



1.0 Policy Intent

This policy is intended to recognize the costs associated with winter maintenance and provide for compensation for Class 106, 117, 118, 1118, and 1128 trucks specifically meeting the winter readiness requirements and authorized to be utilized on state routes for the winter season.

2.0 Definitions

1. Winter Readiness Rate

The winter readiness rate applies to Class 106 ,117, 118, 1118 and 1128 trucks prepared to perform winter maintenance operations on the state trunk system from November 15th to April 15th each year. The winter readiness rate is a seasonal, lump sum payment intended to offset a portion of the-insurance and depreciation costs of these trucks assigned to winter maintenance. The winter readiness rates are as follows:

Class	Lump Sum Payment
106	\$ 2,229.00
117	\$ 1,165.00
118	\$ 3,686.00
1118	\$ 3,743.00
1128	\$ 3,350.00

3.0 Policy Implementation

The regional office and the county will agree in writing as to the number and class of Class 106, 117, 118, 1118 and 1128 trucks certified as being prepared to perform winter maintenance operations on the state trunk system. The number of trucks eligible for the winter readiness rate in each county will not to exceed the number of state winter routes in the county.

A copy of the signed agreement shall be kept on file at the regional office and another copy shall be returned to the Bureau of Highway Maintenance, Program Management Section.

4.0 Agreement

The county agrees to ensure the truck receiving the winter readiness rate is readily available to perform winter maintenance activities on the state system and fulfill the requirements as outlined in the Highway Maintenance Manual. Specifically, trucks eligible for the winter readiness rate must meet the following criteria and remain in compliance with the Highway Maintenance Manual throughout the winter season:

- Truck conforms to truck lighting guidelines as per HMM 05-01-05 and HMM 06-20-75
- Truck conforms to truck conspicuity marking guidelines as per HMM 05-01-06 and HMM 06-20-75
- Truck is equipped ground speed controllers as per HMM 06-20-60
- Truck is equipped with AVL/GPS as per HMM 06-20-52
- Truck has calibrated infrared pavement temperature sensors in accordance with HMM 06-20-95
- Spreader attachment on the truck is calibrated for winter season in accordance with HMM 06-20-55

5.0 Charging Policy

The winter readiness rate reimbursement will be provided to the county in January in accordance with the terms of the signed agreement.

Sample A – Winter Readiness Agreement

_____ County Highway Department

Re: 20__ Winter Readiness Rates, Chapter 01-05-15

_____:

_____ County is requesting Winter Readiness Rates for _____ trucks assigned to State Winter Maintenance and certified as ready to perform winter maintenance as enumerated in Chapter 01-05-15. The total lump sum distribution for these trucks is \$_____ and breakdown is shown below.

Reimbursement for the winter readiness rates will be provided to the county in January.

Winter Patrol State Section	Unit Number of Truck	Class of Truck	Winter Readiness Rate for Unit	Certified as Ready for Winter

(NOTE: The number of trucks receiving the winter readiness rate does not to exceed the number of state winter routes in the county.

If an eligible truck is assigned to a blended winter route, the reimbursement shall be a proportional amount, based on mileage, of the winter readiness rate assigned to the truck class. The combined sum of the trucks used on blended routes shall not exceed the original number of state winter routes.)

This agreement covers November 15, 2019 through April 15, 2020.

By _____
(County) Highway Commissioner

Date _____

By _____
(WisDOT) Region Highway Operations Supervisor

Date _____