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## ***It's Not For You... It's For Your Buddy!***

The Buddy Tow attaches in minutes to the track of a disabled snowmobile and makes towing a breeze.



- No need to remove the drive belt on the disabled sled
- Works even if the track is locked up
- Dramatically reduces overheating and belt wear on towing sled
- Fits all makes, models and track lengths



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**INSTRUCTIONS  
ON BACK SIDE**



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## **Buddy Tow Installation Sheet**

Thank you for purchasing our product. We're confident that when you need it, you'll agree the Buddy Tow was a good investment. The Buddy Tow kit includes a specially-designed polyethylene sheet and two runners (PRO Model). To properly install the Buddy Tow and ensure safety, follow the step-by-step instructions provided below.

**Before using the Buddy Tow for the first time:** Pay special attention to how it looks when rolled. Notice how the runners are inserted through the attachment cords and how the attachment cords are "crossed" to keep the Buddy Tow tightly rolled.

### **Attaching the Buddy Tow:**

- On a level surface, set the disabled snowmobile on its side and lock the brake. **It is important** that the brake be locked while using the Buddy Tow. **NOTE:** If the brake lock is inoperable, Sled Dogs recommends that a rider sit on the disabled sled while towing to apply the brake manually. If the brake is not applied to the disabled sled while towing, the track may rotate and cause damage to the Buddy Tow.
- Unhook the cords and unroll the plastic sheet. The Buddy Tow sheet has a front and back. The front is the end with the Buddy Tow decal, and the decal should face the snow when the snowmobile is set upright.
- Connect the Buddy Tow to the front of your track by attaching the two hooks into an open window on each side of the track (see photo #1). We recommend hooking into the windows nearest the snowmobile drive axle. Note: it may be necessary to open the hook ends slightly to fit into the track windows.
- Insert runners (included with PRO model only). On the Buddy Tow sheet you'll notice two holes on each side. The runners are inserted by looping from the inside of the sheet through the front hole and back up through the back hole. Each runner has a cap end to prevent it from slipping through the sheet. When properly installed, the runner ends should be between the track surface and plastic sheet. See photo #2.
- Hold the rear portion of the sheet against the track, pull firmly on each rear hook and attach them into an open window on the track. Your track length will determine where to attach the rear hooks. Shorter tracks will require wrapping the sheet farther around the rear of the track. It is **VERY IMPORTANT** that the Buddy Tow be secured to the track as tightly as possible.
- To complete installation, attach the side cord by running it through the track suspension and hooking it to the metal clip located on the opposite side.
- Your Buddy Tow should now be held tightly in place and ready for towing. Before towing, read the "Towing Warnings and Precautions" below.



PHOTO #1

**Towing Warnings and Precautions:** The safe operation and use of any motorized vehicle is the responsibility of the vehicle's operator. Specific to snowmobiles, the operators of the towing and towed vehicles must always use good judgment and common sense.

- The Buddy Tow is designed for towing disabled snowmobiles only. It is not to be used for other purposes such as a sledding device. The Buddy Tow is intended to be used on snow surfaces and should not be used on other rough surfaces, such as pavement or gravel. Do not use the Buddy Tow in areas with obstacles or traffic.
- Towing a snowmobile carries inherent risk; use the Buddy Tow at your own risk. Use of helmet and other appropriate safety equipment is strongly encouraged.
- Do not exceed 15 mph when towing a disabled sled. Do not use the Buddy Tow on steep inclines/declines where the ability to control speed of the towed snowmobile is impaired.
- Sled Dogs, LLC, manufacturer of the Buddy Tow, will not be responsible for safety, damage, injury or death resulting from use of the Buddy Tow product.



PHOTO #2

**Towing Suggestions:** When towing a snowmobile, we recommend using SnoBunje's 4-Point Tow Kit (see photo #4). It's been designed with the proper loops and latches to make towing a breeze and is the perfect companion to the Buddy Tow. The tow kit can be ordered from us along with your Buddy Tow, or visit [www.Snobunje.com](http://www.Snobunje.com)

Another technique is to securely tie a ski of the disabled snowmobile to one side of the rear bumper of the towing snowmobile (see photo #3). This method will result in slight fishtailing of the disabled sled at higher speeds, however will sufficiently control steering and speed of towed sled when you must move it across hilly terrain.



PHOTO #3

**To re-roll your Buddy Tow:** The Buddy Tow will give you years of reassurance on the snow if used properly. Remember to pay close attention to how the Buddy Tow looks when you receive it.

- During manufacture, we warm the back end of the Buddy Tow (the end opposite the label) by placing it near an electric heat source for a few minutes. This makes the plastic pliable and easier to roll tightly. You will find this step makes rolling it much easier.
- Remove the runners (PRO model only) and place them through the attachment cord.
- With the BT on the floor, begin rolling the plastic as tightly as possible. Maintain constant pressure as you continue rolling the Buddy Tow. The center bungee cord should be stretched out AWAY from the Buddy Tow for later attachment.
- With the Buddy Tow fully rolled up, place your knee on the unit to hold it in place.
- Grasp the gold hook protruding from the left INSIDE of the roll, and the gold hook from the RIGHT outside of the roll. Stretch them so the hooks connect. Repeat the process with the RIGHT inside hook and the LEFT outside hook. Finally, stretch the center bungee cord so the hook attaches to the other side of the Buddy Tow.



PHOTO #4