

# Trempealeau County Highway Department

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## EARLY NEWS RELEASE SEASONAL WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS

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The Trempealeau County Highway Department advises that “Seasonal Weight Restrictions” will be imposed on the Trempealeau County Truck Highway System beginning in the month of **March or April**.

This is a critical period of time for the county highways and we request support and cooperation for this temporary load limit. Trempealeau County will be enforcing the posted seasonal weight limits and penalties may be imposed under Sec. 348.21, Wis. Statutes for violations

Spring Weight Limit Restrictions are a necessity for the economic longevity and immediate structural stability of highways that, without restrictions, would seriously deteriorate when the underlying ground is weak and mushy from melting frost. Restrictions will remain in effect until all highways have regained their strength, typically 5 to 8 weeks.

The Trempealeau County Highway Department encourages everyone to complete their heavy hauling within the next two to three weeks while the highways are still frozen and strong. Weather dependent, Weight Restrictions will be imposed on all County Trunk Highways within the next two to four weeks, with the exception of the roads listed on Attachment A. Another notice will be published a few days prior to the actual weight limits going into effect.

These weight restrictions are for County Trunk Highways Only. Any weight on State, City and Village or Town roads are handled by each individual entity. The seasonal weight restrictions for Trempealeau County Highways are as follows:

<b>Total Number of Axles</b>	<b>Maximum Gross Weight</b>
Two (2) Axles	8 Ton (16,000 lbs.)
Three (3) or More Axles (Straight Truck)	13 Ton (26,000 lbs.)
Combination Vehicle (Tractor & Trailer)	18 Ton (36,000 lbs.)

Signs will be placed at strategic intersections advising the public of specific weight restrictions in effect on the particular highway. **Please watch for the signs!**

Under Section 349.16(3) exemptions may be made to allow for vehicles carrying those commodities of which are used to perform necessary and vital services for the public health, safety and welfare. All over weight vehicles are subject to these restrictions unless exempted. Special concessions on overweight loads may be made in **emergency** situations on a case by case basis.

Thank You for your cooperation and understanding!

BY ORDER OF THE TREMPALU COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

AL RINKA, HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER

# ATTACHMENT A

## ROAD BANS – 2019

*Roads open to unrestricted travel during the  
seasonal weight restrictions*

### *Strum Area*

*CTH D in Village of Strum  
CTH H from Strum east to Koxlien Road*

### *Pleasantville Area*

*CTH EE – STH 53 to CTH E  
CTH E – EE SOUTH TO PLEASANTVILLE*

### *Arcadia Area*

*CTH A from STH 93 to STH 95  
CTH J – STH 95 to Middle Road*

### *Dodge – Pine Creek Area*

*CTH G from STH 35 north to Pine Creek  
CTH J – CTH G to Dodge*

### *Osseo Area*

*CTH R from Hwy 10 to Eau Claire County Line*

### *Trempealeau Area*

*CTH M from STH 35 north to Wagner Rd*

*All County Trunk Highways within the limits of any City or Village are open to  
unrestricted travel*