



# NORTH DAKOTA WEIGHT LIMITATIONS CHART

## NORTH DAKOTA HIGHWAY PATROL

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Computed to nearest foot by the weight formula in Section 39-12-05 and Section 39-12-05.3 of the North Dakota Century Code.

W = Maximum weight in pounds on any group of two or more axles.

L = Distance in feet between extremes of any group of two or more consecutive axles.

N = Number of axles in group under consideration.

$$W = 500 \left( \frac{LN}{N-1} + 12N + 36 \right)$$

Distance in feet between the extremes of any groups of 2 or more consecutive axles

Maximum Load in Pounds Carried on any Group of 2 or More Consecutive Axles

|    | 2 Axles   | 3 Axles | 4 Axles | 5 Axles  | 6 Axles  | 7 Axles  | 8 Axles  | 9 Axles  |
|----|---|---------|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 4  | 34,000  |         |         |          |          |          |          |          |
| 5  | 34,000  |         |         |          |          |          |          |          |
| 6  | 34,000  |         |         |          |          |          |          |          |
| 7  | 34,000  | 34,000  |         |          |          |          |          |          |
| 8  | 38,000  | 42,000  |         |          |          |          |          |          |
| 9  | 39,000  | 43,000  |         |          |          |          |          |          |
| 10 | 40,000*   | 43,500  |         |          |          |          |          |          |
| 11 |   | 44,500  |         |          |          |          |          |          |
| 12 |   | 45,000  | 50,000  |          |          |          |          |          |
| 13 |   | 46,000  | 50,500  |          |          |          |          |          |
| 14 |   | 46,500  | 51,500  | 57,000   |          |          |          |          |
| 15 |   | 47,500  | 52,000  | 57,500   |          |          |          |          |
| 16 |   | 48,000  | 52,500  | 58,000   |          |          |          |          |
| 17 |   | 49,000  | 53,500  | 58,500   |          |          |          |          |
| 18 |   | 49,500  | 54,000  | 59,500   |          |          |          |          |
| 19 |   | 50,500  | 54,500  | 60,000   |          |          |          |          |
| 20 |   | 51,000  | 55,500  | 60,500   | 66,000   |          |          |          |
| 21 |   | 52,000  | 56,000  | 61,000   | 66,500   |          |          |          |
| 22 |   | 52,500  | 56,500  | 62,000   | 67,000   |          |          |          |
| 23 |   | 53,500  | 57,500  | 62,500   | 68,000   |          |          |          |
| 24 |   | 54,000  | 58,000  | 63,000   | 68,500   | 74,000   |          |          |
| 25 |   | 55,000  | 58,500  | 63,500   | 69,000   | 74,500   |          |          |
| 26 |   | 55,500  | 59,500  | 64,500   | 69,500   | 75,000   |          |          |
| 27 |   | 56,500  | 60,000  | 65,000   | 70,000   | 76,000   |          |          |
| 28 |   | 57,000  | 60,500  | 65,500   | 71,000   | 76,500   | 82,000   |          |
| 29 |   | 58,000  | 61,500  | 66,000   | 71,500   | 77,000   | 82,500   |          |
| 30 |   | 58,500  | 62,000  | 67,000   | 72,000   | 77,500   | 83,000   |          |
| 31 |   | 59,500  | 62,500  | 67,500   | 72,500   | 78,000   | 84,000   |          |
| 32 |   | 60,000* | 63,500  | 68,000   | 73,000   | 78,500   | 84,500   | 90,000   |
| 33 |   |         | 64,000  | 68,500   | 74,000   | 79,500   | 85,000   | 90,500   |
| 34 |   |         | 64,500  | 69,500   | 74,500   | 80,000   | 85,500   | 91,000   |
| 35 |   |         | 65,500  | 70,000   | 75,000   | 80,500   | 86,000   | 91,500   |
| 36 | Two consecutive sets of tandem axles may carry a gross load of 34,000 pounds each provided the overall distance between the first and last axles of such consecutive sets of tandem axles is 36 feet or more. |         | 66,000  | 70,500   | 75,500   | 81,000   | 86,500   | 92,500   |
| 37 |   |         | 66,500  | 71,000   | 76,000   | 81,500   | 87,000   | 93,000   |
| 38 |   |         | 67,500  | 72,000   | 77,000   | 82,000   | 87,500   | 93,500   |
| 39 |   |         | 68,000  | 72,500   | 77,500   | 83,000   | 88,500   | 94,000   |
| 40 |   |         | 68,500  | 73,000   | 78,000   | 83,500   | 89,000   | 94,500   |
