

= Ohio State Route 716 =

State Route 716 ( SR 716 ) is a state highway in the western part of the U.S. state of Ohio . Its southern terminus is at SR 705 in the village of Osgood in northeastern Darke County . The northern terminus of SR 716 is at SR 274 in the village of Chickasaw in southeastern Mercer County . For its entire length , SR 716 runs parallel to , and approximately four miles ( 6 @. @ 4 km ) to the east of , U.S. Route 127 .

The highway was assigned in 1937 on a routing from SR 705 in Osgood to an unnumbered highway in Franklin Township . The route was truncated to its current northern terminus in 1973 . SR 716 has remained intact ever since .

= = Route description = =

SR 716 begins at an intersection with SR 705 in the Darke County village of Osgood . The highway heads northward through downtown Osgood and then into the rural regions , which includes spontaneous residential homes and fields . Not far after Osgood , SR 716 intersects with Township Road 7 ( Darke @-@ Mercer County Line Road ) , which runs along the county line . The highway crosses the line into Mercer County and continues northward through rural areas . There is an intersection with a local road , Indian Trail Road , soon after .

The highway remains mainly unchanged for a little while until it nears the Marion Township village of Maria Stein . It then passes Marion Local High School . In Maria Stein , it intersects SR 119 . Through Maria Stein , the highway is more urbanized , with more homes and commercial buildings surrounding the highway . However , this is only for a short time , as SR 716 leaves Maria Stein after the intersection with SR 119 . The route continues northward for a short distance into Chickasaw , where it terminates at SR 274 .

= = History = =

SR 716 was established in 1937 . Its original path consisted of its entire current routing , SR 274 between Chickasaw and one mile ( 1 @. @ 6 km ) west of Chickasaw in Marion Township , Mercer County , and a currently unnumbered road from Marion Township to one mile ( 1 @. @ 6 km ) east of Montezuma in Franklin Township .

In 1973 , SR 716 was scaled back on the north end to its current northern terminus at SR 274 in Chickasaw . The road went westward at the intersection with SR 274 , and went on a short concurrency before turning off for the north . It continued to its then northern terminus . The former stretch of SR 716 from Chickasaw to Marion Township was re @-@ numbered as SR 274 , and the stretch from Marion Township to Franklin Township was deleted from the state highway system .

= = Major intersections = =