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## **SNOWPLOW PREP PACKAGE (VYU)**

The chart on the page SP-4 shows GMTG and General Motors approved models available with snowplow prep package-option VYU. GM recommends that when a snowplow is mounted on a vehicle, only one passenger should accompany the driver. More than one passenger may exceed Front Gross Axle Weight Ratings.

Prior to installing a front mounted snowplow, the following process should be followed, and necessary information obtained.

- Establish vehicle curb weight □ Establish chassis manufacturer's front and rear axle weight ratings
- Chevrolet and GMC truck dealers can provide availability, specifications, Gross Vehicle Weight Ratings (GVWR), and Front and Rear Gross Axle Weight Ratings (FGAWR/RGAWR). For vehicles already built, this information can be found on the certification label installed on driver's door/door frame or provided on the cover of the Incomplete Vehicle Document.

The following information should be obtained and provided by the manufacturers of snowplows and salt spreaders:

- Specifications, weights and center of gravity data
- Vehicle installation guidelines and instructions
- Calculation of weight distribution for the front and rear axles

The loaded vehicle with driver, passenger, aftermarket accessories, snowplows, spreader, and cargo must not exceed the Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR), and Front and Rear Gross Axle Weight Ratings. In addition, the completed curb weight vehicle, with all installed aftermarket accessories, snowplow, and spreader, and with 400 lbs. for vehicles less than 10,000 lbs. and 500 lbs. for vehicles greater than 10,000 lbs. distributed in the driver-passenger area of the vehicle, must have a center of gravity location that is located within the trapezoid formed by the coordinates A, B, C, D, H1 & H2, plus it must be to the rear of vertical line E and forward of vertical line F as defined in the ALLOWABLE CENTER OF GRAVITY CHARTS. If the center of gravity location does not fall within the specified trapezoid, ballast weight may be required to shift the center of gravity location until it falls within the specified trapezoid.

The snowplow manufacturer and the installer of the aftermarket equipment should determine the amount of rear ballast required to ensure that the vehicle, with the attached snowplow and aftermarket equipment, complies with the Allowable Center of Gravity Trapezoid and the resulting front and rear weight distribution ratio as defined in the Allowable Center of Gravity Charts published in this manual.

## **Special Notice**

### **Ballast Compensating Weight**

The use of rear ballast weight may be required to prevent exceeding the Gross Axle Weight Rating of the front axle. The use of rear ballast weight may be required to ensure that the center of gravity location of the completed vehicle, with the attached snowplow and other installed equipment, complies with the Allowable Center of Gravity Trapezoid and the resulting front and rear weight distribution ratio, even though the actual front weight may be less than the Gross Axle Weight Rating of the front axle. In either case, the rear ballast weight should be securely attached in the cargo box or behind the rear axle of the vehicle in a manner which prevents it from moving during driving and stopping.



## **TORSION BAR ADJUSTMENT**

To help avoid personal injury, refer to Z-height setting procedure before adjusting torsion bars. If torsion bars are adjusted for aftermarket equipment, be sure to return them to specification when the equipment is removed. Otherwise, a front shock absorber may dislodge and damage a front brake line. This could result in an accident when minimum stopping distances are required.

## 'K' – Series Snow Plow Prep Package

### PICKUPS – Single Rear Wheel (SRW)

Model/Cab	K10903 Regular	K10753 Double	K10543/743 Crew	K20753 Crew	K20743 Crew	K20903 Regular	K20953 Double	K20943 Crew
Wheel Base (Inches)	139.5	147.4	147.4/156.9	149.4	158.9	141.5	162.5	172
Box Length/Cab to Axle Length (Inches)	8' (55.2)	6.5' (42.1)	5'8"/6.5' (32.6/42.1)	6.5 (42.1)	6.5 (42.1)	8' (55.2)	8' (55.2)	8' (55.2)
GVWR (Lbs.)	6900	7300	7300	10550/11200*	11650/11250*	10450/11000*	10750/11450*	10850/11550*
GAWR (Front/Lbs.)	3800	3800	3800	5600/6000*	5600/6000*	5600/6000*	5600/6000*	4800/5200*

### Engine Availability

Model/Cab	K10903 Regular	K10753 Double	K10543/743 Crew	20753 Crew	20743 Crew	K20903 Regular	K20953 Double	K20943 Crew
4.3L V8 (Gas) LV3	S	S	S	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
5.3L V8 (Gas) L83 (LD) L84 (LD)	A	A	A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
6.0L V8 (Gas) LC8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	S
6.0L V8 Variable Timing - Gas L96	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	S	S

