

NEWS RELEASE

DUE TO UNSEASONABLY WARM TEMPERATURES SPRING LOAD RESTRICTIONS WILL GO INTO EFFECT AS FOLLOWS:

BARAGA, HOUGHTON, and ONTONAGON COUNTIES –

8:00 a.m., Thursday, February 22, 2024

Maximum legal axle loads will be reduced to 65% of normal loads as prescribed by the Michigan Vehicle Code 257.722(e).

Examples of loads for vehicles with one steering axle are:

MAXIMUM GROSS WEIGHT

<u>Truck Type</u>	<u>Gross Weight With 13.00 Front Tires</u>
Single axle	23,400 lbs.
Tandem axle	32,500 lbs.

TRACTOR TRAILER TYPES

<u>Tractor with No. of Rear Axles</u>	<u>No. of Trailer Axles</u>	<u>Gross Weight with 13.00 Front Tires</u>
1	1	35,100 lbs.
1	2	44,200 lbs.
2	2	53,300 lbs.

GENERAL NOTES

- 1. NO INDIVIDUAL LOAD LIMIT SIGNS WILL BE POSTED ON COUNTY ROADS. SPRING WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS WILL BE ENFORCED TO THE FULLEST EXTENT OF THE LAW.**
2. Maximum allowable gross weight will decrease slightly with narrower front tires.
3. All rear axle combinations are assumed to be spaced over 3'6" but not over 9'0" center to center.
4. For examples not shown, please inquire at the Road Commission office. Baraga County at 906-524-7270, Houghton County at 906-482-3600, Keweenaw County at 906-337-1610, Ontonagon County at 906-884-2332.
5. Weight restrictions will be enforced by a certified Weighmaster and standardized truck scales seven days a week.

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