

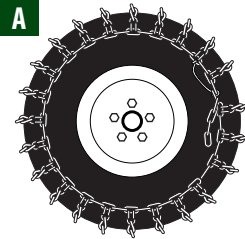


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# FITTING LADDER STYLE TIRE CHAINS



Tire chains are designed to fit various tire sizes and may need to be altered to fit your tire size correctly. If your tire chains are TOO LONG you'll need to remove some cross chains so your tire chains fit properly. Cross chains should be evenly spaced around the circumference of the tire (A). Follow the appropriate installation instructions to see if chains overlap, then determine how many cross chains you'll need to remove for your tire chains to be properly fitted (B).



Removing cross chains will leave you with extra side chain links. Attach extra links back to the side chain using wire, zip ties or cable ties (C).



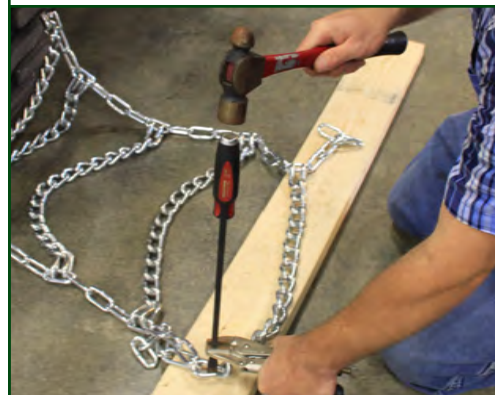
## REMOVING CROSS CHAINS

**WORK SAFE. Wear Safety Glasses and Gloves.**



### COMMON TOOLS

**Screwdriver, Pry Bar, Vise Grips and Hammer.** These common household tools can be used to remove cross chains.



### POSITION & PRY

Place tire chains on a workable surface. Hold the screwdriver with the vise grips behind the cross chain hook ends in preparation to pry open.

Using a hammer, strike the screwdriver to pry the ends of the cross chain hook to an open position. Now you can remove the cross chain from the side chain.

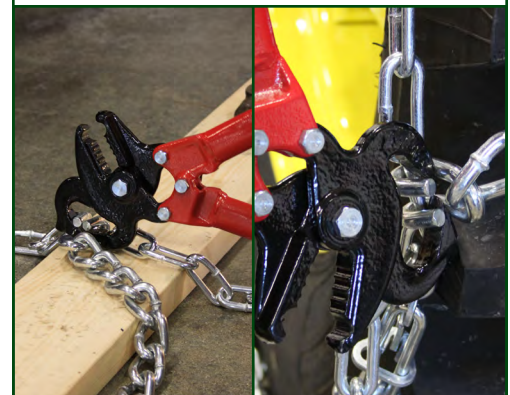
### DRIVE SAFE—BE SURE TO

- use correct size tire chain for your tire size.
- check clearance between the tread and wheel wells.
- inspect tire chains prior to use for any broken or worn parts.
- install your tire chains prior to actually needing them.
- have cross chain hook ends face away from tire side wall.
- tire chains are properly installed and fit snug around tire.
- test drive vehicle or equipment a short distance then readjust and retighten for a secure fit.
- any extra hanging links have been attached back to the side chain using wire, zip ties or cable ties.



### CHAIN REPAIR PLIERS

**Chain Repair Pliers.** Chain repair pliers can be used for removing or installing cross chains.



### POSITION & PRY

Place tire chains on a workable surface. Position pry end of tool under cross chain hook ends and close the pliers handles to pry open. Now you can remove the cross chain from the side chain.

Using the chain repair pliers, a cross chain can easily be removed from the side chain while still on the tire.

### DRIVE SAFE—DO NOT

- Deflate tires to install tire chains.
- Drive over fasteners and hooks while installing chains.
- Install tire chains the wrong way.
- Install broken tire chains.
- Drive with broken tire chains.
- Drive with snow chains on bare pavement.
- Use tire chains when towing other vehicles.
- Hit curbing with tire chains on.
- Accelerate rapidly.
- Spin tires.
- Exceed 30 mph.