

Tailgate Lever



OVERVIEW OF INNOVATION

The tailgate lever is a tool that attaches to the tailgate of a truck to open the gate and prop it open safely.

It is easy to use and is stored in an easy to access place on the tailgate of a truck.



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BENEFITS

In past years, there have been several incidents where employees were reaching in the open tailgate to clean and remove debris. When doing so, the tailgate closed unexpectedly, leading to injuries of hands and fingers. This tool not only opens the tailgate in an easier manner, but also keeps the tailgate securely propped open.

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YouTube:

- Tailgate Lever
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8xvxG3t1g9s>

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