

1 Department of Transportation

2 State Aid Division

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4 Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to Bridge Inspection

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6 Rules as Adopted

7 8810.9400 FREQUENCY OF INSPECTIONS AND INVENTORY.

8 Subpart 1. Inspection. Each bridge must be inspected  
9 annually, unless a longer interval not to exceed two years is  
10 authorized by the commissioner. The commissioner's  
11 authorization shall be based upon factors including, but not  
12 limited to, the age and condition of the bridge, the rate of  
13 deterioration of the bridge, the type of structure, the  
14 susceptibility of the bridge to failure, and the characteristics  
15 of traffic on the bridge. Interim inspections at intervals of  
16 less than one year may be necessary on bridges that are posted,  
17 bridges subjected to extreme scour conditions, bridges subject  
18 to significant substructure movement or settlement, and for  
19 other reasons as specified or inferred in the AASHTO manual.

20 The thoroughness of each inspection depends on such factors  
21 as age, traffic characteristics, state of maintenance, and known  
22 deficiencies. The evaluation of these factors is the  
23 responsibility of the engineer assigned the responsibility for  
24 inspection as defined in part 8810.9300, subpart 1.

25 Subp. 2. Inventory. An inventory shall be prepared for  
26 each bridge and shall be updated annually.

27 8810.9700 UPDATING REPORTS.

28 Each highway authority responsible for inspection and  
29 inventory of bridges shall submit an updated copy of the  
30 structure inventory sheet form or submit an electronic update  
31 for each bridge under its jurisdiction to the commissioner by  
32 February 15, annually.