

Chapter PI 7**PUPIL TRANSPORTATION**

PI 7.01 Transportation in areas of unusual hazards

PI 7.01 Physical requirements for school bus drivers. History: Cr. Register, July, 1973, No. 211, eff. 8-1-73; emerg. am. eff. 11-6-75; am. Register, February, 1976, No. 242, eff. 3-1-76; r. Register, June, 1984, No. 342, eff. 7-1-84.

Note: See ch. Trans 110 for rules relating to driver licensing of school bus operators.

PI 7.01 Transportation in areas of unusual hazards. (1) **PURPOSE AND SCOPE.** Under s. 121.54 (9), Stats., school boards are responsible for developing a plan which will provide the proper safeguards for pupils who must face unusual hazards in walking to and from school. In accordance with the requirements of s. 121.54 (9) (c), Stats., the definitions of "unusual hazards" and "area of unusual hazards" in this chapter shall be used in the identification of such conditions and in the planning and implementation of measures to safeguard against them.

(2) **DEFINITION.** An unusual hazard is an existing condition which constitutes more than ordinary hazard and which seriously jeopardizes the safety of pupils in their travel to and from school. It is recognized that all traffic situations through which pupils must travel present some degree of hazard. That degree of hazard often depends on the age of the pupils concerned. When such hazards reach a degree of danger which is unacceptable to the community in which they exist, the school board, with its combined judgment reflecting the safety interests of the community, may identify such hazards as unusual for the purpose of proposing a plan to remove or diminish them.

(3) **AREA OF UNUSUAL HAZARD.** An area of unusual hazards includes any area in which any unusual hazard has been defined in accordance with sub. (2)

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