

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS ASCENT FRONT BUMPER KIT

Part Number: 103638

Application: 2019 Dodge Ram 1500

GENERAL SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Your safety, and the safety of others, is very important. To help you make informed decisions about safety, we have provided installation and operating instructions and other information on labels and in this guide. This information alerts you to potential hazards that could hurt you or others. It is not possible to warn you about all potential hazards associated with this product, you must use your own good judgment.

CARELESS INSTALLATION AND OPERATION CAN RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY OR EQUIPMENT DAMAGE. READ AND UNDERSTAND ALL SAFETY PRECAUTIONS AND OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE INSTALLING AND OPERATING THIS PRODUCT.

This guide identifies potential hazards and has important safety messages that help you and others avoid personal injury or death. WARNING and CAUTION are signal words that identify the level of hazard. These signal words mean:

AWARNING signals a hazard that could cause serious injury or death, if you do not follow recommendations. **ACAUTION** signals a hazard that may cause minor to moderate injury, if you do not follow recommendations.

This guide uses **NOTICE** to call attention to important mechanical information, and Note: to emphasize general information worthy of special attention.

A WARNING

IMPACT AND MOVING PARTS ENTANGLEMENT HAZARD

Failure to observe these instructions could lead to severe injury or death

- Always Know Your Winch. Take time to fully read the Instructions and/or Operations Guide, and/or Basic Guide to Winching Techniques, in order to understand
 your winch and its operations.
- Never work under vehicle before properly securing vehicle.
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- Never use a jack to support the vehicle.
- Always use jack stands in pairs to support the vehicle.
- Always use jacks or jack stands only on a hard, stable, and level surface.
- Never exceed the rated capacity of a jack or jack stands.
- Always verify that the parking brake is set, the transmission is in park (automatic) or reverse (manual) and the rear wheels are blocked before working on vehicle.
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- Always use appropriate and adequate care in lifting components into place.
- Always insure components will remain secure during installation and operation.
- Always tighten all nuts and bolts securely, per the installation and operation.
- Always perform regular inspections and maintenance on the winch, winch mount and related hardware.
- Always replace all worn or damaged parts before operating.
- Never operate this WARN product with damaged or missing parts.
- Always use extreme caution when drilling on any vehicle. Make sure that all fuel lines, brake lines, electrical wires, and other objects are not punctured or damaged when / if drilling on the vehicle. Thoroughly inspect the area to be drilled (on both sides of material) prior to drilling, and relocate any objects that may be damaged. Failure to inspect the area to be drilled may result in vehicle damage, electrical shock, fire or personal injury.
- Always use extreme caution when cutting and trimming during fitting.
- Always wear safety glasses when installing this kit. A drilling operation will cause flying metal chips. Flying chips can cause eye injury.
- Always remove jewelry and wear eye protection.
- Never lean over battery while making connections.
- Never route electrical cables across any sharp edge, through or near moving parts, near parts that become hot.

Read installation and operating instructions thoroughly.

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A CAUTION

MOVING PARTS ENTANGLEMENT HAZARD

Failure to observe these instructions could lead to minor or moderate injury

• Part edges may be sharp!

Always use proper posture / lifting technique or get lifting assistance while handling and installing product.

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EQUIPMENT DAMAGE

• Never tow vehicle by attaching a tow bar to the eyelets on the bumper.

• Do not attach tow bars directly to the bumper. Damage to bumper may occur. WARN bumpers are not designed to be used for flat towing. Consult with the manufacturer of your tow bar system for the proper vehicle tow bar brackets..

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BEFORE YOU BEGIN



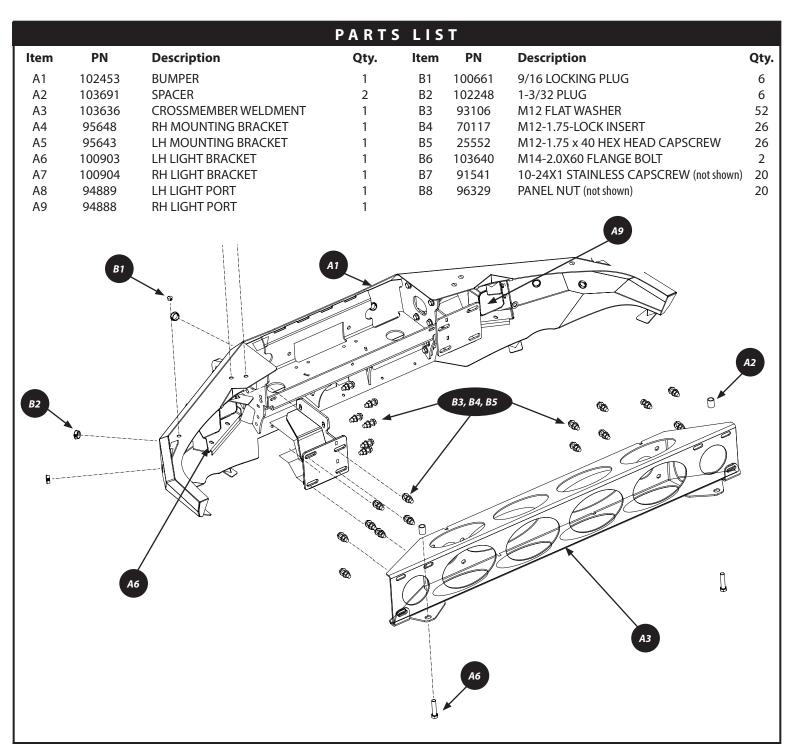
This product may interfere with driver assist systems such as adaptive cruise control and parking assist systems that have sensors or cameras installed in the bumpers or front grill area. If your vehicle is equipped with any of these systems or features, consult your vehicle owner's manual before installing this product. These systems may need to be disabled as a result of installing this product.

