

## TOWING WEIGHTS

Maximum permissible towing weights	
Unbraked trailers	1654 lb (750 kg)
Trailers with overrun brakes	7716 lb (3500 kg)
Tongue weight	550 lb (250 kg)

See **179, WEIGHTS**, for details of the Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW), Gross train weight, axle weights and maximum payload.

**Note:** *When calculating rear axle loading, remember that the trailer tongue weight, the load in the vehicle's luggage area, weight on the roof rack, and the weight of rear seat passengers must all be added together. These combined weights must never exceed the GVW or the individual axle maximum loads.*

## ESSENTIAL TOWING CHECKS

- When calculating the laden weight of the caravan/trailer, remember to include the weight of the caravan/trailer, plus the weight of the load.
- If the load can be divided between the vehicle and trailer, loading more weight into the vehicle will generally improve stability. Do not exceed the vehicle's weight limits.
- For maximum stability, ensure that loads are properly secured and unable to shift position during transit. Also, position loads so that most of the weight is placed close to the floor and, where possible, immediately above or close to the caravan/trailer axle(s).
- Make sure the tire pressures of the towing vehicle are correct for maximum vehicle loading conditions.

- Make sure the caravan/trailer tire pressures are set to caravan/trailer manufacturer's recommendations.
- Ensure that a suitable breakaway cable or secondary coupling is used. Refer to the caravan/trailer manufacturer's instructions for guidance.
- Ensure that the tow hitch is secure.
- Check the operation of all trailer lights.

### **⚠ WARNING**

**Do not loop the breakaway cable over the tow hitch as it may slide off.**

### **⚠ WARNING**

**Do not exceed the Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW), maximum rear axle weight, maximum trailer weight, or tongue weight. Exceeding any of these limits could cause instability and loss of control.**

## TOWING A TRAILER

### **⚠ WARNING**

**Do not exceed the Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW), maximum rear axle weight, maximum trailer weight or tow hitch load (tongue weight). Exceeding any of these limits could cause instability and loss of control.**

### **⚠ WARNING**

**Never exceed the maximum weights for either the vehicle, or the trailer. Doing so can cause accelerated wear and damage to the vehicle. It can also adversely affect vehicle stability and braking which in turn can lead to loss of control and increased braking distance, resulting in a rollover or crash.**

### **⚠ WARNING**

**To preserve handling and stability, only fit Land Rover approved towing accessories.**