## TAUTLINER®



The loading versatility of a flatbed, and the protection of a dry van

Designing a great curtainsided trailer required a creative commitment to build a product that is strong, light weight and durable. Using the 4000A® flatbed as its platform, the Utility Tautliner is engineered with one of the industry's highest strength-to-weight ratios. Customizable to meet the demands of some of the most unique applications, the Tautliner delivers superior performance, lower ongoing operating costs and a longer life cycle.

The Utility Tautliner remains the only curtainsided trailer designed and manufactured by one company – from the platform, to the superstructure and even the curtains.



# REDEFINING STANDARD FEATURES





#### **Superstructure Built for Strength & Durability**

The light weight and heavy-duty superstructure is engineered for long life. The .040" aluminum roof skin is supported by bonded aluminum roof bows and aluminum top rails – creating a high strength-to-weight ratio. The front wall and rear door frame are manufactured from Corten steel for superior protection against corrosion.



#### **Utility-Designed High Strength Curtains**

Utility engineered the high quality Tautliner curtains to be the strongest in the industry. Curtains are designed and manufactured by Utility from heat and tear resistant, 3x2 weave, PVC-coated polyester fabrics. This provides 50% more strength than the typical 2x2 weave, delivering longer curtain life. Curtains are full loadbearing, providing superior load protection, increased durability and lower maintenance costs.



#### **Superior Accessibility and Versatility**

The Tautliner is engineered to allow all kinds of back hauls, regardless of dimension or size. Its load versatility enables you to use the full length and width of the trailer's deck to provide for increased backhaul capability. The Tautliner's three-way simultaneous access through the rear doors and both sides ensures easier loading and unloading for faster deliveries without first-on, last-off load planning challenges.



### Load-Bearing Straps, Independent Strap Pockets & Easy-to-Operate Stainless Steel Buckles

Tautliner curtains are secured to the bottom rails with 1¾" wide nylon tensioning straps coated in UV-resistant resin on 24" centers. Stainless steel buckles and J-shaped hooks are used to tension the 2,500 lb. rated straps. Radio frequency welded strap pockets protect the straps from abrasion and allow even curtain load distribution for longer curtain life.



#### High-Strength, Light Weight 4000A® Platform

The Tautliner platform delivers one of the highest strength-to-weight ratios in the industry. It begins with the Utility 4000A aluminum and steel flatbed and ends with a repurposed design that provides more strength with a lower tare weight. The Tautliner's aluminum side rails feature integral sliding winch tracks for maximum load securement versatility.



#### Virtually All of the Weather Protection of a Van

Heavy-duty upper curtain pelmets minimize moisture entry at the top and the J-shaped hooks firmly secure the weather-proof curtain to the side rails. Using tarps is a thing of the past reducing labor, increasing safety and minimizing moisture damage to sensitive cargo.

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