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TOOLS REQUIRED

- Standard Wrench and Socket Set
- Metric Wrench and Socket Set



TORQUE SPECIFICATIONS

Please use the recommended torque specifications when assembling this product unless otherwise specified in the instructions.

FASTENER SIZE	FASTENER TORQUE		FASTENER SIZE	FASTENER TORQUE	
	lb-ft	(N.m)		lb-ft	(N.m)
1/4"	8	(11)	M4	(2)	3
5/16"	17	(23)	M5	(4.5)	6
3/8"	30	(40)	M6	(7.5)	10
7/16″	48	(66)	M8	(18)	25
1/2"	74	(100)	M10	(37)	50
9/16″	106	(144)			
5/8"	148	(200)			
3/4″	269	(364)			

- 1. Remove fender liner:
 - Using an 8mm socket, remove the three screws in fender well. Repeat for other side.



Figure 1

- b. Remove the two remaining lower screws to release fender liner. Repeat for other side.
- c. Slide fender line down and out.



Figure 2

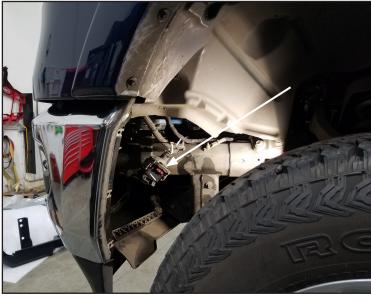


Figure 3

2. If equipped, unplug the wiring harness located in the front left corner of the bumper.

3. Using an 18mm socket, remove the three nuts retaining the stock bumper. Repeat for other side.

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4. Carefully remove bumper and set on a clean and stable surface.



Figure 4

- 5. If equipped, remove the active air dam.
 - a. Unplug the motor and remove the four retaining nuts with a 12mm socket (see Figure 5 and 6).

NOTE: The air dam will not be reinstalled with the new bumper.

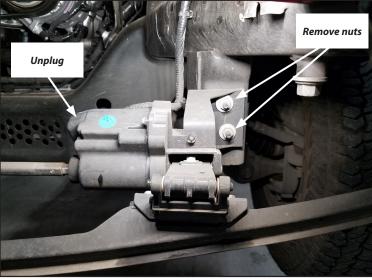


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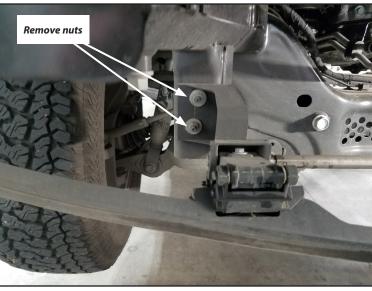


Figure 6

- 6. Remove sensors from sensor carriages.
 - a. Spread the top and bottom tabs of the sensor carriage outward.
 - b. From the outside of the bumper, push sensor towards the inside of the bumper. **NOTICE** Be sure to mark the location and orientation of each sensor plug.

TIP: Numbering each sensor with tape and marking the top with a paint pen works well.

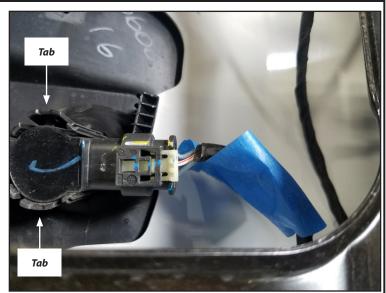


Figure 7

7. Remove the carriages from stock bumper.

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a. Squeeze in the two tabs on the side of the carriages and push each carriage out the front of the bumper.

