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Transporting Oversized Sprayers

This bulletin contains important information for persons moving high clearance sprayers on semitrailers and the use of the trailer when not carrying the sprayer.

Modified Sprayer Trailers

What is a modified trailer for a high clearance sprayer?

- Modified trailers are semi trailers or trailers that have been changed to add extensions to the sides of the trailer to increase the width.

How wide can my modified trailer be for use on provincial highways?

- These trailers can be a maximum of 3.7 m wide for annual permits.
- Trailers more than 3.7 m wide are only eligible for single trip permits.

Do I need a permit if I am only travelling on municipal roads?

- No. When travelling during the day, and solely on municipal roads, over-dimension permits are not required.

Why can my modified trailer only be 3.7 m wide for annual permits?

- The maximum width of these kinds of trailers is set at 3.7 m because the outlines of this type of equipment on these trailers are not clearly visible in reduced light. Most provincial highway lanes are approximately 3.7 m wide so trailers will not protrude into other lanes at this width. In the interest of highway safety, the width for general use is restricted.

What if my modified trailer is not more than 3.7 m wide, but the sprayer is?

- If the high clearance sprayer is wider than 3.7 m, a separate over-width permit is required. Annual permits for loaded farm equipment are available up to 6.1 m wide.

What does a loaded farm equipment term permit cover?

- Both the sprayer and trailer are covered by this type of permit when moved together. The only time the trailer permit is needed without the loaded farm equipment term permit is if the trailer is moved empty.

Do I need to mark the extremities if the sprayer is wider than the modified trailer?

- Yes. Loaded farm equipment must be marked the same as any other overwidth load. If the sprayer has a side overhang of over 300 mm, the extremities must be marked.

What should I mark the side overhang with?

- During the day, the extremities must be marked by flags
- At night, the extremities must be marked at the front corners with amber lights, and at the back corners with red lights.

Am I allowed to haul anything other than a high clearance sprayer with a modified trailer?

- If a trailer is modified and is over 3.7 m wide, it is not allowed to be used for anything other than picking up, or transporting the sprayer. However, chemical and water may be hauled in conjunction with the sprayer, just not separately.

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Why can't I haul anything else with this kind of trailer?

- When trailers are modified from original manufacturer specifications, a host of physical changes and vehicle dynamic changes take place. Limits are set by policy to protect the general public and other highway users.

What if I have a trailer specifically manufactured and designed for sprayer transport and it has not been modified?

- If you have an un-modified trailer made for sprayer transport, different rules apply. Please refer to the section below.

Manufactured Sprayer Trailers

What is a manufactured sprayer trailer?

- It is an oversized trailer that is manufactured larger than regulation, and is primarily designed to carry sprayers.

How wide can my manufactured sprayer trailer be?

- They can be a maximum of 4.27 m for annual permits. If the sprayer extends beyond the extremities of the trailer, a separate permit is required for it.
- Single trip permits are available for trailers wider than 4.27 m.

Do I need to mark the extremities if the sprayer is wider than the manufactured trailer?

- Yes. If the sprayer has a side overhang of over 300 mm, the extremities must be marked.

What should I mark the side overhang with?

- During the day, the extremities must be marked by flags.
- At night, the extremities must be marked at the front corners with amber lights, and at the back corners with red lights.

How long can my manufactured sprayer trailer be?

- The maximum length of these trailers is limited to 16.2 m length.

Where can I get more information?

- Contact the SGI Permit Office at
 - o 306-775-6969 outside of Saskatchewan or,
 - o 1-800-667-7575 in Saskatchewan, or
- The Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure at 306-787-5307.