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Thanks, Mike! Yes, I was getting inquired by the public and wanted to make sure I was giving it accurate information and we were in line. I understand and agree with your interpretation, however, like a lot of things the regs could be worded more specifically (ha-ha) We actually run into the same thing in the GDL program in what we consider a "valid co-driver" for a learner. We expect out of GDL for at least 2 years as well but it is not explicitly stated in legislation.

Thanks a bunch

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I might be able to give more clarity to you. Obviously folks are asking you guys about it.

The Requirements for an escort vehicle came out BEFORE GDL requirements. Its based off of the idea that when someone gets their DL they know the BASICS. After 2 years of full driving experience they should be more comfortable behind the wheel to take on the extra tasks of escorting a load.

The GDL program does not provide this experience. There is even a nighttime driving restriction (when most OD loads move).

So, based on that. We require 2 full years of a non-restricted DL (not learning). A common issue (as you know) are people that don't get off the restriction 35 for a significant amount of time. Unfortunately, we do not consider that time as driving experience as it is restricted.

Cheers,

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That is ALL I needed to know. Thanks much have a lovely day ☺

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We go by 2 years of full class 5 for yukoners. Yes it's difficult for OOT but we guess by age. An 18 year old would not have full 2 years.

\*\*\*Please note\*\* This email was sent remotely via a mobile device as I am not in my office. I may not be able to provide complete answers as required. Thank you for your understanding.

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Hey Mike,

How are you interpreting Schedule 3 (2) of the escort vehicle driver requirements?  
GDL + 2 years?

I was thinking full 5 with a combined 2 years' experience (GDL completion + 6 months for example). But in that scenario, does time spent as a learner count? If you were to run someone's history the "date first licensed" would probably indicate that in some instances. Might be difficult to enforce for anyone OoT.

Let me know!

Thanks

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Can you ask Kelly via email to confirm our understanding of this so that we have written advice to reference in the future? This will be important if ever we find ourselves needing to rationalize our decision making in this regard before the NSC Review Board. Thanks.



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Ryan,

I spoke to Sebastien. The interpretation/direction was shown to us by Kelly during a meeting we had with her in regards to another case.

She references the Motor Vehicles Act Regulations, Section 2:

**(2) In these Regulations, a reference to an operator's licence of: (a) Class 5 does not include an operator's licence of Class 5, Novice, Car/Truck;**

She said, that the reference to having a class 5 in the Highways Act Regulations, Schedule 3:

**Escort Vehicle Driver (s) Valid Class 5 drivers licence with at least two years driving experience**

We use the Motor Vehicles definition of a class 5 as described above. This means that a class 5 with two years experience does NOT include experience under Class 5, Novice.

So, it was not an interpretation but she showed us where the actual regulations were.

Cheers,



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Hello Tomo,

I've attached here 'schedule 3' of the *Highways Act* which outlines the required safety equipment, following distances, licenses etc. for a pilot/escort vehicle.

As far as I am aware, there is no training program required as long as the driver meets the requirements as outlined in the schedule.

Hope this help!

Thanks,

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**Subject:** [EXT] Pilot Car Training and Equipment Requirements

Hello Julia again,

I would like to know about the requirement for a pilot car in the Yukon.

We would like to equip one of our trucks to be a pilot car and I believe that there are some requirements (such as the size of light and radio etc) that we need to follow in order to be legally operatable.

Also, as for the training to be a pilot car driver, we could not find anything online about the legal requirements in the Yukon.

Please let me know if you know who to talk to or where to go to look for further information.

Thank you.

Tomo

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**SCHEDULE 3****ANNEXE 3****Schedule 3****Warning Devices Minimum Specifications****Overdimensional Vehicle Warning Devices****1. 360° Amber Warning Light**

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|------------------|--|
| a. Visibility    | Minimum 300 m in all directions  |
| b. Lens Diameter | Minimum 12 cm at a height of 10 cm above base                                      |
| c. Flashing Rate | 60 to 90 flashes per minute  |
| d. Location      | Top of cab on both sides of overdimensional vehicle, no less than 1.5 m above road |
| e. Number        | One or more  |

**2. Square Flags**

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|---------------|--|
| a. Color      | Fluorescent red or orange  |
| b. Dimensions | Minimum 40 cm on each side   |
| c. Material   | Fabric or flexible plastic   |
| e. Location   | Firmly mounted at all corners, extremities or protrusions of overdimensional load. |

**3. Clearance Lights**

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|---------------|--|
| a. Colour     | Red or amber   |
| b. Location   | Firmly mounted at all four corners, extremities or protrusions of overdimensional load. Red on rear, amber on front. |
| c. Visibility | Firmly mounted at all four corners, extremities or protrusions of overdimensional load. Red on rear, amber on front. |

**4. Overdimensional Signs**

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|--------------|---|
| a. Dimension | 240 cm to 245 cm wide by 30 cm high   |
| b. Wording   | Refer to Appendix 1   |
| c. Material  | Retro reflective  |
| d. Location  | Mounted on the overdimensional vehicle such that wording is clearly legible from both the front and rear. |

**Escort Vehicle Specifications, Warning Devices and Safety Equipment Requirements****1. Escort Vehicle Specifications**

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|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| a. Gross Vehicle Weight Rating | Maximum 6000 kg |
| b. Number of Axles             | 2               |
| c. Inter-axle spacing          | Minimum 2.5 m   |
| d. Towed trailers              | Not permitted   |



## 2. Warning Devices - Warning Devices Minimum Specifications

### Flashing Amber or Strobe Lights

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|------------------|--|
| a. Number        | At least two   |
| b. Lens Diameter | Minimum 10 cm  |
| c. Flashing Rate | 60 to 90 flashes per minute                                |
| d. Location      | Minimum of 15 m above road mounted on overdimensional sign |
| e. Visibility    | Clearly visible at a distance of 150 m.                    |

### Overdimensional Sign

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|-----------------------------|--|
| a. Dimension                | 180 cm wide by 30 cm high  |
| b. Wording                  | Refer to Appendix 1  |
| c. Material and Manufacture | Overdimensional sign housing to be constructed from steel.<br><br>Interior of sign housing to be baked enamel to provide good reflective quality and to contain a minimum of eight bulbs providing an even distribution of lighting.<br><br>Sign shall house all bulbs wiring and connections etc.<br><br>Faces of sign to be of 3 mm plexi glass construction |
| d. Location                 | Mounted on top of escort vehicle such that wording is legible from both front and rear. Must be removed or folded when not required to be displayed.   |

### Safety Equipment

- Minimum of three emergency triangles and/or flares.
- Flashlights equipped with signal tube for traffic control.
- Stop/slow paddles for traffic control.
- Reflective safety vests for each crew member.
- Fire extinguishers
- Three traffic cones Each minimum size of 30.5 cm

### Radio Communications

- Radio communications between all escort vehicles, overdimensional vehicles and manned steering trailer if applicable.
- Radio communication shall be open and monitored at all times throughout overdimensional move.

### Travelling Distances

- Escort vehicle to precede overdimensional vehicle by 150 m to 500 m.
- When required second escort vehicle to follow overdimensional vehicle between 150 m to 300 m.





Travelling distance to be adjusted to suit prevailing speed, traffic and road conditions and must provide effective warning to opposing and following traffic at all times.

Escort Vehicle Driver (s)

Valid Class 5 drivers licence with at least two years driving experience.

