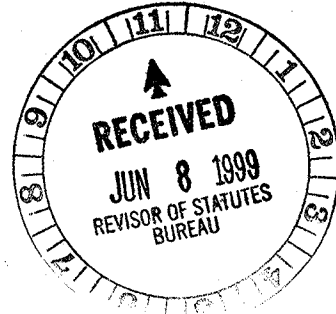


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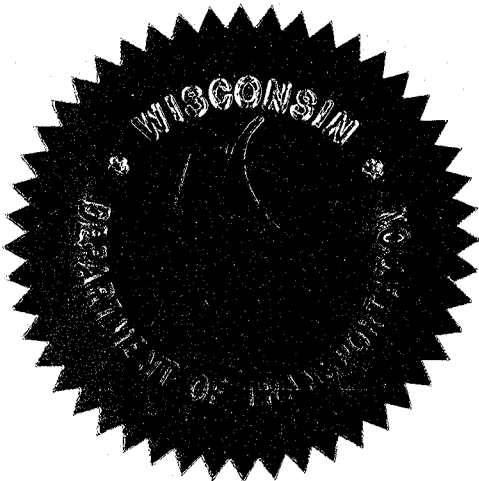


STATE OF WISCONSIN )  
 ) ss.  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION )

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 specified highways**, was duly approved and adopted by this Department on June 7, 1999.

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.

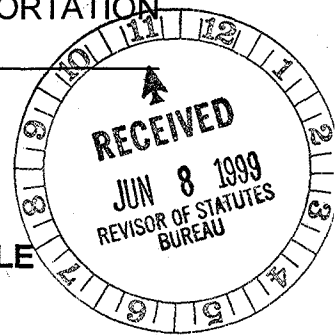


IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Department of Transportation at 4802 Sheboygan Avenue, in the City of Madison, Wisconsin, this 7 day of **June**, 1999.

*Charles H. Thompson*  
CHARLES H. THOMPSON  
Secretary

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation adopts an order to amend TRANS 276.07(7), (10), (11), (15), (17), (24) and (39); repeal and recreate TRANS 276.09(3); and create TRANS 276.07(10m) and (25m), 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(7), (10), (11), (15), (17), (24) and (39), creates Trans 276.07(10m) and (25m), and repeals and recreates Trans 276.0993), Wisconsin Administrative Code, to add three segments of highway to the designated highway system established under s. 348.07(4), Stats and reflect a change of highway jurisdiction. The actual highway segments that this rule adds to the designated highway system are:

<u>Hwy.</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
STH 46	STH 64 S. of Deer Park	USH 8 N. of Amery
STH 80	USH 14 in Richland Center	STH 33 in Union Center
STH 182	STH 13 in Park Falls	USH 51 in Manitowish

As a result of a recent jurisdictional transfer of highways between the Department and Waukesha County, modifications to the rule are needed to reflect the change in highway names between STH 164, STH 74 and Waukesha County Highway J. These changes to the wording in the rule do not effect the actual highway segments that are already designated for use by long trucks.

As a result of its own investigation, the Department has determined that there are several concurrent highway segments on the three highways originally proposed. These changes to the text of rule do not effect the actual highway segments that were originally proposed.

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<sup>1</sup>, 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.

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 43 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 Impact.** The Department estimates that there will be no fiscal impact on the 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 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 7986, Room 501, Madison, Wisconsin, 53707-7986, telephone (608) 266-1675, FAX (608) 261-6295. For questions about this rule making, please call Mark Morrison, Traffic & Safety Engineer at

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<sup>2</sup> 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.

(608) 266-1675. Alternate formats of the rule will be provided to individuals at their request.

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**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 adopts an order amending 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(7) and (10) are amended to read:

	<u>Route</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Trans 276.07(7)	STH 30	USH 151 in Madison	IH 90-94 E. of Madison
	STH 31	Illinois Line	STH 20 in Racine
	STH 32	IH 43 in River Hills	IH 43 E. of Grafton
	STH 32	IH 43 N. of Port Washington	STH 57 in De Pere
	STH 32	USH 41 N. of De Pere	STH 64 S. of Mountain
	STH 32	USH 8 in Laona	STH 55 in Crandon
	STH 32	USH 45 in Three Lakes	MI Line in Land O'Lakes
	STH 33	<del>STH 80 in Union Center</del> <u>W. of Hillsboro</u>	STH 32 in Port Washington
	STH 34	STH 13 in Wisconsin Rapids	USH 51 N.E. of Knowlton
(10)	USH 45	IL Line S. of Bristol	CTH B in Eden
	USH 45	USH 41 N. of Oshkosh	STH 150 W. of Menasha
	USH 45	STH 76 at Greenville	MI Line at Land O'Lakes

