


1973 Chevrolet Trailerling Guide.



Building a better way to see the U.S.A.

 Chevrolet

Hitch up to Chevrolet.

No wonder more and more people are taking to Chevrolet trailering. For them there's no better way to see the U.S.A. And they don't have to leave the comforts of home at home, either. So whether you're about to buy your first trailer or an old hand, take the time to read this guide thoroughly. It can help put a lot more pleasure into your trailering.

How to select enough car or truck to pull your trailer.

Properly equipped, 1973 Chevrolet Caprice, Impala and Bel Air passenger cars and some truck models can pull trailers weighing up to 7,000 pounds.

And here's a bonus for you. All Chevrolets and Chevilles, including wagons, come with most holes pre-punched in the frame. This makes it quick and easy for your Chevy dealer to install a special load distributing hitch platform.

Moreover, Chevrolet engineers recommend the minimum equipment that will allow you to tow at legal speeds on Interstate highways all over the country.

Trailer Towing Cautions and Considerations

Brakes: Trailer brakes are required on trailers over 1,000 pounds loaded weight. If a trailer brake is to be used with your 1973 Chevrolet, make sure you follow the recommendations of the trailer brake manufacturer for installation of the components required for trailer brake actuation and balance. Do not tap into the towing vehicle's hydraulic brake system if operation of the trailer brake system requires more than 0.02 cubic inch of fluid displacement from vehicle's master cylinder. The vehicle's master cylinder fluid capacity will not be sufficient to operate both car or truck and trailer brakes under all conditions of use if more than 0.02 cubic inch of fluid displacement is required. All hydraulic components must be capable of withstanding 3,000 psi.

The hydraulic connection must be made to the rear outlet of the brake master cylinder before the brake combination valve. Copper tubing is subject to fatigue failure and must not be used in such connections.

Hitches: Trailers under 2,000 lbs. loaded weight can be pulled with Chevrolet's ball frame hitch. For hauling trailers heavier than 2,000 lbs. loaded weight, a frame-mounted load distributing hitch with sway control of sufficient capacity must be used. Do not use axle-mounted hitches. They can cause damage to the axle housing, wheel bearings, wheels or tires.

To assist in attaining good handling of the car-trailer combination, it is important that the trailer tongue load be maintained at approximately 10% of the loaded trailer weight. Tongue loads can be adjusted by proper distribution of the load in the trailer, and can be checked by weighing separately the loaded trailer and then the tongue.

Whenever a trailer hitch is removed, be certain to have any mounting holes in the underbody properly sealed to prevent possible entry of exhaust fumes, dirt or water.

Tires: The tires furnished with 1973 Chevrolet passenger cars and specified for trucks are qualified for trailer towing. When towing trailers, tires should be inflated to the "standard inflation pressure." NOTE: Refer to placard affixed to left door on cars (or left door pillar on trucks). The allowable passenger and cargo load shown on the placard is reduced by an amount equal to the tongue load on the trailer hitch.

Break-In Schedule: In addition to the new car or truck break-in instructions in the Owner's Manual, it is recommended that new vehicles be operated for 500 miles before trailer towing. If it is necessary to tow during this period, avoid speed over 50 mph and full throttle starts. For vehicles already in use, the above precautions should be observed whenever a new engine, transmission or axle is installed.

Vehicle Maintenance: More frequent vehicle maintenance is required when using your car or truck to pull a trailer. Change the: (1) Automatic transmission fluid

each 5,000 miles of heavy continuous trailering for transmissions without an external oil cooler—12,000 miles with oil cooler. See "Transmission Fluid," next page.

(2) Rear axle fluid each 12,000 miles.

(3) Engine oil each 60 days or 3,000 miles, whichever occurs first.

(4) Positive crankcase ventilation valve each 12 months or 12,000 miles, whichever occurs first.

you learn the "feel" and how to cope with these changes, it is important to drive with extra caution.

Before starting.

It is a good idea to practice turning, stopping and backing in an area away from heavy traffic. This practice will help you gain experience in handling the extra weight and length of the trailer. Also check lights, tires and mirror adjustment.

