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Tire chains can improve traction on ice and packed snow. However, in order to perform their function, they must be installed properly and cleaned regularly, since chains packed with ice will lose their effectiveness.

Tire chains are designed to fit snugly, however, you should allow for some “creep” or movement of the chain of the tire. We also recommend tightening chains by hand, rather than with tools. This reduces the possibility of over tightening the chains and thereby gouging the tires. If additional measures need to be taken to make the chains fit properly, use the appropriate straps from those listed below.

Some vehicles require chains on all drive wheels. Check the vehicle operator's manual to determine the correct procedure for your particular vehicle.

When installing chains on dual wheels, first fasten chains between the wheels, and then fasten the inner wheel chain and finally, the outer chain. When installing on a single wheel, fasten the inner chain before the outer chain. Straighten and center and check to eliminate twisting.

STRAPS TO SNUG TIRE CHAINS

15" LONG, STRETCHES 20" TO 30" NSN 5340-01-029-9084

21" LONG, STRETCHES 26" TO 42" NSN 5340-01-231 6015

31" LONG, STRETCHES 36" TO 42" NSN 5340-01-029-9085

NOTE: The Defense Supply Center Columbus manages Tire Chains. Call DSN 850-1094 for assistance.