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STATE OF WISCONSIN	)	
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	)	

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

I, RONALD R. FIEDLER, Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and custodian of the official records, do hereby certify that the rule, relating to allowing the operation of double bottoms and certain other combination vehicles greater than 60 feet in overall length on the specified highways, was duly approved and adopted by this Department on September 25 th 1991.

I further certify that this copy has been compared by me with the original on file in this Department and that the same is a true copy thereof, and of the whole of such original.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Department of Transportation at 4802 Sheboygan Avenue, in the City of Madison, Wisconsin, this 25th day of September, 1991.

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RONALD R. FIEDLER, P.E.

Secretary

### OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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Clearinghouse Rule 91-77	*	
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IN THE MATTER OF a Rule to AMEND	*	•
Trans $276.07(3),(6),(9),(13),(15),$	<del>አ</del>	,
(16),(18),(21) and (24)	*	ORDER ADOPTING RULE
Trans 276.08, Wis. Admin. Code,	*	
relating to allowing the operation	*	
of double bottoms and certain	*	
other combination vehicles greater	*	
than 60 feet in overall length	*	
on the specified highways.	*	

## Analysis Prepared by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: ss. 85.16(1) and 348.07(4), Stats.

STATUTES INTERPRETED: ss. 348.07(2)(f), (fm), (gm), (gr), 348.07(4) and 348.08(1)(e), Stats.

General Summary of Proposed Rule. This rule amends ss. Trans 276.07(3), (6), (9), (13), (15), (16), (18), (21) and (24), Wisconsin Administrative Code, adding the following segments of highway to the designated highway system established under s. 348.07(4), Stats.:

U.S. Highway 12 from State Trunk Highway 79 northwest of Menomonie to State Trunk Highway 25 in Menomonie;

State Trunk Highway 25 from Interstate Highway 94 north of Menomonie to U.S. Highway 8 in Barron;

State Trunk Highway 40 from Interstate Highway 94 northwest of Elk Mound to State Trunk Highway 64 north of Bloomer;

State Trunk Highway 64 from U.S. Highway 63 east of New Richmond to U.S. Highway 53 at Bloomer;

State Trunk Highway 73 from State Trunk Highway 29 at Withee to State Trunk Highway 64 south of Gilman;

State Trunk Highway 79 from U.S. Highway 12 northwest of Menomonie to State Trunk Highway 170 in Boyceville;

State Trunk Highway 93 from U.S. Highway 10 in Eleva to U.S. Highway 53 in Eau Claire;

State Trunk Highway 124 from County Trunk Highway "S" north of Chippewa Falls to County Trunk Highway "Y" north of Chippewa Falls;

State Trunk Highway 128 from State Trunk Highway 29 in Spring Valley to State Trunk Highway 170 in Glenwood City, and

State Trunk Highway 170 from State Trunk Highway 128 in Glenwood City to State Trunk Highway 79 in Boyceville.

The long trucks to which this rule applies are those with 53-foot semitrailers, double bottoms and the vehicles which may legally operate on the federal National Network but which exceed Wisconsin's regular limits on overall length. Generally, no person may operate any of the following vehicles on Wisconsin's highways without a permit: a single vehicle with an overall length in excess of 40 feet, a combination of vehicles with an overall length in excess of 60 feet, a semitrailer longer than 48 feet, an automobile haulaway longer than 66 feet plus allowed overhangs, or a double bottom. Certain exceptions are provided under s. 348.07(2), Stats., which implements provisions of the federal Surface Transportation Assistance Act in Wisconsin.

The effect of this rule will be to extend the provisions of ss. 348.07(2)(f), (fm), (gm) and (gr), and s. 348.08(1)(e), Stats., to the highway segments listed above. As a result, vehicles which may legally operate on the federal National Network in Wisconsin will also be allowed to operate on the newly designated highway. Specifically, this means there will be no overall length limitation for a tractor-semitrailer combination, a double bottom or an automobile haulaway on the affected highway segments. There also will be no length limitation for a truck tractor or road tractor when operated in a tractorsemitrailer combination or as part of a double bottom or an automobile haulaway. Double bottoms will be allowed to operate on the affected highway segment, provided neither trailer is longer than 28 feet, 6 inches. Semitrailers up to 53 feet long may also be operated on these highway segments, provided the kingpin to rear axle distance does not exceed 41 feet. This distance is measured from the kingpin to the center of the rear axle or, if the semitrailer has a tandem axle, to a point midway between the first and last axles of the tandem. Otherwise, semitrailers, including semitrailers which are part of an automobile haulaway, are limited to 48 feet in length.

