



Wisconsin Department of Transportation - DTSD

Bureau of Highway Maintenance
Oversize/Overweight Permits
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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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