

Take Action. Get Traction! Ice Cleat Fall Protection Campaign

Ice cleats can help reduce or eliminate the risk of falls in icy weather for your mobile workforce. Ice cleats come in many different configurations, so test a few samples before making a final purchase decision.

Key Points for the Campaign

Prior to the rollout, have staff tryout samples from different vendors to help determine which models work best for your setting.

Some suggestions:

- **One Size Fits All**

Korkers Ultra Ice Cleat; fits women 8-12 and men 7-12.

Available from <http://www.korkers.com/footwear/winter/ice-cleats-ultra.html>.

- **Wear While Driving**

The Winter Walking website (<http://winterwalking.com/all-products.php>) does a good job presenting ice cleats suitable for driving, which reduces the number of times the cleat needs to be applied and removed. Some suggestions:



Grips-Lite



Low-Pro Ice Cleat



UltraGrips-Lite



- **Less Expensive, More Storable**

Ice cleats can get very expensive, especially if you're buying for a large group. Yaktrax tend to be a bit cheaper and can be folded up and put in a pocket if needed.

Check your favorite online retailer for this and other less expensive models.



Once you've decided on a product, **make the rollout of this concept an event.** Invite employees to a meeting where the concept is explained and everyone is given their set of ice cleats.

The best time to start the campaign is probably sometime in late summer. Snow and ice storms can start in November, if not earlier, and by then it's too late.

Remind employees that a standard ice cleat will be very slippery on hard surfaces including tile floors and concrete and may cause employees to slip and fall. As such, they must remove the ice cleats anytime they are entering buildings or walking on dry hard surfaces. Ice cleats may also mark-up flooring surface if worn indoors. **Only models approved for driving on hard surfaces can be worn in these settings.**

Remind them that **a good place to keep the ice cleats is in the glove box** of their car. Periodically remind them, and especially before major snow and ice systems move through, to use their ice cleats!