

Safe Trailer Loading

It's important to load your trailer correctly and safely - here are some simple tips to help.

1.

The size of your load should be appropriate for the trailer size, if possible it should be completely enclosed within the trailer.



2.

If your load must extend outside the trailer dimensions - it must not extend more than 150mm over the trailer's width each side or be more than 2.5m total overall width.



3.

The overall length of vehicle and trailer can not be more than 19 metres. If your load extends more than 1.2 metres behind the trailer you must have a red or yellow flag 450mm square attached to the end of the load and clearly visible.



4.

Your load should be kept as low as possible and the weight as close as possible to the axle or axles, with about 70% of the weight forward of the trailer axle.



5.

When using a car trailer, the car must be loaded with the engine at the front of the trailer.



6.

Suitable tie down straps or chains should be used to secure the load ensuring it is kept within the confines of the trailer.

