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What is a Super Load or Specialized Transport?

Super loads are generally larger (over dimensional) or heavier than standard legal limits set by a state for oversized and overweight cargo. They can weigh over 500 tons with lengths more than double a standard flatbed trailer.

These types of freight require specifically equipped trailers or trailers especially designed and configured for a unique piece of equipment such as a wind energy blade. There are more than half a million trucking companies in the US, but fewer than 10,000 can handle specialized transport and super heavy freight.



Streamline and FreightMonster have more than twenty years of experience and have formed reliable, quality, nationwide partnerships throughout the heavy haul, super load, and specialized transport trucking sectors. FreightMonster has these trucking companies at our fingertips to get you competitive pricing and get the job done successfully.

Is it a super load?

Each state determines whether freight is classified as oversized, overweight, or super. In general, when the dimensions or weight don't fit into their legal size and weight specification, the freight is considered a super load or special permit load.

Complicated state regulations

What makes it even more complicated is that each state has different rules dictated by terrain, condition of roadways, bridges, the actual route, and public safety. These types of cargo require extra scrutiny by engineers who use federal or state formulas for bridges using width, height, and axles on the trailer: number, type, spacing and weight on each axle.

States in Mexico and Canada have permit processes similar to US states.

Every state and type of road traveled may need a separate permit and engineering review. **See below**



Who needs super loads moved?

Typical industries that use super load trucking:

- Aerospace
- Agricultural Equipment
- Construction Equipment
- Energy Generation Equipment
- Highway and Road building
- Mining Equipment
- Oil and Gas Production Modules
- Storage Tanks
- Wind Energy Generation



Trailers used for super loads and specialized transport

Moving over-sized and over-weight cargo requires different types of trailers depending upon the shape, size, and weight of the cargo.

RGN

The removable gooseneck trailer is versatile and is often used for heavy equipment. It has a low deck to accommodate tall loads. The gooseneck can be removed so the front rests on the ground to make it easy to drive equipment onto the deck.

Lowboy or Double Drop

A lowboy or double drop has a lower deck or well, like the RGN, which allows it to haul tall items up to 12 feet. These trailers have ramps for loading from the back.

Multi axle

Each additional axle on a trailer makes it possible to haul additional weight. This is important for very heavy loads. They may have flip axles to reduce the trailer length when not in use.

Spread

Spread means making the decks longer so longer freight can fit in the well. The well on a double drop or RGN is most commonly 29'. The extension makes the well or decks longer as the chassis lengthens on the trailer.

Extendable

Typically, extendable trailers make more options possible than fixed frame trailers. They can extend either width wise to support a wider item or lengthwise to support a single item over its full length.

Suspension Beam Trailer

These are trailers that have beams instead of a wide deck, so a machine's undercarriage can rest on the beams. This could lower the overall height of wheeled, footed, or tracked equipment. Beamed trailers are designed in varying widths with the ability to distribute weight in order to haul up to one million pounds. They may have a fixed or removable gooseneck. These are rated by pounds per axle.



“A beam trailer is a way to reduce your gross weight as well. Since it is only a pair of beams you don't have the sides, you don't have the wood, flooring, you don't have a lot of things adding weight to your combination.” Russ Losh of Talbert Manufacturing quoted in The Right Trailer for the Job by David Godkin <https://www.on-sitemag.com/features/the-right-trailer-for-the-job/>

photo from Rogers Trailers

<http://www.rogerstrailers.com/contact/glossary/i-beam-deck>

Specialized

This term refers to trailers built to accommodate specific types of cargo such as Schnabel trailers are used to suspend long single large diameter pipe or towers. Perimeter trailers which are suspended from other trailers and custom trailers are designed for a specific item.



Advanced planning is always required

Streamline and FreightMonster dispatchers will take care of your super load or specialized transport. Our online logistics process is transparent throughout the freight move. Planning your move is where our dispatchers shine. They handle negotiations on your behalf and strategically prearrange for your benefit:

- competitive pricing
- qualified experienced drivers
- the right trailer for the cargo
- permits