Starting.

Carefully check mirrors to observe traffic flow. It is a good idea to check the brakes of the car and the trailer before turning into traffic.

Turning.

Remember that trailer wheels will be closer than car wheels to the inside on curves. Avoid soft shoulders, curbs, etc., by driving slightly beyond your normal turning point. Signal all turns. Avoid sudden maneuvers.

Passing.

Allow extra distance for passing another vehicle. After passing, be sure you have ample clearance for trailer before returning to the driving lane. Always signal well in advance of each move.

Trailering Tips for Novices and Old Hands

Get to know your rig.

Towing a trailer with ease and security requires a certain amount of experience before setting out on the open road. Always remember that the handling and braking characteristics of any car or truck may be changed considerably by the added weight of the trailer. Until

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Shows on front cover: Caprice Coupe.

Below, left to right: Impala Custom Coupe, Suburban, Malibu Estate Wagon.





Malibu Colorado Hardtop Sedan.

Caprice Estate Wagon.

Following and stopping.

Remember trailer weight may increase the distance required to stop. For each 10 mph showing on the speedometer, allow at least one length of your car and trailer between you and the car ahead. Avoid high speeds and sudden stops, and allow for bad road conditions.

Backing.

Skillful backing with a trailer requires practice. Try this easy method to help control direction: Keep your right or left hand at the bottom of steering wheel. To move trailer left, move your hand to left. To back to the right, move hand to the right.

Parking.

Parking of vehicles with trailers on a grade is not recommended. However, should this be necessary the following sequence should be used: (1) apply service brakes; (2) have passenger place wheel chocks under trailer wheels; (3) when wheel chocks are in place, release service brakes until chocks absorb load; (4) apply parking brakes; (5) place transmission in Park position. Reverse above sequence when starting.

Downgrades.

On long or steep downgrades reduce speed and use a lower transmission range to assist braking . . . as outlined in the transmission section of your Chevrolet Owner's Manual.

Long uphill grades.

When ascending long uphill grades, the possibility of engine overheating can be reduced by down-shifting transmission to a lower range gear.

Engine cooling while trailering.

When trailering, you might encounter a temporary cooling system overload during severe conditions—such as on hot days when pulling on a long grade, when slowing down after higher speed driving or after long idle periods in traffic jams. If the hot light comes on and you have your air conditioning on, turn it off. If the light doesn't go off in about a minute, pull over in a safe place and put on your parking brake; then place your transmission selector lever in Park.

Don't turn off the engine. Increase the engine idle speed so it sounds like it's going twice as fast. Lift the engine hood and check for fluid

leaks at the radiator hoses, radiator or radiator overflow outlet. Check to see that all drive belts are intact and the fan is turning. Light should go off within one minute. When the light is out, after a temporary cooling system overload, proceed on the highway a little slower. Ten minutes later resume normal driving. **Caution:** Never open a radiator cap when the car is hot! Check the car coolant level when the car is cool, preferably in the morning before starting the trip. If you are losing coolant or a fan belt is broken or loose and/or the red light persists, stop the engine until the cause of overheating is corrected.

Your car engine will overheat to the point of causing engine damage only when it loses engine cooling fluid through leakage or boiling. For proper care of the cooling system—read your Owner's Manual.

Altitude affects performance.

When traveling in mountains or at higher elevations, the increase in altitude decreases the performance of an engine. An engine will lose four per cent of its sea level performance for every 1,000 feet of altitude. Therefore, an engine oper-

ating at 10,000 feet of altitude will lose approximately 40 per cent of its sea level performance. This makes it desirable for people pulling trailers at higher altitudes to purchase engines with more horsepower or axles with higher numerical ratios. Those who live at low altitudes should expect less performance from their trailer-towing vehicle when traveling at higher elevations.

