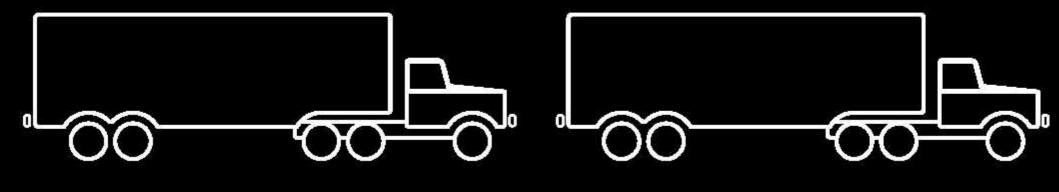
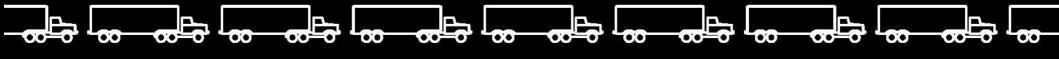
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### **TRUCK PLATOONS & EV LOADS**

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## TRUCK PLATOON/CONVOY

### **PROS**

- Reduce fuel costs, ~10%
- Reduce labor costs
- Improve reaction time

### **CONS**

- Traffic interaction: enter, exit, and passing
- Fractious state-to-state regulations
- Unquantified impacts, like overloading

## PLATOONING (CONVOY)

# PLATOON FOLLOWING DISTANCE?



## 100'+



50'



10'

## "The two trucks traveled at a separation distance of approximately 65 feet,..."

https://www.ccjdigital.com/peloton-holds-1000-mile-platooning-demo-in-florida/

"...45 to 50 feet at 55 mph..."

http://www.ttnews.com/articles/fhwa-demonstrates-3-truck-platoon-virginia

"It is unlawful for the driver of any motor truck.....follow within 300 feet of another motor truck,"