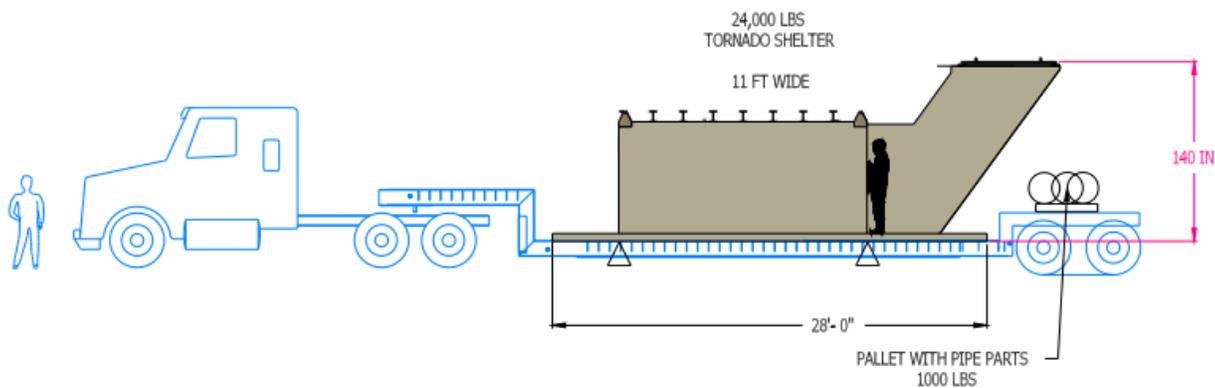
- trained escorts
- route surveys
- cranes and other load and unload services
- coordination with other services and utilities during transport
- consistent communication

Our dispatch service makes sure your cargo gets moving, is delivered safely, and keeps you informed.

Dispatch overcomes the many obstacles and coordinates the time-consuming details. We negotiate a fair package price for you. Your personal dispatcher will maintain contact with notifications and updates at least daily.

Permits

Obtaining a permit may require a detailed sketch of the vehicles, off-tracking (turning radius of truck vs trailer), tire and tread sizes, axle spacings, axle weights, and overall dimensions of the vehicle and cargo. Permits are issued on a per trip basis and are valid for a specific number of days to accomplish the move.



There may be requirements specific to each move such as supervised, certified weight. Because of engineering reviews, a permit may take up to two weeks to issue. If the super load travels on mountainous terrain or non-state-maintained roads, then additional delays for engineering review and route surveys may be required.

In most states, the load must be reduced – divided into its smallest and lightest possible parts. When no longer reducible, and still outside legal limits, a super load or special transport permit is needed. For more information, [see our state permits and contact the state agency.](#)

Pilot cars and other escorts

Over dimensional freight means traffic will be impeded during transport, either taking up multiple lanes or needing more turning radius for long cargo. Extra escorts including both civilian pilot cars and law enforcement are required to scout along the route ahead of and behind the cargo. Flagmen are needed to direct traffic. One or more tow trucks may be required during inclement weather. For more about pilot cars read [Why do heavy haul freight and oversized loads need pilot cars?](#)

Route Survey

A route survey is almost always required, sometimes scheduled by the state and other times by the shipper or carrier and submitted to the state. This will cost between \$2,000 and \$5,000, usually based on per mile of the route and the time to assess and prepare a report.

The result of the route survey documents what types of over-the-road conditions exist. These conditions include road restrictions, obstructions and construction, bridges, tunnels, and traffic. These circumstances and limitations determine what measures must be taken to safely move the cargo. For instance, state regulations and specific routes may require a

height pole, multiple civilian and police escorts, bridge shoring, and coordination with utilities for traffic signals and overhead wires.

Other considerations that may apply include whether there are truck refueling stations that can manage a long trailer with space to maneuver and parking areas for drivers to pull over and rest. When you have a super long load, the radius of a freeway exit may be problematic. Or the total incline of the road may make it difficult to manage an underpass without scraping.

Insurance

Specialized transport and super loads mean expensive cargo. We can obtain spike insurance on top of the cargo insurance limits to fully cover the value of your freight. You can be the direct policy holder.

Other Super load add-on charges

Our dispatchers will coordinate cranes and other loading / unloading requirements to reduce the chances of expensive missed appointments and detention time. Communication is key to successful deliveries. Dispatch will step in to strategize and mediate to save costs. We are dedicated to serving our customers while using our deep understanding of super heavy haul trucking to prevent unnecessary charges.

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FreightMonster Solutions

FreightMonster offers a wide variety of freight solutions from heavy haul trucking to ocean shipping, we can do it all. Check out our [trailer equipment guide](#) for the best solution to fit your needs.

We have offices nationwide and more than forty dispatchers to make sure your loads are handled in the most efficient and cost effective manner.

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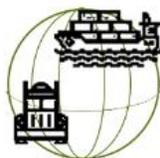
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- [Less than Truckload](#)
- [Power Only](#)
- [Ocean Freight](#)
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Temperature controlled trailers are the most common option for delivering perishable goods.

Temperature controlled trailers are often called refrigerated vans or reefers. They have a large climate control unit mounted on the front of the trailer. This unit has its own fuel supply for power to the climate control. Trailers use partitions for zoned temperature control.

