



1-800-779-2102

Mon – Thurs: 8:00am - 5:00pm | Friday: 8:00am - 4:00pm CST

INSPECT YOUR PRODUCT FOR DAMAGE & MISSING PARTS BEFORE PROCEEDING TO INSTALLATION

PROCEDURE FOR RETURNS OR MISSING HARDWARE

-PLEASE CONTACT THE ORIGINAL POINT OF PURCHASE FOR:
SHIPPING DAMAGE, RETURNS, OR WARRANTY CLAIMS

-CONTACT DEE ZEE DIRECTLY FOR MISSING PARTS OR HARDWARE

WWW.DEEZEE.COM

REGISTER YOUR PRODUCT ONLINE: www.deezee.com/registration
VIEW INSTRUCTIONS ONLINE: www.deezee.com/instructions

⚠ WARNING: Cancer and Reproductive Harm
www.P65Warnings.ca.gov

Operating, servicing, and maintaining a passenger vehicle can expose you to chemicals such as lead, phthalates, engine exhaust, and carbon monoxide that are known to the State of California cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. To minimize exposure, service your vehicle and its accessories in a well-vented area and wear gloves or wash your hands frequently.



DEE ZEE, INC. WARRANTY AGREEMENT

Dee Zee, Inc. guarantees the original purchaser a limited lifetime warranty against manufacturer defects in materials, workmanship, and design under normal use, excluding damage resulting from road hazards such as gravel or other debris, product misuse, improper installation, impairments from accidents, product modifications, improper repairs, spills, vandalism, product neglect, or acts of God.

This warranty applies only to the original purchaser of new product(s) and is limited to the replacement of genuine Dee Zee products. Modification of any kind to Dee Zee products voids all warranty coverage. Warranty does not include electrical components, installation, cost of removal, labor, transportation costs, loss of use, inconvenience, or consequential damages.

WARRANTY COVERAGE - MATERIALS & WORKMANSHIP

LIMITED LIFETIME WARRANTY:

- STAINLESS STEEL: Side Steps, Grill Guards, Bull Bars, Bed Caps, and Side Rails
- ALUMINUM: Side Steps, Running Boards, Storage Boxes, Transfer Tanks, Bed Protection, Side Rails, Invis-A-Racks, and Cab Racks
- PLASTIC: Storage Boxes
- OTHER: Front and Rear Bumpers

THREE-YEAR WARRANTY:

- POWDER-COATED / E-COATED STEEL: Side Steps, Running Boards, Storage Boxes, Transfer Tanks, Cab Racks, Sport Bar Ladder Racks, Cargo Carriers, Mounting Brackets (NX, Rough Step, and Bumper Guards only)
- OTHER: Tailgate Assist, Bed Mats, Floor Mats, Auxiliary Fuel Connection Kits, and All Products Not Otherwise Listed Individually

WARRANTY COVERAGE – FINISH PROTECTION

The finish of all Dee Zee products is covered for one-year (1) from the date of purchase. Dee Zee products have a high quality finish that must be cared for and maintained like any other exposed finish on the vehicle. Protect the finish with non-abrasive automotive wax (e.g. Pure Carnauba) on a regular basis. Applying soaps, polishes, or waxes that contain an abrasive compound may scratch the finish and leave the exposed material susceptible to corrosion.

WARRANTY COVERAGE – COMPONENT PARTS

Operational items such as shocks, latches, hinges, and wear items including, but not limited to, mud flaps, step pads, toolbox tray, end caps, hardware, seals, etc. have a one-year (1) warranty. Replacement component parts can be ordered via credit card (MasterCard or VISA) by calling 1-800-779-2102. All replacement parts are non-returnable and non-refundable.

GPI® FUEL PUMPS & ACCESSORIES

All Great Plains Industries (GPI) products, including transfer tank pumps and fuel meters are covered by GPI's warranty policies. Dee Zee's warranty terms do not apply to GPI products. To submit a warranty claim, please contact GPI at 1-800-835-0113 or visit www.gpi.net.

WARRANTY SUBMISSION PROCEDURE

All warranty claims will be initiated at the place of purchase. The original purchaser will be required to present the original sales receipt with purchase date shown and provide photographs of the defect.

In the event the originally purchased product style is no longer available, Dee Zee will warranty the defective part with a current equivalent. If a comparable product is no longer available, the product would be returned to the store of purchase for a refund or the applicable cost difference can be paid to choose an alternate style.

DISCLAIMER

All products are sold as appearance accessories and should not be relied upon as protection for the vehicle or its occupants in the event of an accident. Vehicles equipped with a supplemental restraints system (air bags) deployed by impact and collision avoidance systems should not be modified in any way. Always consult the vehicle manufacturer if you have any questions regarding supplemental restraint systems and sensors.

