



SB-18-012

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Road De-Icing Chemicals in Common Use

Including: Magnesium Chloride, Calcium Chloride & Sodium Chloride

When these chemicals (magnesium chloride, calcium chloride and sodium chloride) are splashed onto our stainless steel rear case (or other stainless parts) and left on for a sufficient amount of time, they will stain the surface a rust color.

The benefit of the new de-icing chemicals, magnesium chloride and calcium chloride, is that they stay effective on the road much longer than the old sodium chloride, because they are stickier, less soluble, and harder to wash off.

Those benefits lead to the detriment of our trailers. Thus, to avoid rust stains on stainless parts, trailers must have those chemicals washed off upon arrival at the dealership, and washed off in service.

Note:

- Calcium chloride is used in summer months for dust control
- When cleaning, pay particular attention to the areas that retain splash
- Replace chipped, loose or flaking paint – rusting on carbon steel parts is accelerated with de-icing chemicals
- Re-grease with dielectric grease after opening electrical plugs
- Visit Utility's website at www.utilitytrailer.com for Service Bulletins on this topic

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