

Sec. 10-1-11 Heavy Traffic Routes.

- (a) **Definition.** For purposes of this Section, heavy traffic shall be defined as:
- (1) All vehicles not operating completely on pneumatic tires, and
 - (2) All vehicles or combination of vehicles, other than motor buses, designed or used for transporting property of any nature and having a gross weight of more than fourteen thousand (14,000) pounds.
- (b) **Prohibited Routes.** Heavy traffic is prohibited from using any City street or highway not designated as a heavy traffic route. This Section shall not act to prohibit heavy traffic from using a City of Abbotsford 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. Furthermore, this Section will not act to prohibit heavy traffic from using any City 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.
- (c) **Administration.** The Chief of Police, with assistance from the Director of Public Works, 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 City showing heavy traffic routes shall be prepared and shall be available upon request by heavy traffic operators and owners.
 - (3) **Construction Equipment.**
 - a. The Chief of Police, or his/her designees, may grant temporary permits to allow heavy construction equipment to use City streets or highways not designated as heavy traffic routes. These permits may be granted only when use of a nondesignated route is necessary for the equipment to reach a construction site.

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No permit may be issued unless the person or corporation owning the equipment agrees to reimburse and hold the City harmless for any damage done to the City street by the equipment and/or any personal injury or property damage caused in part or in whole by the street damage.

- b. City-owned or operated equipment is specifically excluded from the provisions of this Section.
- (d) **Liability.** Any operator, corporation, owner or agent whose heavy traffic vehicle damages any City streets or highways in violating this Section shall be liable and required to pay the City of Abbotsford the cost of repair or replacement of the damaged street or highway.
- (e) **Through Streets and Heavy Traffic Routes Designated.** The following streets and parts of streets are designated as through streets and heavy traffic routes:
 - (1) State Highway 13 (Business).
 - ~~(2) State Highway 29 (Business).~~ (2) Spruce Street from 4th Street East to Cemetery Avenue
- (f) **Certain Streets.** No person shall operate a heavy traffic vehicle on any streets or parts of streets not designated in Subsection (e) provided however, the ordinary use of such streets for obtaining orders for supplies, or moving or delivering supplies or commodities to or from any place of business or residence fronting on such streets shall be permitted, but the weight of the vehicle and its load shall not exceed the limitations of Sections 348.15 and 348.16(3), Wis. Stats., pertaining to Class "A" highways or deliveries on Class "B" highways.
- (g) **Heavy Load Traffic; Class "B" Designation.** All streets and alleys within the City of Abbotsford, except those enumerated in Subsection (e) above are hereby designated Class "B" highways and shall be subject to weight limitations imposed by Sec. 348.16, Wis. Stats.