VEHICLE RECOVERY FUNDAMENTALS		
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1	Load resistance: • Overturned - 1/2 vehicle weight • Nosed (grade) - vehicle weight • Wheel deep - vehicle weight • Fender deep - double vehicle wgt • Turret deep - triple vehicle weight	
2	Mechanical advantage: divide load resistance by available effort (capacity of winch)	
3	Rigging: attach tow cables to TOW HOOKS, not lifting eyes or towing pintle	
4	Safety: • Cross TOWING cables to prevent tangling & keep vehicles aligned • Position hook with throat (open part) UPWARD	

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4	Safety (continued): • Use heavy leather palmed gloves when handling cables/wire ropes • Place safety keys in hooks/ shackles/equipment requiring them • Do NOT apply loads suddenly • No smoking/open flame if fuel or oil has spilled	
Notes:		