2018 FL SB 1104 https://www.flsenate.gov/Session/Bill/2018/01104/?Tab=BillText

## **FOLLOWING DISTANCE?**

## LEGAL LIMITS, SINGLE TRUCK

VS

## LEGAL LIMITS, PLATOON TRUCKS

## PLATOON LOADING?

# DO PLATOONS REALLY OVERLOAD BRIDGES?



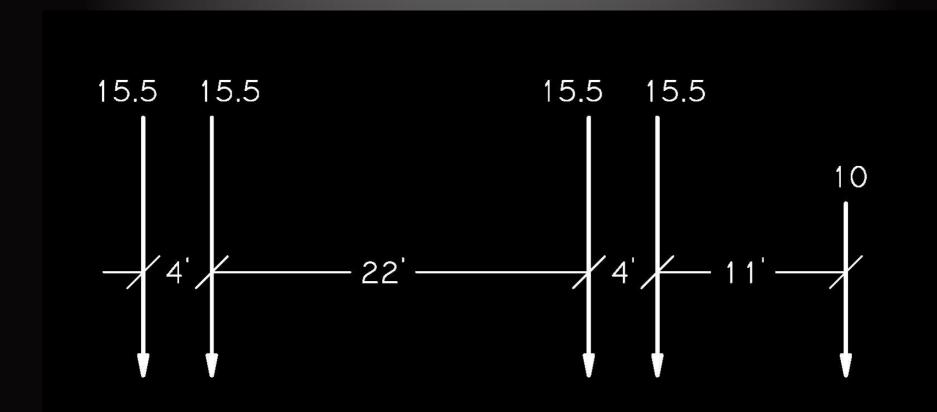




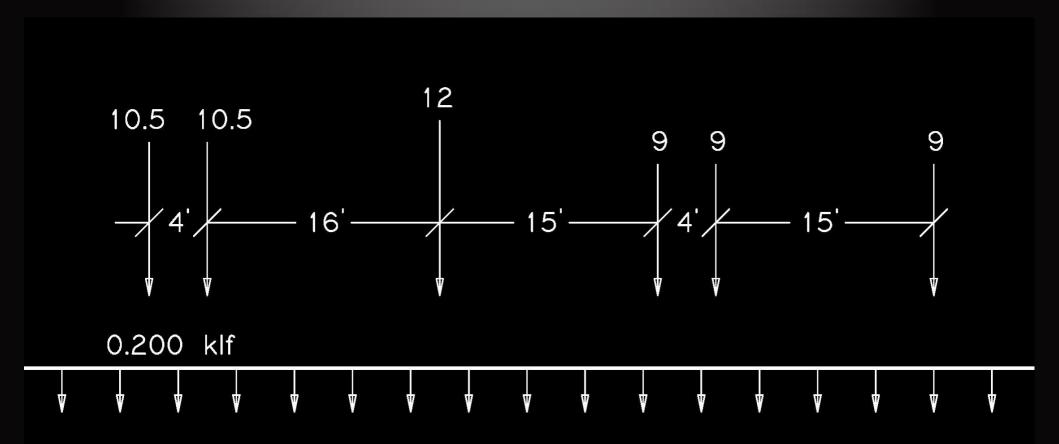
\* LOAD RESTRICTED. \* SPEED LIMIT 15 KM PER HOUR. \* DO NOT APPLY BRAKES OVER THE BRIDGE. ONLY ONE LOADED/EMPTY TRUCK AT ATIME. \* PEDESTRIANS AND OTHER PRIVATE VEHICLES ARE PROHIBITED TO USE THIS BRIDGE. \* FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS OF SECURIFY PERSONNEL ON DUTY.



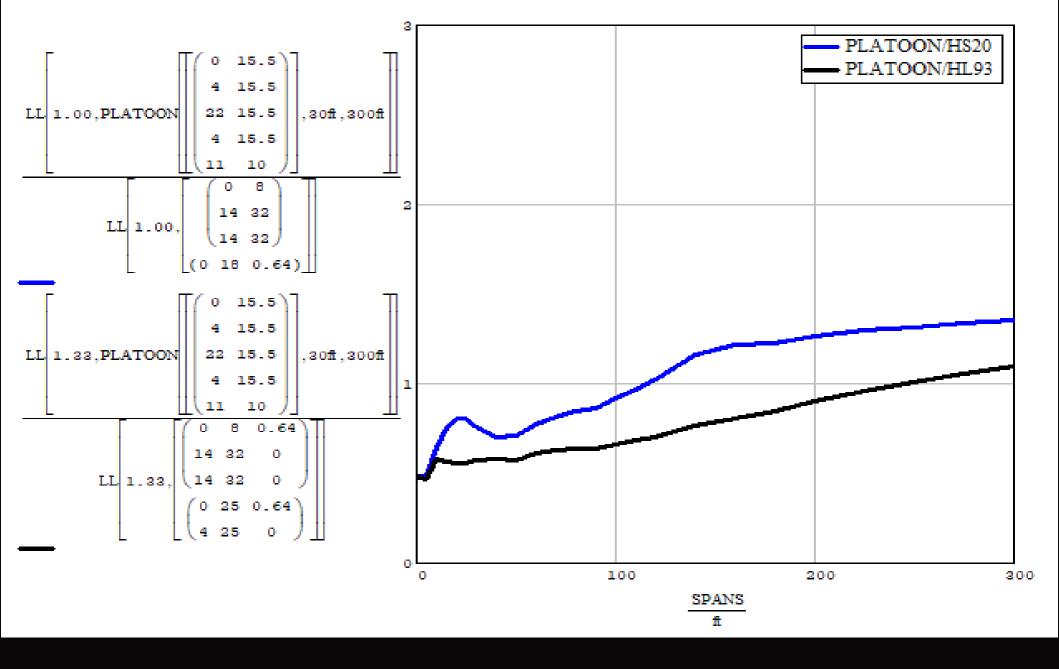
# DOES LEGAL LOADING DESCRIBE PLATOONS?



