

# **Light Truck Cable Chain**

Installation and Removal Instructions



Radial Chain LT is the light truck version of the first brand name in winter cable traction products (Radial Chain). Please follow the installation and usage tips shown here. A few moments spent familiarizing yourself with this product's features will yield many hours of safe and trouble-free 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 three 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 ensure 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 3 inches over each side of the tire from the edge of the tread toward the rim.
- 2. Excess side cable should be clamped into the hold-down clips.
- 3. The gap between the first and last cross member should be no more than 10 inches.
- 4. Fastener adjustment should be about the same on both sides.
- 5. The chains should be tightened as snug as possible without using chain tighteners. Smooth portion of side cable hooks should be against tire.

Snow tires or all-season tires with aggressive lugs:

Install chains hand tight and then loosen each side cable by one bushing. Chains should slowly rotate around the tire during normal operation for optimum performance. When chains are installed on snow tires or certain types of all-season tires too tightly, they are prevented from rotating.



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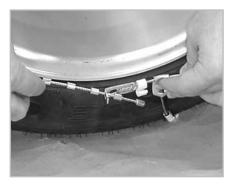
### **Installation**



Park vehicle on firm level ground, away from traffic and turn off the engine. Set the emergency brake. Chains should be installed on drive tires. Unroll the chain on the ground next to the tire. Position the cable so the end hooks are toward the front of the vehicle.



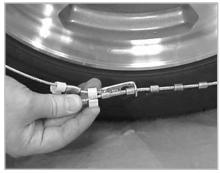
Drape the chain over the tire so that the smooth side of the cross member hook is against the tire. The cross member nearest the end hook should touch the ground.



At the inner sidewall, make the connection on the inside of the tire by pushing the cable with the end bushings behind the tire and toward the front of the vehicle.



On the outside of the tire, thread the cable with bushings through the end hook for initial mounting. Grasp the outside side cable with both hands and pull it towards you. This will create as much slacks possible. Then make the outside connection in the same manner.



Drive the vehicle one car length forward. Firmly tighten all connections. Use the clip on the side cable to secure the excess cable end. Note; the inside and outside connection should not differ by more than one metal bushing. See the close-up drawing below for a detailed look at this connection

## Removal

Drive vehicle off highway to safe level ground. Turn off engine and set emergency brake. Stop where the side cable fasteners are easily accessible (about 5 o'clock position). Release the outside excess side cable from the retaining clips. Unhook the side cable through the end hook by creating slack in the cable before pushing cable through end hook. Repeat this procedure on inside fastener. Lay chains on the ground and drive off. Inspect chains for damaged or worn parts. Clean and spray with all-purpose lubricant. Roll chains up together and place in package.

## Close-up of outside fastening system







**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. If these cautions are ignored, Security Chain Co., and it's distributors are not responsible for injury or vehicle damage.

## **Important:**

- \* We strongly recommend that the chains be fitted to the tire prior to actual use to ensure proper fit. Tire sizes may vary because of age, manufacturer, tread or type.
- \* Vehicle manufacturers' determine the clearance requirements based on the original (OEM) tires provided with the vehicle. Placing different size tires on your vehicle may affect the clearance necessary to operate this product.
  - During installation of the chain, ensure that the chain drapes at least 3 inches over each side of the tire from the edge of the tread.
- \* With traction devices installed, the vehicle will handle differently (for example, a longer braking distance on pavement without snow or ice). Adjust your driving to these changed conditions.
- \* Radial Chain LT 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. (Check local laws and regulations for any restrictions in your area.)

#### 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.
- \* 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.

## 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.