

1180 RIGHT OF WAY: FUNERAL PROCESSIONS; MILITARY CONVOYS

The Wisconsin statutes define “right of way” as the privilege of the immediate use of the roadway.¹

The statutes further provide that, “(Funeral processions) ([M]ilitary convoys) have the right of way at intersections when vehicles comprising such procession have their bright headlights lighted. . . .”²

[Note: The preceding paragraph may be subject to certain conditions and exceptions in Wis. Stat. § 346.20(4)(a), (b), or (c). Conclude the paragraph with the statement of the law as to the applicable condition or exception.]

NOTES

1. Wis. Stat. § 340.01(51).
2. Wis. Stat. § 346.20(1).

COMMENT

This instruction and comment were approved in 1978. The instruction was revised in 2008. This revision was approved by the Committee in September 2021.

This instruction is prepared solely as a suggested general pattern. It can be adapted to fit the particular need of any given situation.

Rights and duties of bicyclists. Different right-of-way standards apply depending on whether a bicyclist was using the roadway as any other vehicle or as a pedestrian upon a sidewalk or within a crosswalk. See Chernetski v. American Family Mutual Insurance Co., 183 Wis.2d 68, 515 N.W.2d 283 (1994) and Estate of Zhu v. Hodgson, 2021 WI App 10, 395 Wis.2d 768, 954 N.W.2d 748.

