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Users of the Wisconsin Flagging Handbook

Subject: Addendum to the Wisconsin Flagging Handbook

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation would like to add further clarification to the *Wisconsin Flagging Handbook* after considering a number of questions brought up in statewide certification training sessions. These items are not changing any language or policy within the *Wisconsin Flagging Handbook* but are providing additional information on requirements not addressed in the handbook.

- Emergency Flagging and backing or spotting vehicles onto the roadway do not require a certified flagger, advanced warning signs, or temporary portable rumble strips.
- For short-duration work, anticipated to last 60 minutes or less, a certified flagger is required, advanced warning signs (Flagger Ahead and One Lane Road Ahead) are required. All other advanced warning signs (Road Work Ahead and End Road Work) are recommended. Temporary portable rumble strips are not required.
- For work anticipated to last longer than 60 minutes, a certified flagger, advanced warning signs and temporary portable rumble strips are required.
- Flaggers shall wear both vest and pants at all times. At a minimum, the vest shall be Class 2. Other apparel such as shirts and coats that exceed the Class 2 requirements may be worn instead of the vest. The pants at a minimum shall be Class E.

An electronic version of the Wisconsin Flagging Handbook can be found at this link: https://wisconsindot.gov/dtsdManuals/traffic-ops/manuals-and-standards/flagger.pdf.

If you have questions about the Flagging Handbook, please email WisDOT at DOTDTSDFlaggerCertification@dot.wi.gov.