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Size Laws

Vehicle length laws apply. (KSA 8-1904)

Bales of Hay may be loaded to 12' wide and round bales may be 14 ½' high on KS & US highways without oversize permit; but must have an OVERSIZE LOAD sign and flags at all corners. (KSA 8-1902(d)(2), (d)(3) & 8-1904)

Two combine headers may exceed 8 ½' wide, but not on Interstate highways and not at night. (KSA 8-1902(e))

Any **load extending 4 feet or more** beyond the rear of a vehicle must be flagged during the day and illuminate with red lamps at night. (8-1715)

Weight Laws

Farm vehicles are subject to all Kansas weight laws. (KSA 8-1908 & 8-1909)

- 10,000 lbs max on any wheel
- 20,000 lbs max on any single axle
- 34,000 lbs max on any tandem axle
- 80,000 lbs max gross on Interstate hwy's.
- 85,500 lbs max on KS & US hwy's.
- 90,000 lbs with Annual Divisible Load Permit (8-1919)

Anhydrous Ammonia

KAR 4-10-7 (c) Each implement of husbandry (nurse tank) used for transportation shall:

(1) Be securely attached to the pulling vehicle by use of a hitch pin or ball of proper size for the weight pulled, and shall be supplemented by two welded safety chains. Links of the safety chains shall be made of steel and shall have a breaking strength that exceeds the gross weight of the implement to which the chains are attached;

(2) be constructed, maintained, and utilized so as to follow in the path of the pulling vehicle without swerving;

(3) be pulled at a speed that is reason-able and safe;

(4) not be parked on any public street or other thoroughfare except in an emergency; and

(5) be equipped with at least five gallons of un-frozen and readily accessible water during the transport, transfer, or use of anhydrous ammonia, for use if exposure to anhydrous ammonia occurs.

(d) When any implement of husbandry is pulled on a public roadway, the following requirements shall be met:

(1) Each implement of husbandry with a capacity greater than 1,000 gallons shall be pulled as a single unit.

(2) When two implements of husbandry are pulled, the total capacity pulled shall be limited to not more than 2,000 gallons.

(3) No more than two implements of husbandry shall be pulled at the same time by the pulling vehicle.



Intrastate Farming Operations



Operation wholly within Kansas

Oversize Permits

Oversize permits are not required to operate or move farm tractors, implements of husbandry or farm machinery upon KS or US highways, but are required for oversize movement on Interstate highways. (KSA 8-1911)

Vehicles operating under the provisions of a permit shall not operate during the time period between 30 minutes after sunset to 30 minutes before sunrise, unless specifically authorized under another statute or regulation; nor under conditions where visibility is less than 1/2 mile; or when highway surfaces have ice or snow pack or drifting snow. (KSA 8-1911(m))

K.A.R. 36-1-36(p) Visibility. Oversize or overweight loads shall not be transported when visibility is less than one-half mile, or when conditions of moderate to heavy rain, sleet, snow, fog, or smoke exist, or when highway surfaces are slippery due to ice, packed snow, or rain.

Warning Signs and Flags

Two (2) **OVERSIZE LOAD** signs (one front, one rear) are required when moving loads that require oversize load permits. (KAR 36-1-36)

OVERSIZE LOAD sign means a yellow sign with black letters having minimum dimensions of 7 feet long and 18 inches high. The letters “**OVERSIZE LOAD**” shall be visible on the face of the sign and shall be a

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations

49 C.F.R. parts 390-399; including but not limited to Log Book (ELD), Medical Examiner's Certificate, Emergency Equipment, Vehicle Parts and Accessories, and Federal Securement Requirements **do not apply** to the following, while engaged in the carriage of **intrastate** commerce:

(1) The owner of livestock or producer of farm products transporting livestock of such owner or farm products of such producer to market in a motor vehicle of such owner or producer, or the motor vehicle of a neighbor on the basis of barter or exchange for service or employment, or to such owner or producer transporting supplies for the use of such owner or producer in or producer, or in the motor vehicle of a neighbor on the basis of barter or exchange for service or employment. (KSA 66-1,129(c))

IFTA - International Fuel Tax Agreement

only applies if you cross state line into an adjoining state. (KSA 79-34,108(c))

Hazardous Materials

Intrastate farmers transporting hazardous materials, as defined, are subject to the hazardous materials regulations in accordance with 49 CFR 173.5.

minimum of 10 inches high, with a brush stroke of not less than 1 2/5 inches. The sign shall be readily visible from a distance of 500 feet. (KSA 8-1911(l))

Red or Orange Flags shall be placed to show the extreme points of the oversize load. Fluorescent red or orange flags measuring 18 inches square are recommended. 12 inches square is the minimum dimension. (KAR 36-1-36)

Driver's License

8-2,127: Vehicles exempt from CDL.

(a) Farm vehicles, defined as follows:

(1) Registered as a farm truck or truck tractor under KSA 8-143

(2) Used to transport either agricultural products, farm machinery, farm supplies, or both to or from a farm;

(3) not used in the operation of a common motor carrier (for hire); and

(4) used either:

(A) In intrastate commerce; or

(B) in interstate commerce within 150 air miles of any farm or farms owned or leased by the registered owner of such farm vehicle.

* A farm registered truck tractor/semi-trailer combination requires a **CLASS A** driver's license. It can be either non-commercial or a CDL. (KSA 8-234b(a)(4))

* Any farm registered truck and truck/trailer combinations require only a **CLASS C** driver's license. It can be either non-commercial or CDL. (KSA 8-234b(a)(6))

Helpful Websites:

- Kansas Corporation Commission – Trans. Div.: www.kcc.ks.gov/transportation
- Kansas Dept. of Revenue: www.ksrevenue.org
- Trucking Through KS : www.truckingks.org
- Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration: www.fmcsa.dot.gov
- Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration: www.phmsa.dot.gov
- Kansas Statutes Annotated: www.kscofplaw.com/thelawpage.htm
- Kansas Administrative Regulations : www.kssos.org/pubs/pubs_kar.aspx