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## NEWS RELEASE

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**Pursuant to Section 349.16 Wisconsin Statutes, the Vernon County Highway Department advises that seasonal weight restrictions will be imposed on all County Trunk Highways effective, Monday, March 9, 2020.**

They are as follows:

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

As per section 349.16 (3) exemptions may be made to allow vehicles carrying commodities that are used to perform those services that are reasonable and necessary to promote the public health, safety and welfare. In accordance with this section, vehicles exclusively carrying milk from the point of production to the primary market, emergency vehicles, school buses, county maintenance vehicles, and commercial refuse trucks carrying refuse to the County Landfill are exempt from these restrictions. Special concessions may be made in emergency situations on a case-by-case basis.

***This notice does not include town roads. Townships will need to be contacted directly for the status of their seasonal weight restrictions.***

Restrictions will remain in effect until all highways have regained their strength. This ending date is weather dependent, but on average, occurs around mid to late April.

Phil Hewitt  
Vernon County Highway Commissioner