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Frost Laws – Friend of the road?

As I hope that all of you have noticed, the local counties have gone through and hung the signs titled "Seasonal Weight Restrictions". These are the signs informing us of frost laws.





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Frost laws are designed to help save our roads. As the frost is coming out of the ground, running the heavy vehicles that are allowed here in Michigan really does a number on our roads. To help protect our roads from some of the damage, the counties reduce the weight that vehicles can carry. The county road

association has a website set up to let you know when these go into effect and come off in each county. Here is a link: http://www.micountyroads.org/weight.php

In addition this website has links that will allow you to determine what your individual truck can carry.

It is also important to notice, that frost laws do not apply to just the overall weight of the vehicle, but also the speed at which the vehicle can travel down those roads. So make sure that you are careful. Your truck may be under-weight and under the posted speed limit, but if you are over the seasonal speed limit you can be pulled over.