Buyer must accommodate front and rear sensors during product installation and assumes all risk should these be tampered, rerouted, severed, or disconnected. This includes disabling visual, audio, or vibration alerts into the cab. Buyer assumes all risk and responsibility for wiring any supplemental auxiliary lights.

Buyer assumes all risk, liability, and cost for the installation and use of Dee Zee products. Dee Zee, Inc. assumes no liability for injury, loss, incidental or consequential damages in the event of an accident.

FOR INSTALLATION ON DRIVER'S SIDE ONLY



Before returning this product to the store of purchase

Contact Dee Zee if you experience the following problems:

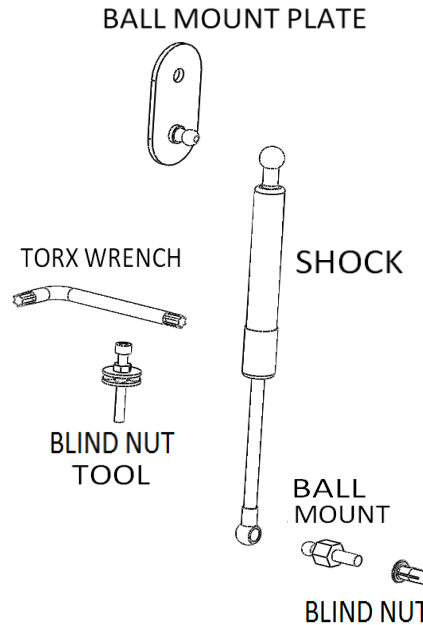
- Missing Parts
- Installation Problems/Questions
- Warranty Questions

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Hours of operation: 8am - 5pm CST, Mon-Friday

Review complete warranty policy and register your product at:

www.deeze.com



PARTS LIST:

ITEM	QTY
THREAD LOCK TUBE	1
SHOCK	1
BALL MOUNT PLATE	1
BLIND NUT TOOL	1
BALL MOUNT	1
BLIND NUT/NUTSERT	1
TORX WRENCH	1
MYLAR	1

TOOLS REQUIRED:

- T-50 TORX
- M6 ALLEN WRENCH
- 16MM WRENCH
- 13MM WRENCH
- TAPE MEASURE
- 16MM DEEPWELL SOCKET

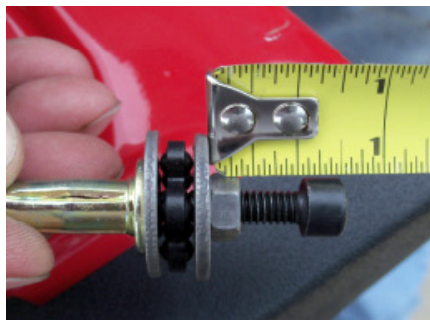
SUPERDUTY ONLY

- 8MM WRENCH
- 11MM WRENCH

NOTE: THIS PRODUCT CAN ONLY BE INSTALLED ON THE DRIVER'S SIDE.

STEP 1)

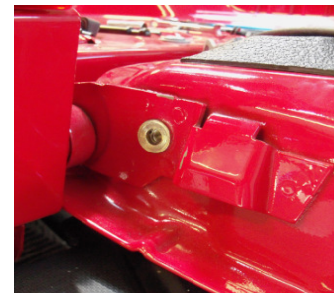
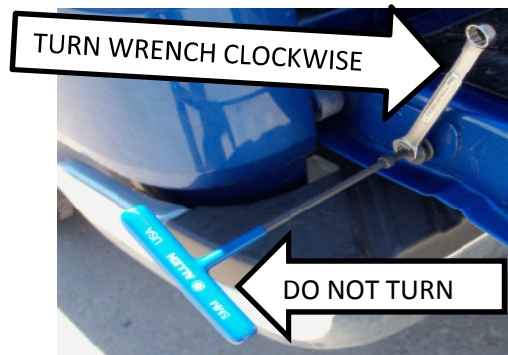
Adjust the nutsert tool so there is 3/4" from the washer to the head of the bolt.



STEP 2)

Using a M6 Allen wrench and a 13mm wrench, install the blind nut in the opening by the tailgate pivot point. The nutsert should be tightened at least nine 360 degree turns. Mark one side of the nut and count the number of revolutions to insure the correct number of turns. After the nine turns, if the blind nut can still be moved or rotates, continue tightening an additional 1 - 2 turns. Re-check blind nut, repeat as needed.

Remove the nutsert tool when installation is complete.



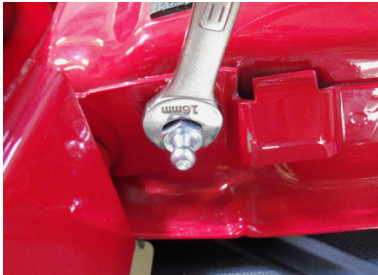
WARNING:

Overtightening the nutsert can strip the threads and cause the nutsert to be unusable.