| 41 |   |         | 69,500  | 73,500   | 78,500   | 84,000   | 89,500   | 95,000   |
| 42 |   |         | 70,000  | 74,500   | 79,000   | 84,500   | 90,000   | 95,500   |
| 43 |   |         | 70,500  | 75,000   | 80,000   | 85,000   | 90,500   | 96,000   |
| 44 |   |         | 71,500  | 75,500   | 80,500   | 85,500   | 91,000   | 97,000   |
| 45 |   |         | 72,000  | 76,000   | 81,000   | 86,500   | 91,500   | 97,500   |
| 46 |   |         | 72,500  | 77,000   | 81,500   | 87,000   | 92,500   | 98,000   |
| 47 |   |         | 73,500  | 77,500   | 82,000   | 87,500   | 93,000   | 98,500   |
| 48 |   |         | 74,000  | 78,000   | 83,000   | 88,000   | 93,500   | 99,000   |
| 49 |   |         | 74,500  | 78,500   | 83,500   | 88,500   | 94,000   | 99,500   |
| 50 |   |         | 75,500  | 79,500   | 84,000   | 89,000   | 94,500   | 100,000  |
| 51 |   |         | 76,000  | 80,000   | 84,500   | 90,000   | 95,000   | 100,500  |
| 52 |   |         | 76,500  | 80,500   | 85,000   | 90,500   | 95,500   | 101,500  |
| 53 |   |         | 77,500  | 81,000   | 86,000   | 91,000   | 96,500   | 102,000  |
| 54 |   |         | 78,000  | 82,000   | 86,500   | 91,500   | 97,000   | 102,500  |
| 55 |   |         | 78,500  | 82,500   | 87,000   | 92,000   | 97,500   | 103,000  |
| 56 | Gross weight limit on interstate. Gross weight limit on county and other local highways unless designated for more.   |         | 79,500  | 83,000   | 87,500   | 92,500   | 98,000   | 103,500  |
| 57 |   |         | 80,000* | 83,500   | 88,000   | 93,500   | 98,500   | 104,000  |
| 58 |   |         |         | 84,500   | 89,000   | 94,000   | 99,000   | 104,500  |
| 59 |   |         |         | 85,000   | 89,500   | 94,500   | 99,500   | 105,000  |
| 60 |   |         |         | 85,500   | 90,000   | 95,000   | 100,500  | 105,500* |
| 61 |   |         |         | 86,000   | 90,500   | 95,500   | 101,000  |          |
| 62 |   |         |         | 87,000   | 91,000   | 96,000   | 101,500  |          |
| 63 |   |         |         | 87,500   | 92,000   | 97,000   | 102,000  |          |
| 64 |   |         |         | 88,000   | 92,500   | 97,500   | 102,500  |          |
| 65 |   |         |         | 88,500   | 93,000   | 98,000   | 103,000  |          |
| 66 |   |         |         | 89,500   | 93,500   | 98,500   | 103,500  |          |
| 67 |   |         |         | 90,000   | 94,000   | 99,000   | 104,500  |          |
| 68 |   |         |         | 90,500   | 95,000   | 99,500   | 105,000  |          |
| 69 |   |         |         | 91,000   | 95,500   | 100,500  | 105,500* |          |
| 70 |   |         |         | 92,000   | 96,000   | 101,000  |          |          |
| 71 |   |         |         | 92,500   | 96,500   | 101,500  |          |          |
| 72 |   |         |         | 93,000   | 97,000   | 102,000  |          |          |
| 73 |   |         |         | 93,500   | 98,000   | 102,500  |          |          |
| 74 |   |         |         | 94,500   | 98,500   | 103,000  |          |          |
| 75 |   |         |         | 95,000   | 99,000   | 104,000  |          |          |
| 76 |   |         |         | 95,500   | 99,500   | 104,500  |          |          |
| 77 |   |         |         | 96,000   | 100,000  | 105,000  |          |          |
| 78 |   |         |         | 97,000   | 101,000  | 105,500* |          |          |
| 79 |   |         |         | 97,500   | 101,500  |          |          |          |
| 80 |   |         |         | 98,000   | 102,000  |          |          |          |
| 81 |   |         |         | 98,500   | 102,500  |          |          |          |
| 82 |   |         |         | 99,500   | 103,000  |          |          |          |
| 83 |   |         |         | 100,000* | 104,000  |          |          |          |
| 84 |   |         |         |          | 104,500  |          |          |          |
| 85 |   |         |         |          | 105,000  |          |          |          |
| 86 |   |         |         |          | 105,500* |          |          |          |

\*Maximum Gross Weight

**Note:** On highways other than the Interstate System, only the exterior bridge measurement shall be used to determine the gross vehicle weight of a vehicle or combination of vehicles.

