

2018 SIDE x SIDE

MULE PRO-DX™



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FEATURES



As the flagship MULE™ Side x Side vehicles, the MULE PRO models are Kawasaki's most powerful, comfortable and capable Side x Side vehicles ever. Every MULE PRO model has premium ride comfort that must be experienced to fully appreciate, and the MULE PRO-DX™ line is built for work with its massive 20 square foot steel cargo bed capable of carrying a standard-size pallet with the tailgate closed. The MULE PRO-DX's diesel engine allows it to operate alongside other diesel-powered equipment without requiring separate fuel.

TIMBERLINE GREEN
(KAF1000EJF, EPS)

COLORS



KEY FEATURES

- 3-CYLINDER DIESEL ENGINE DELIVERS HIGH TORQUE FOR HAULING OR PULLING BIG LOADS
- LARGEST CARGO BED IN CLASS (NEARLY 20 SQUARE FEET)
- TILT STEERING WHEEL WITH ELECTRIC POWER STEERING
- STANDARD DOORS
- 4-WHEEL DISC BRAKES
- FULLY AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION WITH SELECTABLE 2- OR 4-WHEEL DRIVE
- LEGENDARY KAWASAKI MULE DURABILITY AND DEPENDABILITY

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SPECIFICATIONS

KAF1000EJF

Engine Type	4-Stroke, Three Cylinder, Liquid-Cooled, Diesel
Displacement	993cc
Bore & Stroke	74.0 x 77.0 mm
Maximum Torque	38.3 lb-ft @ 2,400 rpm
Starting	Electric
Transmission	Kawasaki Automatic Power-Drive System (KAPS) with Reverse
Top Speed	29 mph
Front Tire Size	Tubeless 26 x 9-12
Rear Tire Size	Tubeless 26 x 11-12
Wheelbase	92.3 in.
Turning Radius (Differential Unlocked)	16.0 ft.
Brakes, Front and Rear	Hydraulic Disc
Front Suspension Type	Double Wishbone
Rear Suspension Type	Double Wishbone
Ground Clearance	10.4 in.
Fuel Tank Capacity	7.9 gal.
Track Front/Rear	54.7 in. / 52.0 in.
Towing Capacity	2,000 lb.
Vehicle Load Capacity	1,616 lb.
Overall Length x Width x Height	133.3 x 64.0 x 77.4 in.
Bed Length x Width x Height	54.1 x 53.3 x 11.0 in.
Bed Load Capacity	1,000 lb.**
Seating Capacity	3
Maximum Alternator Output	55 amps
Curb Weight†	1,852.2 lb.
Warranty	Kawasaki Strong 3-Year Limited Warranty
Kawasaki Protection Plus™	12, 24, or 36 months

Specifications subject to change without notice.

^(KPI) = See Kaw-Pedia section for more details.

* = Changes from previous model year.

† = Includes all necessary materials and fluids to operate correctly, full tank of fuel (more than 90% of capacity) and tool kit (if supplied).

** = "L" (California) Model 600 lb.

NEW FOR 2018

* *Underseat storage bin provides convenient covered storage.*

* *Revised glove compartment door is easier to open for increased convenience.*



LARGE CARGO CAPACITY

A single bench seat allows the cargo bed to be larger so it is the largest ever in the MULE Side x Side line-up, and the largest in its class.

- The bed is 4.5 feet long and nearly as wide, big enough to hold a standard pallet (40 x 48 inches)
- Long, flat design makes it easy to load from three sides.
- Nearly 20 square feet of bed area.



ENGINE

The high-torque three-cylinder diesel engine of the MULE PRO-DX™ offers excellent performance for hauling loads, excellent low speed operation, starts easily and has simple, rugged construction.

- With 38.4 lb.-ft of torque from low rpm, the PRO-DX is perfect for hauling and towing heavy loads or other low-speed, high-load work.
- Liquid cooling maintains optimum operating temperatures, whether working hard or during extended idling periods. A cooling fan also helps to prevent heat build-up in the engine compartment for enhanced reliability.
- Glowplug preheats the engine to aid starting in cold conditions.
- Intake duct chamber provides ample air volume to ensure crisp throttle response when the accelerator is pressed quickly.

