

**TRANSPORTATION IN UNUSUALLY HAZARDOUS AREAS**

**POLICY STATEMENT**

- A. Students who are required to walk along a state or federal highway because no alternate route is available, may be transported by school vehicle.
- B. Students who live less than 2 miles from their school and who must walk along areas determined unusually hazardous under provisions of the state statutes may be served by district transportation.

**POLICY PROCEDURE**

- A. An area may be declared unusually hazardous if one or more of the following conditions are present during the times children walk to and from school:
  - 1. There has been a significant change in the area within the last 6 months to warrant consideration as a hazardous area.
  - 2. There is an excessive traffic rate during the times children walk to or from school along a road or highway on which the student must walk without benefit of:
    - a. A regular sidewalk on at least one side of the street.
    - b. At least 3.5 feet of walking space outside a curbed roadway on both sides of the roadway; or
    - c. At least 5 feet of shoulder on each side of the road on a two-lane or four-lane road.
  - 3. There is an excessive traffic rate during the time children are going to and from school through the crosswalk at an uncontrolled intersection, when the crossing exceeds 40 feet in width.
  - 4. There is a unique traffic situation demanding extra consideration such as peak traffic hours due to industrial work shift changes or heavy truck traffic.
  - 5. Railroad crossings, where moving trains as well as trains stopped at crossings present hazards to young people.

LEGAL REFERENCE: Section 121.54(9), Wisconsin Statutes

CROSS-REFERENCE: Policy/Procedure 751 Student Transportation Services