**39.03.24 - RULES GOVERNING SELF-PROPELLED SNOWPLOWS**

**000. LEGAL AUTHORITY.**
The rule is adopted under authority of Sections 40-312, 49-929, and 49-1004, Idaho Code. (12-26-90)

**001. TITLE AND SCOPE.**

01. **Title.** This rule shall be cited as IDAPA 39.03.24, “Rules Governing Self-Propelled Snowplows,” IDAPA 39, Title 03, Chapter 24. (4-5-00)

02. **Scope.** Self-propelled snowplows cannot comply with the safety requirements as other oversize loads due to the nature of their operation. Therefore, this rule is promulgated to state the regulations, and safety and standardizes the lighting systems on snow removal equipment requirements for overwidth self-propelled snowplows operating under overlegal special permit authority. These specifications and standards supersede Administrative Policy A-05-26 (dated 6-23-82) and Board Policy B-05-26 (dated 6-16-82). The self-propelled snowplows will be permitted at the rates listed in Rule 39.03.2109, “Rules Governing Special Permit Fees - General Conditions and Requirements,” for oversize loads. (9-4-91) (4-5-00)

002. -- 009. (RESERVED)

**010. DEFINITIONS.**

01. **Snow Removal Equipment.** Any private or publicly-owned vehicle classified as a motorized vehicle as defined in Section 49-123, Idaho Code, that has been equipped with snow removal equipment and is being used for snow removal on any public highway. (9-4-91)

02. Refer to IDAPA 39.03.01, “Rules Governing Definitions,” for other definitions of the terms used in this rule. (12-26-90)

011. -- 099. (RESERVED)

**010. CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR OPERATION OF SELF-PROPELLED SNOWPLOWS ON THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM.**

01. **Maximum Width.** The maximum width of the self-propelled snowplows utilized to clear roads, streets and other locations of snow or debris shall be eight (8) feet six (6) inches and the maximum width of the blade(s) mounted on this vehicle shall be fourteen (14) feet as measured normal to the direction of travel. (8-25-94)

02. **No Pilot/Escort Vehicles Required.** Self-propelled snowplows utilized to clear roads, streets and other locations of snow or debris may operate with no escort vehicles required twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week, including holidays. (4-5-00)

03. **Warning Flags.** A twelve eighteen (12) inch by twelve eighteen (12) inch red or fluorescent orange flag shall be mounted near the extremities of the blade if it exceeds eight (8) feet six (6) inches in width. (4-5-00)

04. **Clearance Light or Reflector Requirements.** When operating during hours of darkness, a clearance light or a clearance reflector which meets the specifications listed in Sections 49-910 and 49-911, Idaho Code, shall be mounted near the extremities of the blade if the blade exceeds eight (8) feet six (6) inches in width. (8-25-94)
045. Headlamps, Turn Signals, and Flashing Lights. Headlamps, turn signals and flashing lights shall be mounted on snow removal equipment at sufficient height to clear all snow removal apparatus. (9-4-91)

026. Visibility Requirements. Flashing identification lights on snow removal equipment must be amber colored, and mounted on the cab or truck bed. They shall be mounted so as to be visible from the front and rear regardless of vehicle configuration, for example, when the truck bed is raised. Flashing lights shall be visible from a distance of not less than one thousand (1,000) feet in normal sunlight, and not less than two thousand five hundred (2,500) feet under average visibility conditions at night. (9-4-91)

037. Lights to Meet Idaho Code Requirements. Tail lamps, stop lamps and clearance lamps on snow removal equipment must meet standards specified in appropriate sections of the Idaho Code. (9-4-91)