

AMENDMENT-5

POLICY NO. 7

BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF IRON

SUBJECT: SEASONAL ROAD RESTRICTIONS

DATE AMENDED: February 10, 2026

POLICY STATEMENT: Effective this date, the following policy regarding seasonal road restrictions shall become the policy of the BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS OF IRON COUNTY:

(see attached copy of policy)


Ernie Schmidt, Chairman


Bradley P. Toivonen,
Superintendent/Manager

Originally Adopted: March 10, 1997
Amended: February 8, 2000
March 25, 2003
March 4, 2004
March 14, 2006

**IRON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION
SEASONAL ROAD RESTRICTIONS POLICY**

**"NO LOAD OVER 5 TON"(TOTAL VEHICLE, TRAILER AND LOAD) ROAD RESTRICTIONS
SHALL BE IN PLACE ON ALL ROADS WITHIN THE COUNTY SYSTEM**

EXCEPT for the following roads that shall be classified as EXEMPT under "NO LOAD" limits: **Class A Roads**

- ◆ FH-16 (US 2 north to the Houghton County line)
- ◆ Beechwood Store Road (US 2 to Basswood Road)
- ◆ Osterlund Road (M 189 to Ski Brule)
- ◆ County Road 657(Gibbs City Road) -(US 2 to Gibbs West)
- ◆ Old Atkinson and Gendron Roads (CR 657 to prison camp).
- ◆ County Road 424
- ◆ Industrial Park Road (including Old US 141 from US 141 in section 22 to Industrial Park Road) and Warner Mine Road north 0.4 miles from Industrial Park Road
- ◆ Corral Road
- ◆ Camp 5 Road (Dickinson County line to Lower Dam Road)
- ◆ Lower Dam Road (Camp 5 Road west 0.32 miles)
- ◆ CR 643 Bates Amasa Road

ROADS EXEMPT FROM "NO LOAD" RESTRICTIONS SHALL STILL HAVE STATE SEASONAL LOAD RESTRICTIONS ENFORCED ON THEM.

Also **EXEMPT** from county restrictions shall be the following **vehicles**:

- ◆ EMERGENCY VEHICLES
- ◆ SCHOOL BUSES
- ◆ ROAD COMMISSION VEHICLES INVOLVED IN ROAD REPAIR WORK
- ◆ AGRICULTURAL COMMODITY HAULERS (MCL 257.722(16)(a)) **WITH PROPERLY EXECUTED PERMITS FROM THE IRON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION SUPERINTENDENT**

Road restrictions and the termination of such restrictions shall be effective upon delivery of written notice to the Iron County Sheriff department and the posting and/or unposting of road signs. Local news media shall be furnished with written notice of impending road restrictions in a timely manner, whenever possible.

FINES FOR VEHICLES OPERATING ABOVE THE REDUCED MAXIMUM WEIGHTS FOR SEASONAL ROAD RESTRICTIONS DETAILED IN MCL 257.722 SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FINE SCHEDULE OF THE MICHIGAN MOTOR VEHICLE CODE MCL 257.724.

SPECIAL HAUL PERMITS MAY BE ISSUED IN EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES. Written permits issued by the superintendent must be received prior to any hauling and must be carried in the vehicle to which it was issued. The following conditions must be met before approval will be considered:

1. Two (2) days' advance notice to the ICRC shall be required before a permit will be issued.
2. Permission to haul requests must be directly addressed to the superintendent, only, either verbally or in writing.
3. Requests for hauling permits must be received and considered by the superintendent **only during regular business hours** Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
4. A permit fee in the amount of \$35.00 shall be assessed and must be paid in full prior to the issuance of the approved permit.
5. In some cases, hauling approval may require the posting of a performance bond, based upon the judgment of the superintendent.

RESTITUTION WILL BE SOUGHT AGAINST ANY AND ALL VIOLATORS THROUGH PROPER LEGAL CHANNELS.

The following individuals are hereby duly authorized agents of the Iron County Road Commission, and as such, may stop and inspect those vehicles which they deem to be in violation of current load limits: **superintendent, engineer, general foreman, foremen, and the night patrol persons.**

The superintendent of the Iron County Road Commission shall be designated as the only contact person on road restriction issues. Any matters pertaining to road restrictions shall be directed solely to the superintendent.

The interpretation of this policy shall be strictly the sole responsibility of the superintendent of the Iron County Road Commission.

As Amended 02/10/2026