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6.2L V8 Gas L87	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Duramax 6.6L V8 Diesel L5P	N/A	N/A	N/A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
6.6L V8 Gas L8T	N/A	N/A	N/A	S	S	S	S	S	N/A	N/A

## Base (B) Equipment

Model/Cab	K10903 Regular	K10753 Double	K10543/743 Crew	K20753 Crew	K20743 Crew	K20903 Regular	K20953 Double	K20943 Crew
Battery 720 CCA – K4B (Gasoline Engines)	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Dual Batteries 730 CCA (6.6L Diesel Engine)	N/A	N/A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Rear Backup Lighting Provisions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Front Tow Hooks V76	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Floor Covering Std. on WT/Base without YE9	B&A	B&A	B&A	B&A	B&A	B&A	B&A	B&A

## Snow Plow Prep Pkg. (VYU)

Model/Cab	K10903 Regular	K10753 Double	K10543/743 Crew	K20753 Crew	K20743 Crew	K20903 Regular	K20953 Double	K20943 Crew
Increased Front Spring rate 4WD (F60)	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Air cleaner, high-capacity (K47)	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
External Eng. Oil Cooler (KNP)	N/A	N/A	N/A	A	A	A	A	A

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Alternator 220 Amp (KW5)	N/A	N/A	N/A	S	S	S	S	S
Alternators - Dual 170/220 Amp (KHB) - Diesel Engines	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Alternators - Dual 150/220 Amp (KHF) - Diesel Engines	N/A	N/A	N/A	A	A	A	A	A
Provision for Roof Mounted Emergency Light (TRW)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Transmission Cooler (air to oil) Auto only (KNP)	-	-	-	S	S	S	S	S
***42mm Hole FOD with Rubber Grommet	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Fwd. Lamp Harness with In-Line Connector	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mounting. Location for Snow Plow Controls	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

## Suggested Optional Equipment

Model/Cab	K10903 Regular	K10753 Double	K10543/743 Crew	K20753 Crew	K20743 Crew	K20903 Regular	K20953 Double	K20943 Crew
Battery 730 CCA - Gasoline Engines (6C5)	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
3.42 Rear Axle Ratio (GU6)	A	A	A	S	S	S	S	S
3.23 Rear Axle Ratio (GU5)	S	S	S	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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<b>3.73 Rear Axle Ratio (GT4)</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	A	A	A	A	A
<b>4.10 Rear Axle Ratio (GT5)</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Skid Plate, "Off Road" (NZZ) - Included with Z71</b>	A & Y	A & Y	A & Y	A & Y	A & Y	A & Y	A & Y	A&Y
<b>Engine Block Heater (K05) (Req'd for Canada - opt. Z49)</b>	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
<b>Locking Differential (G80) - Included with (NHT) Max Trailering Pack or (PCY) Towing Package or axle ratio GT5</b>	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
<b>Rear Window Defogger (C49) (N/A with A48 on Ext. &amp; Crew Cabs) (Reqs. C67 AC on Reg. Cabs)</b>	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
<b>Sliding Rear Window (A48) not avail. with C49</b>	N/A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
<b>Windshield Washer Fluid System Heated (XA7), (Reqs. Opt. YE9 or SLT)</b>	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A

**\*DIESEL ENGINE**

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		HD PICKUPS --- Single & Dual Rear Wheels				Chassis Cabs		
<b>Model</b>		K30903	K30743	K30953	K30943	K31003	K31043	K31403
<b>Cab</b>		Regular	Crew	Double	Crew	Regular	Crew	Regular
<b>Wheelbase inches</b>		141.5	158.9	162.5	172.0	146.3	176.8	170.8
<b>Pickup Box length feet / Cab to Axle length inches</b>		8/56	6.5/42	8/56	8/56	60" CA	60" CA	84.5" CA
<b>GVWR lb.</b>		11100/11800*	11350/12100*	11400/12150 *	11500/12250*	14000	14000	14000
<b>GAWR lb. - Frt.</b>		4400/5200*	4800/5600*	4800/5600*	4800/5600*	4400/5200*	5200/5600*	5200/5600*
<b>Engine Availability with VYU:</b>		opt. code						
<b>6.6L V8 Gas</b>	L8T	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
<b>Duramax 6.6L V8 Diesel</b>	L5P	A	A	A	A	A	A	A