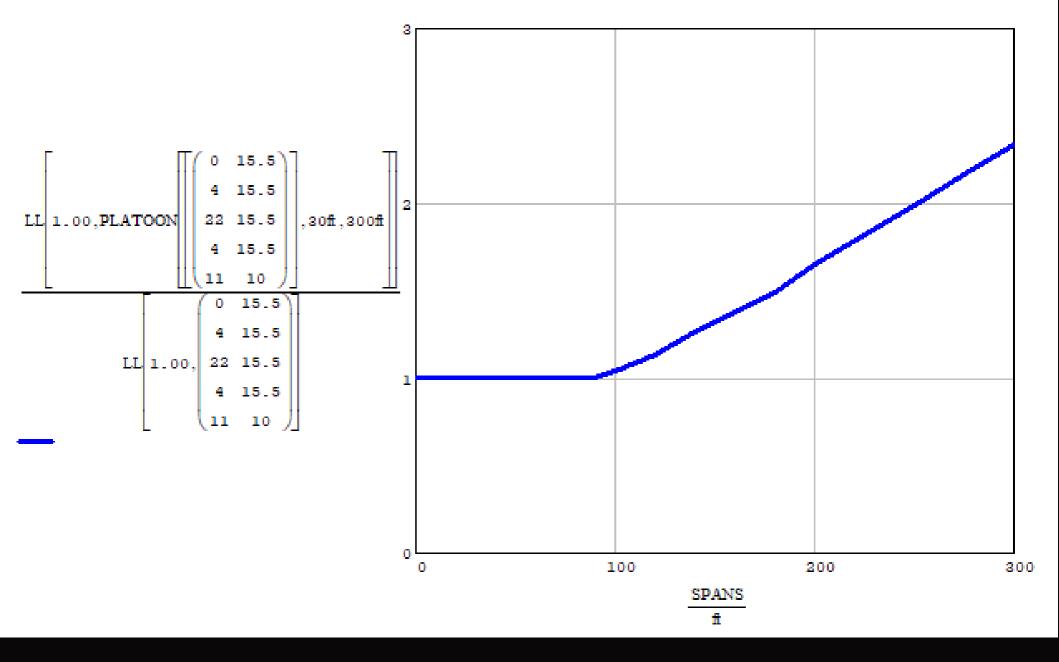
## **MBE 3S2**



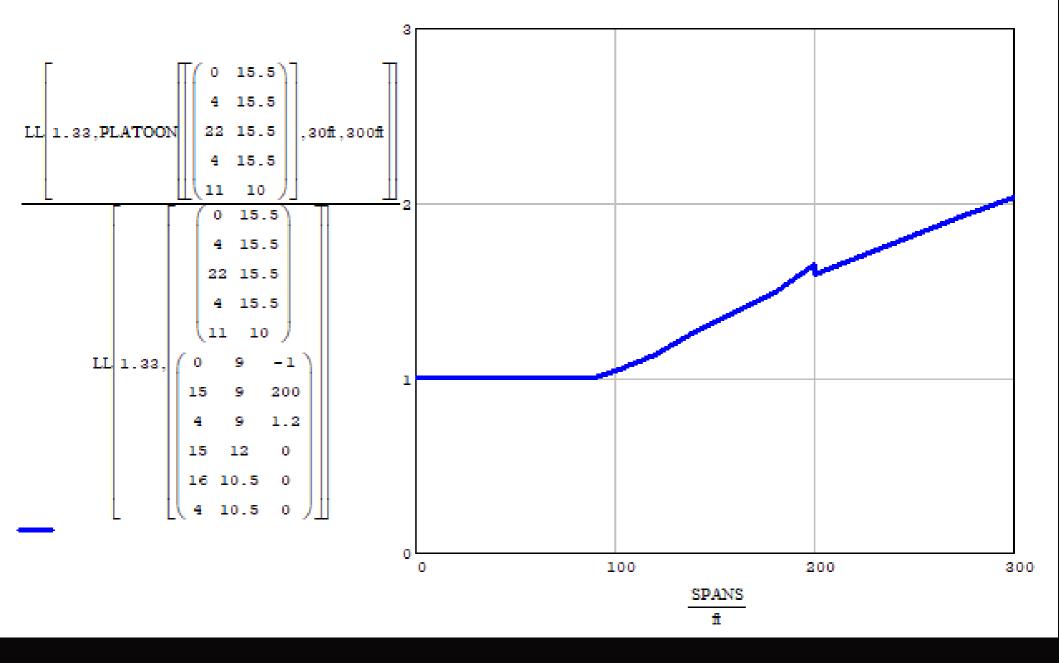
## LRFR MBE LANE LOAD SPAN > 200'



## (PLATOON 3S2)/(DESIGN)



## (PLATOON 3S2)/(SINGLE 3S2)



## (PLATOON 3S2)/(3S2 or LANE)

#### TRUCK PLATOONS

Kevin Dopart of USDOT Vehicle Safety & Automation. Expert. https://www.its.dot.gov/press/2014/kevin\_dopart.htm, kevin.dopart@dot.gov

