



# WI Act 377 Changes to Operating on WI Roads

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# Travel back to April 22, 2014

- Weight for IoH and CMV at 80,000 GVW and 20,000 axle weight
- No such thing as an Ag CMV
- Limitation on width of a farm tractor
- Restrictions for time of day operation including weekends, holidays
- Different permitting systems and requirements

# Terms

- Implements of Husbandry = IoH
- Truck = vehicle weighing under 10,001 lbs
- Agricultural Commercial Motor Vehicle = Ag CMV
- Commercial Motor Vehicle(CMV) = Federal definition over 10,001 lbs
- Maintaining Authority = MA
- No Fee Permit = NFP



# Enforcement



Operating oversize or overweight vehicle without a permit, makes it an illegal vehicle on the highway.



**request approved**

**No-Fee Permit (NFP)**  
**Effective January 1, 2015**

# Application

- Submit at least three weeks before hitting the field.
- MA has three weeks to make a decision.
- If no decision has been made after three weeks, you can operate under application content for three weeks.
- After six weeks and no decision has been made, you can work on application.
- Get a receipt of application!
  - Email
  - Written

# Where do I get a NFP?

Permit applications are available on website: [www.AgVehicles.DOT.wi.gov](http://www.AgVehicles.DOT.wi.gov)

## State and US

- IoH MV2578
- Ag CMV MV 2579

## Local Government

(town, village, city, county)

- IoH MV2582
- Ag CMV MV 2583

# No Fee Permits

MA may issue:

- for roads in their jurisdiction
- with conditions of operation
- for posted roads but not for posted bridges

MA must receive permits in electronic format, postal mail or in-person



# Who completes a permit?

**PART A – Applicant and Routes**

**Section 1: Applicant Information**

Applicant Name <i>(enter name of vehicle owner or vehicle lessee – name of business if applicable)</i> [REDACTED]	
Contact Name [REDACTED]	(Area Code) Telephone Number [REDACTED]
Street Address [REDACTED]	Email Address [REDACTED]
City, State, ZIP Code [REDACTED]	Permit number (To be completed by Maintaining Authority)

Applicant is:

- to be owner or lessee of the equipment.
- not the farm hiring a custom operator.

# Routes

## Section 2: Routes

Describe the highways on which the IoH will be operated. (Example: Route 1: Origin, west on County Z from Location A to Location B; then north on County H for two miles and return.) Alternately, please attach a map with highways, or portions thereof, marked to indicate where overweight or over length equipment will be operated.



Maps may also be used to indicate highways or portions of highways to be used.

# What is an IoH?

Implement of Husbandry (IoH), state law effective April 2014, defines as:



A **SELF-PROPELLED** or **TOWED VEHICLE** manufactured, designed, or reconstructed to be used and that is **EXCLUSIVELY** used in the conduct of agriculture.



A **COMBINATION OF VEHICLES** in which each vehicle in the **COMBINATION is an IoH**

**OR**

in which an **IoH** farm wagon, farm trailer, manure trailer, is **TOWED** by a farm truck, farm truck tractor, or motor truck.

# IoH Categories



**Category A**  
Farm Tractors



**Category B**

## Self-Propelled

- Harvesters (e.g forage, combines, potato, pea)
- Chemical or fertilizer application equipment, not including manure
- Any other self-propelled vehicle that directly applies fertilizer, spray or seeds but not manure , or distributes feed to livestock

Towed tillage, planting and cultivation equipment and it's towing power unit



**Category C**

Farm wagon, farm trailer, manure trailer, or trailer adapted to be towed by or to tow or pull, another IoH.

# IoH does not include:

1. An agricultural commercial motor vehicle.
2. A vehicle that is a commercial motor vehicle under 49 CFR 390.5\*:
  - Has a gross vehicle weight rating or
  - gross combination weight rating, or
  - gross vehicle weight or
  - gross combination weight, of
  - 10,001 pounds or more, whichever is greater

# Track Vehicles

- IoH with tracks are allowed on Wisconsin highways
- Exterior supports will be considered axles



In the case of damage to the highway,  
Wisconsin law makes operator of any vehicle liable.

