

Recovery Gear Information

BASIC RECOVERY GEAR CONSISTS OF:

Something to tow with:

Snatch Strap, Chains, Wire Rope, Hemp/Poly Rope.



Something to act as a Safety Blanket:

A specifically made product (dampener), a hessian bag or towel. For placement over the winch strap, cable or snatch strap, in case something breaks, this will help to slow down the re-coil effect.



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Something to attach to:

Recovery/tow points on front and rear of vehicle.

Most front recovery/tow points are not in the centre of the vehicle; a bridal strap can be used to connect to either side of the front of the vehicle to spread the load.

On the rear, don't use the tow ball, it's not designed for the purpose. Remove the tow ball and use a bow shackle through the hole.



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A pair of suitably rated bow shackles (4.7T is a suitable load rating for most vehicles and situations) to fit your towing points.

NOTE: It is very important to ensure that your bow shackles fit your tow points before you need to use them!



Something to dig with:

A shovel, a long-handle is best. You may have to dig under the vehicle to clear the chassis from sitting on the ground. It has other uses as well, toilet duties, retrieving hot coals for cooking, or a handle for a Spanish Windlass.



Something to cut with:

Axe or bow saw and a machete or pruning shears. For removal of fallen trees across the track or removal of lantana. You can also use the axe to cut firewood and drive in tent pegs.

