedure

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*TDOT's TOOP System automatically determines, based upon vehicle specs, whether Engineering Review is required. The determination is based on axle weights, axle spacing, total length, gross weight. Once an application requiring Engineering Review is received by TDOT's Permit office, it is immediately sent to Bridge Engineering for bridge analysis.*

### **Engineering Review Includes**

*2D Analysis (Standard)*

*3D Analysis (Requested by Carrier)*

### **Engineering Review Fees**

*Movements weighing over two hundred thousand but not more than three hundred thousand pounds, \$100.00*

*Movements weighing over three hundred thousand but not more than five hundred thousand pounds, \$300.00*

*Movements weighing over five hundred thousand but nor more than one million pounds, \$500.00*

### **Time period required for Bridge Evaluation based upon the Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW) of the permit request:**

*GVW < 200,000 lbs. – Time Period Required for Bridge Evaluation = 3 Business Days*

*GVW between 200,000 lbs. and 299,999 lbs. - Time Period Required for Bridge Evaluation = 5 Business Days*

*GVW between 300,000 lbs. and 499,999 lbs. - Time Period Required for Bridge Evaluation = 10 Business Days*

*GVW between 500,000 lbs. and 999,999 lbs. - Time Period Required for Bridge Evaluation = 15 Business Days*

*GVW = 1,000,000 lbs. or more - Time Period Required for Bridge Evaluation = Actual Time (unlimited)*

**If the permit request is initially denied and the carrier then re-submits the request with one or more of the following changes:**

*The vehicle weight and/or axle configuration have been altered.*

*The requested route has been altered.*

*A refined analysis of the failed bridge(s) is requested. (3D Analysis)*

***\*The time period for Bridge Evaluation is reset back to zero with the time period as listed.***

***\*TDOT's Permit Office will notify Permit Agencies of bridge failure within one (1) business day.***

**THP Escort Requirements**

*Should carrier request the assistance of Tennessee Highway Patrol, TDOT Maintenance Division and Department of Safety (THP) require a ten (10) business day notice on all movements requesting assistance.*

*Request must be submitted to TDOT's Permit office and will be forward to TDOT's Maintenance Division for assigning of project number.*

*Once a project number for Tennessee Highway Patrol assistance is assigned, THP will contact the carrier within the ten (10) business day period.*

***\*Carriers cannot bypass this protocol for Tennessee Highway Patrol assistance; all assistance requests must be submitted to TDOT's Permit Office.***