No single axle shall carry a gross weight in excess of 20,000 pounds. Axles spaced 40 inches or less apart are considered one axle. Axles spaced eight (8) feet apart or over are considered as individual axles. The gross weight of two individual axles may be restricted by the weight formula except that on highways other than the interstate, two axles spaced eight (8) feet apart or more may have a combined gross weight not to exceed 40,000 pounds. Spacing between axles shall be measured from axle center to axle center.

Axles spaced over 40 inches apart and less than eight (8) feet apart shall not carry a gross weight in excess of 19,000 pounds per axle. The gross weight on a tandem axle shall not exceed 34,000 pounds. The gross weight of three or more axles in a grouping is determined by the measurement between the extreme axle centers except that on highways other than the interstate, groupings of three or more axles may have a gross weight not to exceed 48,000 pounds.

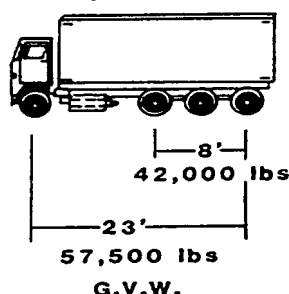
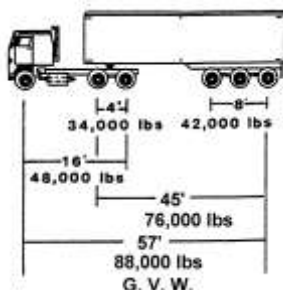
The weight per inch width of tire shall not exceed 550 pounds. Metric tire sizes are converted to inches by dividing millimeters by 25.4. The width of tire for solid tires shall be the rim width. For pneumatic tires the width of tire shall be the manufacturer's width. The weight in pounds on any one wheel shall not exceed one-half the allowable axle weight. Dual tires are considered one (1) wheel.

The weight on the steering axle shall be determined by the manufacturer's axle rating and shall not exceed 20,000 pounds when travel is on the interstate system or on Defense Highways. When travel is on Defense Highways, the load shall be for the US Department of Defense.

| Tire Width | Single Axle (2 Tires) | Single Axle (4 Tires) | Tandem Axle (4 Tires) | Tandem Axle (8 Tires) | Triple Axle (6 Tires)        | Triple Axle (12 Tires)       |
|------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 7:00       | 7,700                 | 15,400                | 15,400                | 30,800                | 23,100                       | Determined by Weight Formula |
| 7:50       | 8,250                 | 16,500                | 16,500                | 33,000                | 24,750                       |                              |
| 8:00       | 8,800                 | 17,600                | 17,600                | 34,000                | 26,400                       |                              |
| 8:25       | 9,075                 | 18,150                | 18,150                | 34,000                | 27,225                       |                              |
| 9:00       | 9,900                 | 19,800                | 19,800                | 34,000                | 29,700                       |                              |
| 10:00      | 11,000                | 20,000                | 22,000                | 34,000                | 33,000                       |                              |
| 11:00      | 12,100                | 20,000                | 24,200                | 34,000                | Determined by Weight Formula |                              |
| 12:00      | 13,200                | 20,000                | 26,400                | 34,000                |                              |                              |
| 13:00      | 14,300                | 20,000                | 28,600                | 34,000                |                              |                              |
| 14:00      | 15,400                | 20,000                | 30,800                | 34,000                |                              |                              |
| 15:00      | 16,500                | 20,000                | 33,000                | 34,000                |                              |                              |
| 16:50      | 18,150                | 20,000                | 34,000                | 34,000                |                              |                              |
| 17:50      | 19,250                | 20,000                | 34,000                | 34,000                |                              |                              |
| 18:00      | 19,800                | 20,000                | 34,000                | 34,000                |                              |                              |

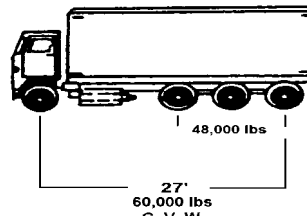
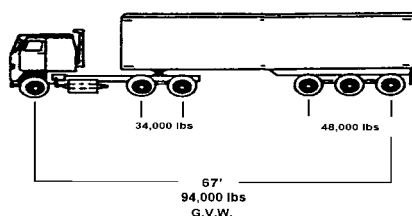
**NOTE:** Axle weights may be reduced during the spring breakup season or on otherwise posted highways. Axle weights may be reduced by Bridge Load Limitations Map.

### Examples of Bridge Formula Application on the Interstate System



**Note:** On the Interstate System, the interior and exterior bridge measurement shall be used to determine the gross vehicle weight of a vehicle or combination of vehicles. Maximum legal gross vehicle weight on the interstate system is 80,000 pounds without a permit.

