

SPRING WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS

The Halifax Regional Municipality has implemented regulations restricting the maximum vehicle and axle weights (as set out in Schedule "A") permitted on all HRM maintained roads NOT referenced in Schedule "B" (below).

These restrictions will be in effect from:
March 5, 2012 to April 30, 2012

SCHEDULE A

The maximum vehicle and axle weights permitted by this order are as follows:

- (A) Maximum single axle weight of 6,500 kg except single drive school and passenger buses, public utility service trucks, and fire fighting trucks;
- (B) Maximum tandem or triple axle weight of 12,000 kg. per axle grouping;
- (C) Maximum tridem or tridem equivalent axle weight of 18,000 kg per axle grouping;
- (D) Maximum gross vehicle weight of 12,000 kg for single drive school and passenger buses, public utility service trucks, and fire fighting trucks that exceed 6,500 kg on a single axle;

Exemptions are as follows:

- (a) public utility service trucks while responding to emergency situations, where an emergency situation includes the restoration of services or the establishment of new services to occupied buildings.
- (b) fire fighting trucks while responding to emergency situations, where an emergency situation includes attending actual fires, medical crises, motor vehicles accidents, and assisting in fire investigations.
- (c) trucks hauling bulk milk and solid waste (garbage haulers) are permitted to haul 80% of normal axle loads, steering axles are permitted to carry registered weight to a maximum of 6,500 kg;

these haulers must apply to Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations for a special permit for each vehicle transporting one of the above mentioned products (no cost to the carrier)

the Special Permit will come with the following conditions that must be adhered to:

- the exact route(s) to be taken must be submitted by the carrier and identified on the special permit

- the special permit must be in the vehicle at all times and must be available for presentation to a Compliance Officer
- the vehicle must be transporting one of the above mentioned products only
- the vehicle must travel only the route(s) identified on the Special Permit

For purposes of this Order, the following Definitions apply:

1. **“Single Axle”** means an axle which transfers the load carried by it approximately equally to the wheel or wheels attached to each end of the axle.
2. **“Tandem-Axle”** means an axle assembly containing two (2) consecutive axles whose centres are not less than 1.20 metres apart or greater than 1.85 metres apart,
 - 2.1 attached to the vehicle in such a manner that the load on the axle group is equalized on the two (2) axles, and
 - 2.2 equipped with brakes on both axles.
3. **“Triple-Axle”** means an axle assembly of three (3) consecutive axles with the centres of no two (2) consecutive axles less than 1.20 metres apart, and
 - 3.1 attached to the vehicle in such a manner that the load on the axle group is equalized on three (3) axles, and
 - 3.2 equipped with brakes on all three axles.
4. **“Tridem-Axle”** means an axle group of three (3) consecutive, equally spaced axles within a vehicle that does not include any liftable or self-steering axles, and that has the same number and size of tires on each axle;
 - 4.1 tridem equivalent axle means an axle group that is made up of three (3) consecutive, equally spaced axles within a vehicle and that has all lift axles lowered and the same number and size, and that has the same number and size of tires on each axle;
 - 4.2 minimum outside axle spacing from 2.40 metres to a maximum of 3.70 metres.
5. **“Gross Vehicle Weight”** means the sum of the individual axle weights of all axles of the vehicle or combination of vehicles.

SCHEDULE B

The highways outlined in the following list are exempt from Spring Weight Restrictions and regular tolerances apply.

1	WINDGATE DRIVE	FROM BEAVER BANK ROAD EASTERLY 1.2 KM .
2	BEAVER BANK ROAD	WINDGATE DRIVE TO SACKVILLE DR
3	BISSETT ROAD	COLE HARBOUR ROAD TO BISSETT LAKE ROAD
4	COBEQUID ROAD	SACKVILLE DRIVE TO ROCKY LAKE DRIVE
5	COLE HARBOUR ROAD	CALDWELL ROAD TO ROSS ROAD
6	COW BAY ROAD	MAIN ROAD TO CALDWELL ROAD
7	DUKE STREET	ROCKY LAKE DRIVE TO HIGHWAY 102
8	MAIN ROAD	BELMONT AVENUE TO COW BAY ROAD
9	ESTATES ROAD	GLENDALE AVE SOUTHERLY TO END OF PAVEMENT
10	FOREST HILLS DRIVE	MAIN STREET TO COLE HARBOUR ROAD
11	GLENDALE AVENUE	COBEQUID ROAD TO HIGHWAY 102
12	HAMMONDS PLAINS RD	KEARNEY LAKE ROAD TO HIGHWAY 103
13	LAKE MAJOR ROAD	IN TOTAL
14	LUCASVILLE ROAD	SACKVILLE DRIVE TO HEFLER'S MILL
15	ROCKY LAKE DRIVE	DUKE STREET TO HIGHWAY 2
16	SACKVILLE DRIVE	HIGHWAY 102 TO PATTON ROAD IN UPPER SACKVILLE
17	ST. MARGARET'S BAY RD	PROSPECT ROAD TO HIGHWAY 103, EXIT 4 IN TIMBERLEA
18	HIGHWAY 2	ROCKY LAKE DRIVE TO SUNNYLEA ROAD IN WELLINGTON
19	MAIN STREET	RIDGECREST DRIVE TO LITTLE SALMON RIVER BRIDGE
20	HERRING COVE ROAD	OLD HALIFAX CITY BOUNDARY TO HERRING COVE
21	EVERGREEN PLACE	IN TOTAL
22	WINDSOR JUNCTION RD	400 METRES NORTH FROM COBEQUID ROAD
23	ALL STREETS	IN THE FORMER CITY OF HALIFAX, DARTMOUTH AND TOWN OF BEDFORD