Transmission fluid. The proper fluid level in your automatic transmission is particularly important while trailering. When you want your fluid checked or changed, have your dealer do it. Fluid should not be added unless it is below the add mark. Fluid change should be made after every 5,000 miles of heavy trailering, in addition to the regular service interval unless external transmission cooler is used. When an external oil cooler is used, the interval between fluid changes can be extended to 12,000 miles.

Weigh your trailer. Trailer manufacturers tell you the gross weight for which your trailer is designed.

It's stamped on the identification tag attached to the trailer frame. We tell you what equipment you need to pull your loaded trailer. All that remains is for you to weigh your loaded trailer. Compare this loaded weight with the Trailer Manufacturing Rating to determine if you are overloaded. Distribute your trailer load so it will not exceed our recommendation for trailer tongue load.



Trailer towing equipment you can order on your new Chevrolet. Here are some items to help make trailer towing more enjoyable. Others are listed on pages 10 and 11.

Special Suspension, RPO F40: Trailering puts more stress on your car's suspension. So you need more suspension to handle it. Our Chevrolet wagons come with special suspension components as standard equipment.

Heavy-Duty Radiator, RPO V01: A heavy-duty radiator provides greater cooling capacity and is required for trailer towing. Our special heavy-duty radiator (over and above the one included with air conditioning) is also available for all Chevrolets, Chevies and wagons, with or without air conditioning.

Power Brakes, RPO J50: Minimum requirement on all trucks and passenger cars (except Vagons) hauling trailers.

Power Disc Brakes, RPO J12: Required for medium and heavy trailering for improved cooling and fade-resistance. Standard on the big Chevrolets, Chevies wagons and Monte Carlo.

Power Steering, RPO N40: Required for medium and heavy trailering for easier steering with less effort. Should be used for towing large trailers equipped with equalizing hitch. Standard on big Chevrolets and Monte Carlo.

Cruise-Master Speed Control, RPO K30: Great for steady long-distance driving.

Positraction, RPO G80: When one wheel's traction is reduced, it automatically transfers torque to the other wheel.

Heavy-Duty Battery, RPO T60: For added electrical reserve.

Higher Output Delcotron Generator, RPO K76: Required for heavy trailering. It increases your output for heavy electrical loading. Also available for trucks, RPO K79.

Tires: Our factory-installed original equipment tires are satisfactory up to our maximum trailering recommendations.

Nitroes and Other Equipment: The complete story is on pages 10 and 11.

1973 PASSENGER CAR Trailer Recommendations

How to use the following charts. First determine your trailer weight. Then find the chart section within which that weight falls. Next, decide which vehicle will be doing the pulling. Find that vehicle and simply read across the chart for the neces-

sary information. If you have a trailer weight that's in between the weights shown in the other charts, or if you'd like a more powerful engine, one of the Engine-Axle charts will give you the answers.

Occasional light towing. Towing of trailers under 1000 lbs. gross weight with any Chevrolet car or truck is condoned provided the tow vehicle (except Vega) is equipped with power brakes. A cooling problem may occur on these vehicles in high ambient tempera-

tures or when pulling up long or steep grades if the vehicle is not equipped with heavy-duty cooling (see cooling cautions page 4). For secure, more enjoyable trailering follow the recommendations charted.

