

DIVISION 17  
CHAINS OR TRACTION TIRES

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734-017-0005  
Definitions

- (1) As used in OAR 734-017-0005 through 734-017-0025, the following definitions apply:
- (a) "Traction Tire":
    - (A) Tires with studs **including retractable studded tires** allowed under ORS 815.165;
    - (B) Tires marked as mud and snow or all-season radial tires when used on vehicles exempt under ORS 815.145(4); and
    - (C) Tires identified by the Rubber Manufacturers Association as meeting tests indicating the tire provides greater traction than mud and snow tires under winter driving conditions.
  - (b) "Chains" -- Link chains, cable chains or another device that attaches to the wheel, vehicle or outside of the tire that is specifically designed to augment the traction of a vehicle under ice or snow conditions.
  - (c) **"Retractable studded tires" are tires with embedded studs of metal or other material that retract to at or below the wear bar of the tire and project not less than four-hundredths (0.04) inch beyond the tread surface of the tire when extended.**

(2) As used in ORS 815.165(10), "motor vehicles used for regularly scheduled medical transport services" means a vehicle used for regularly scheduled, point-to-point transportation for medical purposes and is not a vehicle described by either of the following:

- (a) A vehicle regulated by a political subdivision under ORS 221.485.
- (b) A vehicle, commonly known as a private passenger car or private passenger van, that is used by the owner of the vehicle or a relative of the owner of the vehicle for personal transportation for medical purposes.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 184.616, 184.619 & 815.045  
Stats. Implemented: ORS 815.045, 815.140 & 815.165