

Chapter 10.11 Heavy Traffic Routes

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10.11.010 Definition.

For purposes of this section, "heavy traffic" shall be defined as all vehicles not operating completely on pneumatic tires and all vehicles or combination of vehicles designed or used for transporting property of any nature and having a gross weight of more than 12,000 pounds or longer than 30 feet in length. "Heavy traffic" does not include school buses, motor buses, recreational vehicles, and motor homes.

10.11.020 Prohibited routes.

1. Heavy traffic is prohibited from using any Village of Oakfield street or highway not designated as a heavy traffic route.
2. This section shall not act to prohibit heavy traffic from using a Village street or highway for the purpose of obtaining orders for supplies or moving or delivering supplies or commodities to or from any place of business or residence which has an entrance on such street or highway, nor shall this section apply to heavy traffic necessary to obtain orders, to make deliveries, or to move supplies or equipment along the prohibited route for agricultural purposes, provided that the closest access route is utilized. This exception shall be permitted for the period of time necessary to complete the above-described activities. This section will not act to prohibit heavy traffic from using any Village streets over which are routed state trunk highways. When being driven to the site of any construction, repair or maintenance of electric, gas or water service, vehicles owned and operated by a public utility will be exempt from the provisions of this section.

10.11.030 Administration.

The Police Department shall administer this section. Administration shall include:

1. Posting of signs. Appropriate signs shall be posted giving notice of this section and of the heavy traffic routes established herein. Yellow sign posts may also be used to designate heavy traffic routes.
2. Maps. Maps of the Village showing heavy traffic routes shall be prepared and shall be available upon request by heavy traffic operators and owners.

10.11.040 Construction equipment.

1. Heavy construction equipment may use Village streets or highways not designated as heavy traffic routes, provided that the closest access route is utilized.
2. Village-owned or operated equipment is specifically excluded from the provisions of this section.

10.11.050 Liability.

Any operator, corporation, owner or agent whose heavy traffic vehicle damages any Village streets or highways in violating this section shall be liable and required to pay the Village the cost of repair or replacement of the damaged street or highway.

10.11.060 Streets designated Class "B" highways.

All streets and highways within the Village of Oakfield, Wisconsin, are hereby designated Class "B" highways subject to the weight limitations imposed on Class "B" highways by the Wisconsin Statutes adopted by reference in § 464-1, except the highways or parts of highways designated as heavy traffic routes.

10.11.070 Heavy traffic routes.

The following streets in the Village of Oakfield are hereby designated heavy traffic routes, for commercial vehicles, pursuant to § 349.17, Wis. Stats.:

1. State highways;
2. County highways; or
3. Streets with yellow designated truck route signs.

10.11.080 Penalty for Violation

Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to penalty as provided in Chapter 1.20 of this code.