Ordinance to Opt out of Statutory IOH Length and/or Weight Limits and impose specific length and/or weight limits that exceed statutory limits on all highways under local jurisdiction

Ordinance #2015-1

Whereas, 2013 Wis. Act 377 under Sec. 348.27 (19)(b)5. c. provides that a municipality or county may authorize implements of husbandry as defined in Sec. 340.01 (24) and agricultural commercial vehicles as defined in Sec. 340.01 (10) of Wis. Statutes to exceed any statutory length and weight limits imposed by Chapter 348 of Wis. Statutes, but authorizes these vehicles to exceed the statutory limits as provided by ordinance.

Now, therefore, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the Town Board of Rock, of Wood County, that pursuant to Sec. 348.27 (19)(b)5. c. of Wis. Statutes, implements of husbandry and agricultural commercial vehicles as defined by Chapter 340 of Wis. Statutes may exceed any length and weight limits imposed by Chapter 348 of Wis. Statutes, as follows:

A. Length: Implements of husbandry
   a. Single vehicle implements of husbandry may exceed the statutory length requirement under Sec. 348.07(2)(a)1. of 60 feet by 0 additional feet for a total of 60 feet for a single vehicle.
   b. Two vehicle implements of husbandry may exceed the statutory length requirement under Sec. 348.07 (2)(a)2. of 100 feet by 0 additional feet for a total of 100 feet for a two vehicle combination.
   c. Three vehicle implements of husbandry combinations as described in Sec. 348.08 (1) may exceed the statutory length requirement under Sec. 348.08 (1) (b) of 70 feet, or 100 feet, by 0 additional feet for a total of 100 feet for three vehicle combination as described in Sec. 348.08 (1), if the three vehicle combination as described is traveling at a speed of not more than 25 miles per hour.

B. Length: Agricultural Commercial Vehicles
   a. Single vehicle Agricultural Commercial Vehicles may exceed the statutory length requirement under Sec. 348.07 (1) of 45 feet by 0 additional feet for a total of 45 feet for a single Ag Commercial Vehicle
   b. Two vehicle Agricultural Commercial Vehicles may exceed the statutory length requirement under Sec. 348.07 (1) of 70 feet by 0 additional feet for a total of 70 feet for a two vehicle Agricultural Commercial Vehicle combination.
   c. Three-vehicle Agricultural Commercial Vehicle combinations as described in Sec. 348.08 (1)(d) may exceed the state length requirement of 70 feet, or 100 feet if the three-vehicle combination as described is traveling at a speed of not more than 25 miles per hour, by 0 additional feet. Trailers defined under Sec. 348.08 (1)(d) must be empty. Empty means less than 20% full.

C. Weight: Implements of husbandry and agricultural commercial vehicles on all highways under this jurisdiction may exceed the statutory weight limits as established by Sec. 348.15 (3)(g) of Wis. Statutes as follows:
   a. Maximum gross weight limits established under Sec. 348.15 (3)(g) may be exceeded by 40 percent over the gross weight limits. Any and all maximum axle weight limits proportionately increased due to the increased gross weight limits authorized under this ordinance shall be allowed.”.
Further, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED that to exceed the length and/or weight limitations on highways under this jurisdiction a no-fee permit may be applied for from the municipal jurisdiction.

Further, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED that operator/owner is subject to any and all damages incurred while operating under this ordinance, not limited to surface, subgrade, shoulder or culverts of roadway.

Further, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED that this ordinance shall be in effect for the calendar year of 2015.

Further, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED that a copy of this ordinance shall be provided to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to be posted on the state DOT website.

Adopted by the Town Board this 6th day of January 2015.

Town Chairperson/Village President

Attested to by the Town/Village Clerk

Town/Village Clerk