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**CONTAINER WEIGHT
LIMITS AUSTRALIA**

Container Weight Limitations Australia

Please find below a guide to container weight limits within Australia. Please note that Government legislation requires that all freight forwarders declare the combined container and cargo weight to their road carriers. Incorrect weight declarations can result in large fines and in severe cases criminal prosecution.

Please ensure your export departments are aware of these weight limitations when shipping containers to Australia and advise shippers where necessary.

If you are unsure of any requirements or at any time require further clarification, please contact your Customer Champion for more details.

The below mentioned maximum cargo weight per City/State provided is based on below mentioned container tare weights.

20GP 2.2T
40GP 4.2T
40HQ 4.4T

Weight Limitations - Sydney/New South Wales

Maximum loaded weight of container for road transport in New South Wales is;

Standard Trailer 27T.

Therefore, max cargo weight:

- 24.7T per 20ftGP
- 22.8T per 40ft GP
- 22.6T per 40ft HC

Sideloader 21.5T

Therefore, max cargo weight:

- 19.3T per 20ftGP
- 17.3T per 40ft GP
- 17.1T per 40ft HC

Weight Limitations - Brisbane/Queensland

Maximum loaded weight of container for road transport in Queensland is;

Standard Trailer 28T.

Therefore, max cargo weight:

- 24.7T per 20ftGP
- 22.8T per 40ft GP
- 22.6T per 40ft HC
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Sideloader 23T.

Therefore, max cargo weight:

- 20.8T per 20ftGP
- 18.8T per 40ft GP
- 18.6T per 40ft HC

Weight Limitations - Fremantle/Western Australia

Maximum loaded weight of container for road transport in Western Australia is

Standard Trailer 28T.

Therefore, max cargo weight:

- 24.7T per 20ftGP
- 22.8T per 40ft GP
- 22.6T per 40ft HC
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Sideloader 23T.

Therefore, max cargo weight:

- 20.8T per 20ftGP
- 18.8T per 40ft GP
- 18.6T per 40ft HC

Weight Limitations - Melbourne/Victoria

Maximum loaded weight of container for road transport in Victoria is;

Standard Trailer 27T.

Therefore, max cargo weight:

- 24.7T per 20ft GP
- 22.8T per 40ft GP
- 22.6T per 40ft HC
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Sideloader 22.5T.

Therefore, max cargo weight:

- 20.3T per 20ft GP
- 18.3T per 40ft GP
- 18.1T per 40ft HC

PLEASE NOTE: Containers with weights exceeding the above limits require special arrangement either by;

- Tag Delivery/Overweight Surcharge
- Heavy Mass Equipment and Permits
- Unpack at CFS

Should your container weight exceed the above general guide, check with your Customer Service Operator for further information.

Please also take note that the above weights have been compiled based on Whale Logistics transport carriers. Other transport carriers rules vary and may differ depending on equipment used.