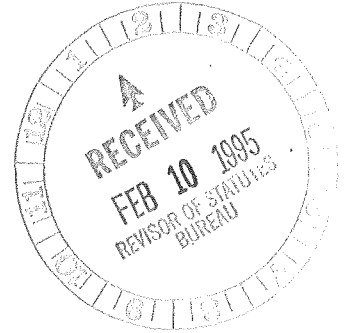


CR 94-191

CERTIFICATE



STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) ss.
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION)

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

I, CHARLES H. THOMPSON, 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 vehicles on certain specified highways**, was duly approved and adopted by this Department on February 10, 1995.

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.

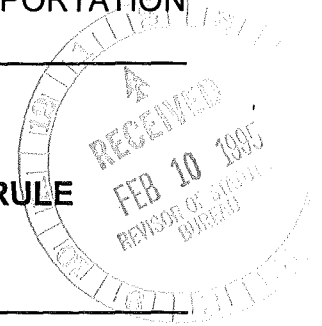


IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Department of Transportation at 4802 Sheboygan Avenue, in the City of Madison, Wisconsin, this **10th** day of **February**, 1995.

Charles H. Thompson
CHARLES H. THOMPSON
Secretary

04-01-95

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation adopts an order to amend TRANS 276.07(15), (18), (22) and (28), relating to allowing the operation of double bottoms and certain other vehicles on certain specified highways.

ORDER ADOPTING RULE**Analysis Prepared by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation**

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

STATUTE INTERPRETED: s. 348.07(4), Stats.

General Summary of Rule. This rule amends Trans 276.07(15), (18), (22) and (28), Wisconsin Administrative Code, to add four segments of highway to the designated highway system established under s. 348.07(4), Stats. The actual highway segments¹ that this rule adds to the designated highway system are:

| <u>Hwy.</u> | <u>From</u> | <u>To</u> |
|-------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| STH 73 | STH 13 West of Pittsville | STH 95 South of Neillsville |
| STH 97 | STH 153 in Stratford | STH 29 South of Athens |
| STH 138 | STH 14 in Oregon | USH 51 West of Stoughton |
| STH 173 | STH 80 in Babcock | STH 73 in Nekoosa |

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 feet², a combination of vehicles with an overall length in excess of 65 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.

¹ The proposed rule text often achieves these objectives by consolidating individual segments into contiguous segments with new end points. In order to determine the actual highway segment added, it is necessary to compare the combined old designations with the combined new designation.

² 45-foot buses are allowed on the National Network and Interstate system by Federal law. Section 4006(b) of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991.

The effect of this rule will be to extend the provisions of s. 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 highways. 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 tractor-semitrailer combination or as part of a double bottom or an automobile haulaway. Double bottoms will be allowed to operate on the affected highway segments 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.

Fiscal Estimate. The Department estimates that there will be no direct fiscal impact from this rule making upon the state and anticipates no effect upon the fiscal liabilities or revenues of any county, city, village, town, school district, technical college district or sewerage district.

Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis. The provisions of this proposed 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.

Copies of Rule and Contact Person. Copies of this rule are available without cost upon request to the office of the State Traffic Engineer, P. O. Box 7916, Madison, Wisconsin, 53707, telephone (608) 266-1675. For questions about this rule making, please call Mark Morrison, Regional Traffic Engineer at (608) 266-1675. Alternate formats of the rule will be provided to individuals at their request.

TEXT OF RULE

Under the authority vested in the state of Wisconsin, department of transportation, by ss. 85.16(1) and 348.07(4), Stats., the department of transportation hereby amends ch. Trans 276, Wisconsin Administrative Code, interpreting s. 348.07(4), Stats., relating

to allowing the operation of double bottoms and certain other vehicles on certain specified highways, as follows:

SECTION 1. Trans 276.07(15), (18), (22) and (28) are amended to read:

