Lever binders might be common in the industry, but are they really the safest option?

TIRES tested both ratchet and lever binders for “force to engage” and found ratchet binders to be the much safer option...

**Force needed to engage binder:**
- Lever: 35-130 lbs.*
- Ratchet: 7-20 lbs.*

*Ratchet = happy shoulders for you

Better
Ratchet binder

Okay
Lever binder

Choose ratchet binders — the safer option

* Actual forces that an operator experiences may be larger depending on hand grip locations along the winch bar commonly used in conjunction with lever binders.