

Passenger & Light Truck Link Chain

Installation and Removal Instructions



Congratulaions on choosing WHITESTAR ALLOY tire chains. Please read and follow the installation and usage tips shown here. A few moments spent familiarizing yourself with this product's features will give you the best service possible for safe winter driving.

- * This product is intended for use on snow and ice covered roads. As such, it is legal in every state and province in North America, including those where studded tires are prohibited.
- * Refer to page four of this booklet for important information regarding the use of this product.

A properly installed chain:

Important: We strongly recommend that the chains be fitted to the tire prior to actual use to insure proper fit. Tire sizes may vary because of age, manufacturer, tread or type. Please ensure that the following points are correct when installing your chains.

- 1. The chain should drape at least 2 inches over each side of the tire from the edge of the tread toward the rim.
- 2. Excess side chain should be hooked down with one of the rubber tightener hooks.
- 3. Check to make sure that you have the correct size chains and that there is enough clearance between the chain and bodywork, suspension and brake parts, etc.
- 4. The chains should be tightened as snug as possible using chain tighteners. Smooth portion of hooks should be against tire.
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Installation



Park the vehicle on solid level ground. Set the emergency brake. Lay the chain on the ground with the smooth side of the hooks face up. The split side chain should be positioned closest to you around the bottom of the tire.



Reach around with both hands and grasp the ends of the coated side cable. Pull both ends to the top of the tire and fasten the inside hook. Be careful to avoid twists in any part of the chain.



Hook the red end fastener on the outside side chain to a corresponding link of the side chain at the top of the tire. Then hook the silver end fastener to the side chain at the bottom of the tire.



Attach the rubber tensioner to equal segments of the side chain, as shown. Make the first connection at about the 5 o'clock position, then at 11 o'clock and so on. Hook any excess side chain with a rubber tensioner hook or wire tie.



The curved portion of the cross chain hooks should face away from the tire.

Removal



Drive the vehicle off the highway to safe level ground. Turn off the engine and set the emergency brake. The wheel should be positioned so that the red plastic marker is <u>not</u> at the 12 o'clock position on the tire.



Disengage the rubber tightener and unhook the outside side chain, then the inside hook fastener. Reach behind the tire and pull the hoop apart and off of the tire, so that it is laying flat on the ground. Then drive off the chain.

One Year Limited Warranty

This product is warranted free from defect in workmanship and material for one year from the date of delivery to the user. Defective product may be returned to the manufacturer, freight prepaid, within 10 days of alleged defect. Inspection will be made to determine cause of failure. Chain determined to be defective will be repaired or replaced. Buyer shall not be entitled to recover any incidental or consequential damages. No compensation will be made for any labor claim, delays or damages incurred by using this product. Although this warranty gives you specific rights, you may have other legal rights which differ from state to state. For more information, please write to:

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Speeds over 30 mph, improper fit or improper installation voids this warranty.

CAUTION: All winter traction products will wear out with extended use. They can also break due to misfit, misapplication or misuse. If this should occur, stop immediately and remove the chain. Care should be taken when using this product on wheels or wheel covers that protrude outward beyond the sidewall of the tire. Wheel covers should be removed to prevent possible marking made by rubber tensioners. On vehicles with protruding alloy wheels, other traction products that do not use a rubber tensioner (such as SCC's Z-Chain or ladder-style cable products) should be used. If these cautions are ignored, Security Chain Co., and it's distributors are not responsible for injury or vehicle damage.

For maximum chain life

- * Avoid speeds over 30 mph and use on bare pavement. Traction coils on cross members will fragment and cause cross members to break. Damage could occur to chains, tires and vehicles.
- * Insure rubber tensioners are used at all times.
- * Avoid spinning tires: start slowly, even in uphill conditions.
- * Avoid locking brakes: the best braking technique is a pumping action.
- If a cross member should break, stop & remove or replace it immediately.
- * After use, clean and spray with an all-purpose lubricant.