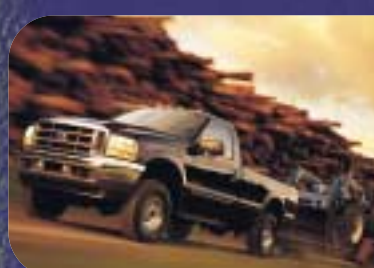


Ford Motor Company

2002 RV and Trailer Towing Guide



Ford Products Available for All Major RV Categories

Ford – a Leader in RV and Trailer Towing!

There are many reasons Ford is considered a leader in RV and trailer towing:

- **Outstanding Selection** – Whatever your need, there's a Ford vehicle or chassis to fill it.
- **Exceptional Towing Capabilities** – The Super Duty F-Series pickups and chassis cabs can pull exceptionally heavy trailers. In fact, when properly equipped and with the Triton™ 6.8L V10, the pickup can handle trailer weights up to 14,400 pounds*, and the chassis cab can handle trailer weights all the way up to 21,500 pounds with the 7.3L Power Stroke® DI Turbo Diesel V8.
- **Experience** – Many years of RV and towing experience back all Ford vehicles.
- **Quality and Reliability** – Ford has earned a reputation for providing quality and reliable RV products.

Pickups

Ford offers a complete lineup of tough pickups for a full range of RV and towing jobs. *Super Duty F-Series Pickups* can now handle conventional trailers up to 12,500 lbs. and fifth-wheel trailers up to 14,400 lbs.*

Class A Motorhomes

Self-contained RV camping/travel vehicles with a living unit constructed on a specially designed vehicle chassis. Ford offers *Super Duty F-Series Class A Motorhome Chassis*.

Class C Motorhomes

Built on a cutaway chassis – includes van cab section. Ford chassis entries are *E-350 Super Duty* and *E-450 Super Duty Cutaway Chassis*.

Van Conversions/Van Campers

Van converters use a full-size van chassis to create travel/camping units with special equipment and comfort features. Ford offers *E-Series Van*.

Slide-In Truck Campers

Designed for carrying in a pickup truck bed, these units can be easily removed to use the truck for other purposes. Ford *F-Series pickups* are ideal for slide-in camper use.

Trailers

A wide range of trailer types are in RV use: folding campers, conventional travel trailers, boat/ATV/snowmobile haulers, and fifth-wheel travel units – in a broad range of sizes, floor plans and furnishing levels.

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*F-250 Regular Cab 4x2 with automatic transmission.



Metric Conversion – To obtain information in kilograms, multiply pounds by .45.

PICKUPS

Ford Pickups —

A Complete Lineup to Meet ALL Your Recreational Vehicle and Towing Needs

Super Duty F-Series Pickups . . . For Your Serious Towing Needs!

Few vehicles have impacted the trailer towing industry like Ford Super Duty F-Series Pickups. Their wide selection of models, powertrains and features make them a top choice for the really BIG RV and towing tasks. Plus, all three cabs – Regular, Super and Crew – are exceptionally roomy.

Capable and Built Ford Tough

- F-250 and F-350 pickups can tow up to 12,500 lbs. (conventional) or 14,400 lbs.* (fifth-wheel)
- Super Duty F-Series now offers:
 - the highest conventional trailer towing...
 - the highest GVWR...
 - the most choices...
 - the most interior room... of any full-size pickup sold in America!

Hard-Working Image

A dominant grille opening and large cooling capacity help cool the big, powerful engines, which are designed to satisfy one of this truck's primary work uses – trailer towing!

Powerful Engines

- Triton™ 5.4L V8 (260 hp/350 lbs.-ft. torque)
- Triton™ 6.8L V10 (310 hp/425 lbs.-ft. torque)
- 7.3L Power Stroke® Turbo Diesel V8 with intercooler and wastegated turbocharger (275 hp/520 lbs.-ft. with manual transmission; 250 hp/505 lbs.-ft. with automatic transmission)
 - All engines now include standard 6-speed manual overdrive transmission

Safety Features

Among their many safety features, Ford Super Duty F-Series Pickups offer standard driver and front passenger airbags^{a/} and 4-wheel ABS on all models. In addition, available telescoping trailer tow mirrors provide excellent visibility.

**F-250 Regular Cab 4x2 with automatic transmission.*

^{a/}Always wear your safety belt and deactivate the passenger airbag when using a rear-facing child safety seat in Regular Cab and SuperCab models.

With all these outstanding features, it's no wonder Ford Super Duty F-Series is a "must-have" for serious RV customers.



**Available With Best-In-Class
12,500-Pound
Conventional Trailer Towing Weight**
(See Chart on Page 19)



The Rest of Our **HARD-WORKING** Pickup Lineup

F-150

When Your RV/Towing Needs Aren't Quite As Big!