TRANSMISSION

Kawasaki Automatic Power-Drive System (KAPS)^(KP)

- Short transmission gearing helps focus the engine power delivery in the low range, easing moving off from a stop and low-speed operation.
- Continuously Variable Transmission (CVT) is fully automatic.
- Keeps engine rpm in most efficient range for any selected vehicle speed, load or terrain.
- CVT transmission has very smooth response, adding to ease of control.
- Tuned to provide engine braking when descending hills.
- N7-grade CVT belt increases to durability.
- Aluminum CVT case and the CVT driven cam and shaft are both hard chrome plated for long-lasting durability.

Electrically Selectable 4WD & Rear Differential Lock

- Electrically selectable 2WD/4WD and dual-mode rear differential system allow easy changes between drive systems to suit changing terrain and applications.
- Flipping the switches causes the systems to be engaged instantly, ensuring the driver has full control of 4WD or rear differential lock activation.
- Dual-mode rear differential provides maximum traction when in locked mode and minimizes ground disturbance when unlocked.

CHASSIS

Ideal Chassis Size & Dimensions

The MULE PRO-DX features chassis design that help provide a comfortable ride without compromising maneuverability or performance.

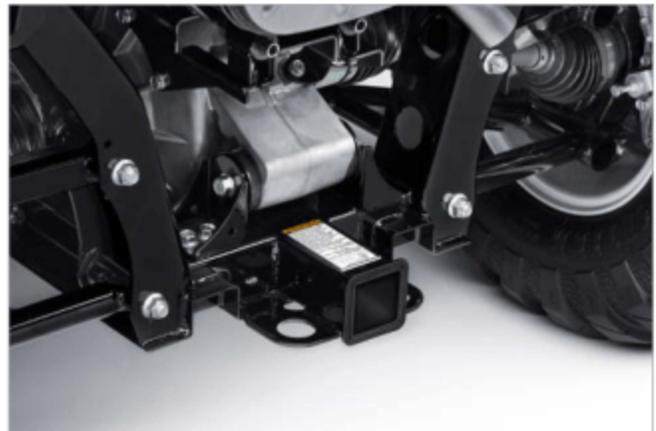
- Wide track contributes to vehicle performance.
- Optimized wheelbase contributes to a relatively tight turning radius, which makes it easier to maneuver in close confines.
- Combined with the MULE PRO-DX's ground clearance, the wheelbase dimension also contributes to a more favorable breakover angle (26°), which reduces the chance of bottoming out when cresting a ridge or driving over obstacles.
- High approach and departure angles (78° and 64°, respectively) also contribute to the MULE PRO-DX's off-road performance. Minimizing bodywork overhang (positioning the wheels as close to the bumpers as possible) reduces the chance of hitting the bumper or scraping the tail when going up or coming down steep hills.

Frame Stiffness Balanced for Superb Handling

- The MULE PRO-DX's rugged frame construction offers great durability as well as superb handling.
- The frame features a ladder-type construction and is built from square tubes of high-quality steel. The frame components are joined together using a combination of welds and bolts to achieve highly predictable chassis performance and high durability.
- High-load areas such as the suspension mounting plates are constructed of high-tensile steel.
- After undergoing extensive stiffness balance testing, the resulting frame offers a good balance between lateral and torsional stiffness. This delivers high durability while allowing just the right amount of chassis flex to be able to handle variations in terrain and provide a high level of ride comfort.

