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DEFINITION

Farm Equipment and Machinery – Loaded is defined as equipment designed for and used in a farming operation that is loaded on another vehicle for transport on a provincial highway.

Farm equipment that is partially loaded and partially running on its own wheels on the highway is deemed to be towed farm equipment as per Policy Number W & D AM 505.

PERMIT AVAILABILITY

Permits are only issued for non-divisible loads. Non-divisible loads are defined as those loads that cannot reasonably be dismantled or loaded to meet legal requirements.

Annual and single trip permits are available. Single trip permits may be issued to exceed annual permit limits (See Table A under Permit Limits).

PERMIT LIMITS

TABLE A – Permit Limits for Non-Divisible Loads			
Dimension	Single Trip	Annual	
Maximum Width	Unlimited, with the exception that	6.1 m	
	loads or vehicles exceeding 7.3 m (24')		
	are subject to route approval.		
Maximum Height	Unlimited, subject to clearance of	5.18 m	
	vertical structures and utilities.		

PERMIT CONDITIONS AND TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS The load marking and travel restrictions outlined in Policy Number W & D AM 901 apply with the following special allowances:

TABLE B – Escort Vehicle Requirements		
Situation	Requirement	
Travel between sunrise and sunset.	 For width up to 5.12 m (16.8 ft), no escort vehicles are required. For width exceeding 5.12 m (16.8 ft): on a two-lane highway requires one front escort vehicle; and on a multi-lane highway requires one rear escort vehicle. Escort vehicles must comply with either Policy Number W & D AM 801 Escort Vehicle Equipment Specifications or Policy Number W & D AM 802 Farm Escort Vehicle Equipment Specifications. 	
Travel between sunset and sunrise.	Maximum width for travel is 5.12 m (16.8 ft) with the following conditions: up to 3.85 m wide (12.6 ft) no escort	

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vehicles are required;

- o width greater than 3.85 m (12.6 ft) and up to 5.12 m (16.8 ft):
 - on two-lane highway requires front and rear regulation escort vehicles; and
 - on multi-lane highway requires one rear regulation escort vehicle.
- Escort vehicles must comply with the specifications listed in Policy Number W & D AM 801.

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