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<b>Base (B) Equipment Includes:</b>								
Battery 720 CCA (Gasoline Engines)		S	S	S	S	B	B	B
Dual Batteries 730 CCA (6.6L Diesel Engine)	TUV	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Provisions for Rear Back-Up Lighting		---	---	---	---	---	---	---

Front Tow Hooks	V76	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Floor Covering HD Rubber - Std. on Work Truck / Base without YE9	BG9	B & A	B & A	B & A	B & A	B & A	B & A	B & A
<b>Snow Plow Prep Pkg. Includes:</b>	<b>VYU</b>							
Increased Front Spring rate 4WD	F60	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Air cleaner, high-capacity	K47	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
External Eng. Oil Cooler	KNP	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Alternator 170 Amp - Gas Engines	KW7	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Alternator 220 Amp Gas Engines	KW5	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Alternators - Dual 220/170 Amp - Diesel Engines	KHF	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Provision for Roof Mtd. Emergency Light	TRW	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Transmission Cooler (air to oil) Auto only	KNP	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
***42mm Hole FOD with Rubber Grommet								
Fwd. Lamp Harness with In-Line Connector								

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Mounting Location for Snow Plow Controls								
<b>Suggested Optional Equipment:</b>								
Battery 730 CCA - Gasoline Engines	6C5	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
3.73 Rear Axle Ratio (gas)	GT4	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
3.42 Rear Axle Ratio (Diesel)	GU6	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Skid Plate, "Off Road" - Included with Z71	NZZ	A & Y	A & Y	A & Y	A & Y	A & Y	A & Y	A & Y
Engine Block Heater (Req'd for Canada - opt. Z49)	K05	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Locking Differential - Included with (NHT) Max Trailering Pack or (PCY) Towing Package or axle ratio GT5	G80							
Rear Window Defogger (N/A with A48 on Ext. & Crew Cabs) (Reqs. C67 AC on Reg. Cabs)	C49	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Sliding Rear Window not avail. with C49	A48	N/A	A	A	A	A	A	A
W/S Washer Fluid System - Heated (Requires Opt. YE9 or SLT)	XA7	A	A	A	A	A	A	A

\* = DIESEL ENGINES

## **CMVSS and FMVSS**

Compliance of Canadian and Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards will be affected by Upfitters adding Snow Control Equipment:

MVSS 105 – Hydraulic brake (Vehicles greater than 3500 kg (7716 lb) GVWR)

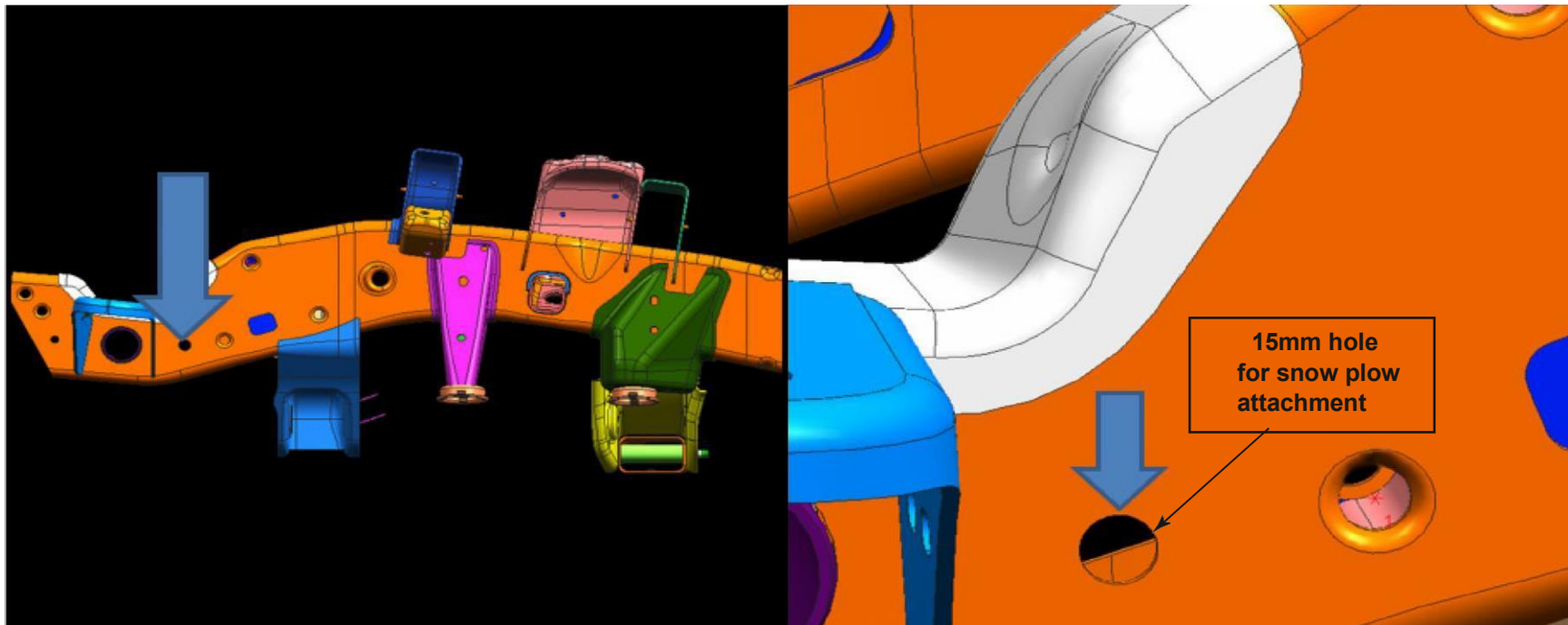
MVSS 126 – Electronic Stability Control Systems

