

= New Jersey Route 49 =

Route 49 is a state highway in the southern part of the U.S. state of New Jersey . It runs 53 @.@ 80 mi (86 @.@ 58 km) from an interchange with the Delaware Memorial Bridge extension of the New Jersey Turnpike (Interstate 295 and U.S. Route 40) in Deepwater , Salem County , where it continues north as U.S. Route 130 southeast to Route 50 and County Route 557 in Tuckahoe , Cape May County . The route serves Salem , Cumberland , Atlantic , and Cape May Counties , passing through rural areas and the communities of Salem , Bridgeton , and Millville along the way . It is a two @-@ lane , undivided road for most of its length .

Route 49 was established in 1927 to run from Salem to Clermont , running along its present alignment between Salem and Millville , following current Route 47 between Millville and South Dennis , and running along present @-@ day Route 83 between South Dennis and Clermont . It replaced a branch of pre @-@ 1927 Route 6 between Salem and Bridgeton and a part of pre @-@ 1927 Route 15 between Bridgeton and South Dennis . In 1953 , Route 49 was routed onto its current alignment , replacing a part of Route 44 between Salem and Deepwater and following the former alignment of Route 47 between Millville and Tuckahoe . In the 1960s , a freeway was planned for Route 49 between Deepwater and Millville ; it was never built . In the 2000s , many improvements have been or are being made to bridges along Route 49 .

= = Route description = =

= = = Salem County = = =

Route 49 heads south on Broadway from an interchange with the Delaware Memorial Bridge extension of the New Jersey Turnpike (Interstate 295 / U.S. Route 40) in the community of Deepwater in Pennsville Township , Salem County . North of here , the road continues to the north as U.S. Route 130 . Route 49 passes through residential areas of Pennsville and intersects County Route 630 (Fort Mott Road) , continuing into farmland . Route 49 then intersects the southern terminus of County Route 551 (Hook Road and County Route 632 (Lighthouse Road)) . It crosses the Salem River into Salem and becomes Front Street .

In Salem , the route intersects County Route 657 (Griffith Street) and makes a right turn . It turns left onto Broadway and forms the main business district of the town . In downtown Salem , Route 49 intersects County Route 625 (Chestnut Street) , the southern terminus of Route 45 (Market Street) , and County Route 665 (Walnut Street) . It crosses County Route 658 (Keasbey Street / York Street) and enters Quinton Township , becoming Main Street and heading into agricultural areas . Route 49 heads east , meeting County Route 650 (Hancocks Bridge Road) and County Route 653 (Action Station Road) . It crosses the Alloway Creek into the community of Quinton , where it intersects the southern terminus of County Route 581 (Quinton Alloway Road) and County Route 654 (Sickler Street) . The route leaves Quinton and intersects County Route 626 (Jericho Road) , continuing southeast into wooded areas , where Route 49 crosses County Route 667 (Pecks Corner Road) and County Route 647 (Telegraph Road / Jericho Road) .

= = = Cumberland County = = =

Route 49 crosses a stream , Sarah Run , into Stow Creek Township , Cumberland County and heads into farmland as Shiloh Pike . Here , it crosses County Route 624 (Jericho Road) and County Route 617 (Columbia Highway) . The route then intersects County Route 635 (Old Cohansey Road) and continues south along the border of Stow Creek Township to the west and Hopewell Township to the east , entering Shiloh at the intersection with Mill Road . In Shiloh , Route 49 meets County Route 620 (Roadstown Road) and County Route 753 (East Avenue / West Avenue) in the center of town and heads southeast , crossing County Route 695 (Maple Avenue / Randolph Road) . The route enters Hopewell Township and intersects County Route 661 (Barretts

Run Road) .

Past this intersection , Route 49 enters a more suburban landscape , crossing County Route 621 (W. Park Drive) . The route enters Bridgeton and becomes Broad Street . In Bridgeton , it intersects County Route 607 (West Avenue) , County Route 650 (Fayette Street) , and County Route 697 (Atlantic Street) . Route 49 crosses the Cohansey River and comes to an intersection with Pearl Street , which heads to the north as Route 77 and to the south as County Route 609 . Past Pearl Street , Route 49 crosses County Route 670 (Commerce Street / Buckshutem Road) and Route 49 continues to the east on Commerce Street . It crosses County Route 638 (N. Burlington Road) and enters Fairfield Township .

