

A Guide to
Saskatchewan
Weight and
Dimension
Regulations
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Weight and Dimension Regulations

Under the authority of *The Highways and Transportation Act*, 1997 maximum vehicle weight and dimension regulations are established for the following reasons:

- Maximum gross vehicle weights are necessary for the protection of bridges.
- Maximum weights on axles or axle groups are necessary for the protection of bridges and pavements.
- Maximum tire weights are necessary for the protection of pavements and roadbeds.
- Maximum dimensions are necessary for the protection of bridges, overpasses, etc. and to protect the other users of highways by allowing the safe travel of the general public.
- Internal dimension limits are necessary to ensure that vehicles are designed to achieve desired levels of stability.

Weight Limits

For weight enforcement purposes only, all public highways are classified as follows:

Primary Highways:

The primary highways are shown on the map. Most of these are allowed primary weights year round.

Primary weights extend down the first 15 km along a secondary provincial highway or combination of secondary highways and provincial roads (Community Access Roads) from the intersection with a primary highway.

Secondary Highways:

This includes all provincial highways and provincial roads shown on the Official Road Map other than those designated as primary.

Municipal Highways:

This includes public highways other than provincial highways and provincial roads, but excludes public highways within urban limits. Generally, this includes all roads maintained by Saskatchewan's rural municipalities including the 600 and 700 series roads which are shown on the Official Road Map.

Year-round Weight Restricted Highways:

Certain highways have maximum gross weights regardless of their classification, the vehicle configuration or the time of year. Weight restricted secondary highways are limited to 41 500 kg, unless otherwise noted.

Axle Group Loadings

Tire loading is 10 kg per millimetre (560 lb per inch) width of tire, as stamped by the manufacturer, to a maximum of 3 000 kg (6,600 lbs) per tire and subject to axle regulation weights **Note:** Wide base tires (Super Singles) allowed 3 850 kg on Primary Highways (3 000 kg on Secondary)

Tridem Drive Axle Group Weights for Tandem Steer Tridem Drive Straight Trucks**

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Axle Spread	Weight	
3.0 m - 3.10 m (9'8" - 10'2")	23 000 kg	Axle group weights vary
2.7 m - <3.0 m (8'10" - 9'8")	22 000 kg	according to axle spread
2.4 m - <2.7 m (7'8" - 8'10")	21 000 kg	-
Secondary/Municipal	20 000 kg	

** Tridem Drive Axle Group Weights for Truck Tractor and Single Steer Tridem Drive Straight Trucks**

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** Tridem Axle Group Weights for Trailers**

Axle Spread	Weight	
>3.6 m - 3.7 m (11'8" - 12'1")	24 000 kg	
>3.0 m - 3.6 m (9'8" - 11'8")	23 000 kg	Axle group weights vary
2.4 m - 3.0 m (7'8" - 9'8")	21 000 kg	according to axle spread
Secondary/Municipal	20 000 kg	

Combination Axle Weights

Maximum allowable weight for axle units may depend on the following minimum distance requirements between axles.

- For two single axles 3.0 metres (9'10")
- For a single axle and a tandem axle group, 3.0 metres (9'10")
- For a single axle and tridem axle group 5.0 metres (16'4")
- For two tandem axle groups, 5.0 metres (16'4")
- For a tandem axle group and tridem axle group, 5.5 metres (18'1")
- For two tridem axle groups, 6.0 metres (19'6")
- For a multiple axle group and a single, tandem or tridem axle group 5.5 metres (18'1")
- For every 10 cm (0.1 m) less than the minimum distance requirements listed above the combined weight is reduced by 500 kg

For tandem & tandem End Dump Trailers the following combined axle group weights apply:

- Manufactured before January 1, 1989

<5 m - 3.4 m	32 000 kg	35 000 kg Winter Weight
<3.4 m - 3 m	30 000 kg	

- Manufactured on or after January 1, 1989

<5 m - 4.5 m	32 000 kg	35 000 kg Winter Weigh
<4.5m - 3 m	30 000 kg	

Measurements may be required to determine, if combined axle weights apply to your vehicle.

Except for a full trailer (which has two axle groups), Saskatchewan regulations do not recognize more than one axle group on a semi-trailer.

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For weight limits on municipal roads, contact the local urban or rural municipality office.

Tridem drive straight trucks are **not** allowed to pull a trailer.

Winter Weight Season Exceptions

Winter weights do not apply on provincial highways and roads listed under "Winter Weights Not Allowed" on the map legend.

Exemptions

Weight regulations do not apply to:

- 1. A public highway, other than a provincial highway, within an Urban Municipality, that has a population of 1 000 or more.
- 2.Farm equipment being operated or towed for a purpose directly related to farming.