High Cargo and Towing Capacity

- The cargo bed's flat bottom facilitates loading. The highly durable bed is made of diamond-plate steel.
- Gas-assisted tilting cargo bed with prop rod provides quick engine access.
- Cargo bed features a two-lever tailgate release system for easy opening and closing. The tailgate's blow-molded design includes built-in cup holders that come in handy when the tailgate is down.
- The cargo bed walls are designed with slots that can accommodate cargo dividers, allowing cargo to be separated and stowed more securely.
- One-inch square tubing running along the top of the cargo bed side walls provides easy tie-down points for bungee hooks, and is compatible with the accessory Tool Mount System brackets that allow toolbox or other items to be snap-mounted to the cargo bed rails.
- Standard two-inch tow hitch receiver is compatible with a wide range of accessory hitches and allows the MULE PRO-DX to tow up to 2,000 pounds.



CHASSIS CONTINUED

4-Wheel Disc Brakes

- Front and rear disc brakes provide strong, sure stopping power.
- 212mm front discs are gripped by two-piston calipers with 27mm pistons.
- 212mm rear discs are slowed by single-piston calipers with 34mm pistons.
- Semi-metallic brake pads offer a balance between braking power and long life.

High-Grade Electric Power Steering^(KP)

- The electric power steering system (EPS) reduces steering effort, especially at low speeds. Input from a vehicle speed sensor and torque sensor determine the amount of steering assistance required from the system's electric motor. At slow speeds, or when stopped, assistance is greatest. Assistance is reduced as vehicle speed increases. It all adds up to superior handling.
- The EPS system also enhances ride comfort and control by acting as a damping system. The inertia of the electric motor significantly reduces bump steer and kickback to the steering wheel often caused when encountering rocks or ruts.
- Since the system is electric, it works immediately, without the time lag sometimes associated with hydraulic systems that, when the engine is first started, require time to pump engine oil to the power steering system.
- Because the EPS system does not rely on oil pumped from the engine, there is no engine power loss.



Tilt Steering Wheel

- Steering wheel has a stepless range of approximately 34°, allowing drivers to set its position to suit their preference, as well as lift it out of the way to facilitate entering and exiting the vehicle.
- Thickly cushioned steering wheel contributes to comfort as well as the high-quality feel of the MULE PRO-DX.



CHASSIS CONTINUED

Rugged Styling

- Designed to reflect its tough construction and strong performance, the MULE PRO-DX features rugged, no-nonsense styling similar to that found on high-quality pickup trucks.
- Complementing its wide stance, the angular form of the MULE PRO-DX adds to its imposing physique.
- Steel front bumper enhances the rugged looks.
- Door decals are color-matched to the bodywork, creating a design that flows continuously from the front to the rear.
- Clean dashboard design includes switches for the lamps, selectable 4WD, and rear differential lock. Four spaces (five in the case of EPS and EPS LE models) for additional accessory switches are provided, as well as two 12-volt auxiliary power outlets.



COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Complementing the MULE PRO-DX's superb performance, there are also a number of comfort and convenience features to ensure that passengers are able to relax and enjoy the ride.

Standard Doors

- The MULE PRO-DX™ comes standard with doors to facilitate entering and exiting the vehicle.
- The doors also offer protection from the elements.
- Simple latch mechanism facilitates opening and closing the doors.

Roomy Interior

- The MULE PRO-DX's wide-body chassis creates a roomy interior space that offers the shoulder and legroom for three adults to comfortably sit side-by-side.
- Seat material has superb elasticity, comfort and slip resistance. The material is also resistant to cold, allowing it to maintain its suppleness when temperatures drop and reducing the chance of tearing/ripping when exposed to cold temperatures.
- Handgrips integrated into the ROPS frame for the passengers contribute to comfort.
- Each seating position is equipped with a three-point seat belt.
- Shoulder guards are integrated into the ROPS frame.



COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

High-Level Ride Comfort

- Low vibration, excellent bump absorption when tackling obstacles on the trail and quiet-running engine help increase the comfort level.
- In addition to a fully rubber mounted for the engine, a thorough analysis of the rubber mount responsiveness was conducted to ensure engine vibration is kept to a minimum.
- Torque rod helps minimize the tendency of the engine and rear gear case to roll when torque is generated by the engine.
- Four-wheel independent, double-wishbone suspension allows each of the wheels to drive over certain obstacles with minimum effect on the chassis.
- Twin-tube shock absorbers provide excellent bump absorption and rough road handling performance.
- Suspension settings help minimize chassis body roll.
- Deflector shield behind the radiator and dual-wall exhaust pipe with a sandwich-type heat cover help keep heat away from the passenger compartment.
- Dual-wall construction of the muffler also helps keep exhaust noise to a minimum so that passengers are able to converse in the cabin while riding.

Storage

- Passenger-side glove box provides enclosed storage for small items.
- Three dashboard pockets provide a handy place to put small items. The center pocket is large enough to accommodate the accessory audio system.
- Two drink holders are built into the bodywork in front of the dashboard.

DC Sockets

- Two DC sockets integrated into the dashboard provide a power supply (up to 120W) for accessory items or personal devices.



COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Parking Brake

- Parking brake lever is conveniently located on the dash to the left of the steering wheel.
- Warning buzzer alerts operator if vehicle is attempted to be driven while parking brake is engaged.



Easy Maintenance Access

- Front hood allows quick access to key electrical components like the ECU and fuse case, as well as easy access to the radiator cap.
- Quick-release maintenance cover allows easy access to check the oil level and air cleaner.
- Engine is easily accessed by lifting the cargo bed.
- CVT belt can be accessed without lifting the cargo bed, and may be changed without removing the rear suspension.



Digital Instrumentation

- Multi-function display built into the dash features digital speedometer, digital fuel gauge, odometer, hour meter, clock, dual trip meters, 2WD/4WD indicator, parking indicator, water temperature warning indicator, fuel injection warning indicator, CVT warning indicator, EPS warning indicator, neutral indicator light, reverse indicator light and oil pressure warning light.



DURABILITY

Kawasaki MULE side x side vehicles are famous for their strength and the MULE PRO-DX is no exception.

Built Tough

- In addition to its tough engine and rugged frame construction, numerous features add to the MULE PRO-DX's strong build.
- Water-resistant engine backing plate, spark plug cover, CVT duct layout, and differential breather layout were all designed to prevent water intrusion. Additionally, electrical components like the ECU and fuse box are located high on the vehicle in an enclosed container (under the hood) to keep them far from water and dust.
- Front and rear wheel housings help keep mud, dirt and water from getting into the engine compartment and away from essential components.
- Efficient air cleaner design features a labyrinth layout, rubber seal and paper filter element to help keep the engine free from dust.
- Exhaust system is made of high-quality stainless steel.
- Drive shaft uses a flanged oil seal and is enclosed in metal plating for added durability.
- Large-gauge mounting bolts used at the A-arm pivots and suspension upper and lower mounts were chosen specifically for their contribution to suspension durability.
- The fuel tank is positioned well away from the wheels to help prevent it from being hit by flying debris, and features a guard for additional protection.

KAWASAKI GENUINE ACCESSORIES

See the current applicable Kawasaki accessory catalog or visit [\[REDACTED\]](#) for all of the latest Kawasaki Genuine Accessories available for this model.

KQR™ Full Windshield-Plastic

Cargo Bed Lift

Hard Cab Enclosure Roof

Hard Cab Enclosure Front Doors

Hard Cab Enclosure Rear Panel

WARN® ProVantage™ Plow Mount

WARN® ProVantage™ Plow Base

WARN® ProVantage™ Plow Blade

WARN® ProVantage™ 4500 lb Winch – Wire Cable

WARN® ProVantage™ 4500 lb Winch – Synthetic Rope

WARN® Vantage™ 4000 lb Winch – Wire Cable

WARN® Vantage™ 4000 lb Winch – Synthetic Rope

Windshield Wiper Kit

KQR™ Accessories Mount

KQR™ Gun Boot Mount

Side Mirrors - Set of 2

Soft Cab Enclosure w/ Back Panel-Black

Soft Cab Enclosure Doors-Black

KQR™ Cargo Box

Soft Roof - Black

Soft Roof - Camo

LED Lightbar Harness Kit

Cabin Fan (ETA August)