MVSS 135 – Light Vehicle Brakes, applies to vehicles 3500 kg (7716 lb) GVWR or less

*Note: Generic copies of the General Motor Incomplete Vehicle Documents can be obtained from the website ([www.gmupfitter.com](http://www.gmupfitter.com)) and can be used as a reference guide in the compliance to these standards.*

## 'K' Series Snow Plow Best Practices

1. OEM Steering gear, Suspension and Powertrain Component mounting holes & associated OEM fasteners should not be used to attach Snow Plow Mounting equipment.
2. A suggested allowance of 10 mm minimum clearance to stationary OEM components example: Bumper Asm, Steering Box, Cooling System components is highly recommended. Note these components have varying positional tolerances.
3. A suggested allowance of 20 mm minimum clearance to OEM components subject to movement example: Steering Gear, Suspension (A-Arm, Axle, Strut, & Stab Bar asms.) at full jounce is highly recommended. Note these components have varying positional tolerances.
4. Snow Plow & Associated Mounting Equipment should not exceed front axle available payload rating of vehicle as optioned. Plow Blade height, width & mass should be in accordance with Snow Plow Manufacturers recommended requirements for specific vehicle.



## 'K' Series Snow Plow Applications – Max. Plow/Hardware Weights K Models - Four Wheel Drive Pickups (Carry-over Model)

Body Style	Engine RPO	Engine Type	15	25	35 SRW	35 DRW
			FGAWR with VYU			
703	LV3	Gas	3950	-	-	-
	L83	Gas	3950	-	-	-
903	LV3	Gas	3950	-	-	-
	L83	Gas	3950	-	-	-
HD 903	L96	Gas	-	5200	5600	5600
	L5P	Diesel	-	6000	6000	6000
HD 753	L96	Gas	-	5200	-	-
	L5P	Diesel	-	6000	-	-
HD 953	L96	Gas	-	5600	5600	5600
	L5P	Diesel	-	6000	6000	6000
HD 743	L96	Gas	-	5200	5600	-
	L5P	Diesel	-	6000	6000	-
HD 943	L96	Gas	-	5600	5600	5600
	L5P	Diesel	-	6000	6000	6000
Body Style	Engine RPO	Engine Type	15	25	35 SRW	35 DRW
703	LV3	Gas	40/500	-	-	-
	L83	Gas	40/500	-	-	-
903	LV3	Gas	40/500	-	-	-
	L83	Gas	40/500	-	-	-
HD 903	L96	Gas	-	100/900	100/1000	100/1000
	L5P	Diesel	-	100/975	100/975	100/925
HD 753	L96	Gas	-	100/775	-	-
	L5P	Diesel	-	100/825	-	-
HD 953	L96	Gas	-	100/1000	100/1000	100/1000
	L5P	Diesel	-	100/775	100/800	100/775
HD 743	L96	Gas	-	100/725	100/1000	-
	L5P	Diesel	-	100/775	100/800	-
HD 943	L96	Gas	-	100/950	100/950	100/925
	L5P	Diesel	-	100/700	100/725	100/700

**Notes:**

100/xxx = 100lbs maximum of permanently attached snow plow mounting hardware and/xxx lbs. maximum of removable snow plow blade and blade hardware.

Maximum plow weights based on a vehicle with average manufacturer option content and 150lbs each for driver and one additional front seat occupant.

