

CASE STUDY

Moving Heineken!

*11 oversize brewing vessels
from Reading to Southampton.*

28.00(L) x 5.70(W) x 6.00(H) x 55,000kg

- PERMITS
- PILOT CARS
- PLANNING

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At the beginning of December 2010, Teahan Convoi Service received a desperate call regarding the possibilities of transporting a total of eleven fermentation vessels from the Heineken Brewery in Reading for export in early January 2011. Although time was short, we first looked into the possibilities of using the River Thames, however this option soon had to be ruled out. Over the weeks to come, we spent many hours looking for suitable routes, only for them to be ruled out for various reasons. Eventually, after many weeks looking at all possibilities with several night time excursions to check the route, we had found a suitable route to Southampton docks.

Although our final option would incorporate two recognized high load routes, we still had to deviate from this resulting in liaising with local authorities to secure the removal of street furniture and major modifications to several road junctions, including securing a previously neglected abnormal load parking area and implementing local parking restrictions for the duration of the project. Once the route had been confirmed, we made all relevant arrangements with the police, councils & utilities and worked to acquire all necessary transport permits & documentation.

On the 13th January 2011, TCS's own pilot vehicles, along electricity & telephone engineers, required to raise overhead cables, accompanied the first load out of Reading. Each move took two days and local residents soon got familiar seeing the large loads, in fact, the local radio and television also turned out to document the moves. All the moves went without problems and the last loads arrived in Southampton docks on the 1st February 2011.

