

## **NOTICE OF PROPOSED GUIDANCE DOCUMENT**

Wisconsin Department of Transportation Oversize Overweight Minimum Standards for  
Escort Vehicles DTSD30

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. s. 227.112, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation is hereby seeking comment on the department's Oversize Overweight Minimum Standards for Escort Vehicles, Trans 252.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS AND DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION**

Comments may be submitted to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for 21 days by:

1. Department's website: <https://appengine.egov.com/apps/wi/dot/guidance-docs?guidDocId=DTSD30>
2. Mailing written comments to:  
Division of Transportation System Development  
Wisconsin Department of Transportation  
4822 Madison Yards Way  
PO Box 7965  
Madison, WI 53707-7965

### **WEBSITE LOCATION OF FINAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENT**

The final version of this guidance document will be posted at [wisconsindot.gov](http://wisconsindot.gov) to allow for ongoing comment.

### **AGENCY CONTACT**

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Wisconsin Department of Transportation  
 Oversize Overweight Permit Unit  
 Minimum Standards for Escort Vehicles  
 Applies to all loads transported under permit except SM and MH permit types.



7/9/2018		Width of Load(up to Noted Width)													
		Legal(8'6)	9'	10'	11'	12'	13'	14'	15'	16'	17'	18'	19'	20'	>20'
Length of Load(up to Noted Length)	Legal(75')	Width <= 12 ft			Width > 12 ft and <= 15 ft			Width > 15 ft and <= 18 ft			Width > 18 ft and <= 20 ft		Width > 20 ft		
	80	No Escorts			No Escorts*			1 Private Escort*			1 Private Escort and 1 Law Enforcement*		2 Private and 2 Law Enforcement*		
	90														
	100														
	110	Length <= 140 feet			Length <= 110 feet			Length > 110'							
	120														
	130														
	140	Length > 140 ft and <= 160 ft			1 Private Escort*										
	150														
	160	Length > 160 ft and <= 200 ft			2 Private Escorts*										
	170														
	180														
	190	Length > 200 ft			2 Private Escorts and 1 Law Enforcement*										
	200														
	210														
220															
225															
230															
240															
250															
>250															

**Note on weight:** Loads greater than 350,000 lbs shall have one Law Enforcement escort.

**Note on height:** Loads greater than 16-0" shall have a pole vehicle.

Pole vehicle shall be in addition to escort requirements above; however, the total number of private escorts including pole vehicle will not exceed two.

**Specialty lighting and flag requirements:** When transporting a load using Schnabel and/or dolly combinations so the load is carried or suspended between the tractor or jeep and the trailing equipment, and results in a combination where the load itself becomes the trailer, the following lighting and flagging standards must be followed. <https://wisconsindot.gov/Documents/dmv/com-drv-vehs/mtr-car-trkr/light-flag-req.pdf>

\* Additional escorts may be added based on route complexity and turns, and/or traffic conditions

SM Permit Escort Requirements

**Roof Width Measured at Bottom of Roof Line**

Between 12'01" and 16'00"- No escort required unless travelling on a highway listed on the From MV2740 "Escort Highways" [MV2740](#)

Greater than 16'00"-Private Escort(s) required: One behind on divided highways, one ahead and one behind on non-divided highways.

**Box Width Outside to Outside;No Exceptions for Protrusions**

Between 12'01" and 15'00"- No escort required unless travelling on a highway listed on the From MV2740 "Escort Highways" [MV2740](#)

Greater than 15'00"-Private Escort(s) required: One behind on divided highways, one ahead and one behind on non-divided highways.

MH Permit Escort Requirements

No Escort Required Unless

Travelling on a Highway listed on the Form MV2740"Escort Highways" [MV2740](#)

Any part of the vehicle or load extends beyond the left of the roadway centerline on 2-way roadways.

Any part of the vehicle or load extends beyond the left edge of the right lane on highways with more than 2 lanes.

If Escort is required, escort shall be One private; ahead on non-divided highways and behind on divided highways