### Examples of Bridge Formula Application on the State Highway System



**Note:** On highways other than the Interstate System, only the exterior bridge measurement shall be used to determine the gross vehicle weight of a vehicle or combination of vehicles. Groupings of three or more axles may have a gross weight not to exceed 48,000 pounds. See Highway Patrol for additional information on 4-axle straight trucks.

### Examples of Metric Tire Conversion

| Metric Tire Size | Tire Width in Inches | Metric Tire Size | Tire Width in Inches |
|------------------|----------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| 245/75R22.5      | 9.6 inches           | 315/75R22.5      | 12.4 inches          |
| 255/70R22.5      | 10.0 inches          | 385/65R22.5      | 15.1 inches          |
| 265/75R22.5      | 10.4 inches          | 425/65R22.5      | 16.7 inches          |
| 275/80R22.5      | 10.8 inches          | 445/65R22.5      | 17.5 inches          |
| 285/75R24.5      | 11.2 inches          | 455/65R22.5      | 17.9 inches          |
| 295/75R22.5      | 11.6 inches          | 465/65R22.5      | 18.3 inches          |

### Tire Size and Dimensional Definitions

|             |   |                                    |
|-------------|---|------------------------------------|
| 13          | = | Tire width (inches)                |
| 80          | = | Ratio of tire width to tire height |
| R           | = | Radial                             |
| 20          | = | Rim diameter (inches)              |
| 295/75R22.5 |   |                                    |
| 295         | = | Tire width (millimeters)           |
| 75          | = | Ratio of tire width to tire height |
| R           | = | Radial                             |
| 22.5        | = | Rim diameter (inches)              |

| 10% Chart   | Legal Weight        | 10% Weights         |
|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Tire Sizes  | Single Axle 2 Tires | Single Axle 2 Tires |
| 10:00 / 255 | 11000               | 12100               |
| 11:00 / 280 | 12100               | 13310               |
| 12:00 / 305 | 13200               | 14520               |
| 245 / 9.6   | 10560               | 11616               |
| 265 / 10.4  | 11440               | 12584               |
| 275 / 10.8  | 11880               | 13068               |
| 285 / 11.2  | 12320               | 13552               |
| 295 / 11.6  | 12760               | 14036               |
| 315 / 12.4  | 13640               | 15004               |
| 385 / 15.1  | 16610               | 18271               |
| 425 / 16.7  | 18370               | 20207               |
| 445 / 17.5  | 19250               | 21175               |
| 455 / 17.9  | 19690               | 21659               |
| 465 / 18.3  | 20000               | 22000               |

| 10:00 Tires Or Larger | 10% Weights          |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Single Axle 4 Tires   | Single Axle 4 Tires  |
| 20000                 | 22000                |
| 8:00 Tires or Larger  |                      |
| Tandem Axle 8 Tires   | Tandem Axle 8 Tires  |
| 34000                 | 37400                |
|                       |                      |
| Tridem Axle 12 Tires  | Tridem Axle 12 Tires |
| 48000                 | 52800                |
|                       |                      |
| Quad Axle 16 Tires    | Quad Axle 16 Tires   |
| 48000                 | 52800                |

10% Weight Increases Are Not Allowed On  
The Interstate

### North Dakota Department of Transportation Spring Load Restriction Classifications

| Class                       | Single Axle               | Tandem Axle                                      | 3 Axles or More   | Gross Vehicle Weight       |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|--|---|----------------------------|
| Restricted by Legal Weights | 20,000 lbs.               | 34,000 lbs. – not to exceed 17,000 lbs. per axle | 17,000 lbs./axle. On divisible loads the gross weight of the axle grouping may not exceed 48,000 lbs. | Not to exceed 105,500 lbs. |
| 8-Ton                       | Not to exceed 16,000 lbs. | Not to exceed 16,000 lbs. per axle               | 14,000 lbs./axle. On divisible loads the gross weight of the axle grouping may not exceed 42,000 lbs. | Not to exceed 105,500 lbs. |
| 7-Ton                       | Not to exceed 14,000 lbs. | Not to exceed 14,000 lbs. per axle               | 12,000 lbs./axle. On divisible loads the gross weight of the axle grouping may not exceed 36,000 lbs. | Not to exceed 105,500 lbs. |
| 6-Ton                       | Not to exceed 12,000 lbs. | Not to exceed 12,000 lbs. per axle               | 10,000 lbs./axle. On divisible loads the gross weight of the axle grouping may not exceed 30,000 lbs. | Not to exceed 80,000 lbs.  |
| 5-Ton                       | Not to exceed 10,000 lbs. | Not to exceed 10,000 lbs. per axle               | 10,000 lbs./axle. On divisible loads the gross weight of the axle grouping may not exceed 30,000 lbs. | Not to exceed 80,000 lbs.  |