

**Chap. 736** AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PERMISSIBLE LOAD LIMITS OF CERTAIN MOTOR VEHICLES USING THE PUBLIC WAYS.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

G. L. (Ter. Ed.), 90, § 19A, etc., amended.  
 Certain motor vehicles exempt from permit to travel upon public ways.

Section 19A of chapter 90 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the first paragraph, as appearing in section 1 of chapter 397 of the acts of 1946, and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph: — Any provision of section thirty of chapter eighty-five to the contrary notwithstanding, a motor vehicle having two axles, which vehicle with its load weighs not more than twenty-three tons, and a semi-trailer unit or a motor vehicle having three or more axles, which unit or vehicle with its load weighs not more than thirty tons, may travel on a public way without a permit as required by said section thirty; provided, that no such motor vehicle or semi-trailer unit, the weight on any axle of which, measured at the ground, exceeds twenty-two thousand four hundred pounds, or, in case of axles spaced less than six feet apart, eighteen thousand pounds, shall so travel without such a permit; and provided further that the gross weight of any such vehicle together with its load expressed in pounds shall not exceed that shown on the following table without such a permit: — (Table is based on the formula  $W = 1,000 (L + 25)$  where L equals distance in feet between axles and W equals maximum gross weight in pounds.)

DISTANCE IN FEET BETWEEN THE FIRST AND LAST AXLES OF A MOTOR VEHICLE OR SEMI-TRAILER UNIT (L)	MAXIMUM GROSS WEIGHT IN POUNDS (W)
7	32,000
8	33,000
9	34,000
10	35,000
11	36,000
12	37,000
13	38,000
14	39,000
15	40,000
16	41,000
17	42,000
18	43,000
19	44,000
20	45,000
21	46,000
22	47,000
23	48,000
24	49,000
25	50,000
26	51,000
27	52,000
28	53,000
29	54,000
30	55,000
31	56,000
32	57,000
33	58,000
34	59,000
35 or over	60,000

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