Our experienced team understands the needs and requirements of temperature controlled (or cold chain) freight transportation. Temperature control means freeze protection as well as keeping cool.

Some examples of temperature controlled loads:

Frozen products
Produce
Manufactured food products
Chocolate, Miso
Flams, Trees, Flowers
Beer, wine, and other liquids

Liquid chemicals
Hazardous materials
Medical and health related products
Pharmaceuticals



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Temperature controlled trucking has more variables than you might think.

We have moved thousands of these loads since we started over 20 years ago and will guide you to the best freight options for your product.

Lumper Fees

Lumpers provide a service loading and unloading trucks at the dock, especially important for produce that would suffer loss of quality if not transferred quickly to warehouse temperature controlled spaces. Generally, they are third party contract labor provided by the shipping/receiving party. The driver checks in at the shipper/receiver desk and is assigned a door and lumper. While unloading, lumpers will "break down" or segregate the product according to the warehouse's storage needs.

Normally the lumper fee is paid by the trucker on the spot, and then reimbursed. In some cases, the driver must be prepared to load/unload the truck or to negotiate the lumper fee.

Case Count

Drivers need to be sure the case count is correct and may double check so the bill of lading is correct for delivery.



Product Expiration Dates

Everyone, including drivers, need to understand the expiration code dates for products being transported.

Quality control

Drivers may check the product itself to make sure it is in good condition before they accept the load and again upon delivery. The product should already be at maintenance temperature when loaded since these trailers are intended to maintain, not reduce, the cargo temperature during transport.

Pallets

Some warehouses and shippers require that the carrier bring pallets to exchange when the load is picked up.

Temperature Updates

Shippers may want automatic temperature updates during transit by text or email to ensure their product is maintained within the temperature range required. Some products must be transported within a specific range of relative humidity as well as temperature.

Clean Trailers

Trailers must be clean and follow best practices for sanitary transportation and clean-up between loads. This prevents cross-contamination. The [Food Safety Modernization Act \(FSMA\)](#) provides guidelines for human and animal food.

Trailer Sizes

Standard trailers are 48' or 53'. A high cube trailer allows product or pallets to stack higher in the trailer depending on product weight. [See more details about refrigerated trailers.](#)

Seals

Many shippers seal the trailer so the cargo isn't tampered with or stolen. No one has access to your freight after the seal is attached.

"... seals can help to detect theft or contamination, either accidental or deliberate. Security seals are commonly used to secure truck trailers ... providing tamper evidence of intrusion into sensitive spaces." -[Wikipedia, security seals](#)



Our specialists double and triple check all details well in advance. They have excellent communication skills and know which questions to ask.

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FreightMonster Heavy Haul Freight Shipping Solutions

FreightMonster has moved heavy haul freight for over 20 years.

We move thousands of heavy haul loads every year. We know what it takes to get the job done right, on time every time!

Heavy haul carriers move items that don't fit on standard flatbed trailers. That's why, we commonly call this type of freight over-size, over-dimensional, or over-weight. So, when you choose a heavy haul freight solution, it is important to select a carrier experienced in heavy haul freight.



Heavy Equipment Shipping Information

Special shipping methods come into play for heavy equipment because of the size and weight. Always use a professional hauler that meets the conditions for shipping heavy industrial and farm equipment. This ensures safe and quick hauling.

- **Detailed measurements:** The first step to shipping heavy equipment is accurate dimensions and weight. This information helps determine if special attention is needed.
- **Options:** Next, select the most appropriate trailer or combination of shipping options. Heavy Equipment can be transported on any number of [standard trailers](#) or may require a [custom-built trailer or Specialized Solution](#). It is important for you and a freight specialist to carefully research your options. Then, the best choice to fit your needs is arranged.
- **Accurate quote:** Then, your freight specialist will give you a very accurate quote with this customized information.

Note: For more information on how to find sizes and weight of your equipment, please check your owner's manual or an online site such as [FreightSpecs.com](#).

Permits

When you use FreightMonster, you can be sure our specialists know what's needed for traveling safely and legally through states, counties, cities, and other regional groups. For instance, they plan for pilot vehicles, escorts, signage, and permits.

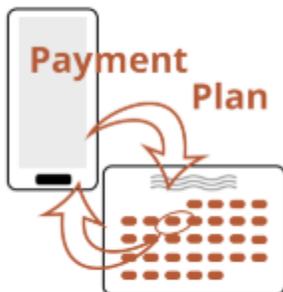
In addition, see our summary of [State Permits](#) for more information about shipping rules for over-sized or over-weight loads. Links are included to each state's official site for details.



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