

Applicable Vehicle Weight Provisions For Interstate Highways

- 1. The gross weight imposed on the highway by the wheels of any one axle of a vehicle shall not exceed 20,000 pounds.
- 2. The gross weight imposed by the wheels of a tandem-axle of a vehicle shall not exceed 34,000 pounds.
- 3. The maximum gross vehicle weight shall be 80,000 pounds except where a lower gross vehicle weight is dictated by the bridge gross weight formula (refer to Chapter 17C, article 17, section 9 of the official code of West Virginia).
- 4. The weights identified in provisions 1,2 and 3 are inclusive of all tolerances, with the exception of a scale allowance factor when using portable scales, which shall not exceed 5 percent.
- 5. Reasonable access to or from points of loading and unloading, terminals, facilities for fuel, food, repairs and rest restricted to 2 miles or less.

Applicable Vehicle Weight Provisions For US and West Virginia State Routes

- Item 1 identified above, as well as
- 6. The maximum gross vehicle weight shall be 80,000 pounds with a tolerance of 10 percent unless a temporary or permanent restriction has been imposed.
 - 7. A single unit truck having one steering axle and two axles in tandem shall be limited to a maximum gross weight of 60,000 pounds with a tolerance of 10 percent.
 - 8. A single unit truck having one steering axle and three axles in tridem arrangement shall be limited to a maximum gross weight of 70,000 pounds with a tolerance of 10 percent.
 - 9. A tractor-semi trailer combination with five or more axles shall be limited to a maximum gross weight of 80,000 pounds with a tolerance of 10 percent.

Applicable Vehicle Weight Provisions For County Routes

- Items 1 and 7 identified above, as well as
- 10. Unless otherwise designated, the maximum gross vehicle weight shall be 65,000 pounds with a tolerance of 10 percent. Some major county routes have been designated for a maximum gross vehicle weight of 80,000 pounds with a tolerance of 10 percent, refer to individual county maps.
 - 11. For county routes designated with a maximum gross vehicle weight of 65,000 pounds plus 10 percent tolerance, the maximum gross weight of vehicle described in 8 and 9 above shall be limited to 71,500 pounds inclusive of tolerance.

The vehicle weight provisions displayed are not an exhaustive list. For additional provisions, please refer to Chapter 17C, Article17 of the official code of West Virginia on line at <http://www.legis.state.wv.us>

To view individual county maps in greater detail, go to http://www.wvdot.com/3_roadways/rp/3d5n_gvwmaps.htm

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