

TRUCK SIDEGUARD ORDINANCE

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City agencies only contract with vendors that have properly installed:

- side guards
- convex mirrors
- cross-over mirrors, and
- blind-spot awareness decals.

This applies to motor vehicles weighing more than 10,000 pounds, and semi-trailers with a total weight that exceeds 26,000 pounds.

These features reduce the risk of unprotected road users from falling into the sides of vehicles and getting caught under rear wheels.

The ordinance **does not apply** to:

- agricultural trailers
- fire engines, and
- trucks used exclusively for snow removal.

KEEP IN MIND

- You need a **sideguard inspection** before starting work on a City contract.
- **Tool boxes can be used as sideguards**, but, they must meet all required measurements
- **Subcontractors** who regularly work in Boston are also subject to these requirements.
- Even if you **rent trucks for a job**, you still need to meet these requirements.
- For larger fleets, inspectors will conduct **off-site inspections**. But, this depends on our availability, and how far away your vehicles are.

CONTACT US FOR AN INSPECTION

Inspectional Services Department
1010 Mass Ave., Boston, MA 02118 | 617-635-5300

To request an inspection online, visit
boston.gov/sideguard-inspections

For more Inspectional Services information,
visit boston.gov/isd

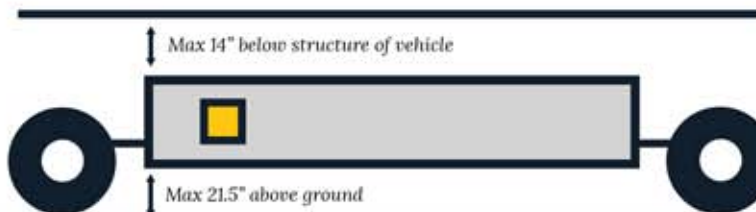
SIDEGUARD REQUIREMENTS

STICKER



- Safety Yellow or Bright Yellow color.
- Minimum of 3 stickers located in vehicle blind spots.

SIDE VIEW



BOTTOM VIEW