Steve Boyd of Peloton. Lobbyist.

https://lobbying.wi.gov/Mobile/PrincipalInformation/2017REG/Information/7748

Truck Platooning, Past, Present, and Future. Rolf Lockwood. 04-08-2016. https://www.truckinginfo.com/156677/truck-platooning-past-present-and-future

Review of Aerodynamic Drag Reduction Devices for Heavy Trucks and Buses. Jeff Patten Et Al. National Research Council Canada, Centre for Surface Transportation Technology Project 54-A3578. 05-11-2012. http://www.tc.gc.ca/en/programs-policies/programs/documents/AERODYNAMICS\_REPORT-MAY\_2012.pdf

#### **EMERGENCY VEHICLES**

A House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Hearing discussed EVs during the markup for H.R. 3736 on 10-22-2015. Subsequently H.R. 22 passed EV legislation. https://youtu.be/99KuKrsrTMA 3:36:30-3:42:00

Dumb Laws: Fire Truck Weight Limits. Editorial, Illinois Truck Enforcement Association. 09-03-2016. http://illinoistruckcops.org/?p=7517

## PLATOONING REFERENCES

# EV CLASSIFICATION AND POSTING

## FULL COMMITTEE A RKUP

livestream

October 22, 2015 @ 10:00am

transport musegov

### EV

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE 10-22-2015 3:36:30 TO 3:42:00** 

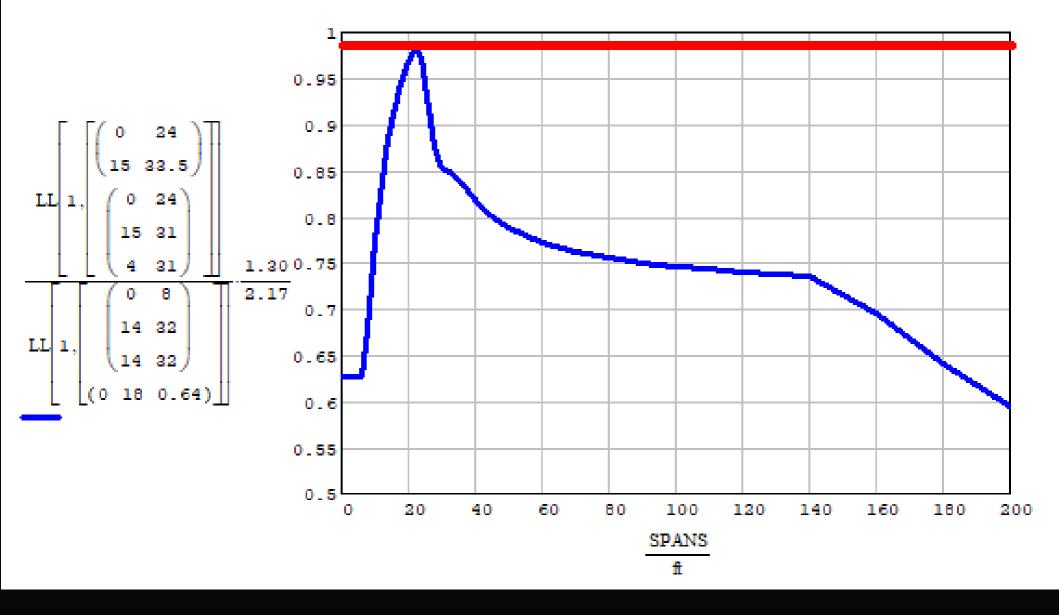
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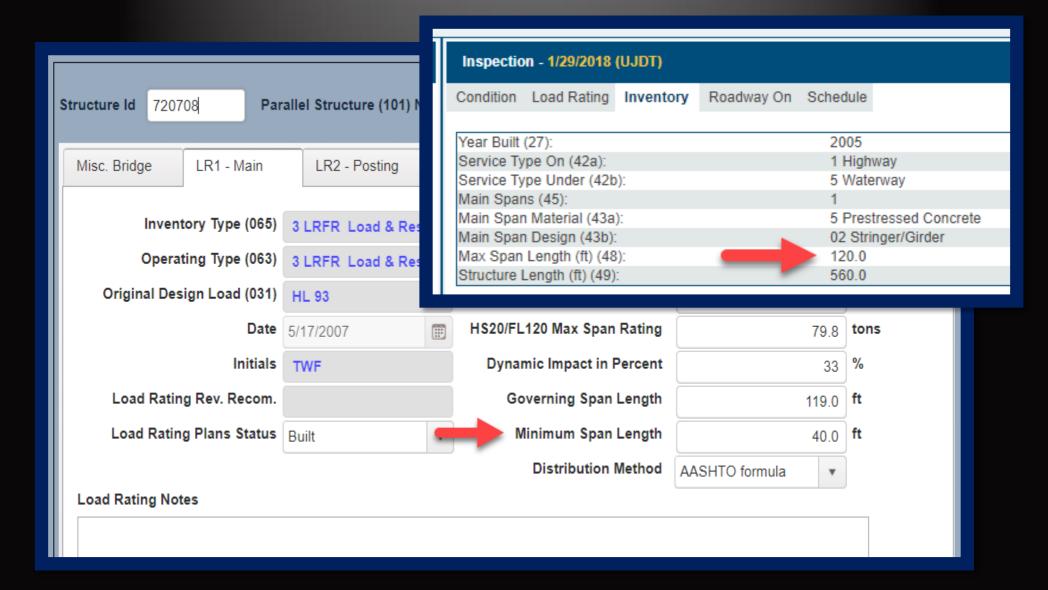