The good-looking Built Ford Tough F-150 continues to do its part in making F-Series Pickups America's best-selling vehicle. Their ideal combination of rugged performance and passenger comfort make them perfect for all but the very biggest RV and towing tasks. Noteworthy features include:

- Available SuperCab models with four doors standard
- Choice of 5-speed manual or 4-speed automatic overdrive transmissions
- Can be equipped to tow trailers up to 8,800 pounds

- Three powerful engine choices:
 - 4.2L OHV V6 with 202 hp/252 lbs.-ft. torque
 - 4.6L SOHC V8 with 231 hp/293 lbs.-ft. torque
 - 5.4L SOHC V8 with 260 hp/350 lbs.-ft. torque
- 4-wheel disc ABS standard on all models
- Standard SecuriLock™ passive anti-theft system

If you need even greater capabilities, check out the Super Duty F-Series models on the preceding page.

Fail-Safe Cooling System

Designed to help protect all F-150 engines from potential damage due to loss of coolant. If engine overheats, it automatically switches from 6/8-cylinder operation to alternating 3/4-cylinder operation, allowing vehicle to continue operating, but with limited engine power, in order to travel a short distance to a service facility.

F-150 SuperCrew

A Different Kind of Pickup!



The F-150 SuperCrew expands the utility of a full-size pickup by adding four full-size doors and comfortable seating for six adults – without compromising its “tough truck” image and capabilities. SuperCrew is the latest example of how America's best-selling trucks keep coming up with better ways to get the job done. Its long list of features includes:

- Choice of 4x2 or 4x4 models
- Same wheelbase as short-wheelbase SuperCab for convenient maneuverability and garageability
- Unique 5 1/2-foot pickup box design

- with steel inner panels and composite outer panels
- Optional box extender for improved box functionality and convenience
- Choice of two powerful single-overhead-cam Triton™ V8 engines:
 - Standard 231-horsepower 4.6L
 - Optional 260-horsepower 5.4L
- Electronically controlled 4-speed automatic overdrive transmission
- Standard 4-wheel-disc anti-lock brakes
- Can be equipped to tow trailers up to 8,000 pounds
- Standard power adjustable accelerator and brake pedals
- Optional power glass moonroof

Ranger

A Great Choice for On/Off-Road Fun!



America's top-selling compact pickup for 14 years in a row continues to offer a whole lot of RV and towing capabilities in a relatively small package. These capabilities come from its Built Ford Tough heritage – and its long list of outstanding features:

- Regular and SuperCab models
- Three engine choices – from a 135-hp 2.3L I4 to a 4.0L SOHC V6 with 207 hp and 238 lb.-ft. of torque
- 100,000-mile tune-up interval on all engines^{a/}

- Choice of manual and automatic overdrive transmissions
- Can be equipped to tow trailers up to 6,020 pounds
- Four-wheel anti-lock brakes standard
- Standard power rack-and-pinion steering
- Standard SecuriLock™ passive anti-theft system

^{a/}Under normal driving conditions with routine fluid/filter changes.

For More Information on Any of the Ford Pickups, See the Appropriate Brochure at Your Ford Dealership.

SLIDE-IN CAMPERS

Slide-In Campers For F-Series Pickups

For the convenience of a camper, and the functional capabilities of a full-size pickup, a slide-in camper may be ideal for your RV needs.



Use the chart below to select the proper F-Series Pickup/Camper Combination:

- Combined weight of vehicle, camper body, occupants and cargo must not exceed Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR).
- Camper Package (Option Code 532) required with Super Duty F-250/350.
- Cargo Weight Rating shown in chart is maximum allowable, assuming weight of a base vehicle with required camper option content and a passenger (150-lbs. per) at each available seating position

(7.3L Diesel ratings also assume weight of engine and standard transmission). Cargo Weight Rating shown must be further reduced by weight of powertrain upgrades and any other options. Option weights and center-of-gravity information are available in the Ford Pickup Truck Consumer Information Sheet.

If you intend to pull a trailer in addition to carrying your camper, see the F-Series Pickup Trailer Towing Selector charts on pages 19 and 21.

MAXIMUM CARGO WEIGHT WITH SLIDE-IN CAMPER (WITH MINIMUM EQUIPMENT)