# Is it an AG CMV?



A **CMV** must meet **ALL 5 CRITERIA** below to be an AG CMV.

**CMV 1**

**CRITERIA**

**CMV 2**

- |                                     |  |                                     |
|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | DESIGNED, ALTERED OR MANUFACTURED for agricultural purposes                  | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Designed or manufactured for PRIMARILY HIGHWAY USE                           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | MEETS FEDERAL SAFETY STANDARD CERTIFICATION requirements                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Used EXCLUSIVELY IN AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | DIRECTLY ENGAGES in harvesting or applying seed or spray or distributes feed | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

**CMV 1 IS an AG CMV**

**CMV 2 IS NOT an AG CMV**

# Maintaining Authority Options

Maintaining Authority	IoH Category A and Category C	IoH Category B	Ag CMV
Interstate Highway	Does Not Apply		
State and US	Per IoH/Ag CMV Weight Table		
LG Opt-In	Per IoH/Ag CMV Weight Table		
LG (WI Act 377 or Option F)	IoH/Ag CMV Weight Table	92,000 GVW- No axle limit	IoH/Ag CMV Weight Table
LG Partial Opt Out	Per ordinance or resolution		
LG Opt Out	No Limits - over weight or over length		

IoH/Ag CMV Weight Table is ss 348.15(3)(g)

Ordinances/Resolutions can be found at

<http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/business/ag/localgov.htm>

# When do I need a NFP? IoH

Vehicle Type	To Exceed		
	Length (feet)	IoH/Ag CMV Weight Table	
		GVW (lbs)	Axle (lbs)
Single Vehicle Unit	60	92,000	23,000
2 Vehicle Combination	100	92,000	23,000
3 Vehicle Combination Speed 25 mph or less	100	92,000	23,000
3 Vehicle Combination Speed 25 mph or more	70	92,000	23,000

## Exceptions:

- Empty potato harvester
- Category B IoH per MA may allow for 92,000 GVW and no axle weight
- Category B for incidental travel (.5 miles) from field to field or farm to field)
- MA opted out so no permit needed for overweight or overlength IoH

# When do I need a NFP? Ag CMV

Vehicle Type	To Exceed		
	Length (feet)	IoH/Ag CMV Weight Table	
		GVW (lbs)	Axle (lbs)
Single Vehicle Unit	45	92,000	23,000
2 Vehicle Combination	70	92,000	23,000
3 Vehicle Combination Speed 25 mph or less	100	92,000	23,000
3 Vehicle Combination Speed 25 mph or more	70	92,000	23,000

- My Ag CMV is over width? Can I use the No Fee Permit? No, NFP is only for an over length and over width Ag CMV
- MA opted out for Ag CMV length and weight

# NFP - Category B

MA is required to provide approved route for **Category B** operation, if only reason for denying a permit, is the route.



# NFP - Timeline

## Upon receipt of application for NFP

- Within **3 weeks**– must be given a final decision
- If MA fails to approve or deny within 3 weeks, application is considered approved until applicant **receives a denial or 6 weeks** from receipt of application.
- Within **6 weeks**, MA fails to approve or deny - application is approved.

# NFP - Amendments

May be applied for at any time due to an applicant's change in circumstances, information or routes.

## **Upon receipt of application for amendment:**

- Within **5 business days**— must be given a final decision
- If MA fails to approve or deny within 5 business days, application is considered approved until applicant **receives a denial or 10 business days** from receipt of application.
- Within **10 business days**, MA fails to approve or deny - application is approved.

# IoH Informational Meetings

- Monday, March 9,  
7 PM  
Kewaunee County  
Fairgrounds
- Tuesday, March 10,  
10 AM  
Kewaunee County  
Fairgrounds
- Tim Austin, Wisconsin  
State Patrol
- Cheryl Skjolaas,  
UW-Extension
- Steve Hanson,  
Kewaunee County  
Land Information  
Office

# Further information:

Website: [www.AgVehicles.DOT.wi.gov](http://www.AgVehicles.DOT.wi.gov)

Email: [AgVehicles@dot.wi.gov](mailto:AgVehicles@dot.wi.gov)

State Hwy Permit Phone: 608-266-7320

Contact your dealer for specific equipment details

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