These vehicles and combinations are also allowed to operate on undesignated highways for a distance of 5 miles or less from the designated highway in order to reach fuel, food, maintenance, repair, rest, staging, terminal or vehicle assembly or points of loading or unloading. After loading or unloading, these vehicles and combinations may also be operated on an undesignated highway for up to 5 miles in order to obtain access to a designated highway.

Designation of a highway under this proceeding affects only the length of vehicles which may be operated on the highway. It has no effect on the width of vehicles which remains at 8 feet 6 inches maximum, the height of vehicles which remains at 13 feet 6 inches maximum or the weight of vehicles which remains at 80,000 pounds maximum. The statutes, however, contain certain exceptions to these maximum widths, heights and weights which apply regardless of whether or not a highway has been designated in this rule.

<u>Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis</u>. The provisions of this rule adding highway segments to the designated system have no direct adverse effect on small businesses and may have a favorable effect on those small businesses which are shippers or carriers using the newly-designated routes.

<u>Fiscal Estimate</u>. The Department estimates that there will be no direct fiscal impact from this rulemaking upon the state and anticipates no effect upon the fiscal liabilities or revenues of any county, city, village, town, school district, vocational, technical and adult education school district or sewerage district.

Copies of Rule and Contact Persons. Copies of this rule are available without cost upon request to the office of the Regional Chief Traffic Engineer, P. O. Box 7916, Madison, Wisconsin 53707, telephone (608) 266-2375. For questions about this rulemaking, please call Peter Rusch, Regional Chief Traffic Engineer, at (608) 266-2375.

## TEXT OF RULE

Under the authority vested in the Wisconsin department of transportation by ss. 85.16(1) and 348.07(4), Stats., the department of transportation hereby amends chapter Trans 276, Wisconsin Administrative Code, implementing ss. 348.07(2)(f), (fm), (gm), (gr), 348.07(4) and 348.08(1)(e), Stats., as follows: SECTION 1. Trans 276.07(3),(6),(9),(13),(15),(16),(18),(21) and (24), are

amended to read:

[Rout	.e]	[From]	[To]
Trans 276.07(3)	USH 10	Minn. Line at Prescott	IH 43 N. of Manitowoc
	STH 11	USH 61-151 E. of Dubuque, Iowa	USH 51 in Janesville
	STH 11	IH 90 E. of Janesville	USH 14-STH 89, 5 miles W. of Delavan
	STH 11	STH 15 E. of Elkhorn	STH 31 in Racine
	<u>USH 12</u>	STH 79 N.W. of Menomonie	STH 25 in Menomonie
	USH 12	IH 94-CTH "EE" W. of Eau Claire	USH 10 at Fairchild
	USH 12	IH 90-94 at Lake Delton	IL Line at Genoa City
	STH 13	STH 82 S. of Adams	USH 2 in Ashland
	USH 14	USH 61 at Readstown	STH 11 E. of Janesville
	USH 14	STH 11-89, 5 miles W. of Delavan	STH 67 in Walworth

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(6)	STH 25 1	Minnesota Line	H-94-N:-of-Menomonie
			USH 8 in Barron
	STH 28	STH 33 in Horicon	USH 45 in Kewaskum
	STH 26	IH 90 at Janesville	USH 151 S.E. of Waupun
	STH 26	USH 151 N.E. of Waupun	USH 41 S.W. of Oshkosh
	STH 27	USH 18 in Prairie du Chien	STH 171 at Mt. Sterling
	STH 27	USH 14 in Westby	STH 64 Cornell
	STH 27	STH 194 W. of Sheldon	USH 8 in Ladysmith
	STH 28	STH 144 N. of Boltonville	STH 57 at Waldo
	STH 29	USH 10 in Prescott	STH 35 in River Falls
	STH 29	IH 94 W. of Elk Mound	USH 53 at Chippewa Falls
	STH 29	STH 124 S. of Chippewa Falls	USH 41 in Green Bay
	STH 29	USH 141 at Bellevue	STH 42 in Kewaunee
(9)	STH 40	IH 94 N.W. of Elk Mound	STH 64 N. of Bloomer
	USH 41	National Avenue in Milwaukee	Garfield Ave. in Milwaukee
	USH 41	107th St. in Milwaukee	MI Line at Marinette
	STH 42	IH 43 N.W. of Sheboygan	STH 32 at Howards Grove
	STH 42	IH 43 at Manitowoc	STH 57 S.W. of Sturgeon Bay
	IH 43	IH 90 at Beloit	USH 41 in Howard
	STH 44	STH 73 at Manchester	USH 41 S.W. of Oshkosh
(13)	STH 60	STH 113 in Lodi	IH 43 E. of Grafton
	USH 61	IA Line at Dubuque, IA	STH 129 S.E. of Lancaster
	USH 61	STH 129 N.E. of Lancaster	MN Line at La Crosse
	USH 63	MN Line at Red Wing, MN	USH 2 W. of Ashland
	STH 64	MN Line	USH-63-E:-of-New-Richmond

