

Summary of Laws Pertaining to Snow Removal from Vehicle Roofs - Canada*

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Federal and Provincial Laws
That Could Apply

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	Provincial Laws for Vehicle Weight, Height, Securing Loads, and or Safe Operation	Legislation Proposed since 2010	Specific Laws and Guidance Governing Snow Removal from Commercial Vehicles
Alberta	✓		AB Government Snow and Ice on Commercial Vehicles Bulletin (2016)
British Columbia	✓		Shift Into Winter guidance
Manitoba	✓		
New Brunswick	✓		
Newfoundland	✓		✓ Highway Traffic Act, s. 155(c)✓ Highway Traffic Act, s. 163(3)
Northwest Territory	✓		
Nova Scotia	✓		✓ s.303 of Motor Vehicle Act (NS Reg 156/2021)-s14(1)(2)
Nunavut	✓		
Ontario	✓	✓	
Prince Edward Island	✓		
Quebec	✓		✓ Highway Safety Code (c-24.2) 498.1
Saskatchewan	✓		
Yukon Territory	✓		

^{*} Information herein is provided as a general reference. Additional enforcement may occur locally or on specific highways. It is your responsibility to understand all applicable current and pending legislation and to consult with local jurisdictions in travel routes for the most up-to-date information.

Notes:

- Canada motor vehicle transportation laws related to securing loads and vehicle weights and dimensions fall within the exclusive jurisdiction of provinces and territories.
- Transport Canada sets rules and regulations relating to the safe operation of federally-regulated (extra-provincial) motor carriers and commercial vehicle drivers (Motor Vehicle Transport Act, RSC 1986 c29). However, there is nothing applicable to the regulation of unsecured loads, maximum gross vehicle weights, and/or maximum vehicle heights.

