

Loading the Trailer

Pivoting Deck Trailer (Tilt-Bed)



The pivoting-deck trailer is fitted with a hitch pin catch that keeps the trailer in the driving position. After the trailer is loaded and the cargo is secured with hold downs, be sure the hitch pin catch has locked the trailer into "driving position."

Couple the trailer securely to the tow vehicle before attempting to unlock the deck and load the trailer.

Unlock the deck and pivot it to the Loading position (see "Pivoting-Deck Trailer" figure). Before loading the cargo, be certain the deck catch pin is retracted.



WARNING

Loading a pivoting-deck trailer before retracting the deck catch pin can crack the catch pin, which can cause loss of cargo or loss of control of the trailer. Death or serious injury may result.

Before loading the trailer, retract the deck catch pin.

If the deck catch pin becomes bent, do not straighten it. Replace the deck catch pin before towing the load.

Load the cargo onto the trailer with approximately 60% of the cargo in the front half of the bed. As the cargo is moved forward on the deck, the deck will pivot down into the driving position.

Extend the deck catch pin into the deck to lock the deck into the driving position (see "Pivoting-Deck Trailer" figure). Ensure that the catch engages the hole in the pivoting deck.