

Pallet Size and Equipment Requirements

To ensure you have the appropriate size of truck to pick-up the SNS supplies, note the following:

- ◆ Standard pallet size - 4' W X 4' L X 4' H
- ◆ 20' truck will hold approximately eight pallets
- ◆ Pallets can contain up to 11,200 bottles depending on the type of medication



Factors to consider when receiving and transporting:

- ◆ Size of population to serve
- ◆ Number of pallets and supplies to pick-up from RSS and move to Point of Dispensing
- ◆ Size of truck needed
- ◆ Equipment needed to move pallets and supplies (pallet-jacks, dollies, forklifts)
- ◆ Staff needed to unload truck(s)



The Missouri Strategic National Stockpile Program is a component of Missouri's public health system to respond to an act of terrorism or natural disaster. The program partners with Local Public Health Agencies, hospitals, state agencies, organizations, and communities to respond to the medical consequences of terrorist attacks, natural disasters, and technological accidents.



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Receiving and Transporting Strategic National Stockpile Materials

Truck, Trailer and Loading Docks

This guide will provide important information regarding vehicle specifications used when transporting assets.

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This image is an example of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) SNS containers that arrive at the Receiving Staging and Storage (RSS) site.



In order to reach the maximum percentage of the population in the shortest amount of time it is critical to move medications and supplies quickly and efficiently.

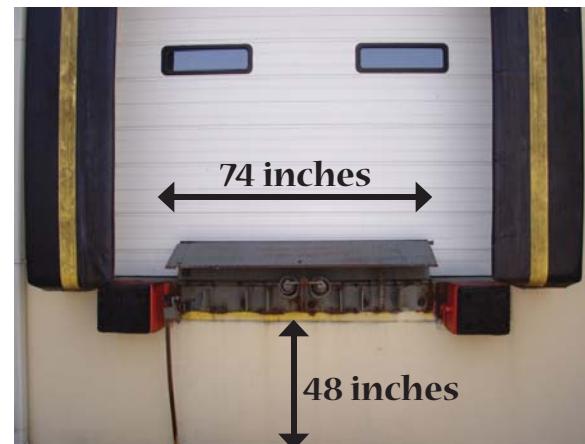
Life-saving (SNS) supplies come in massive amounts to meet massive needs.

Pallet jacks, loading docks and pallets of medical supplies, which weigh hundreds of pounds, are not part of everyday work in public health or hospitals. However, if a disaster strikes, large amounts of pharmaceuticals and medical supplies will need to be moved quickly and efficiently to save thousands of lives.

The following information will help you prepare to receive and distribute SNS supplies. You will find information about:

- Receiving Staging and Storage (RSS) and Regional Distribution Site (RDS) loading dock sizes and the types of trucks that will work with those sites.
- The size of truck needed based on amount of medicine being dispensed to the population.

Loading Dock Height



All RSS and RDS loading dock heights are the standard 48 inches.

Trucks should have a bed height of 48 inches to be able to load supplies.



The above truck is an example of a 20 foot truck which has a bed height of 48 inches and meets level with the loading dock.



In the above photo the trucks are both 24-foot trucks, however the truck on the left could not be loaded from a RSS or RDS loading dock. There is a 16-inch difference between the height of the truck and the loading dock.