Dimension regulations apply only on provincial highways and provincial roads.

Local bylaws may govern vehicle weights and dimensions in urban municipalities with a population of more than 1 000.

Municipal Weight Limits

Weight limits on municipal highways are the same as those for secondary highways, including the winter season; except 8 axle B trains and unless otherwise allowed by the local municipality or regulation.

"Winter Weight Season" the period from November 16th in one year up to and including March 14th in the following year, unless the Winter Weight Season is restricted by a Minister's Order during this period.

Registered Gross Vehicle Weights

Weights allowed on public highways are separate from the registered gross weight of a vehicle.

Vehicle registration relates specifically to **The Traffic Safety Act**. A heavy vehicle is usually registered to a specific weight determined by its business and the maximum weight it will generally carry. A registration fee is collected to reflect the relative damage to the highway system for operating at that registered weight. Despite gross weights allowed on a given highway, an operator cannot exceed the registered weight, which otherwise may result in a fine under **The Traffic Safety Act**.

Different classes of highways have different gross weight limits to reflect their design and the amount of pavement deterioration which can be accepted. Therefore, no vehicle may exceed weights specified for specific highways regardless of the registered weight of the vehicle. Exceeding any maximum allowable weight (or dimension) may result in a fine under The Highways and Transportation Act, 1997 or it's regulations.

Legal Dimensions

Width (Maximum)

- Any vehicle, building or object 2.6 m (8'6")
- House trailers during daylight hours only, 3.05 m (10')
- Mirrors may extend on each side of the vehicle an additional 30 cm (12")

Height (Maximum)

Any vehicle, building or object, 4.15 m (13'6")

Length (Maximum)

- Truck, pony trailers or single vehicle, 12.5 m (41')
- Tandem steer tridem drive 14.0 m (45'9")
- Bus, 14.0 m (45'9")
- Semi-trailer or full trailer 16.2 m (53')
- Box length A, B or C train, 20 m (65'7")
- Box length on a truck and full trailer, 20 m (65'7")
- Tractor and semi-trailer or any other combination of vehicles 23 m (75'5");
- Tridem drive truck tractor semi-trailer combination 23.5 m (77'1")
- A train, B train or C train, with a tridem drive truck tractor 26 m (85'4")
- A train, B train or C train 26 m (85'4");
- Drawbar length on a C-train 2.0 m (6'6");
- Aerodynamic devices are not included in an overall measurement of a vehicle(s) (Maximum 61 cm)
- Front heavy duty bumpers are not included in the overall measurement of a vehicle (Maximum 30 cm)

Internal Dimensions Maximum

- Wheelbase for a truck tractor manufactured after June 1988, 6.2 m (20'4")
- · Wheelbase for semi-trailers 12.5 m (41')
- Wheelbase sum of both B train trailers is 17 m (55'9")
- Tridem axle spread for a B train is 3.1 m (10'2")
- Tridem axle spread for a pony trailer is 2.5 m (8'2")
- Effective overhang (including the load) for a semi-trailer is limited to 35% of its wheelbase
- Effective overhang (including the load) on any truck or other trailer is limited to 4.0 m (13'1")
- Kingpin setback (measured any where in an arc around the kingpin and includes the load) may not be more than 2.0 m (6'6")
- Hitch offset in an A or C-train, truck or trailer towing another trailer is 1.8 m (5'11").

Minimum

- Wheelbase for a tridem drive truck is 6.6 m (21'6")
- Wheelbase for a semi-trailer, full trailer or pony trailer is 6.25 m (20'6")
- Track width for a tridem axle group on a semi-trailer manufactured after June 1988 is 2.5 m (8'2")
- Track width for tandem axle group on a semi-trailer manufactured after December 1991 is 2.5 m (8'2");
- Wheelbase for the rear trailer of a B train manufactured after June 1988 is 6.25m (20'6")

Overdimension & Overweight Permits are available from:

The Permit Office Saskatchewan Government Insurance 3rd Floor 2260 - 11th Avenue Regina, Saskatchewan S4P 2N7

Permit Office (6am - 10pm) daily except Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day 1-800-667-7575 (Toll free in Saskatchewan) 306-775-6969 (Regina and outside Saskatchewan) 306-775-6909 (Fax) email address: sgipermitoffice@sgi.sk.ca

For information on the regulations contact:

Saskatchewan Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure Transport Compliance Branch Inquiry line: Toll Free 1-866-933-5290 or 306-933-5290

Saskatchewan Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure Transportation Policy Branch 8th Floor 1855 Victoria Avenue Regina, Saskatchewan S4P 3T2

306-787-4801 306-798-0172 (Fax)

