

Picking Up Bulk Materials Checklist

- Determine how much your vehicle is rated to tow. Tare weight is the weight of an empty vehicle or trailer. By subtracting it from the gross weight (laden weight), the weight of the goods carried (the net weight) may be determined. Most full size half ton 1500 series trucks can carry a cubic yard of rock or sand which weighs about 2600 pounds.
- Check tire pressure for proper inflation.
- Bring a tarp that will cover your truck bed or trailer. It should be large enough to fold over your load or tailgate, and secure with bungee ties and tie down straps. Don't Overload. Keep material level with truck bed or trailer unless tied down, or tarped.
- Check and seal the gap between the bed and tailgate to keep material from leaking out. Materials below the truck bed should also be secured if there's any chance of them blowing out or falling from the vehicle.
- Water is available to wet down your load, this helps the fine light materials like compost and woodchips from blowing out while traveling.
- Double-Check: Make sure your load is secure at the back and on the sides and top.
- Ask Yourself: Is there any chance of debris falling or blowing out of my vehicle? Would I feel safe if I were driving behind MY vehicle?
- Children **MUST** remain in vehicle at all times while in the stockyard for safety.