



Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission Policies

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HIGHWAY SYSTEM CLASSIFICATIONS

The Commission recognizes the need to classify certain highways for statutory, planning or operational purposes. The Chief Engineer or his designee shall maintain a record of the State Highway System and be able to produce a map of the system or any subset therein. The classification subsets and specific delegations are as follows:

Highway Systems – Functional Classification

The Chief Engineer is authorized to determine Missouri's proposed functional classification of roadways and to forward the proposal to the Federal Highway Administration for action thereon. (Functional classifications include Interstate; Freeways and Expressways; Other Principal Arterial; Minor Arterials; Major Collector; Minor Collector; and Local.) The Federal Highway Administration designates the National Highway System, which is composed of the Interstate; Freeways and Expressways; and Other Principal Arterial highway systems.

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Highway Systems – Long Vehicles

In keeping with Section 304.170, RSMo, as amended, the Chief Engineer is authorized to designate and amend a system of highways over which long vehicles may travel. This system of highways will be within the provisions of the Code of Federal Regulations.

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Highway Systems – Interstate and Primary System for Outdoor Advertising Purposes

The Chief Engineer is authorized to designate, on behalf of the Commission, an official system of highways pertaining to outdoor advertising contemplated by Sections 226.500 – 226.600 RSMo 2000, as amended, the Code of State Regulations, and the Code of Federal Regulations.

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Highway Systems – Scenic Byways – Rules and Regulations

Related Statute: Section 226.797- 226.801, RSMo, 2000, Scenic roads and highways system established – Commission’s powers and duties.

Related Rule: [7 CSR 10-12 – Scenic Byways](#)

The selection of routes to be included in the Scenic Byways System will be in keeping with Code of State Regulations, Title 7, Division 10, Chapter 12, *Scenic Byways*, adopted by the Commission and filed with the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and the Secretary of State.

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