

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation
Section 22-301(d) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1984 Replacement Volume and 1984 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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22-301.

(d) Every vehicle shall be equipped with brakes acting on all wheels, except:

(1) Trailers, semitrailers, or pole trailers of a registered gross weight not exceeding 3,000 pounds, provided that:

(i) The total weight on and including the wheels of the trailer or trailers does not exceed 40 percent of the gross weight of the towing vehicle when connected to the trailer or trailers; and

(ii) The combination of vehicles, consisting of the towing vehicle and its total towed load, is capable of complying with the performance requirements of § 22-302 of this subtitle;

(2) TRAILERS, SEMITRAILERS, OR POLE TRAILERS OF A REGISTERED GROSS WEIGHT EXCEEDING 3,000 POUNDS AND NOT EXCEEDING 10,000 POUNDS THAT:

(I) HAVE 2 OR MORE AXLES;

(II) ARE EQUIPPED WITH BRAKES ACTING ON ALL WHEELS OF AT LEAST 1 AXLE; AND

(III) AS PART OF A COMBINATION OF VEHICLES, CONSISTING OF THE TOWING VEHICLE AND THE TOTAL LOAD, IS CAPABLE OF COMPLYING WITH THE PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS OF § 22-302 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

[(2)] (3) Any vehicle being towed in driveway or towaway operations, provided that the combination of vehicles is capable of complying with the performance requirements of § 22-302 of this subtitle;

[(3)] (4) Trucks, truck tractors, and special mobile equipment with three or more axles need not have brakes on the front wheels, except that, when the vehicles are equipped with at