
Winter Chains Quick Reference Guide

Introduction

As part of our continued effort to keep our customers safe, we have added winter chains and Supersox to our lineup of tire accessories on the website.

These products can provide an additional layer of traction in the event of severe inclement weather or state-implemented "chain laws" in certain areas.

Customers may inquire about these products because they are featured on our website. Familiarizing yourself with the following information will be helpful.

Cash and Carry

IMPORTANT: The winter chains are **NOT** for employees to install on vehicles. They are only to be sold to customers.

**Before
Purchase or
Install**

- Confirm tire size on the vehicle.
- Refer to the owner's manual for vehicle manufacturer's recommendation and clearance restrictions (S.A.E. Clearance requirements).
- We strongly recommend that the customer pre-fit the chains to the tire and ensure that they have enough clearance for the chains to operate properly.
- If you have alloy wheels or wheels that protrude beyond the tire sidewall, Peerless Industrial Group, Inc. cautions against using traction products that require a rubber tightener.

**Winter Chains
Lookup Tool**

When selling winter chains or Supersox, use the [winter chain lookup tool](#) on the Calculators page of the KC to determine the correct product(s) for the vehicle.

**Product
Choices**

If the winter chains lookup tool displays multiple products for the application, refer to [Peerless' Traction Product Choices](#) for detailed information and photos of each product to assist with selecting the best solution for the application.

**S.A.E.
Clearance
Requirements**

Most vehicles manufactured since the late 1980s will have special clearance requirements. This generally refers to S.A.E. Class "S" clearance restrictions.

Class "S" is the definition for the least amount of space that should be provided around the drive tires of any vehicle to accommodate the use of a winter traction product. The clearance requirement is comprised of two different measurements: from the tread face of the tire to the nearest obstruction, and from the inside sidewall of the tire to the nearest obstruction. The minimum clearances must be maintained around fenders, braces, suspension parts, strut housing, splash pans, and fuel and brake lines.

Contact

If you are unsure which product to select, Peerless is available for product support and training. Visit Peerless' [Tire Chain FAQ's](#), or contact Tom Yates: 503-754-1954, email: T.Yates@peerlesschain.com
