

SIDE LOADER DELIVERIES



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IMPORTANT INFO & TIPS

A side loader is a specialised type of truck or trailer equipped with cranes on the sides to lift and transport shipping containers, often used when space is limited. It allows for self-loading and unloading of containers without the need for additional equipment like forklifts or cranes.

To successfully deliver and position a shipping container, the delivery location must have adequate space, a firm and level surface, and clear access for the delivery truck. Here's a more detailed breakdown:

1. SPACE REQUIREMENTS

Enough Room: The area needs to be large enough to accommodate the container's size, plus extra space for the delivery truck to maneuver and position the container.

Grounding Side: The container will be lifted & dropped on the Driver's side of the truck.

Turning Radius: The truck needs sufficient space to turn/reverse and navigate.

Overhead Clearance: Ensure there are no low-hanging tree branches, power lines, or other structures that could obstruct the delivery truck or the container itself.

Side Loader Truck Clearance Requirements:

On average: Height 4.6m (15.1ft), Width 6m (19.6ft), Length 16m (53ft)



2. GROUND CONDITIONS

Firm and Level Surface: The ground should be stable and level to prevent the container from sinking, tilting, or becoming misaligned.

Soft Ground: If the ground is soft or sandy, you may need to prepare the area with gravel, concrete pads, or other materials to create a stable base.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Door Direction: Decide which way you want the container doors to face for easy access and loading/unloading. Remember container is dropped from driver's side of the truck.

Permits and Approvals: If not delivering to a commercial address, check with your local council about any necessary permits or regulations for placing a shipping container on your residential property.