

SAFETY



MONDAY

WINTER SAFETY

AVOIDING SLIPS, TRIPS, FALLS AND LOSS OF TRACTION

Ice Cleats

Ice cleats are a contraption, affixed to a shoe or boot, with small spikes underneath. They are used to avoid sliding on slippery surfaces like ice or snow. Ice cleats are attached to footwear with either straps over the heel and toe or a single strip over the foot.

Tire Chains and Cables

Tire chains and cables are a tool used to prevent tire slippage and potential loss of control of the vehicle. You'll want to use tire chains when there's a layer of snow or ice on the road you're driving on. You do not want to drive with snow chains on your truck or semi tires when no snow or ice is present. This could not only cause damage to the road (which can result in fines), but it could also destroy your tires.

There are strict tire chain laws in many states that require truck drivers to always have the appropriate tire chains in their truck. Some states have laws that prohibit the use of tire chains in certain situations, so be aware of the laws in the state which you are driving.

If you have tire chains on, you should not drive faster than 30mph. Faster speeds risk damaging the chain links and could damage your tires or fenders.



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