Loaded Trailer Wt. Light (Up to 2000 Lbs.—Max. Tongue Load, 300 Lbs.)										Loaded Trailer Wt. Medium (Up to 4000 Lbs.—Max. Tongue Load, 500 Lbs.)										Loaded Trailer Wt. Heavy (Up to 6000 or 7000 Lbs.—Max. Tongue Load, 750-800 Lbs.)																			
Recommended Power Team			Required Equipment			Recommended Equipment				Recommended Power Team			Required Equipment				Recommended Equipment			Recommended Power Team			Required Equipment				Recommended Equipment												
Models	Engine	Axle Ratio	Turbo Hydro-matic RPO M40	Spec. Hy-Duty Susp. RPO J40	Frame Hitch	Hy-Duty Radiator RPO V01	Power Brakes RPO Z60	Power Steering RPO M40	Positioning RPO G80	Hy-Duty Battery RPO T60	Cruise-Control RPO K76	Hy-Duty Generator RPO K76	Power Disc Brakes RPO J12	Engine	Axle Ratio	Turbo Hydro-matic RPO M40	Spec. Hy-Duty Susp. RPO J40	Load Distributing Hitch RPO V01	Power Disc Brakes	Power Steering RPO M40	Positioning RPO G80	Hy-Duty Battery RPO T60	Cruise-Control RPO K30	Hy-Duty Generator RPO K76	Engine	Dual Exhaust	Axle Ratio	Loaded Trailer & Tongue Load	Turbo Hydro-matic RPO M40	Spec. Hy-Duty Susp. RPO J40	Leaf Distributing Hitch	Hy-Duty Radiator RPO V01	Hy-Duty Generator RPO K76	Power Steering RPO M40	Power Disc Brakes	Positioning RPO G80	Hy-Duty Battery RPO T60	Cruise-Control RPO K30	
Caprice, Impala, Bel Air	V8-350* Std.	3.08 RPO ZQ9	Std.	•	•	•	Std.	Std.	•	•	•	Std.	V8-350* RPO L48	3.42 RPO YD1	Std.	•	•	•	Std.	Std.	•	•	•	•	V8-454 RPO L54	Std.	3.42 RPO YD1	2000 800 lbs.	Std.	•	•	•	•	Std.	Std.	•	•	•	
Caprice Estate, Impala & Bel Air Wagons	V8-350* Std.	3.08 RPO ZQ9	Std.	•	•	•	Std.	Std.	•	•	•	Std.	V8-454 RPO L54	2.73 RPO YD1	Std.	•	•	•	Std.	Std.	•	•	•	•	V8-454 RPO L54	NA	3.42 RPO YD1	6000 700 lbs.	Std.	•	•	•	•	Std.	Std.	•	•	•	
Chevelle Laguna, Malibu & Deluxe Sedans & Coupes El Camino Pickup	V8-350 RPO L65	2.73 Std.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	V8-350 RPO L48	3.42 RPO YD1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	These vehicles not recommended for trailers weighing more than 4000 lbs.														
Chevelle Laguna Estate, Laguna, Malibu Estate, Malibu and Deluxe Wagon	V8-350 RPO L65	2.73 Std.	•	Std.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	V8-350 RPO L48	3.42 RPO YD1	•	Std.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	V8-454 RPO L54	Std.	3.42 RPO YD1	6000 750 lbs.	•	Std.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
Monte Carlo	V8-350 Std.	2.73 Std.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	V8-350 RPO L48	3.42 RPO YD1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	V8-350 RPO L48	3.42 RPO YD1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Nova†	V8-307 Std.	3.42 RPO YD1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	V8-350 RPO L65	3.42 RPO YD1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	V8-350 RPO L65	3.42 RPO YD1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•

*400 CID V8 standard on Caprice and Caprice Estate. †RPO Q8H or Q8S belted tires recommended. ‡Standard on El Camino Pickup. *—Available as a dealer installed accessory. NA—Not Available.

1—Chevrolet-designed load distributing hitch platform is available from Chevrolet dealers. Ball mount, equalizing assembly and anti-sway assembly are available from outside sources. See Accessory section page 10 for ball hitch and load distributing hitch platform part numbers.

The Following Cars Will Haul Up to 1000 Lbs. (Maximum Tongue Load, 100 Lbs.)

Models	Recommended Power Team		Required Equipment			Recommended Equipment		
	Engine	Turbo Hydro-matic RPO M40	Power Brakes RPO Z60	Ball Hitch	Hy-Duty Radiator RPO V01	Power Steering RPO N40	Positioning RPO G80	Hy-Duty Battery RPO T60
Camaro	V8-307 Std.	•	•	•	•	•	•	NR
Corvette	V8-350 Std.	NR	•	†	NA	NR	Std.	•
Vega	L4-140 Std.	•••	•	•	•	NR	NR	NA

