



## 2007 EDGE UPDATES: NEUTRAL TOWING AND CARGO MANAGEMENT



For more information on neutral and emergency towing, see the October/November 2006 issue of *Frontline*, the 2007 Trailer Towing Guide or the Edge Owner's Guide.

### WHAT IS NEUTRAL TOWING?

Four-wheel-down, flat towing or neutral towing typically refers to towing a car or truck with all four wheels on the ground, without the use of a dolly or trailer.

While there are some general rules of thumb when it comes to neutral towing, the best and most accurate way to determine how a vehicle can be towed is to refer to the Owner's Guide.

### CAN EDGE BE NEUTRAL TOWED? YES!

Whether they are equipped with Front-Wheel Drive (FWD) or All-Wheel Drive (AWD), Ford Edge vehicles **manufactured after October 16, 2006 can be neutral towed**. You can find the date of manufacture on the driver's-door label.

### GENERAL NEUTRAL TOWING GUIDELINES

Whether neutral towing Edge with FWD or AWD, follow these instructions:

- Release the parking brake
- Place the transmission shift lever in Neutral (N)
- Turn the key in the ignition to the Accessory (ACC) position (this also unlocks the steering wheel)
- Tow only in the forward direction
- Do not exceed 65 mph (105 km/h)
- Start the engine and allow it to run for five minutes at the beginning of each day and at each fuel stop

### WHAT ABOUT USING A TOW DOLLY?

A tow dolly assists the driver in towing a vehicle with its drive wheels up on the dolly and the non-drive wheels on the road.

#### Edge with FWD

Towing an Edge equipped with FWD is perfectly acceptable. Make sure the instructions specified by the tow equipment provider are followed.

#### Edge with AWD

A tow dolly should never be used with AWD. This will cause damage to the AWD system. The only two safe ways to tow an Edge with AWD are by using neutral, or four-wheel-down, towing, or by using a flatbed trailer with all four wheels off the ground.

HOT SHEETS