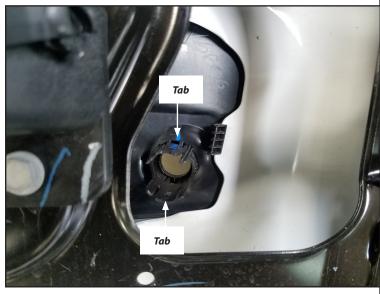


Figure 8

- Release the plastic clips holding the wire harness in place and remove completely.
- 9. From the front of the bumper, carefully insert each sensor carriage into the correct mounting hole and snap into place. *NOTE: Be sure sensors match the orientation of the stock bumper.*



Figure 9



Figure 10

- 10. Route the factory wiring harness to new bumper. *NOTE: Be sure that the wiring harness will not interfere with winch operation. It may be necessary to extend portions of the wiring harness.*
- 11. Install sensors into the correct sensor carriage in the new bumper. *NOTE: Be sure sensors match the orientation of the stock bumper.*

 Secure the front mounting brackets (A4 and A5) to the new bumper by installing six bolts (B5) with six washers (B3) into the mounting hole and secure with six washers (B3) and nuts (B4) and (*each bracket*). *NOTE: Ensure that*

the bolts are at the top of the slots in the bumper in order to move the brackets as high as possible relative to the



Figure 11

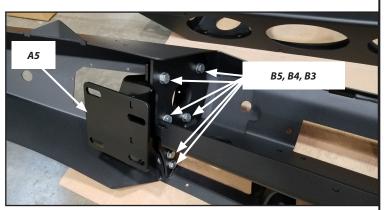


Figure 12

- 13. Line up crossmember (A3) with brackets.
- 14. Using a 19mm socket and wrench, loosely mount the crossmember to the mounting brackets and bumper by installing 8 bolts (B5) with 8 washers (B3) into the mounting hole and securing with 8 washers (B3) and nuts (B4).

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NOTE: For the next step we recommend getting assistance from one or two more people.

- 15. With assistance, line up the bumper/crossmember assembly to the vehicle bumper mounting holes. *NOTE: The tabs on the back of the crossmember should slide* <u>over the vehicle frame pad.</u>
- 16. Using a 19mm socket and wrench, secure the bumper & crossmember assembly to the vehicle by installing six bolts (B5) with six washers (B3) into the mounting holes and secure with six washers (B3) and nuts (B4) and (*each side*).
- 17. Insert one spacer (A2) between the crossmember's corner tab and the vehicle frame (each side).
- 18. Insert one bolt (B6) up through crossmember's tab, the spacer and the vehicle's mounting hole. Repeat for other side.
- 19. Tighten **all** bumper hardware now, refer to torque specifications on page 3.

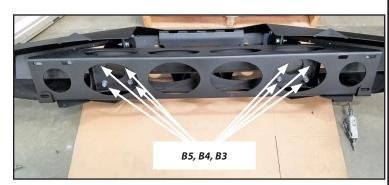


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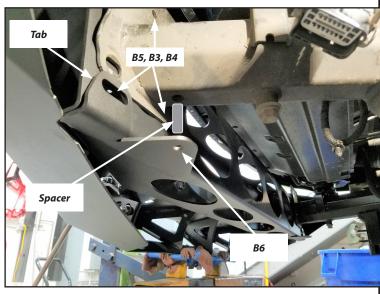


Figure 14

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- 20. Install winch and fairlead per winch installation instructions. Tighten all hardware now.
- 21. Connect sensor wiring harness. *NOTE: If not installing sensors, plug unused holes with provided hole plugs (B2)*. Refer to exploded view on page 3.
- 22. While holding light bracket (A6 and A7) in place (from under and behind bumper), line up light port (A8 and A9) through front bumper light port to bracket. Secure pieces together with ten stainless steel socket head screws (B7).
- NOTE: Light ports are equipped with removable panels for lights. Lights shown installed sold separately.
- 23. If not installing sensors and ascent bumper accessories, plug unused holes with provided hole plugs (B5 and B4). Refer to exploded view on page 3.
- 24. The remaining hardware (B1 and B2) are to used to install license plate to new bumper.
- 25. Tighten **ALL** hardware now, refer to torque specifications on page 3.
- 26. If not installing a Baja Bar, insert plugs (B1) into the holes in the top of the bumper.

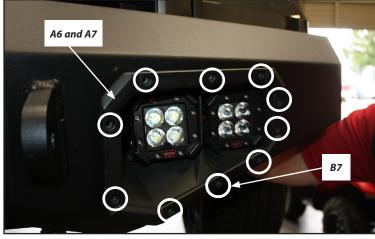


Figure 15



Figure 16

MAINTENANCE / CARE

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