•—3.36 Axle is standard with Powerglide transmission with RPO L11 engine. †—3.36 Axle is optional (RPO G76) with 4-Speed or Turbo Hydro-matic transmissions and with Powerglide transmission with base engine. ‡—Ball hitch available from outside sources—not available from Chevrolet. NA—Not Available. NR—Not Required. •••—4-Speed, RPO M20; Turbo Hydro-matic; RPO M40 or Powerglide, RPO M35

Engine and Axle Ratios Required for up to 1,000 lbs. Loaded Trailer Weight

Model	Engine	Axle Ratio	Model	Engine	Axle Ratio
Camaro	Std. V8	3.42	Corvette	All engines	3.08
	350-V8 RPO L65	2.73			
	350-V8 RPO L48	3.08	Vega	All engines	3.36

Passenger Car Advertised Ratings

Engine	Compression Ratio	Horsepower SAE Net at RPM	Torque SAE Net at RPM
140 CID 4-Cyl. (RPO L11)	8.0:1	85 @ 4800	115 @ 2400
307 CID V8	8.5:1	115 @ 3600	205 @ 2000
350 CID V8 (RPO L65)	8.7:1	145 @ 4000	255 @ 2400
400 CID V8 (RPO L48)	8.7:1	150 @ 3200	295 @ 2000
*350.4 CID V8 (RPO L48)	8.7:1	175 @ 4000	265 @ 2800
*350.4 CID V8 (RPO Z58)	9.0:1	245 @ 3200	280 @ 4000
454 CID V8 (RPO L54)	8.2:1	215 @ 4000	345 @ 2400
*454 CID V8 (RPO L54)	8.2:1	245 @ 4000	375 @ 2800

*With dual exhaust. See Accessory section page 10 for ball hitch and load distributing hitch platform part numbers.

Light Trailer Wing Harness—5 Wire Part No. 994532 for 11 models except Corvette.

Car Wing Code

Brown—Tail lights—running lights
Yellow—Left up and turn signal
Dark Green—Right stop and turn signal
Light Green—Back-up lights
White—Ground
Blue—Idle Brakes
Red—Battery charge (connect horn relay)

(Blue and Red are recommended die—not included in factory car wiring)

Minimum Engine and Axle Ratios Required for Specific Trailer Weights

Loaded Trailer Weight: 0 1000 2000 3000 4000 5000 6000 7000

Caprice, Impala, Bel Air & Chevrolet Wagons

Std. V8's	2.73	3.08	3.42
350-V8 RPO L48 Coupes and Sedans*	2.73	3.08	3.42
454-V8 RPO L54 Wagons only (single exh.)	2.73	3.42	
454-V8 RPO L54 All exc. Wagons (dual exh.)	2.73	3.42	

*Impala & Bel Air only

Monte Carlo, Laguna, Malibu, Deluxe, Chevelle Wagons & El Camino

350-V8 RPO L65	2.73	3.08*	3.42
350-V8 RPO L48	2.73	3.42	3.42
454-V8 RPO L54	2.73	2.73	3.42

*Use 3.42 for Monte Carlo

*WAGONS ONLY

Nova

Std. V8	2.73	3.42
350-V8 RPO L65	2.73	3.42
350-V8 RPO L48		3.08

Fifth Wheel Trailering with Chevrolet trucks is recommended provided the maximum ratings for gross vehicle weight (GVW) of the truck and the gross combination weight (GCW) of the truck and trailer are not exceeded.

Trailers up to 1000 lbs. Loaded Weight require that the towing truck be equipped with power brakes.

Loaded Trailers 1000 lbs. and Over require trailer brakes.

1973 TRUCK

Trailering Recommendations

Trailering Special RPO ZB2. This option is available on the C and K Pickup, Suburban and Blazer models. It includes a Trailering Special nameplate, power steering and an 80-amp-hour-capacity battery, but it is only available when certain minimum equipment is ordered. Consult your nearest Chevrolet dealer who has the information listed in his Truck Data Book.

