


MELT Class 1 Driver Training

Tire Chains




Chain configurations



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COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE CHAIN CONFIGURATIONS



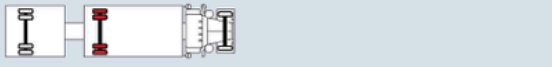
THESE ARE THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Steel Chains Only

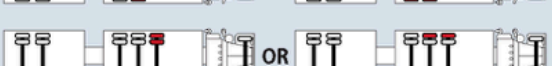
CMV over 11,794 kg without trailer




CMV over 11,794 kg with one trailer



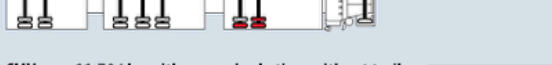
CMV over 11,794 kg with multiple trailers




CMV over 11,794 kg with super single tires without trailers




CMV over 11,794 kg with super single tires with trailer (s)




 Placement of required steel chains

Winter Tires or Traction Devices


CMV under 11,794 kg with one trailer





Buses, 4-Wheel Drive and CMV under 11,794 kg without trailer



Vehicles under 11,794 kg may use winter tires and/or acceptable traction devices (chains, cable chains, socks, wheel sanders or automatic chains)



 Placement of required traction devices

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 UNDER 11,794 kg LICENSED OVM WINTER TIRES OR CARRY CHAINS	 OVER 11,794 kg LICENSED OVM MUST CARRY TIRE CHAINS
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Current Road Conditions

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Preparing to chain up

- Choose safe location, away from traffic
- Park vehicle on stable and level ground
- Set parking brakes
- Wear high visibility clothing
- Gather needed equipment:
 - Pliers & gloves

Applying chains

- Drape chains over tire according to type
- Move vehicle to roll the chains onto the tire
- Triple chains:
 - attach centre
 - inside and outside clips
- Adjust and tighten using adjustment wrench
- Attach bungees correctly (if required)

Removing chains

- Park vehicle on stable and level ground (if possible)
- Set parking brakes
- Wear high visibility clothing
- Remove bungees (if applicable)
- Triple chains:
 - release clips
- Lay chains flat
- Drive off of chains
- Check condition of chains
- Properly store chains

How to install tire chains

Video - B.C. Ministry of Transportation

How to Install Tire Chains on a Commercial
Vehicle (7:59)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SKcibc-Qc78>