Additional equipment and occupants can reduce maximum plow weight.

Rear compensating weight may be required to maintain front axle weight below 65% of total vehicle weight when equipped with snow plow, consult your snow plow manufacturer for specific compensating weight recommendation.

VYU is offered on incomplete vehicles, please consult Upfitter for recommended maximum plow weights.

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 10xxx series - K Models - Four Wheel Drive Pickups

Body Style	Engine RPO	Engine (Fuel) Type	Brand*	FGAWR	Hardware/Plow Weight (lbs.)
10903	L82	Gas	X88/Z88	3800	40/500
10753	L82	Gas	X88	3800	40/400
	L84	Gas	X88	3800	40/425
	L84NHT	Gas	X88	3800	40/425
10753	L82	Gas	Z88	3800	40/450
	L84	Gas	Z88	3800	40/400
	L84NHT	Gas	Z88	3800	40/400
10543	L82	Gas	X88	3800	40/400
	L84	Gas	X88	3800	40/425
	L84NHT	Gas	X88	3800	40/450
10543	L82	Gas	Z88	3800	40/425
	L84	Gas	Z88	3800	40/400
	L84NHT	Gas	Z88	3800	40/400
10743	L82	Gas	X88	3800	40/375
	L84	Gas	X88	3800	40/400
	L84NHT	Gas	X88	3800	40/400
10743	L82	Gas	Z88	3800	40/400
	L84	Gas	Z88	3800	40/350
	L84NHT	Gas	Z88	3800	40/350

**Notes:**

40/xxx = 40lbs maximum of permanently attached snow plow mounting hardware and/xxx lbs. maximum of removable snow plow blade and blade hardware.

Maximum plow weights based on a vehicle with average manufacturer option content and 150lbs each for driver and one additional front seat occupant.

Additional equipment and occupants can reduce maximum plow weight.

Rear compensating weight may be required to maintain front axle weight below 65% of total vehicle weight when equipped with snow plow, consult your snow plow manufacturer for specific compensating weight recommendation.

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\*X88=Chevrolet/Z88=GMC

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## 'K' Series HD Snow Plow Applications – Max. Plow/Hardware Weights K Models – Four Wheel Drive Pickups (New-Models)

24my	CK HD PU	Max Plow Weights		2500HD			3500HD SRW			3500HD DRW		
Cab Type	Box Length	Engine		Standard FGAWR (lbs)	Snowplow (VYU) FGAWR (lbs)	Maximum Snowplow Weight (lbs)	Standard FGAWR (lbs)	Snowplow w (VYU) FGAWR (lbs)	Maximum Snowplow Weight (lbs)	Standard FGAWR (lbs)	Snowplow (VYU) FGAWR (lbs)	Maximum Snowplow Weight (lbs)
Regular	Long (8')	Gas	L8T	4800	6000	1250	4800	6000	1300	4800	6000	1325
Regular	Long (8')	Diesel	L5P	5200	6000	800	5200	6000	875	5200	6000	875
Double	Std (6'9")	Gas	L8T	4800	6000	1200	NA	6000	NA	NA	6000	NA
Double	Std (6'9")	Diesel	L5P	5600	6000	725	NA	6000	NA	NA	6000	NA
Double	Long (8')	Gas	L8T	5200	6000	1125	5200	6000	1150	5200	6000	1150
Double	Long (8')	Diesel	L5P	5600	6000	725	5600	6000	750	5600	6000	750
Crew	Std (6'9")	Gas	L8T	4800	6000	1150	4800	6000	1150	NA	6000	NA
Crew	Std (6'9")	Diesel	L5P	5600	6000	775	5600	6000	700	NA	6000	NA
Crew	Long (8')	Gas	L8T	5200	6000	1200	5200	6000	1125	5200	6000	1075
Crew	Long (8')	Diesel	L5P	5600	6000	725	5600	6000	625	6000	6000	675

Above equipped with RPO-VYU Snowplow Prep with recommended 1200 lb ballast

100/xxx = 100lbs maximum of permanently attached snow plow mounting hardware and /xxx lbs. maximum of removable snow plow blade and blade hardware.

Maximum plow weights based on a vehicle with average manufacturer option content and 150lbs each for driver and one additional front seat occupant. Additional equipment and occupants can reduce maximum plow weight.

Rear compensating weight may be required to maintain front axle weight below 65% of total vehicle weight when equipped with snow plow. Consult with your snow plow manufacturer for specific compensating weight recommendation.

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