



# The people that make it, make the difference

AS A SPECIALIST MANUFACTURER OF SKELETAL TRAILER EQUIPMENT IN ADDITION TO A WIDE RANGE OF OTHER SEMI-TRAILERS, **O'PHEE TRAILERS** HAS BECOME SYNONYMOUS WITH QUALITY AND RELIABILITY, AND IS A LEADER IN THE SEMI TRAILER MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY.

Having been in the trailer manufacturing industry for over 40 years, O'Phee Trailers manufactures Skel trailers to suit a large variety of needs from its modern manufacturing facility at Rocklea, Brisbane. Australian owned and operated, the company asserts that it has a reputation for excellence – being able to offer performance, reliability and excellent customer service that is underwritten by the O'Phee name. O'Phee uses only Australian steel, and as well as providing jobs for the local community, has a strong apprenticeship program – training young Australians for Australia's future. In producing any trailer from its range (including Skel trailers), O'Phee works closely with its customers to determine the exact requirements needed for the task at hand. By utilising a combination of high-tensile steels, O'Phee Trailers concentrates on combining low tare weights with high strength and durability in order to achieve maximum payloads and axle group weight distribution. O'Phee's Skel trailer product lines include Tandem; Tri Axle and Quad Container Skels; Drop deck Skels, Super B-double Skels, Tipping Skels, in single, B-double, A-double,

Super B-double; AB triple; and various road train combinations – each of which can be custom designed to suit varying customer needs.


O'Phee has also been involved in many PBS projects over the years and was the first to introduce Quad Axle Skels into Queensland after working closely with Queensland Transport and its customer.

Chalmers Industries is one company that has relied on O'Phee Skel trailers for many years. With a fleet of approximately 140 trailers, Chalmers operates around 90 skels, many of which have been designed and built by O'Phee. Chalmers began dealing with O'Phee Trailers almost a decade ago and its Skel fleet now consists of everything from single trailers and B-doubles, to Super B-doubles and retractable skels.

Chalmers' Queensland Manager and Director, John Carew explains, "I can sit down with the owners Mick and Sharon O'Phee and tell them the exact specs I need in order to satisfy my customers' requirements. Because I am given that chance to sit with them and thoroughly discuss what I need, they always deliver exactly what we are after.

"The other important thing is the quality of the build and the finish. Many trailers that are mass produced don't receive the same amount of attention to design detail and finish as an O'Phee trailer and within a couple of years, other trailers can fail and the paint can look dull. Our O'Phee trailers retain their strength and superior finish, and just keep working around the clock – a simple wash and they look like new. In our opinion, an O'Phee trailer not only lasts longer, but also maintains a high resale value."

O'Phee Trailers also offers a comprehensive Repairs and Service facility and operates a Queensland Transport Approved Inspection Station.

"As we are a wharf carrier, our trailers receive quite a pounding. If they ever do get damaged, we send them to O'Phee and they are repaired straight away. Their after sales service is just excellent," says John. 

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