

**CHAPTER 8815**  
**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**  
**INTERMODAL PROGRAMS DIVISION**  
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**8815.0100 DEFINITIONS**

Subpart 1. **Scope.** The terms used in this chapter have the meanings given them in this part.

Subp. 2. **Commissioner.** "Commissioner" means the commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Transportation.

Subp. 3. **Emergency.** "Emergency" includes flood, tornado, fire, or other disaster that threatens loss of life or destruction or damage to property or crops of such magnitude as to seriously endanger the public health, safety, and welfare.

Subp. 4. **Manufacturing employees.** "Manufacturing employees" refers to the number of full-time, nonseasonal employees established by:

A. the most recent Census of Manufactures, Geographic Area Series, Minnesota, prepared by the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, referred to in this chapter as the Census of Manufactures, which is incorporated by reference. The publication is subject to change every five years, upon completion of a new census, and is available at most public libraries and through the Minitex interlibrary loan system at Minnesota public libraries; or

B. information submitted to the commissioner that demonstrates that a city has a business or combination of businesses within its jurisdiction engaged in manufacturing, as described in the Census of Manufactures, that employs over 450 full-time, nonseasonal employees.

Subp. 5. **Population.** "Population" refers to the population established by:

A. the most recent Census of Population, Characteristics of the Population, Minnesota, prepared by the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, referred to in this chapter as the Census of Population, which is incorporated by reference. The publication is subject to change every ten years, upon completion of a new Census of Population, and is available at most libraries and through the Minitex interlibrary loan system at Minnesota public libraries; or

B. a special census conducted under contract with the United States Bureau of the Census.

Subp. 6. **Retail sales.** "Retail sales" has the meaning given it by the most recent Census of Retail Sales, Geographic Area Series, Minnesota, prepared by the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, referred to in this chapter as the Census of Retail Trade, which is incorporated by reference, as measured in dollar value. The publication is subject to change every five years, upon completion of a new Census of Retail Trade, and is available in most libraries and through the Minitex interlibrary loan system at Minnesota public libraries.

Subp. 7. **Seasonal weight restrictions.** "Seasonal weight restrictions" means vehicle weight prohibitions or restrictions determined and imposed by the commissioner under Minnesota Statutes, section 169.87.

Subp. 8. **Temporary.** "Temporary" means a specified time period determined by the commissioner for the duration of an emergency or in the initial stages of recovery from the emergency.

Subp. 9. **Wholesale sales.** "Wholesale sales" has the meaning given it by the most recent Census of Wholesale Trade, Geographic Area Series, Minnesota, prepared by the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, referred to in this chapter as

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the Census of Wholesale Trade, which is incorporated by reference, as measured in dollar value. The publication is subject to change every five years, upon completion of a new Census of Wholesale Trade, and is available in most libraries and through the Minitex interlibrary loan system at Minnesota public libraries.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 169.832*

**History:** *14 SR 1719*

### **8815.0200 TEMPORARY EMERGENCY SERVICE; WHEN ALLOWED.**

“Temporary emergency service” means service that is provided on a trunk highway route on which seasonal weight restrictions are in effect; or provided on a highway route designated by the commissioner under Minnesota Statutes, section 161.25, when service on an identified market artery route is interrupted by an emergency. Temporary emergency service may be provided only under all of the following limitations:

A. to respond to sudden unanticipated circumstances that create an urgent and immediate need to move loads that exceed the posted seasonal weight restrictions, but do not exceed the maximum gross vehicle weight permitted in Minnesota Statutes, section 169.825;

B. to provide service to a particular shipping or receiving point on a market artery during an emergency or during the initial stages of recovery;

C. to preserve public health or welfare or to avert or alleviate the effect of natural disasters;

D. to provide service only to move specific products or commodities needed to avert or alleviate the emergency; and

E. to provide service only when to do so does not create an undue hazard to traffic safety.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 169.832*

**History:** *14 SR 1719*

### **8815.0300 SIGNIFICANT CENTERS OF POPULATION AND COMMERCE.**

“Significant centers of population and commerce” means:

A. cities inside Minnesota that have any one of the following:

- (1) population of 5,000 or more persons;
- (2) \$50,000,000 or more in retail sales;
- (3) 450 or more manufacturing employees; or
- (4) \$50,000,000 or more in wholesale sales; or

B. cities in surrounding states or Canadian provinces that have a population of 50,000 or more persons.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 169.832*

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