

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

Wisconsin Department of Transportation Oversize Overweight PS Permit Condition
Sheet for Seed Potatoes DTSD39

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. s. 227.112, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation is hereby seeking comment on the department's Oversize Overweight PS Permit Condition Sheet for Seed Potatoes s.348.27(9t), Trans 258.02(2).

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION

Comments may be submitted to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for 21 days by:

1. Department's website: <https://appengine.egov.com/apps/wi/dot/guidance-docs?guidDocId=DTSD39>

2. Mailing written comments to:

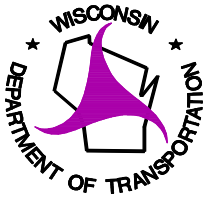
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WEBSITE LOCATION OF FINAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

The final version of this guidance document will be posted at wisconsin.dot.gov to allow for ongoing comment.

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PS PERMIT CONDITION SHEET SEED POTATOES

1. AUTHORITY & ELIGIBILITY

Under Wis. Stats. s. 348.27(9t) the department may issue permits to allow the transportation of potatoes intended to be used as seed.

- “Seed potatoes” is defined by Wis. Admin. Code s. Trans 258.02(2) and means potatoes intended to be planted as a crop.
- Must use a vehicle combination.
- Permit is issued to specific VIN for both truck and trailer.
- See *also* Wis. Admin. Code ch. Trans 258.
- This permit is issued for overweight and overlength combination vehicles.
- This is a divisible load permit.

2. SIZE LIMITATIONS – VEHICLE & LOAD

- Trailer length 53’
- Vehicle combination length No overall limit*
- Overall width 8’6” (legal)
- Overall height 13’6” (legal)

*Permits are issued for a total length of 100’ for consistency with other permit types.

3. WEIGHT LIMITATIONS & AXLE REQUIREMENTS

Vehicle and Load Weight Limitations

- Maximum GVW 90,000 lbs OR
- May not exceed the weight limitations of Wis. Stats. s. 348.15(3)(c) by more than 10,000 lbs.
- Wheels on one side of the vehicle may not carry more than 60% of the load.

Axle Weight Limitations

- Single steer axle 20,000 lbs
- Single non-steer axle 18,000 lbs
- Tandem axle 16,000 lbs/axle, until GVW reaches 73,280 lbs*
- 3-axle group (3’6” – 9’ apart) 16,500/trailer axle
- 4 or more-axle group (no less than 3’6” apart) 13,000 lbs/trailer axle

*Then only 1 tandem may be above 16,000 lbs and each additional tandem is limited to 13,000 lbs.

General Axle Requirements

- Non-steering axles 4 tires per axle
- Minimum axles per trailer 3 axles
- Minimum axles per vehicle combination 6 axles

4. ROUTE LIMITATIONS

- Permit is valid on the seed potato route identified as:
 - STH 64 between Langlade County Trunk “H” and USH 41 in Langlade, Oconto, and Marinette counties
 - USH 41 between STH 64 and the Wisconsin-Michigan border
- Permit is valid within 15 miles of the seed potato route. See Wis. Admin. Code s. Trans 258.06(4)(b).
- Permit is valid only on U.S. and State Trunk Highways.
- Must have written statement of route approval by the officer in charge of maintenance if the route desired involves municipal, township or county roads.
- If the department declares the alternative potato route, the seed potato route will be changed to the route described in Wis. Admin. Code s. Trans 258.10(3).

5. GENERAL OPERATING REQUIREMENTS

- Vehicles may be operated at the posted speed limit.
- Vehicles that are only overweight may operate 24 hours a day, including weekends and holidays.
- Permits are **not** suspended during the annual spring thaw period, unless the suspension specifically includes PS permits.

6. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

- Bodily injury, each person \$150,000 or \$750,000 combined single limit
- Bodily injury, each accident \$450,000
- Property damage, each accident \$300,000

7. VEHICLE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

- Vehicle or vehicles must be registered for not less than the maximum registration weight available or the permit weight, whichever is less.

8. PERMIT APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Apply using Multiple Trip **Form MV2612**.
- Permits may be issued for 3 to 12 months.

9. PERMIT FEE INFORMATION

- Submit the required fee, per the table below, with your application.
- Make checks payable to: **Registration Fee Trust**.
- Calculate fees from the effective **day** of the permit, not the calendar months. (*Example: 9/5 to 11/20 – greater than 2 months to the day, but less than 3 months, would be calculated as 3 months.*)

Months:	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3
Weight: 90,000	200.00	198.33	181.67	165.00	148.33	131.67	115.00	98.33	81.67	65.00

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