

MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP
YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-07

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING VEHICLES OF CERTAIN WEIGHT LIMITS ON
CROOKED WIND LANE BRIDGE

WHEREAS, Manchester Township is a Local Authority under the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code (Act of June 17, 1976, P.L. 162, No. 81, as amended (75 Pa C.S.A § 101, et. seq.)), having certain roads or highways under its jurisdiction; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to 75 Pa C.S.A § 4902 (a), Manchester Township may impose restrictions as to the weight or size of vehicles operated upon a highway or bridge; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to 75 Pa C.S.A § 6109 (e) of said Vehicle Code, Manchester Township has caused certain engineering and traffic investigations to be made of Manchester Township Bridge #4 on Crooked Wind Lane; and,

WHEREAS, said investigations were completed on July 22, 2026, and determined that restricting vehicles over 30 tons for single vehicles and 40 tons for combination vehicles is warranted under PENNDOT Publication 238, Section IP 4.3.1.1.; and,

WHEREAS, the Township desires to implement the restrictions pursuant to the engineering and traffic investigations of July 22, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE ENACTED AND ORDAINED, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the Manchester Township Board of Supervisors.

SECTION 1: WEIGHT LIMIT ESTABLISHED. The operation of all motor vehicles in excess of 30 tons for single vehicles and 40 tons for combination vehicles is prohibited at all times on Manchester Township Bridge #4 on Crooked Wind Lane.

SECTION 2: ERECTION OF SIGNS. Official signs as approved by the Secretary of Transportation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall be erected within the legal right-of-way limits in such a position as set forth in the Traffic and Engineering Study.

SECTION 3: BONDING AND SECURITY. Applications for special permits for movement of an overweight vehicle shall be accompanied by a bond, certified check or bank money order (payable to Manchester Township) in the sum required and provided for in the regulations of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, conditioned upon the applicant/permittee restoring the road and street used by it by repairing any and all damage done by said applicant/permittee, including excess maintenance.

SECTION 4: EXEMPTIONS FROM BONDING. All emergency vehicles, while on an emergency trip, are exempt. If the Township determines that such vehicles are likely to damage the road, then upon notice required by law, such vehicles with a gross weight in excess of the right limit using the posted road to or from that destination shall not be exempt.

SECTION 5: VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES. Any person operating a Motor Vehicle or combination upon a bridge in violation of a prohibition or restriction imposed by this Ordinance is guilty of a summary offense and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of \$75.00. However, any person convicted of operating a vehicle with a gross weight in excess of the posted weight shall be sentenced to pay a fine of \$150.00 plus \$150.00 for each 500 pounds, or part thereof, in excess of 3,000 pounds over the maximum allowable weight.

SECTION 6: SEVERABILITY. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be severable, and if any of its provisions shall be held to be unconstitutional, illegal or otherwise invalid, that decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance, it is declared to be the legislative intention that this Ordinance would have been enacted had the unconstitutional, illegal or otherwise invalid provisions not been included in the Ordinance.

SECTION 7: EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately, and in accordance with existing law.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

ATTEST:

MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP:
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Secretary

Rodney K. Brandstedter, Chair

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