

Transportation and Public Works

Vehicle Weights and Dimensions Rules

Amendments Effective July 20, 2007

The Department of Transportation and Public Works advises amendments have been made to the *Weights and Dimensions of Vehicles Regulations*, and the changes came into effect on July 20, 2007.

Single Tires

The maximum weight for a single axle equipped with the new generation wide-based single tires that are at least 445 mm in width has been increased from 6000 kg to 7700 kg on Maximum Weight Roads.

The maximum weight for a tandem axle fully equipped with these new generation wide-based tires that are at least 445 mm in width has been increased from 12,000 kg to 15,400 kg on Maximum Weight Roads.

The maximum weight for a narrow spread tridem axle group fully equipped with these new generation wide-based tires that are at least 445 mm in width has been increased from 18,000 kg to 21,000 kg on Maximum Weight Roads.

The maximum weight for a medium spread and a wide spread tridem axle group fully equipped with these new generation wide-based tires that are at least 445 mm in width has been increased from 18,000 kg to 21,300 kg on Maximum Weight Roads.

The maximum weight for these axle groups on B-train Routes and All Other Highways remains at 6000 kg per axle.

Weight Tables

The weight tables within the *Regulations* have been amended to denote the maximum axle weights for axle groups fully or partially equipped with regular single tires or with the new generation wide-based single tires that are at least 445 mm in width.

Track Width

The minimum track width for trailers retrofitted from dual tires to these new generation wide-based single tires that are at least 445 mm in width has been reduced from 2.5 m to 2.3 m.

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For more information on vehicle weights and dimensions rules, visit the Department of Transportation and Public Works website: www.gov.ns.ca/tran/trucking/vehicleweightsdims.asp or contact Don Stonehouse, Program Manager, Vehicle Weights and Dimensions Policy, 902-424-2490, e-mail: stonehdo@gov.ns.ca