Loaded Trailer Wt. Light (Up to 2000 Lbs.—Max. Tongue Ld., 200 Lbs.)										Medium (Up to 4000 Lbs.—Max. Tongue Load, 500 Lbs.)										Heavy (Up to 10,000 Lbs. Check Chart. Max. Tongue Load 1000 Lbs.)																		
Required Equipment										Required Equipment										Required Equipment																		
Vehicle	Engine & Axle	Transmission Turbo Hydro-matic RPO M40 Heavy Duty Indicator	Front Springs	Rear Springs (Lb.)	Frame Hitch	Power Brakes	Tires	Generator 42 Amp.	Battery 80 Amp-Hr.	Engine & Axle	Transmission Turbo Hydro-matic RPO M40 or 4-Speed RPO M20	Front Springs	Rear Springs (Lb.)	Frame Hitch (up to 4000 lb. tongue load or 2000 lb. hitch load) or 4-Speed RPO M20 (up to 800 lb. tongue load)	Power Brakes	Power Steering RPO M40	Tires	Generator 61 Amp.	Battery 80 Amp-Hr.	Heavy-Duty Radiator	Loaded Trailer Weight Lbs.	Maximum Tongue Load (Lb.)	Engine & Axle	Transmission Turbo Hydro-matic RPO M40 or 4-Speed RPO M20	Front Springs	Rear Springs (Lb.)	Equalizer Hitch with Anti-Sway	Power Steering RPO M40	Power Brakes	Tires	Generator 61 Amp.	Battery 80 Amp-Hr.	Engine Oil Cooler	Transmission Oil Cooler	Heavy-Duty Radiator			
Suburban C10		• (Std.)	(Std.)	• (Std.)	(Std.)	H78-15B	•	•	•	•	•	(Std.)	2000	• ••	(Std.)	•	H78-15B	•	•	•	•	8000	900	•	(Std.)	2000	••	•	(Std.)	H78-15B	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
Pickup C10		• (Std.)	(Std.)	•	RPO 170	H78-15B	•	•	•	•	•	(Std.)	2000	• ••	RPO 170	•	H78-15B	•	•	•	•	8000	900	•	(Std.)	2000	••	•	RPO 170	H78-15B	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
Suburban C20		• (Std.)	(Std.)	•	(Std.)	8.75-16.5C	•	•	•	•	•	(Std.)	(Std.)	• ••	(Std.)	•	8.75-16.5C	•	•	•	•	9000	1000	•	(Std.)	(Std.)	••	•	(Std.)	8.75-16.5C	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
Pickup C20		• (Std.)	(Std.)	•	(Std.)	8.75-16.5C	•	•	•	•	•	(Std.)	(Std.)	• ••	(Std.)	•	8.75-16.5C	•	•	•	•	9000	1000	•	(Std.)	(Std.)	••	•	(Std.)	8.75-16.5C	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
Suburban & Pickup K20		• (Std.)	(Std.)	•	(Std.)	8.75-16.5C	•	•	•	•	•	(Std.)	(Std.)	• ••	(Std.)	•	8.75-16.5C	•	•	•	•	5000	600	•	(Std.)	(Std.)	••	•	(Std.)	8.75-16.5C	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
Blazer C10		• (Std.)	1700	•	(Std.)	H78-15B	•	•	•	•	•	(Std.)	1700	••	(Std.)	•	H78-15B	•	•	•	•	6000	750	•	(Std.)	1700	••	•	(Std.)	H78-15B	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
Suburban, Pickup & Blazer K10		• (Std.)	(Std.)	•	(Std.)	H78-15B	•	•	•	•	•	(Std.)	(Std.)	• •	(Std.)	•	H78-15B	•	•	•	•	6000	750	•	(Std.)	(Std.)	••	•	(Std.)	H78-15B	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
Chery Van & Sportvan *G10		• (Std.)	(Std.)	•	(Std.)	F78-148**	•	•	•	•	•	(Std.)	(Std.)	• ••	(Std.)	•	F78-148**	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
Chery Van & Sportvan *G20		• (Std.)	(Std.)	•	(Std.)	H78-15B	•	•	•	•	•	(Std.)	(Std.)	• ••	(Std.)	•	H78-15B	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Chery Van & Sportvan *G30		• (Std.)	(Std.)	•	(Std.)	8.75-16.5C	•	•	•	•	•	(Std.)	(Std.)	• ••	(Std.)	•	8.75-16.5C	•	•	•	•	6000	750	•	(Std.)	(Std.)	••	•	(Std.)	8.75-16.5C	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Pickup C30		• (Std.)	(Std.)	•	(Std.)	8.75-16.5C	•	•	•	•	•	(Std.)	(Std.)	• ••	(Std.)	•	8.75-16.5C#	•	•	•	•	10,000	1000	•	(Std.)	(Std.)	••	•	(Std.)	8.75-16.5C#	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•