Model		Wheelbase	GVWR (Lbs.) (49S/Cal.)	Recommended Axle Ratio	Engine	Maximum Cargo Weight Rating (Lbs.)	
						Gas (49S/Cal.)	Diesel (49S/Cal.)
F-150	4x2 Reg. Cab	138.5"	6,600	3.55	4.6L V8	2,005	•
	4x2 Reg. Cab	138.5"	6,600	3.55	5.4L V8	1,902	•
	4x2 Reg. Cab	138.5"	7,700	3.73/4.10	5.4L V8	2,701/2,641	•
	4x2 SuperCab	138.5"	7,700	3.73/4.10	5.4L V8	2,114/2,054	•
	4x4 Reg. Cab	138.8"	7,700	3.73	5.4L V8	2,362	•
	4x4 SuperCab	138.8"	7,700	3.73	5.4L V8	1,770	•
Super Duty F-250 (1)	4x2 Reg. Cab	137.0"	8,800	Std.	Std.	3,019	2,319
	4x2 SuperCab	141.8"	8,800	Std.	Std.	2,340	1,660
	4x2 SuperCab	158.0"	8,800	Std.	Std.	2,122	1,442
	4x2 Crew Cab	156.2"	8,800	Std.	Std.	2,055	1,475
	4x2 Crew Cab	172.4"	8,800	Std.	Std.	1,886	1,206
	4x4 Reg. Cab	137.0"	8,800	Std.	Std.	2,068	1,378
	4x4 SuperCab	141.8"	8,800	Std.	Std.	2,379	1,699
	4x4 SuperCab	158.0"	8,800	Std.	Std.	1,712	1,032
	4x4 Crew Cab	156.2"	8,800	Std.	Std.	1,652	962
	4x4 Crew Cab	172.4"	8,800	Std.	Std.	1,516	816
Super Duty F-350 (1)	4x2 SRW Reg. Cab	137.0"	9,900/9,700	Std.	Std.	3,989/3,829	3,309/3,149
	4x2 DRW Reg. Cab	137.0"	11,200/11,000	Std.	Std.	5,030/4,665	• /3,915
	4x2 DRW Reg. Cab	137.0"	11,500/ •	Std.	Std.	•	4,580/ •
	4x2 SRW SuperCab	141.8"	9,900/9,700	Std.	Std.	3,415/3,238	2,735/2,558
	4x2 SRW SuperCab	158.0"	9,900/9,700	Std.	Std.	3,192/3,024	2,517/2,344
	4x2 DRW SuperCab	158.0"	11,200/11,000	Std.	Std.	4,700/4,320	• /3,570
	4x2 DRW SuperCab	158.0"	11,500/ •	Std.	Std.	•	4,250/ •
	4x2 SRW Crew Cab	156.2"	9,900/9,700	Std.	Std.	3,130/2,954	2,450/2,274
	4x2 DRW Crew Cab	156.2"	11,200/11,000	Std.	Std.	4,169/3,851	• /3,151
	4x2 DRW Crew Cab	156.2"	11,500/ •	Std.	Std.	•	3,719/ •
	4x2 SRW Crew Cab	172.4"	9,900/9,700	Std.	Std.	2,961/2,785	2,281/2,205
	4x2 DRW Crew Cab	172.4"	11,200/11,000	Std.	Std.	4,010/3,627	• /2,877
	4x2 DRW Crew Cab	172.4"	11,500/ •	Std.	Std.	•	3,560/ •
	4x4 SRW Reg. Cab	137.0"	9,900/9,700	Std.	Std.	3,624/3,458	2,914/2,778
	4x4 DRW Reg. Cab	137.0"	11,200/11,000	Std.	Std.	4,620/4,241	• /3,491
	4x4 DRW Reg. Cab	137.0"	11,500/ •	Std.	Std.	•	4,170/ •
	4x4 SRW SuperCab	141.8"	9,900/9,700	Std.	Std.	3,049/2,882	2,339/2,202
	4x4 SRW SuperCab	158.0"	9,900/9,700	Std.	Std.	2,818/2,652	2,108/1,972
	4x4 DRW SuperCab	158.0"	11,200/11,000	Std.	Std.	4,346/3,973	• /3,223
	4x4 DRW SuperCab	158.0"	11,500/ •	Std.	Std.	•	3,896/ •
	4x4 SRW Crew Cab	156.2"	9,900/9,700	Std.	Std.	2,758/2,597	2,048/1,917
	4x4 DRW Crew Cab	156.2"	11,200/11,000	Std.	Std.	3,830/3,522	• /2,772
	4x4 DRW Crew Cab	156.2"	11,500/ •	Std.	Std.	•	3,380/ •
	4x4 SRW Crew Cab	172.4"	9,900/9,700	Std.	Std.	2,622/2,434	1,942/1,779
	4x4 DRW Crew Cab	172.4"	11,200/11,000	Std.	Std.	3,570/3,200	• /2,450
	4x4 DRW Crew Cab	172.4"	11,500/ •	Std.	Std.	•	3,120/ •

(1) Requires Camper Package option.

Slide-in Camper Installation

- Ford Motor Company recommends consulting your camper manufacturer/dealer for details regarding proper installation of your slide-in camper.
- A dimensionally stable block spacer is recommended between the headboard of the pickup box and the forward edge of the camper floor. Resting the spacer on the pickup box bed prevents movement and contact of the fully installed camper with the pickup box headboard or taillight rear pillars.

Note: Be sure to measure your slide-in camper before attempting to install it onto the bed of the truck. Some campers may require a platform in the bed of the truck to make sure the cabover portion of the camper clears the roof of the truck cab.

Camper Center-of-Gravity Information

- All Styleside pickups that are qualified for slide-in camper bodies will have the camper center-of-gravity included on the Consumer Information Sheet, which is placed in the vehicle's glovebox.
- Data are calculated for each individual truck, based on vehicle options.
- If the vehicle is not qualified for camper usage, the Consumer Information Sheet will state that the vehicle is not recommended for camper usage, and no center-of-gravity data will be shown.

Super Duty F-250/350 Camper Package (Option Code 532)

- Heavy service front springs (200-lb. upgrade over springs computer-selected based on options ordered. Not included if maximum springs already selected.)
- Rear stabilizer bar (SRW models)
- Slide-in camper certification