

# Towing

If possible, always tow the car with the front wheels off the ground. The tow truck driver should position wood spacer blocks between the car's frame and his chains and lift straps to avoid damaging the bumper and the body under it.

Do not use the bumpers to lift the car or to support the car's weight while towing. Check local regulations for towing with a rope or tow bar. A rope may be attached to the hook as shown in the illustration.

Do not attach a tow bar to either bumper.

If the car is to be towed with the front wheels on the ground, observe the following precautions:

1. Wheels and axles must not be touching the body or frame.
2. Turn the ignition key to the "I" position and make sure the steering wheel turns freely.
3. Shift the transmission to NEUTRAL.
4. Release the parking brake.
5. DO NOT exceed 55 km/h (35 mph) or tow for distances of more than 80 km (50 miles).

**WARNING** DO NOT push or tow a car to start it. The forward surge when the engine starts could cause a collision. Also, under some conditions, the catalytic converter (on some types) could be damaged. A car equipped with automatic transmission gearbox cannot be started by pushing or towing.