KQR™ Half Windshield

Beacon Strobe Light

Dome Light

Back Up Beeper

Cargo Light

Center Console

Front Floor Mats

Underseat Storage Bin

Cargo Mat

Heater (gas model only)

Camo Seat Cover

Dual Battery Kit

Reducer Bushing

Storage Cover

KQR™ Full Windshield-Glass

Accessory Fuse Box

Front Accessory Harness

Rear Accessory Harness

Soft Cab Enclosure-Camo

Soft Cab Enclosure Doors-Camo

LED Lightbar

Winch Mount

Brush Guard

Rear Bumper

Tail Light Guards

Front CV Joint Guards

Rear CV Joint Guards

Front Skid Plate

Mid Skid Plate

Plastic Roof

Horn

Rear Skid Plate

Heavy Duty Springs

LED Headlights

Kolpin® Gun Boot 6.0 Transport

Hitch Draw Bar

Rearview Mirror

2" Chrome Hitch Ball

1 7/8" Chrome Hitch Ball

5/8" Hitch Pin

Cargo Divider

Audio System

Bed Extender

Windshield Washer Kit

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DUAL-MODE DIFFERENTIAL

Features:

Dual-mode differentials in the unlocked mode allow the drive wheels to revolve at different speeds. This can eliminate wheel slippage under certain conditions. Locking dogs are machined into the outside of the differential gear. Shifting a coupling into engagement with the locking dogs causes the differential to lock and work like a solid axle. In the locked mode, the left and right drive wheels now turn at the same speed, increasing traction.

Benefits:

The locking differential lets the operator choose the mode of operation: unlocked so the soil or grass is not disturbed preserving the environment, or locked for increased traction for rough terrain or pulling a trailer.

ELECTRIC POWER STEERING (EPS)

Features:

There are three basic components of the EPS system; a power-assist unit on the steering shaft assembly, an ECU and speed sensor.

Vehicle speed is calculated by the ECU using signals from the speed sensor. Once the ECU makes its calculations, it controls the amount and direction of current supplied to the power assist unit's reversible motor. The motor runs a worm gear that turns a larger drive gear, which is made of a plastic composite to reduce mechanical shock and operational noise in the actuator.

Within the actuator the input shaft from the steering wheel and output shaft to the steering gear assembly are connected by a torsion bar that allows the shafts to rotate at different rates, depending on the amount of torque applied to the input shaft or rotational force on the output shaft generated by the steering assembly. The input shaft passes through the torque sensor and as the input/output shafts rotate, the torsional twist between the shafts move the sensor's rotor up or down. This changes the magnetic field acting on the right and left turn coils. The ECU senses this change of voltage on the coils and adjusts the amount of current to the motor.

Benefits:

The power assisted steering reduces steering effort to ease driver fatigue, especially when the four-wheel drive mode is engaged. Since the EPS is a variable-assist system it provides increased assistance at low speeds, where it's needed most, while reducing the assistance at higher vehicle speeds. The electric motor's inertia also significantly reduces bump steer and kickback to the steering wheel often caused when encountering rocks and ruts for a more comfortable and controlled ride.

KAWASAKI AUTOMATIC POWER-DRIVE SYSTEM (KAPS)/ CONTINUOUSLY VARIABLE TRANSMISSION (CVT)

Features:

An automatic transmission system featuring a torque converter that has two variable-diameter pulleys. A large V-belt transmits power from the crankshaft mounted pulley to the pulley on the transmission input shaft. The crankshaft pulley increases in diameter as engine RPM increases applying more load to the engine. The input shaft pulley decreases in diameter as the torque required to turn the drive wheels decreases.

Benefits

The KAPS eliminates shifting and automatically keeps the engine in the most efficient range for selected vehicle speed, load or terrain, making the vehicle easy to operate.

