

4WD Towing Precautions

Service Category Drivetrain

Section Transfer/4wd/Awd

Market USA

Toyota Supports
 ASE Certification 

Applicability

YEAR(S)	MODEL(S)	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
2014 – 2015	Highlander	Drive Type(s): 4WD VDS(s): BCRFH, BKRFH, DKRFH, JKRFH
2009 – 2013	Matrix	VDS(s): LE40E, LE4EE
2006 – 2015	RAV4	Drive Type(s): 4WD VDS(s): BD31V, BD32V, BD33V, BD34V, BD35V, BF31V, BF32V, BF33V, BF34V, BF35V, BF4DV, BF4EV, BFREV, BK31V, BK32V, BK33V, BK34V, BK35V, BK4DV, DF4DV, DF4EV, DFREV, DK4DV, EF4DV, EK4DV, JF4DV, JK4DV, RF4DV, RF4EV, RFREV, RK4DV
2011 – 2015	Sienna	Drive Type(s): 4WD VDS(s): DK3DC, JK3DC, KA3DC
2009 – 2015	Venza	Drive Type(s): 4WD VDS(s): BA3BB, BE11A, BK11A, BK3BB

REVISION NOTICE

October 8, 2014 Rev1:

- **Applicability has been updated to include 2011 – 2015 model year applicable Toyota vehicles.**
- **The Towing Precautions section has been updated.**

Any previous printed versions of this bulletin should be discarded.

Introduction

The only acceptable towing method for vehicles equipped with an Active Torque Control 4WD system is to have all four wheels off the ground. Flat towing or towing where only the front or rear wheels are supported may damage the all-wheel drive system. Follow the procedures below for proper towing methods.

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Warranty Information

OP CODE	DESCRIPTION	TIME	OFP	T1	T2
N/A	Not Applicable to Warranty	-	-	-	-

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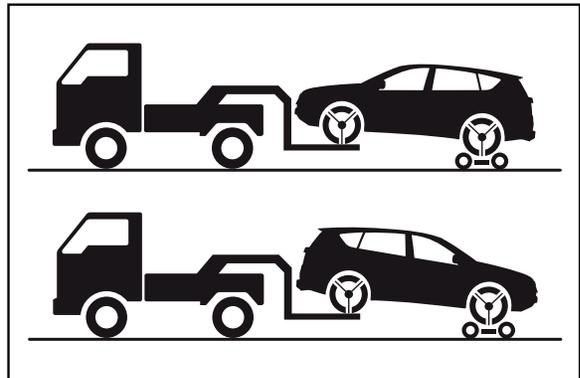
To prevent damaging the vehicle when towing:

- Never tow a vehicle equipped with an Active Torque Control 4WD system with the front or rear wheels on the ground.
- See the Owner's Manual for your specific vehicle to find complete towing instructions.

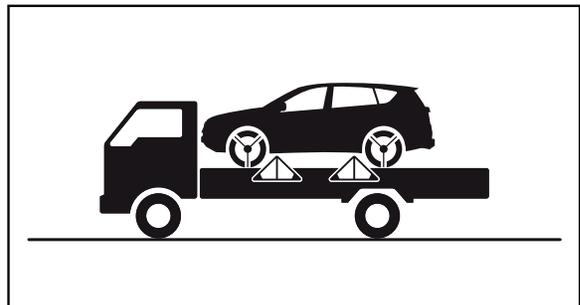
Towing With a Wheel-Lift Type Truck from the Front with Wheel Dollies Figure 1. OK TO BE TOWED

Tow vehicles with the front or rear wheels on wheel dollies.

Do NOT tow vehicles equipped with an Active Torque Control 4WD system with the front or rear wheels on the ground.



Towing Using a Flat Bed Truck Figure 2. OK TO BE TOWED



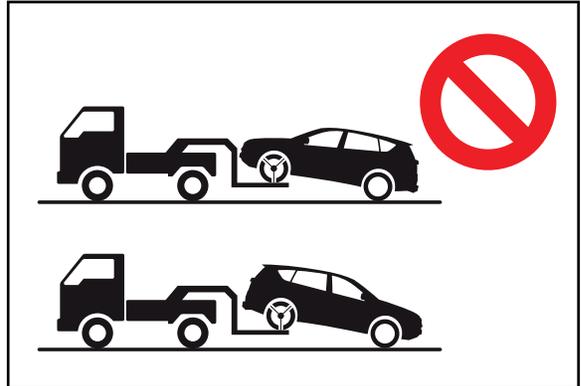
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Towing With a Wheel-Lift Type Truck

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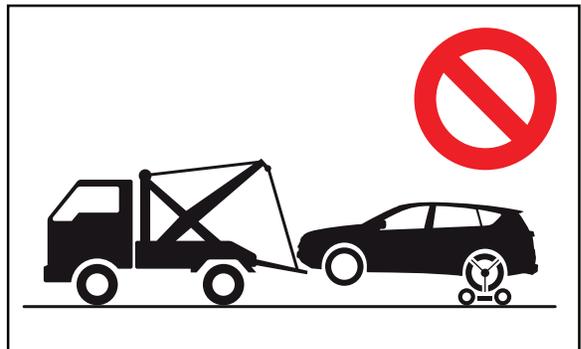
Figure 3. DO NOT TOW



Towing Using a Sling-Type Truck

Do NOT tow vehicles equipped with an Active Torque Control 4WD system with a sling style truck.

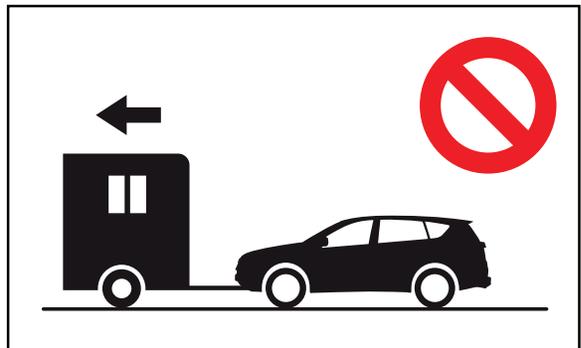
Figure 4. DO NOT TOW



Towing Using a Motor Home

Do NOT tow vehicles equipped with an Active Torque Control 4WD system with a motor home with all 4 wheels on the ground.

Figure 5. DO NOT TOW



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Figure 6. DO NOT TOW