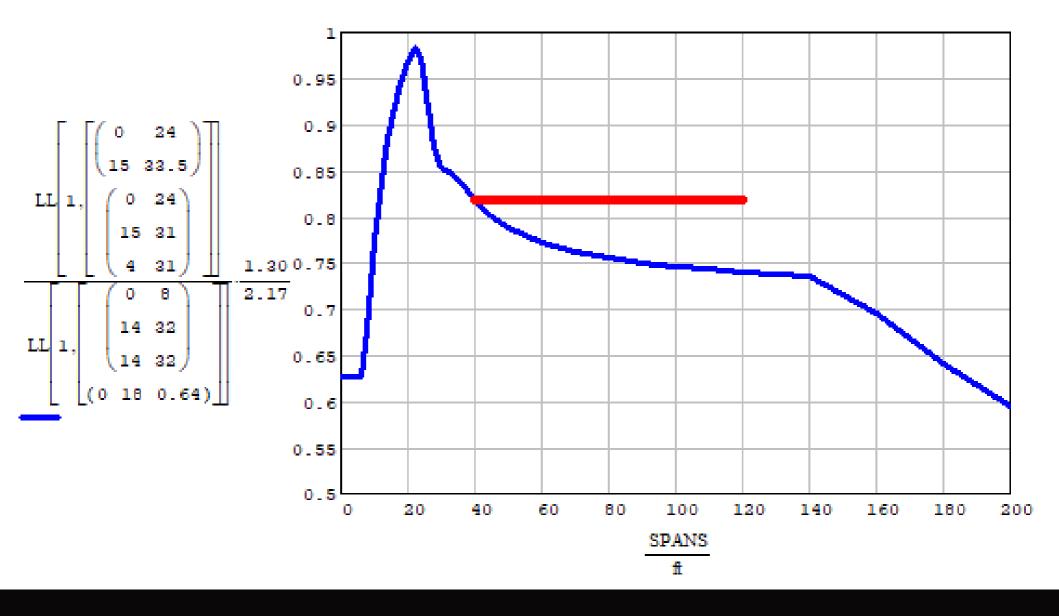
## EV CLASSIFICATION



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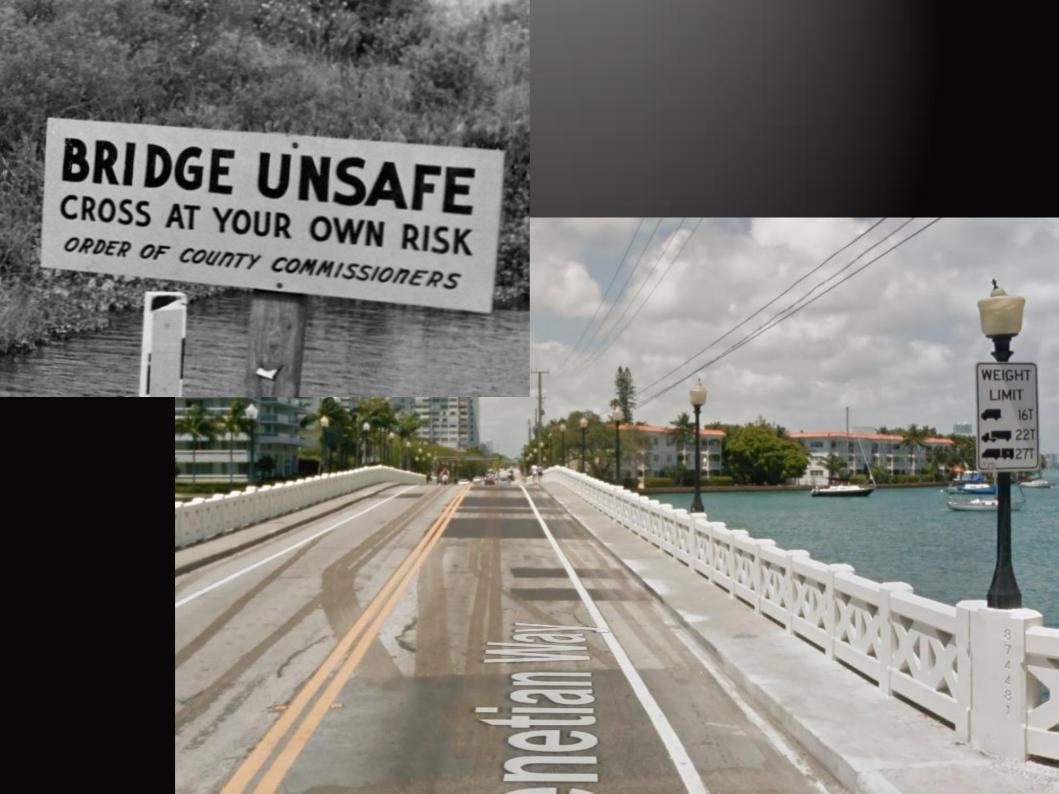
## MININMUM & MAXIMUM SPAN LENGTH



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# POSTING SIGNS VS RESTRICTION MAPS