*Coolant Recovery System recommended—available as Dealer accessory only.

**Std. on Sportvan and 125" WB Chery Van; required on 110" WB Chery Van.

#Crew Cab models—9.50-16.5D (Std.)

†Except Blazer.

#Crew Cab models—9.50-16.5E (Std.)

*Std. on Sportvan only; required on Chery Van.

#Chevrolet-designed load distributing hitch platform is available from Chevrolet dealers.

Ball mount, equalizing assembly and anti-sway assembly are available from outside sources. See Accessory section page 10 for ball hitch and load distributing hitch platform part numbers.

GCW*	6000	7000	8000	9000	10,000	11,000	12,000	13,000	14,000	15,000
ENGINE C10-K10										
307 CID V8**	3.40	3.73	4.11							
350 CID V8	3.07	3.40	3.73	4.11						
454 CID V8**				3.07	3.40	3.73				
ENGINE C20-30, K20										
307 CID V8†	3.73	4.10	4.56							
350 CID V8		3.73	4.10	4.56						
454 CID V8**			3.73	4.10	4.56					

*GCW—Combined Weight of Loaded Truck and Trailer including passengers and equipment.

**C30 only. **N.A. K10 and K20 models. †N.A. E20 Suburban. †N.A. K20 models.

†N.A. Suburban.

GCW*	4000	5000	6000	700	8000	9000	10,000	11,000
ENGINE C10								
307 CID V8				3.40	3.73	4.11		
350 CID V8				3.07	3.40	3.73	4.11	
ENGINE K10								
307 CID V8				3.07	3.73	4.11		
350 CID V8				3.07	3.73	4.11		

*GCW—Combined Weight of Loaded Truck and Trailer including passengers and equipment.

GCW*	4000	5000	6000	7000	8000	9000	10,000	11,000	12,000
ENGINE G10									
307 CID V8				3.07	3.40				
350 CID V8					3.07	3.40			
ENGINE G20									
350 CID V8					3.07	3.40			
ENGINE G30									
350 CID V8						3.73	4.10	4.56	

*GCW—Combined Weight of Loaded Truck and Trailer including passengers and equipment.



Spotlight: Just plug it into your 12-volt cigarette lighter socket. Ideal for reading street signs and highway markers. And for working around the car, thanks to its 12-foot cord. Hang it on to the car to free your hands. Or lay it down to direct light where you need it. Part No. 987112.

Truck Auxiliary Transmission Oil Cooler: Recommended if you plan to pull a trailer weighing more than 2,000 pounds or if you have a pickup with a high camper body. Dissipates heat generated by trailer towing or wind resistance and helps maintain proper transmission oil temperatures. Part No. 994353 10-20-30 Series with automatic transmissions.

Ball Frame Hitch: If you haul light loads—up to 2,000 lbs. with a maximum tongue load of 200 lbs.—then Chevrolet's special frame hitch is just what you need. Also easy to install.

