Material Falling/Blowing from Trucks Question and Answer

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**Question:**
Where does it say that material on dump trucks must be covered or below the dump body side boards?

**Answer:**
New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law prohibits loose material from falling or blowing from trucks and trailers. Loose material must be completely covered or loaded such that no material may fall or blow from the truck and/or trailer.

**Reference:**
New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law Section 380-a “Certain vehicles engaged in the transportation of loose cargo” truck or trailer being utilized for the transportation of loose substances must have a cover, tarpaulin or other device that completely closes in the opening as to prevent the falling of any such substances. However, if the load is arranged so that no loose substance can fall from or blow out of such truck, the covering is not necessary.