

REFLECTIVE TAPE FOR TRAILERS

On March 31, 1999, the Federal DOT issued a rule which requires trailers over 10,000 lbs. and 80 inches wide or more to be retrofitted with reflective tape (Ref. 393.13).

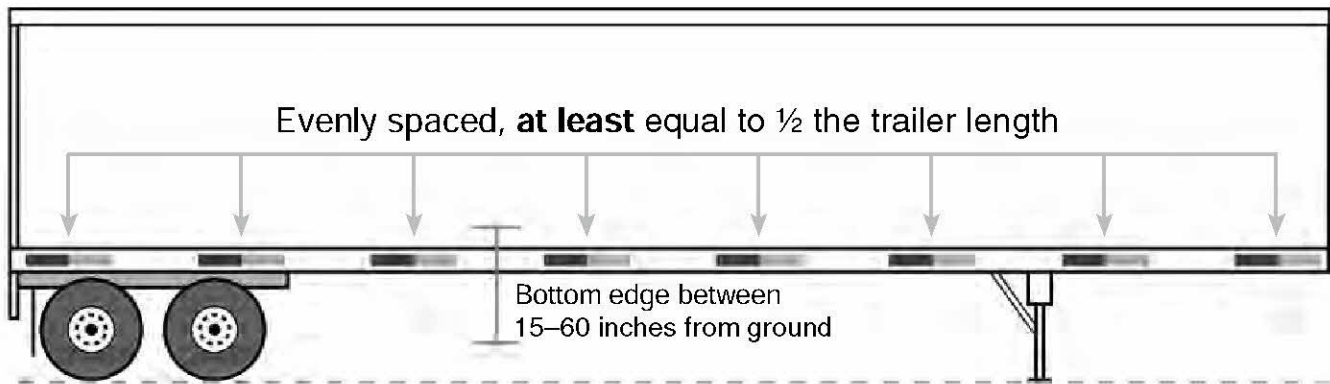
Trailers built on or after December 1, 1993, must already have reflective tape when built; that tape must be maintained in the same manner as when the trailer was new.

Trailers built before December 1, 1993, must be retrofitted with tape meeting the same color and reflection requirements.

White 12" inverted "L" along the top rear (with modifications for flat-beds and tankers).

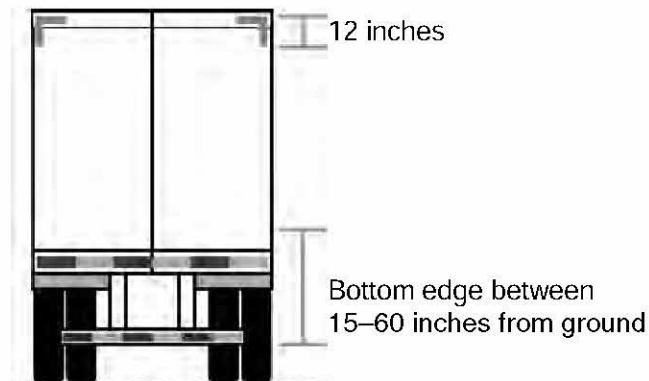
Alternating red and white on lower rear and along the sides evenly spaced and covering at least half the length of the trailer:

- 14 feet on a 28-foot trailer
- 20 feet on a 40-foot trailer
- 24 feet on a 48-foot trailer
- 26½ feet on a 53-foot trailer



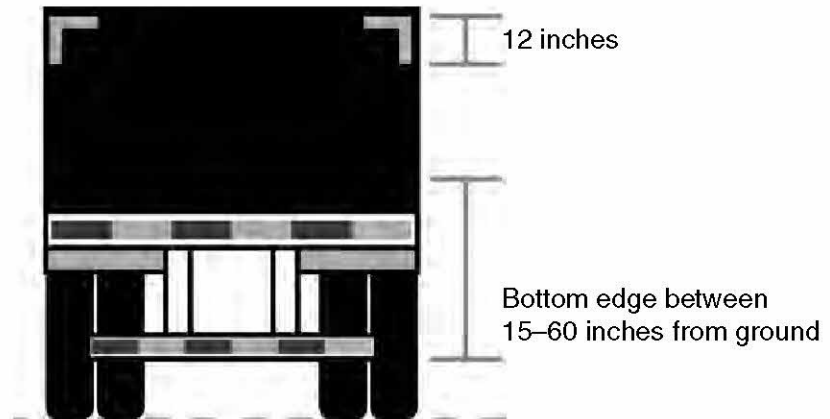
For box trailers, the rear reflective tape must be as shown:

- Full-width across the rear-end protection ("ICC bumper")
- Full-width across the lower rear cargo area
- Two 12" inverted "L" near the top rear corners



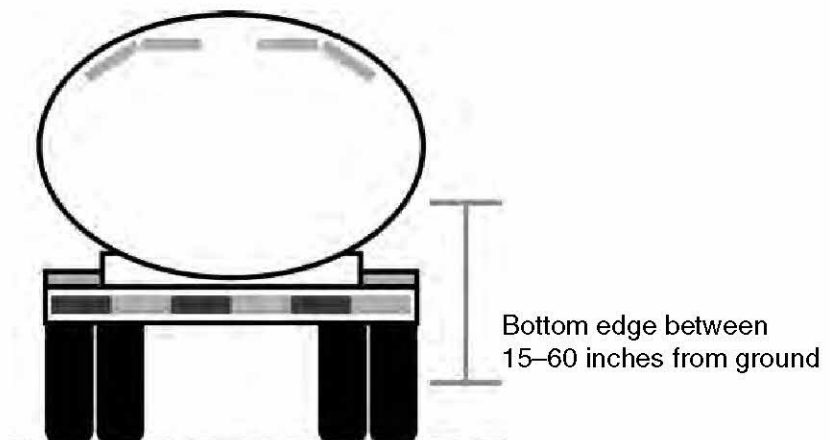
For flat-bed trailers, the rear tape must be has shown:

- Full-width across the rear-end protection (“ICC bumper”)
- Full-width across the lower rear cargo area
- Two 12" inverted “L” near the top rear header board



For tanker trailers, the rear tape must be has shown:

- Full-width across the rear-end protection
- Four 12" white strips near the top rear



Trailers must be in compliance by June 1, 2001.

Trailers with tape colors other than red and white must be retrofitted by June 1, 2009.