Part Nos.
 994471 Chevrolet Wagon
 994467 Chevrolet except Wagon
 994480 Monte Carlo and Chevelle except Wagon
 994481 Chevelle Wagon
 994474 Camaro
 994473 Nova
 994482 El Camino
 994266 Vega
 994526 Pickup— $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{3}{4}$, and 1-ton
 994225 G-Van
 994527 Blazer
 994528 Suburban— $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ -ton

More Truck Trailering Recommendations

Recommended Equipment	Suburban	Pickup	Blazer	Chevy Van Stephans
Camper Mirrors (922)	•	•	•	
Below-Eye-Line Mirrors (G4 and/or 508)				•
Heavy-Duty Front Stabilizer (958)	•	•	•	
Front Stabilizer (958)	•	•	•	•
H.D. Shock Absorbers Front and Rear (931)	•	•	•	•
Extra Capacity Fuel Tank, 32 gal. (9X7)	•	•	•	
Auxiliary Fuel Tank—16 gal. (9L2)		6 $\frac{1}{2}$		
Auxiliary Fuel Tank—30 gal. (9L2)		8'		
In-Cab Storage Compartment (9E4)	•	•	•	
Front-Mid. Spare Tire Carrier (Dealer Access)	•	•	•	



Load Distributing Hitch Platform:

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Part No. Cap's (lbs.) Model
 994126 6000 Chevrolet Wagon
 994505 7000 Chevrolet except Wagon
 994503 6000 Chevelle Wagon
 994503 4000 El Camino
 994504 4000 Monte Carlo
 994504 4000 Chevelle except Wagon
 994506 4000 Nova
 994520 7000 Pickup
 994518 6000 Blazer—4 x 4
 994519 7000 Suburban
 994513 6000 110" wb. G-Van
 994514 6000 125" wb. G-Van

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Features available at extra cost. Your Chevrolet dealer has a complete list and specific details.



Truck Coolant Recovery Unit: Catches and holds coolant passed under pressure from radiator through overflow tube. Reduces rust and scale buildup, gives easy visual method to check coolant level. One-gallon capacity. Part No. 994230 10-20-30 Series truck.

Truck Auxiliary Fuel Tank: Fits all 10-20-30 Series Cab and Pickup models. Doubles fuel supply, increasing cruising range. Includes control valve, electrical circuit to activate fuel gauge to read either main or auxiliary tank.

Part Nos.
 994515 10 & 20 Series Cab or Pickup models with evaporation control. (Not available with 250 L-6.)
 994516 20 & 30 Series Cab or Pickup models, without evaporation control. (Not available with 250 L-6.)



Wiring Harness: For use with up to 2,000 lbs. loaded trailer weight. Adapts right to your car's main wiring at the rear of the car, giving you leads for trailer tail-lights, license light, stop and directional lights, plus electric brakes. See page 6 for Part Numbers.



Luggage Carriers: No matter which Chevy Wagon you're driving, we've got a carrier to fit. What's more, we attach each carrier with special self-sealing well nuts—so the installation is leakproof. See your Chevy dealer.

Part Nos.
 994272 Chevrolet Wagon
 994375 Chevelle Wagon
 994277 Vega Kastenback
 994349 Suburban
 994501 Blazer
 994509 G-Van



Fire Extinguisher:

This is a 2½-pound dry chemical extinguisher designed to effectively control fires in an approximately 15-square-foot area. Part No. 994334. Recharge kit available.

Mirrors: We've designed the mirrors especially for your trailering and pack two as a unit. They're big enough—5" by 8"—so you can really get the picture. And they extend out enough to help you see behind the trailer. What's more, they go on easy. Come off easy. And the mounting brackets are universal—fit all 1973 Chevrolet passenger cars except Monte Carlo, as well as many earlier models. Part No. 994543.



Highway Emergency Kit: You get a U.L. approved fire extinguisher for small fires. A sealer/inflator for flat tires. A 12" by 12" "Day-Glo" flag to signal for help. Two 15-minute flares for when your vehicle is disabled. Plus one 5-, 9-, 10-, 14-, and 20-ampere fuse for emergencies. Part No. 993537.



Compass: All you do is stick it on your windshield. It's that easy. And just as easy to read and adjust. Why wait till you are lost off the beaten path. Or when your map isn't making sense. Part No. 993915.



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