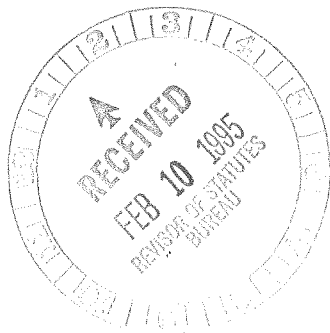
| | Route | From | To |
|------------------|----------------|--|--|
| Trans 276.07(15) | STH 70 | STH 48 in Grantsburg | USH 53-63 in Spooner |
| | STH 71 | STH 54 at Melrose | STH 80 in Elroy |
| | STH 73 | IH 90 N. of Edgerton | STH 19 in Marshall |
| | STH 73 | USH 151 S.W. of Columbus | STH 54 in Wisconsin Rapids |
| | STH 73 | STH 95 South of Neillsville <u>STH 13 West of Pittsville</u> | STH 64 S. of Gilman |
| (18) | IH 90 | MN Line at La Crosse | IL Line at Beloit |
| | STH 92 | STH 69 W. of Belleville | STH 69 in Belleville |
| | STH 93 | USH 53 in Galesville | USH 53 in Eau Claire |
| | IH 94 | MN Line at Hudson | IL Line S. of Pleasant Prairie |
| | STH 95 | USH 53 at Blair | STH 73 S. of Neillsville |
| | STH 97 | STH 13 in Marshfield | STH 153 in Stratford <u>STH 29 South of Athens</u> |
| | STH 98 | STH 73 W. of Loyal | STH 13 in Spencer |
| (22) | STH 131 | USH 14-61 at Readstown | STH 56 at Viola |
| | STH 131 | STH 71 in Wilton | IH 90 S. of Tomah |
| | STH 133 | USH 61 in Boscobel | USH 14 N. of Lone Rock |
| | <u>STH 138</u> | <u>STH 14 in Oregon</u> | <u>USH 51 W. of Stoughton</u> |
| | STH 139 | USH 8 N. of Cavour | Long Lake |

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|--------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| (24) STH 150 | STH 110 at Winchester | USH 41 at Neenah |
| USH 151 | IA Line at Dubuque, IA | S. Park St. in Madison |
| USH 151 | IH 90-94 in Madison | USH 41 in Fond du Lac |
| USH 151 | STH 23 in Fond du Lac | USH 10 at Manitowoc |
| USH 158 | IH 94 W. of Kenosha | STH 31 in Kenosha |
| STH 164 | STH 43 N. of Big Bend | USH 18 E. of Waukesha |
| STH 164 | IH 94 N. of Waukesha | STH 74 in Sussex |
| STH 165 | IH 94 W. of Kenosha | STH 31 in Kenosha |
| 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 Babcock |
| | | <u>STH 73 in Nekoosa</u> |
| STH 175 | STH 67 in Lomira | CTH "P" S. of Theresa |
| STH 178 | CTH "S" N. of Chippewa Falls | Jim Falls |

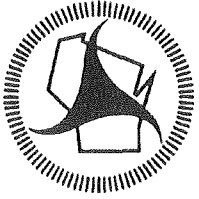
(END OF RULE TEXT)

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 10th day of February, 1995.



Charles H. Thompson
 For CHARLES H. THOMPSON
 Secretary
 Wisconsin Department of Transportation



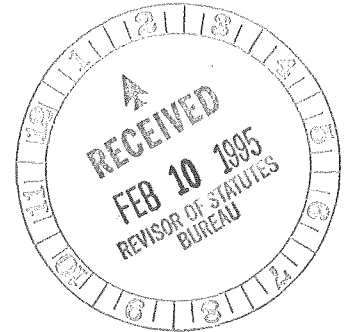
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February 10, 1995



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RE: **CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 94-191**

In the Matter of the Adoption of **TRANS 276**, Wisconsin Administrative Code, relating to **allowing the operation of double bottoms and certain other vehicles on certain specified highways.**

Dear Mr. Poulson:

Enclosed for filing, pursuant to s. 227.20, Wis. Stats., is a certified copy of **CR 94-191**, an administrative rule relating to the above-mentioned matter. This rule is submitted by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julie A. Johnson".

Julie A. Johnson
Paralegal

Enclosures

cc: Ann Agnew
Dorothy Kapke
Jim McDonnell
Fred Ross
Mark Morrison