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NR 50.12 Law enforcement aids to counties (ch. 350, Stats.). (1) Counties may receive up to 100% reimbursement of monies spent on the enforcement of ch. 350, Stats.

(2) Claim forms shall be filed with the bureau of law enforcement, department of natural resources, on or before June 1 of the year following the 12-month period for which the claim is made. Claims shall be made for the May 1 to April 30 period immediately preceding the filing date.

(3) The following forms will be used in the snowmobile enforcement aid program:

(a) Form 8700-59 — Notice of intent to patrol. In order to be eligible for the state aids, a snowmobile patrol must function as an enforcement unit and file an intent to patrol form with the department of natural resources listing the authority under which the snowmobile patrol will operate. On or before July 1 of each year a county must file an intent to patrol form with the department, sent to the attention of the Office of the Coordinator of Snowmobile Safety, P.O. Box 7921, Madison, Wisconsin.

(b) Form 8700-89 — Daily log. This form is to be used in compiling a summary of the snowmobile patrol's daily activities and expenses. It is not to be filed with the department, but is to be used for assembling information necessary to complete form 8700-90. This form must be kept on file by the snowmobile patrol to augment its records and must be available in chronological order for periodic checks by representatives of the department during normal business hours and at the time of the annual audit.

(c) Form 8700-90 — Monthly report. This form is to be completed and filed with the department no later than the tenth day following the month covered. The information shown on this form will be a computation of the information taken from the daily logs (form 8700-89).

(d) On or about April 1 of each year, 3 sets of the following forms will be sent by the department to each county which has an intent to patrol form on file. The appropriate official fills out all of the forms, retains one set for the county's records, and files 2 sets with the bureau of law enforcement on or before June 1, covering the patrol expense for the preceding 12-month period of May 1 to April 30. Claims which are received by the department after this date will not be processed for payment.

1. Form 8700-60 — Application for state aid. This form is to be completed by the appropriate county official, who shall list the total net cost of the snowmobile patrol claimed by the county.

2. Form 8700-61 — Salary schedule. This form is to be completed by the appropriate county official who shall list the names and salaries of persons engaged in the enforcement of ch. 350, Stats. Salary rate is restricted to no more than the regular straight time rate which the officer normally receives. Fringe benefits cannot exceed 20% of the gross salary.

3. Form 8700-62 — Travel, materials and supplies schedule. This form is to be completed by the appropriate county official, who shall list all reimbursable expenditures other than salaries and depreciable items.

4. Form 8700-63 — Depreciation schedule - straight line method. This form is to be completed by the appropriate county official, who shall list all capital outlay equipment and the resulting depreciation. Depreciation shall be calculated at the rate of 12½% annually on all equipment (over \$100.00) except snowmobiles, which shall be figured at the rate of 20% annually.

5. Form 8700-64 — Record of court cases for violations of ch. 350, Stats. This form is to be completed by the appropriate county official, who shall list all violations and court actions for the calendar year.

(e) Each claim shall be audited by the department as soon as possible after the claim has been received. Payment of claims shall be made no later than October 1. Reimbursement of the actual cost and maintenance of snowmobile enforcement patrols is authorized. Travel expenses and salaries for training purposes are authorized only for attendance at snowmobile enforcement training sessions conducted by the department. The person in charge of the patrol, or designee, is required to attend all designated department snowmobile enforcement patrol training sessions as a condition of receiving aids under this section and s. 350.12 (4) (a) 4., Stats.

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NR 50.13 Law enforcement aids to municipalities. (s. 30.79, Stats.). (1) Municipalities may receive law enforcement aids for up to 75% of the net costs (determined by deducting all fines and forfeitures imposed upon persons convicted of violations of ordinances enacted pursuant to s. 30.77, Stats.) which are directly attributable to the operation and maintenance of the water safety patrol unit. State aid is available only for those activities associated with the local enforcement of ss. 30.50 to 30.80, Stats., and any administrative rules and ordinances enacted pursuant thereto. No municipality shall receive state aid in excess of 20% of the funds available.

(1m) **GUIDELINES FOR AIDS TO WATER SAFETY PATROL UNITS.** No local unit of government may receive state aids under s. 30.79, Stats., for costs contrary to the following guidelines:

(a) On-water patrol hours for each water safety patrol are fundable based on a formula of number of on-water patrol hours per arrest. The maximum number of on-water patrol hours per arrest shall be not more than 50% above the state average of on-water patrol hours per arrest for the past 3 years computed from the statewide municipal patrol records. Patrols with a ratio of on-water patrol hours per arrest in excess of the maximum ratio may be funded only for those hours that result in a ratio equal to the maximum ratio allowed. Patrols are also subject to the following guidelines:

1. For the purpose of establishing the average patrol hour per arrest for each claim, the inland patrols shall be based on the average of all inland water patrols and the outlying water patrols shall be based on the average of all of the outlying patrols participating in the program of aids to municipal water safety patrol units.

