



What does this sign mean? Have 2008-09 legislative changes changed the need to post 9 ton routes?

Many of these signs were placed prior to recent legislative changes and were placed to require 73,280 pounds on the normal 5 axle semi configurations. Recent legislation eliminated the 73,280 law and now it's possible on any road, to transport up to 80,000 pounds as long as the "axle" weights are not in violation. Statute 169.824 Sub 2.

Do you wish to regulate single axle loads (axles spaced 40 inches or less) to 18,000 pounds instead of 20,000 pounds? Statute 169.823 Sub 2 (2)

Do you wish to regulate wheel weight (single tires or duals) to 9,000 pounds instead of 10,000 pounds? Statute 169.823 Sub 2 (1)

Do you wish to regulate axle (not gross) weight increases given by permit? (examples are timber, harvest, milk, which would be authorized more axle weights under the permit) Statutes 169.8261, 169.826 Sub 1 (a), 169.867 (new 2010 milk truck increases)

Do you wish to restrict normal axle weight increases during the winter load increase? Statute 169.826 Sub 4.

The above are examples of the impact of a 9 ton restricted sign.

A normal 5 axle semi consisting of a steering axle and two tandems (spaced 51 feet) does not violate any 9-ton axle weight.

The majority of trucks who have axle groups are not in violation of a 9-ton road limit sign.

There are 6 axle timber trucks which haul 90,000 pounds without violating a 9-ton axle weight limit.

The new raw or unprocessed agricultural permits which allow, by permit, weights up to 97,000 pounds, require compliance of the new 2010 axle weight chart (which is 9-ton).

Without the former 73,280 gross weight on 5 axles, and short of a single axle, single wheel, or bridge weight issue, are the signs meeting your needs?