



**EAU CLAIRE COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY APPLICATION**



The Eau Claire County Highway Department (the "Department") and the volunteer group (the "Group") named below, recognize the need and the desirability of litter-free highways. The Group is hereby applying for a permit in the Adopt-A-Highway program.

Please complete this application and submit by mail to **Eau Claire County Highway Department, 5061 US Hwy 53, Eau Claire, WI 54701** or by email to **ecchwy@eauclairecounty.gov**.

Group Name as it should appear on the sign (20 spaces maximum on each of two lines).

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| Group Name | |
| Contact Person | Phone Number (with Area Code) |
| Email Address | |
| Mailing Address | City, State, Zip Code |
| Approximate number of people participating in each clean up | Number of times your group plans to pick up this year - (Minimum 2 times) |

Highway section you are interested in adopting: (2 mile length)

| Highway | From | To |
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List alternate section (s) of preference:

| Highway | From | To |
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By signature below, the Group acknowledges the hazardous nature of the work and agrees to the terms and conditions stated on the back of this form.

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| Signature of Authorized Group Representative – Must be 18 years or older | Date |
| Title | |

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

PERMIT APPROVAL The Department approves this permit for the Group to participate in the Adopt-A-Highway Program for the section identified above. The Group accepts the responsibility of picking up litter on this section of road. The Department reserves the right to modify or cancel this permit at any time. Please notify the Adopt-A-Highway Coordinator with any group information change.

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| Adopt-A-Highway Coordinator Signature | Date | Permit Number |
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Adopt-A-Highway Terms and Conditions

1. The Group and its members are to be considered as volunteers and not as officers, employees, or agents of Eau Claire County. Any injuries, claims, liabilities, suits or costs thereof, whatsoever, arising from Group or Group members activities relating to this permit shall be the sole responsibility of the Group or its individual members.
2. The Group agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Eau Claire County from any injury, cost, suit, liability or award arising from the issuance or exercise of this permit, or because of any adverse effect upon any person or property attributed to the works of the Group.
3. Participants in the Group agree to obey and abide by all laws and regulations relating to safety and such terms and conditions as may be required by the Department for special conditions that may exist on a particular adopted section.
4. The Group shall pick up litter a minimum of 2 times a year between April 1 and November 1. The Group shall not work beyond its section limits.
5. The Group shall not pick up litter on medians, bridges, and overpasses or around other structures that would pose a danger.
6. The group shall supply one adult supervisor for every 5 or 6 workers.
7. Each participant shall have reviewed the safety training video prepared by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation before participation. The Group shall review the safety rules with all participants before proceeding to the segment.
8. All participants shall be at least 11 years of age or in the 6th grade. No other persons shall be present at the work site.
9. The Group shall work only during daylight hours and in good weather.
10. Groups shall work on only one side of the road at a time.
11. All participants shall wear safety vests.
12. When the Group encounters items suspected to be hazardous, these items shall not be touched.
13. The Group shall place filled trash bags at the designated pick-up site.
14. The Group will obtain required supplies and materials from the Eau Claire County Highway Department.
15. The Group may retain unused materials and supplies furnished by the Department. If the Group drops from the program, all materials must be returned to the Department.
16. The Group shall not collect litter during the following holiday periods, Memorial Day extended weekend, July 3-5 and Labor Day extension weekend.
17. Within 24 hours of a collection, the group shall let the Highway Department know of their completed cleanup along with the location of the trash bags to be picked up.
18. The Group shall make arrangements for off-road parking or shuttle bus type of travel to the worksite. All vehicles at the pickup site shall be parked at the nearest cross street, if possible, or at least 3 feet from the pavement when parking on the segment.
19. The Group may keep any recyclable material.
20. Partisan political groups (groups of people with common political opinions and purposes organized for gaining political influence, governmental control and for directing government policies) shall not be permitted to participate.

The Department agrees to as follows:

1. Provide safety vests and trash bags
2. Remove the filled trash bags as soon as possible after the pickup.
3. The Department reserves the right to refuse or revise acronyms of Group names when preparing signs.