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## Safe Winter Driving – Winter Tires and Traction Devices

- 1) The majority of Tires are labelled M-S, or M/S will provide enhanced traction over a summer tire. This label was started over 40 years ago and indicated the tire offers a deep tread. It is not regulated by NHTSA under the Uniform Tire Quality Grading (UTQG) system.
- 2) In September 2009 NHTSA accepted the FMSS No.139 definition of a snow tire which must meet ASTM E-1136 and the snow tire must carry the Alpine Snowflake symbol. A snow tire has a soft rubber compound to improve traction on icy or snowy roads.
- 3) Safety on slick roads is about being able to stop quickly and to accelerate appropriately. Snow tires designed for winter conditions will improve stopping ability and acceleration by thirty to fifty percent over M/S or M-S tires.
- 4) All weather tires (M/S) and winter tires perform better with 3/16" tread than with 1/8" tread on snow or ice. California and Nevada require winters tires on mountain passes with a minimum of 3/16" of tread.
- 5) All vehicles need to carry tire chains or approved alternative traction devices like Autosock to traverse the mountain roads when sudden adverse winter conditions require additional traction. Oregon, Washington and California currently have this requirement for many mountain roads.

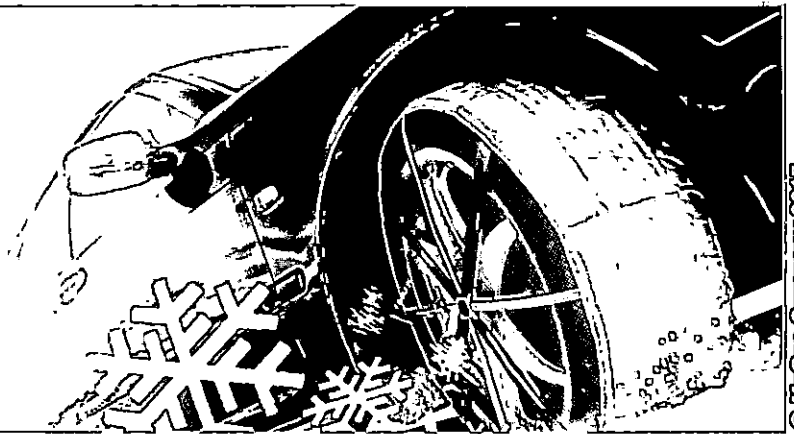
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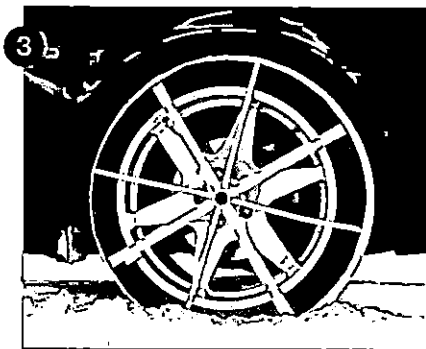
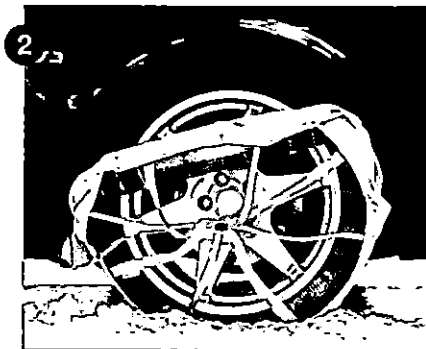
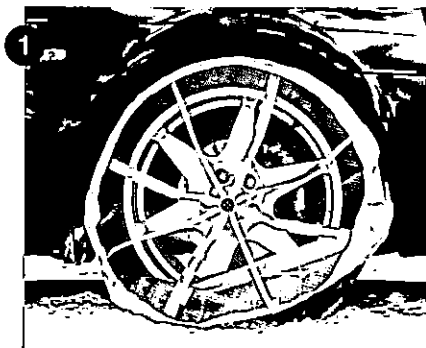
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- ⊕ Highly effective temporary aid on snow and ice
- ⊕ Tested and approved by TUV, an independent road and transport research institute in Germany
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- ⊕ Reusable and machine washable
- ⊕ Quiet and not noticeable while driving
- ⊕ Approved for use by leading car manufacturers
- ⊕ Works with all electronics (traction control systems, ABS)
- ⊕ Does not cause damage to rims, suspension, or body
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