Route 49 continues east through a mix of woods and farms , intersecting County Route 553 (Gouldtown @-@ Woodruff Road) and County Route 675 (Fordville @-@ Gouldtown Road) . It enters Millville and becomes Main Street , intersecting County Route 682 (Sugarman Avenue) and County Route 634 (Nabb Avenue) . It intersects three more county routes , County Route 714 (Morias Avenue) , County Route 625 (Hogbin Road) , and County Route 712 (Reick Road) , before heading into the city . It intersects County Route 608 (Carmel Road) and County Route 698 (Beech Street) , County Route 667 (Sharp Street) , and County Route 610 (Brandriff Avenue) before meeting County Route 555 (Cedar Street) , which it forms a concurrency with . The route crosses the Maurice River and enters downtown Millville , where it intersects Route 47 (Second Street) . Past Route 47 , County Route 555 splits from Route 49 by turning north onto Third Street . Route 49 heads east through the eastern part of Millville , intersecting County Route 678 (Wade Boulevard) and interchanging with Route 55 . Past Route 55 , Route 49 heads southeast into woodland and crosses into Maurice River Township . In Maurice River Township , Route 49 intersects County Route 671 (Union Road) , County Route 646 (Port Elizabeth @-@ Cumberland Road) , and County Route 644 (Hesstown Road) . Route 49 eventually forms the border of Maurice River Township to the north and Upper Township , Cape May County to the south .

= = = Atlantic and Cape May Counties = = =

Route 49 crosses the Tuckahoe River into Estell Manor , Atlantic County . It runs a short distance to the north of the Tuckahoe River and intersects County Route 649 (Aetna Avenue) and County Route 666 (Cape May Avenue) . The route crosses the Tuckahoe River into Upper Township , Cape May County and intersects the eastern terminus of County Route 548 (Tuckahoe Road) , heading to the east . It intersects County Route 632 (Marshallville Road) and then comes to County Route 617 (Woodbine Road) , which heads south to provide access to County Route 557 . Route 49 continues east into Tuckahoe , where it intersects County Route 659 (Railroad Avenue) and ends at Route 50 and County Route 557 .

= = History = =

Route 49 was legislated in the 1927 New Jersey state highway renumbering to run from Route 45 in Salem to Route 4 (now U.S. Route 9) in Clermont . The route replaced a branch of pre @-@ 1927 Route 6 between Salem and Bridgeton and a part of pre @-@ 1927 Route 15 between Bridgeton and South Dennis . A spur route of Route 49 , Route S49 , was created in 1927 to run from Route 49 in South Dennis to Route 4 in Rio Grande along the remainder of pre @-@ 1927 Route 15 . Route S49 was extended to Wildwood in 1938 . In the 1953 New Jersey state highway renumbering , Route 49 was extended west along what was a part of Route 44 to Deepwater to end at U.S. Route 40 and U.S. Route 130 near the Delaware Memorial Bridge . The eastern part of the route was realigned to head from Millville east to Route 50 in Tuckahoe , replacing what had been the southern part of Route 47 . Meanwhile , Route 47 was realigned to head south from Millville , replacing Route 49 from Millville to South Dennis and the length of Route S49 . The portion of Route 49 from South Dennis to Clermont became Route 83 .

A freeway was proposed for Route 49 in the early 1960s , running from Interstate 295 and U.S. Route 40 at the Delaware Memorial Bridge to Route 55 in Millville . However , this freeway was

canceled by 1967 as it closely paralleled the planned Route 60 freeway , which itself was never built

. In the 2000s , construction has occurred to replace many bridges along Route 49 . The drawbridge over the Salem River was replaced by a fixed span in the mid @-@ 2000s . On October 1 , 2008 , the bridge over the railroad line in Tuckahoe was closed for reconstruction and is expected to reopen in June 2009 . The bridge over the Cohansey River in Bridgeton is also being reconstructed . Construction on this bridge started in October 2008 and is expected to be completed in July 2009 .

= = Major intersections = =