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STEP 3)

Apply thread lock to the threads of the ball mount. Install the ball mount into the nutsert using a 16mm wrench/socket. Torque to 12 ft-lbs with 16mm deepwell socket.



Using a torque wrench to install the ball mount will also insure that the blind nut has been completely installed.

STEP 4)

Remove the tailgate cable from the bolt.



Use a T50 torx socket or the wrench provided to remove the cable bolt.



Install the bolt back through the hole in the ball mount into the vehicle.

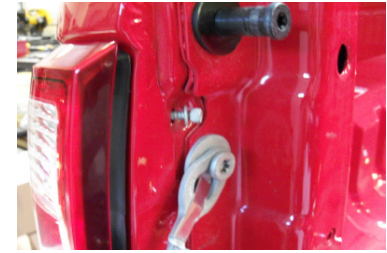


Tighten the bolt with the T50.

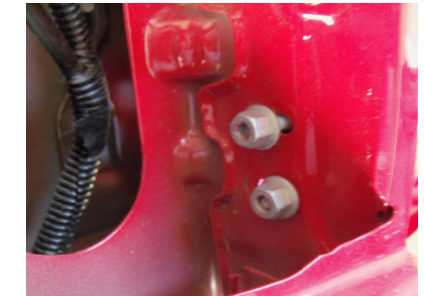
STEP 5)

Using a 8mm wrench/socket, remove the 2 bolts holding the taillight in place.

There will still be 2 clips holding the tail light in place. pull the tail light towards the rear of the vehicle to remove it.



Inside the taillight opening , use an 11mm socket to remove the 2 nuts holding the rubber block in place.



After removing the rubber block reinstall the taillight.

WARNING:
If the rubber block is not removed, it will interfere with the shock.

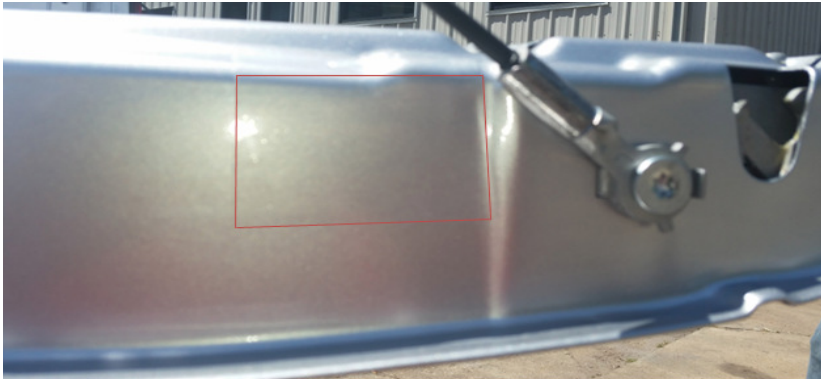


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STEP 6)

A Mylar sheet has been provided to help prevent components from rubbing against the truck bed and tailgate in the event that any part becomes loose. Using scissors, cut the mylar to the size needed. Apply the mylar to the truck bed and tailgate where tailgate assist components will be in close proximity during opening/closing. The red lines show the area where the mylar has been installed.

The vehicle shown is an example of how the mylar can be installed. Your vehicle may differ from the vehicle shown.



STEP 7)

Install the cable back onto the cable bolt, and the larger part of the shock on the ball mount plate.



Install the narrow end of the shock on the ball mount .



Periodically check the upper and lower mounting locations to insure that parts have not loosened through repeated use. If either mounting location is found to be loose, re-tighten the hardware as needed.

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FAQ's

How does a nutsert/blind nut work?

The nutsert (blind nut) is the hardware that will be installed into the tailgate. As you turn the nut on the install tool, the nutsert begins to mushroom and spread out.

As the fingers expand, the threads are moving closer to the edge of the tailgate to attach the mounting point for the Tailgate Assist.

What if nutsert continues to spin without expanding?

There are two different options to get the nutsert to start the expansion process:

- 1) Place a small amount of the blue thread lock that comes with the kit to the end of the screw. Allow the adhesive to dry. This step will keep the nutsert from spinning and allow the nutsert to expand.

OR

- 2) Place masking tape around the hole on the tailgate. This will create a rough surface for the nutsert to rest against to initiate the process by separating the two smooth surfaces of the painted truck body and flange of the nutsert.

Can the Tailgate Assist be installed on the passenger's side?

No. The unit will not work on the passenger side of the truck bed. The passenger side of the vehicle that has the slot that allows the tailgate to be removed.

Do you have installation videos?

Yes. All installation videos can be viewed at:

WWW.DEEZEE.COM/TAILGATEASSIST