2. For the purpose of establishing on-the-water patrol average, on-the-water patrol hours are one person times one hour of on-the-water on patrol.

(b) The maximum number of fundable crew members on a water safety patrol shall be limited to:

1. Two certified law enforcement officers per boat on inland waters, having authority to make arrests; and

2. Three certified law enforcement officers per boat on outlying waters, having authority to make arrests.

(c) No local unit of government is eligible for reimbursement unless it contains within its jurisdiction at least one of the following:

1. A lake of at least 100 acres in size, determined by the current department lake survey.

2. At least one mile of river within the jurisdiction of the local unit of government.

(d) A local unit of government operating within the guidelines of this section may be reimbursed for actual expenses for search and rescue on all waters within its jurisdiction.

(e) No local unit of government may receive aid under any portion of the program of aids to municipal water safety patrol units unless its water safety patrol has performed at least 40 hours of fundable on-the-water patrol time during the calendar year.

(f) A local unit of government may be reimbursed for the actual teaching hours of a law enforcement officer who conducts an authorized department boating safety education course.

(g) Water safety patrol expenses on lakes less than 100 acres and sections of rivers less than one mile in length may only be reimbursed if the patrol qualifies under par. (c) and the expenses are justified in the interest of public health and safety. Such justification shall be documented on each daily log Form 8700-59 and included on the monthly report Form 8700-90.

(2) SEARCH AND RESCUE GUIDELINES. For the purpose of administering the aids to local units of government provided in s. 30.79, Stats., search and rescue is defined as the activity of looking for a person or persons who are, or who are reasonably believed to be alive, in distress and are in a life threatening situation.

(a) Search and rescue aids may be provided to authorized municipal water safety patrol units operating under the following circumstances:

1. Enforcing the provisions of ss. 30.50 to 30.80, Stats.;

2. Requesting outside assistance when circumstances exist which justify employing such assistance, on a case-by-case basis. The basis for requesting outside assistance must be justifiable from a cost and effectiveness standpoint.

3. Towing where the disabled boat and occupants are in distress and in a life threatening situation.

(3) Claim forms shall be filed with the appropriate district office of the department of natural resources, as specified in s. 30.79, Stats. Claims are to be made for the calendar year immediately preceding the filing date.

(4) The following forms shall be used by each water safety patrol unit to qualify it for state aid:

(a) Form 8700-59 — Notice of intent to patrol. In order to be eligible for state aids, a water safety patrol must function as a law enforcement unit and file an intent to patrol form with the department, listing the authority under which the water safety patrol will operate. On or before March 1 of each year the municipality shall file an intent to patrol form with the department, sent to the attention of the coordinator of boating safety, Madison, Wisconsin.

(b) Form 8700-89 — Daily log. This form is to be used in compiling a summary of the water safety patrol's daily activities and expenses. It is not to be filed with the department, but is to be used for assembling information necessary to complete form 8700-90. The form must be kept on file by the water safety patrol to augment its records and must be available in chronological order for periodic checks by representatives of the department during normal business hours and at the time of the annual audit.

(c) Form 8700-90 — Monthly report. This form is to be completed and filed with the appropriate district office no later than the tenth day following the month covered. The information shown on this form will be a computation of the information taken from the daily logs (form 8700-89).

(d) On or about September 1 of each year, 3 sets of the following forms will be sent by the department to each municipality which has an active intent to patrol form on file. The appropriate official fills out all of the forms, retains one set for the municipality's records, and files 2 sets with the appropriate district office as specified in s. 30.79, Stats., covering the patrol expense for the preceding calendar year. Claims which are received by the department after this date cannot and will not be processed for payment.

1. Form 8700-60 — Application for state aid. This form is to be completed by the appropriate municipal official, who shall list the total net cost of the water safety patrol claimed by the municipality.

2. Form 8700-61 — Salary schedule. This form is to be completed by the appropriate municipal official, who shall list the names and salaries of persons engaged in the local enforcement of ss. 30.50 to 30.80, Stats., and any administrative rules and ordinances enacted pursuant thereto. Salary rate is restricted to no more than the regular straight time rate which the officer normally receives. Fringe benefits cannot exceed 20% of the gross salary.

3. Form 8700-62 — Travel, materials and supplies schedule. This form is to be completed by the appropriate municipal official, who shall list all reimbursable expenditures other than salaries and depreciable items.