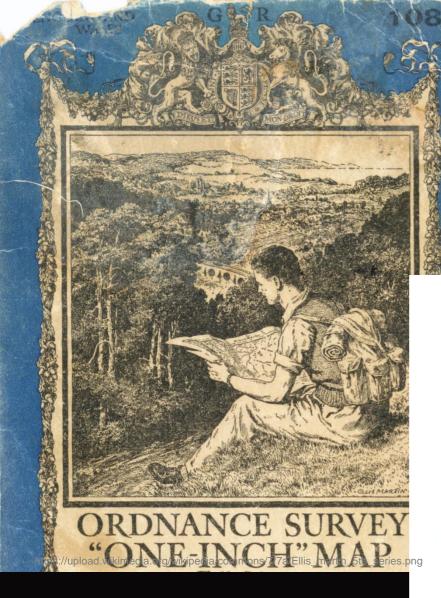


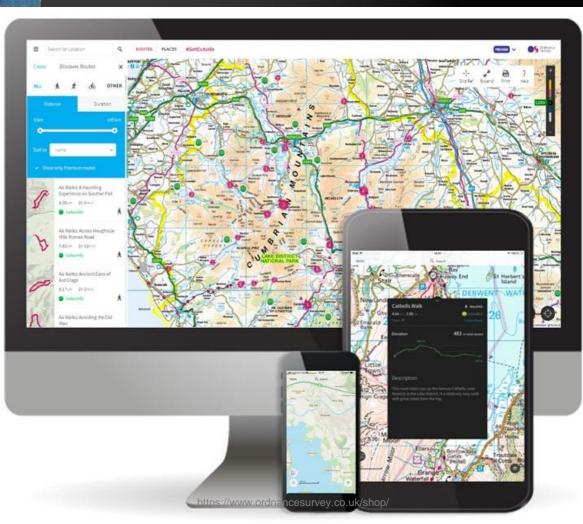


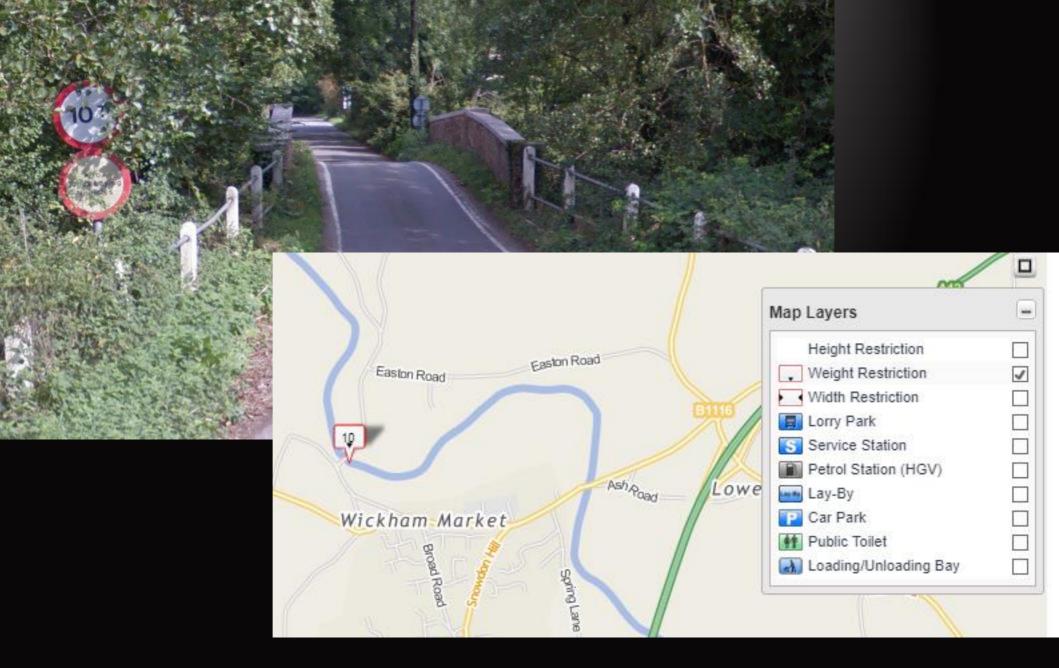




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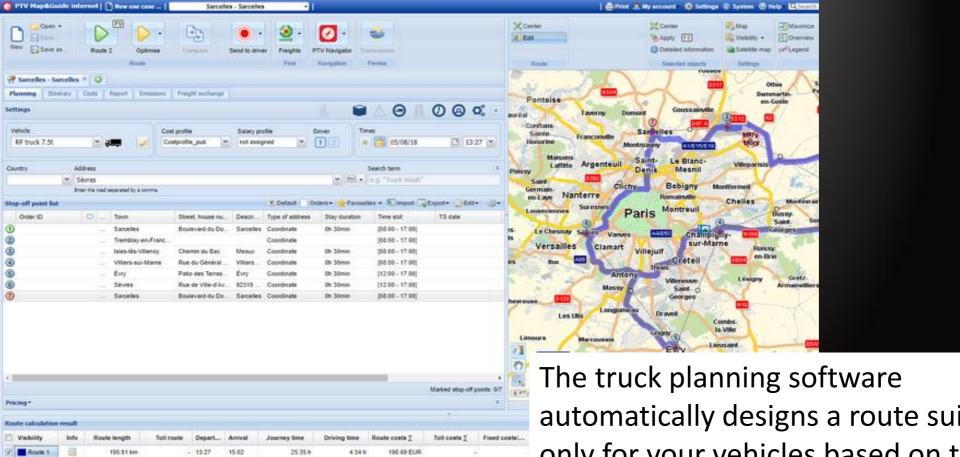






## POSTING MAPS

http://www.freightjourneyplanner.co.uk/



automatically designs a route suitable only for your vehicles based on their attributes and excludes road sections unsuitable for trucks and HGVs such as roads with height and weight restrictions.

## POSTING MAPS

https://www.ptvgroup.com/



Simply enter the height, width, length, weight and axle load for your vehicle and avoid roads not suitable for your truck/cargo.

## **POSTING MAPS**

http://www.sygic.com

## END

### **QUESTIONS FOR RADBUG**

Has any state posted an EV restriction sign on the Interstate?

Should EVs be required to use and abide truck-specific electronic routing maps, when they:

- (1) are known by vehicular registration
- (2) need advance warning for travel
- (3) carry GPS routing devices anyways

Given the number of special new vehicles (EVs, platoons, wreckers), and the maturity of GPS routing and tracking devices, should US bridge operations post special bridge weight restrictions with a national map?