<u>STH 46</u>	<u>STH 64 S. of Deer Park</u>	<u>USH 8 S. of Balsam Lake</u>
STH 47	USH 10 in Appleton	STH 29 in Shawano
STH 47	USH 45 N. of Aniwa	USH 51 in Woodruff
STH 48	STH 70 in Grantsburg	STH 87 S. of Grantsburg
STH 48	STH 63 in Cumberland	USH 53 in Rice Lake
STH 49	USH 41 E. of Brownsville	USH 10 at Weyauwega

**SECTION 2.** Trans 276.07(10m) is created to read:

Trans 276.07(10m)    STH 47    STH 182 N. of Lac du Flambeau    USH 51 in Manitowish

**SECTION 3.** Trans 276.07(11), (15), (17) and (24) are amended to read:

Trans 276.07(11)	STH 50	USH 12 W. of Lake Geneva	45 <sup>th</sup> Ave. in Kenosha
	USH 51	S. Corp. Limits of Janesville	USH 14 at Janesville
	USH 51	IH 90 E. of Stoughton	STH 16 S.E. of Portage
	USH 51	IH 39 N. of Portage	USH 2 N. of Hurley
	STH 52	USH 45 N. of Aniwa	USH 45 in Antigo
	USH 53	USH 14-61 in La Crosse	USH 10 in Osseo
	USH 53	IH 94 S.E. of Eau Claire	IH 535 in Superior
	STH 54	STH 71 at Melrose	STH 80 at Dexterville
	STH 54	STH 73 in Port Edwards	USH 41 at Green Bay
	STH 54	IH 43 in Green Bay	STH 42 in Algoma
	<u>STH 56</u>	<u>STH 80 N. of Richland Center</u>	<u>USH 14 in Richland Center</u>
(15)	STH 70	STH 48 in Grantsburg	USH 53-63 in Spooner
	STH 70	STH 13 in Fifield	USH 2 in Florence
	STH 71	STH 54 at Melrose	STH 80 in Elroy

	STH 73	IH 90 N. of Edgerton	STH 54 in Wisconsin Rapids
	<u>STH 74</u>	<u>STH 190 E. of Pewaukee</u>	<u>CTH VV in Sussex</u>
(17)	STH 80	STH 11 S. of Cuba City	<del>USH 14 at Richland Center</del>
	<del>STH 80</del>	<del>STH 33 in Union Center</del>	STH 13 at Pittsville
	STH 81	STH 35 N.E. of Beetown	STH 23 S. of Darlington
	STH 81	STH 78 in Argyle	CTH H W. of Beloit
	STH 82	STH 80 <del>N. of Elroy</del> <u>W. of Hillsboro</u>	USH 51 W. of Montello
	STH 83	STH 167 S. of Hartford	STH 60 in Hartford
	STH 85	USH 10 in Durand	STH 37 S.W. of Eau Claire
	STH 87	USH 8 in St. Croix Falls	STH 48 S. of Grantsburg
	STH 89	USH 14 N. of Darien	USH 12 in Whitewater
	STH 89	IH 94 at Lake Mills	STH 73 in Columbus
(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	<del>STH 74 in Sussex</del> <u>190 E. of Pewaukee</u>
	<u>STH 164</u>	<u>CTH VV in Sussex</u>	<u>CTH Q W. of Colgate</u>
	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 73 in Nekoosa
STH 175	STH 67 in Lomira	CTH P S. of Theresa
STH 178	CTH S N. or Chippewa Falls	Jim Falls

**SECTION 4.** Trans 276.07(25m) is amended to read:

Trans 276.07(25m) STH 182 STH 13 in Park Falls USH 51 in Manitowish

**SECTION 5.** Trans 276.07(39) is amended to read:

Trans 276.07(39) WAUKESHA COUNTY:

<del>CTH J</del>	<del>CTH W in Sussex</del>	<del>CTH Q W. of Colgate</del>
CTH Q	Colgate Road in Colgate	STH 175 in Menomonee Falls
CTH VV	STH 83 at North Lake	East County Line


**SECTION 6.** Trans 276.09(3) is repealed and recreated to read:

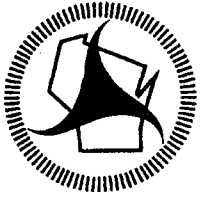
Trans 276.09(3) The treatment of s. Trans 276.07(10m) and (25m) applies after the segment of STH 182 from the Iron-Price county line to Park Falls is reconstructed and all construction signing is removed in 1999.

**(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), Stats.

Signed at Madison, Wisconsin, this 7 day of June, 1999.

  
 CHARLES H. THOMPSON  
 Secretary  
 Wisconsin Department of Transportation



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June 8, 1999

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RE: **CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 99-049**

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 specified highways**

Dear Mr. Poulson:

Enclosed for filing, pursuant to s. 227.20, Wis. Stats., is a certified copy of **CR 99-049**, an administrative rule relating to the above-mentioned matter.

Sincerely,

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

Julie A. Johnson  
Paralegal

Enclosures

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Sandy Beaupre  
Mark Morrison