4. Form 8700-63 — Depreciation schedule - straight line method. This form is to be completed by the appropriate local unit of government official, who shall list all capital outlay equipment and the resulting depreci-

ation. Depreciation shall be calculated at the rate of 12½% annually on all new capital equipment (\$500.00 or over). Repairs \$1,000 and under to authorized capital equipment may be reimbursed during the year the repairs were paid for. All repairs over \$1,000 to capital equipment shall be reimbursed on a 12½% per year straight line depreciation schedule.

5. Form 8700-64 — Record of court cases for violations of ss. 30.50 to 30.80, Stats., and any administrative rules and ordinances enacted pursuant thereto. This form is to be completed by the appropriate municipal official, who shall list all violations and court actions for the calendar year.

(5) Travel expenses and salaries for training purposes are authorized only for attendance at boating safety enforcement training sessions conducted by the department. The person in charge of the patrol, or his/her designee, is required to attend all designated department boating safety enforcement patrol training sessions as a condition of receiving aids under this rule and s. 30.79, Stats.

(6) Except for time spent on boating education courses, no local unit of government may receive more than 40% of the total amount of its claim for administrative costs.

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NR 50.14 County fish and wildlife aid. (1) **PURPOSE.** The purpose of this section is to establish standards for the implementation of a grant-in-aid program for county fish and wildlife projects under s. 23.09 (12), Stats.

(2) **APPLICABILITY.** Provisions of this section are applicable to counties and tribal governing bodies participating in the county fish and wildlife program.

(3) **ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.** (a) County fish and wildlife aids will be allocated for use as soon after July 1 of each year as they become available.

(b) Funds will be allocated to each county and Indian tribe until October 1. Unused county and tribal funds revert to 6 district funds on October 1. These district funds are available to counties and tribes within district boundaries. Unused district funds revert to a statewide fund on May 1 of each year. These statewide funds are available to counties and tribes anywhere in the state.

(c) State aid allocated to any county or tribe for the enhancement of fish and wildlife habitat shall be based on the ratio of the area of the county (less reservation lands) or reservation to the total area of the state (excluding outlying waters and interstate boundary waters of the Mississippi river and Lake Pepin).

(2) **ALLOWABLE COSTS, BILLING AND AUDITS.** (a) The state share may not exceed one-half of the actual project cost.

(b) Except for specialized equipment useful solely for fish or wildlife management purposes, aids under this program may not be used to purchase equipment.

(5) In addition to conditions listed in sub. (4), the general provisions of s. NR 50.05 also apply.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1980, No. 294, eff. 7-1-80; emerg. cr. (1) (b), eff. 10-15-80; r. and recr. Register, May, 1983, No. 329, eff. 6-1-83.

NR 50.15 Wildlife habitat development on county forests. (1) **PURPOSE.** The purpose of this section is to establish standards for the implementation of a grant-in-aid program for forest wildlife habitat improvement on county forest lands entered under s. 28.11, Stats., pursuant to s. 23.09 (17m), Stats.

(2) **APPLICABILITY.** Provisions of this section are applicable only to counties having county lands entered under s. 28.11, Stats.

(3) **ELIGIBLE PROJECTS.** (a) Counties may receive aids on a priority basis for:

1. Maintenance of intolerant forest types in danger of being replaced through natural conversion to forest types of lower value to wildlife; maintenance of existing forest openings.

2. Deer yard improvement; creation of forest openings.

3. Trail seeding and maintenance road and trail construction.

(4) **ALLOWABLE COSTS, BILLINGS AND AUDITS.** (a) One hundred percent of approved eligible project costs will be funded.

(b) Fifty percent advance payments may be made at the time of project approval if requested by sponsor.

(5) In addition to conditions listed in sub. (4), the general provisions of s. NR 50.05 also apply.

(6) **USEFUL LIFE.** (a) The maximum useful life of habitat development activities on lands withdrawn from s. 28.11, Stats., and the title to which is transferred by the county to other than a public agency, may not exceed the following guidelines:

| ACTIVITY | MAXIMUM USEFUL LIFE IN YEARS |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| All weather roads | 20 |
| Openings | 10 |
| Hunter access trail construction | 10 |
| Aspen regeneration | 10 |
| Tree planting | 10 |

(b) In the event a reimbursement is due the department, the calculation of such amount shall be based on a straight line depreciation of the original value of the development over its maximum useful life as specified in par. (a).

History: Cr. Register, June, 1980, No. 294, eff. 7-1-80; r. and recr. Register, May, 1983, No. 329, eff. 6-1-83.

NR 50.16 Aids for the acquisition and development of local parks. (1) **PURPOSE.** The purpose of this section is to establish standards and procedures for the implementation of a grant program for local units of government to acquire and develop local parks under s. 23.09 (20), Stats.

(2) **APPLICABILITY.** This section is applicable to towns, villages, cities, counties, nonprofit conservation organizations and Indian tribes apply-Register, October, 1990, No. 418