Internet: www.highways.gov.sk.ca/trucking

Local Highway Transport Patrol Offices:

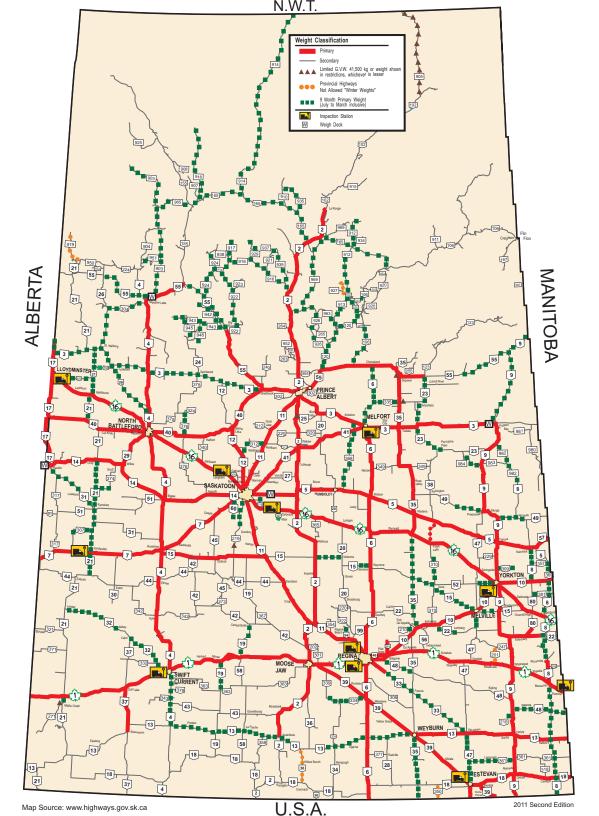
Regina Office	787-7481 or	787-7480
Saskatoon Office	933-5290 or	933-5293
Swift Current		778-8314
Prince Albert		953-3680
Yorkton		786-1366

Road Restriction Information:

Saskatoon Area	933-5228
Regina Area	787-7623
All Other Sask. Areas1-800-	-335-7623

SGI:

Vehicle Standards & Inspections	775-6188
SGI Call Centre (Registration)	775-6900
or 1-800.	667-9868



		Bridge and Highway Restrictions
Hwy	2	The St. Louis bridge from St. Louis to 1 km N of the South Saskatchewan River - Max GVW 34 500kg
Hwy	18	Bridge over the McDonald Creek approx 1.6 km E of Mankota - No Winter Weights
Hwy	23	Bridge over the Red Deer River approx 19.7 km SE of Bjorkdale - No Winter Weights
Hwy	36	From Jct Hwy 18 to Jct Hwy 13 - No Winter Weights
Hwy	219	Bridge located 19.4 km N of Jct Hwy 15 - No Winter Weights
Hwy	310	From Jct Hwy 16 to Jct Hwy 5 - No Winter Weights
Hwy	312	The Gabriel Dumont Bridge - Secondary Weights, No Winter Weights
Hwy	335	From the West Abutment of Leather River Bridge to the South Jct of Hwy 23 - Max GVW 53 500 kg
Hwy	904	Bridge over Low Creek approx 56.9 km N of Jct Hwy 224 - Max GVW 4 000 kg
Hwy	904	Bridge over Broad Creek approx 64.9 km N of Jct Hwy 224 - Max GVW 4 000 kg
Hwy	905	Max GVW 41 500 kg
Hwy	909	From Turnor Lake to East limits of Hwy 909 - Max GVW 34 500 kg
Hwy	919	Meadow Lake Prov Park to North limits of Hwy 919 - No Winter Weights
Hwy	919	Bridge over the Cold River approx 20.9 kms NW of Jct Hwy 21 - No Winter Weights
Hwy	927	No Winter Weights
Hwy	955	From South of Douglas River Bridge to North limits of Hwy 955 - Max GVW 41 500 kg
Old Nipaw Bridge	/in	On the Prov Road between its Jct with Hwy 35 in Nipawin and its Jct with Hwy 35/55 NW of Nipawin - Max GVW 8 000 kg; No Winter Weights
Roche Pe	rcee	From Roche Percee to Jct Hwy 39 - No Winter

Bridge and Structural Clearance Table Go to: www.highways.gov.sk.ca/trucking

Gross Weight Chart

- * Steering axle weights are subject to tire size. Straight trucks require a minimum tire width of 365 mm (Primary) 279 (Secondary)

 Truck Tractor 300 mm (Primary) and (Secondary)
- ** Axle group weights vary according to axle spread (see axle group weights)

S = Secondary M = Municipal