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			STH 27 in Cornell
	STH-64	USH-53-at-Bloomer	STH-27-in-Cornell
	STH 64	USH 141 N. of Pound	USH 41 in Marinette
(15)	STH 70	STH 48 in Grantsburg	USH 53-63 in Spooner
	STH 71	STH 16 in Sparta	STH 80 in Elroy
	STH 73	IH 90 N. of Edgerton	STH 19 in Marshall
	STH 73	USH 151 S.W. of Columbus	STH 54 in Wisconsin Rapids
	STH 73	STH 95 S. of Neillsville	STH-29-at-Withee
			STH 64 S. of Gilman
(16)	STH 76	USH 10 W. of Appleton	USH 45 at Greenville
	STH 78	IH 90-94 S. of Portage	USH 51 N. of Portage
	STH 79	USH 12 N.W. of Menomonie	STH 170 at Boyceville
(18)	IH 90	MN Line at La Crosse	IL Line at Beloit
	STH 93	STH 35 at Centerville	USH-10-in-Eleva
			USH 53 in Eau Claire
	STH 95	USH 53 at Blair	IH 94 at Hixton
	IH 94	MN Line at Hudson	IL Line near Kenosha
	STH 97	STH 13 in Marshfield	STH 153 in Stratford
	STH 98	STH 73 W. of Loyal	STH 13 in Spencer
(21)	STH 121	STH 93 in Independence	USH 53 in Whitehall
	STH 124	USH 53 N. of Eau Claire	CTH-"S"-Nof-Chippewa-Falls
			STH 64 E. of Bloomer
	STH-124-	-GTH-"Y"-N:-of-Chippewa-Falls	STH-64-E:-of-Bloomer
	STH 128	STH 29 in Spring Valley	STH 170 in Glenwood City
	STH 129	USH 61 S.E. of Lancaster	USH 61 N.E. of Lancaster

[Rout	e]	[From]	[To]
(24)	STH 150	STH 110 at Winchester	USH 41 at Neenah
	USH 151	IA Line at Dubuque, IA	USH 18 E. of Dodgeville
	USH 151	IH 90-94 in Madison	USH 10 at Manitowoc
	STH 164	IH 94 N. of Waukesha	STH 74 in Sussex
	STH 170	STH 128 in Glenwood City	STH 79 in Boyceville
	STH 172	USH 41 in Ashwaubenon	IH 43 S.E. of Green Bay
	STH 173	STH 21 W. of Wyeville	STH 80 at Bobcock
	STH 178	CTH "S" N. of Chippewa Falls	Jim Falls
		(END OF RULE TEXT)	

Effective Date. This rule shall take effect on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Register as provided in s. 227.22(2)(intro.), Stats.

> Signed at Madison, Wisconsin, this 25th of September, 1991.

for Ronald R. Fiedler, P.E.

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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# **Wisconsin Department of Transportation**

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RE: CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 91-77

In the Matter of the Adoption of TRANS 276, Wisconsin Administrative Code, relating to allowing the operation of double bottoms and certain other combination vehicles greater than 60 feet in overall length on the specified highways.

Dear Mr. Poulson:

Enclosed for filing, pursuant to s. 227.20, Wis. Stats., is a certified copy of CR 91-77, an administrative rule relating to the above-mentioned matter. This rule is submitted by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation.

Sincerely,

Julje A. Johnson

Paralegal

### **Enclosures**

cc:

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Dorothy Kapke Sandy Beaupre Fred Ross Peter Rusch