Before you order.
Avoid disappointment and down time by ordering the right rope the first time. Here’s how:
1. Order the wire rope size suggested by your winch maker. It’s either in your winch owner’s manual or on the winch identification plate.
   - Light-duty tow trucks typically use 3⁄8” rope.
   - Medium-duty tow trucks typically use 7⁄16”, 1⁄2” or 9⁄16” rope.
   - Heavy-duty tow trucks typically use 5⁄8” rope.
2. Measure your rope as shown in the diagram or slip a socket wrench over the plain end for a fast, accurate measurement.

*Measure the distance between the outside edges of two opposite bundles, not the distance between the flat sides.