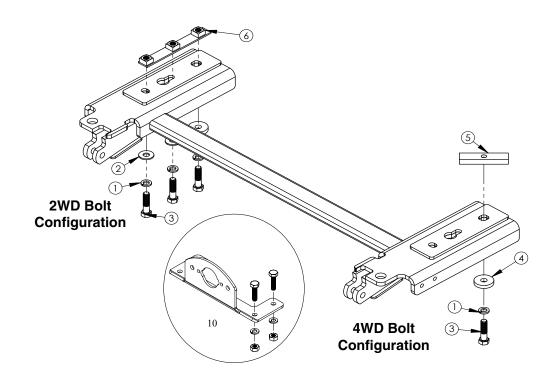
Ford F-150 2WD & 4WD



## **BOLT TORQUE SPECIFICATIONS**

STANDARD BOLTS:			METRIC BOLTS:	
Size	Grade	Torque	Size	Torque
5/16"	5	20 ft/lbs.	8mm	22 ft/lbs.
3/8"	5	35 ft/lbs.	10mm	42 ft/lbs.
7/16"	5	56 ft/lbs.	12mm	70 ft/lbs.
1/2"	5	85 ft/lbs.	14mm	95 ft/lbs.

**4WD:** Pin Height - 15-1/2" Center - 30-1/4" **2WD:** Pin Height - 14" Center - 30-1/4"

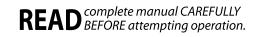


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REF. NO.	PART NO.	QTY.	DESCRIPTION
1.	00084	6	1/2" Lock Washer
2.	00085	4	1/2" Flat washer
3.	01253	6	1/2" x 2" Bolt Gr.5
4	03804-95	2	1/2" Heavy Washer
5.	09635-95	2	Thread Plate (4 wheel drive only)
6.	11704-35	2	Nut Strip (2 wheel drive only)
7.	13308-35	1	Base Plate crossmember
8.	12979	1	Pull Ear Cover ( <i>not shown</i> )
9.	12980	1	Pull Ear Cover ( <i>not shown</i> )
10.	5937	1	Plug Mount Kit
11.	12329	1	Loctite (not shown)

Please order replacement parts by PART NO. and DESCRIPTION.

ASSEMBLY OPERATION REPLACEMENT PARTS







WARNING: FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAN RESULT IN LOSS OF TOWING VEHICLE CONTROL, SEPARATION OF THE TOW BAR FROM THE TOWING VEHICLE, SEPARATION OF THE TOWED VEHICLE FROM THE TOW BAR, CAUSING SEVERE PERSONAL INJURY, DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.



Safety is of utmost importance at all times. There are several items that must be checked each time <u>before</u> using and <u>while</u> using a tow bar.

Before allowing anyone to hook up or operate a tow bar, be sure they have read and understand the proper operating procedure.

DO NOT use worn or damaged cables and/or pins.

Be sure the **SAFETY CABLES** are hooked, chassis to chassis, to both the towing and towed vehicles using the crisscross method.

Check clearance between vehicles in a turning situation.

Check base plate mounting bolts for tightness and frame for metal fatigue.

Do not load the towed vehicle with anything as you may exceed the towing capacity of the tow bar.

Keep fingers away from pivot points to prevent personal injury.

Be sure the steering components of the towed vehicle are properly aligned.

**NOTE:** This unit can be backed up in moderate increments. Any severe backwards cornering could result in damage to the Tow Bar and/or towed vehicle chassis.

**For automatic transmissions:** Consult your vehicle owners manual for towing suitability with the drive shaft connected. Otherwise, the towed vehicle will have to be equipped with a transmission pump or drive shaft disconnect.

Check to make sure that all lights are in proper working order.

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Caution: MotorHome® Magazine left out any vehicles that have towing speed limits slower than 55 m.p.h., or distance limits of less than 200 miles. At a minimum, these vehicles require significant modification, such as the use of an aftermarket product, to make them towable. The availability of a Demco Tow Bar Base Plate does not imply that these vehicles can be modified or that there is an aftermarket product available. Refer to your vehicle owner's manual or consult your dealer to determine whether your vehicle can be modified to make it towable. Failure to observe this precaution could result in property damage or personal injury.

### **IMPORTANT INSTALLATION ITEMS**

DEMCO products and accessories are intended to be installed by professional installers with experience, proper equipment and the ability to do modification work. Installers with these qualifications can be found in RV and Automotive Service Centers.

If the car to be towed has been in an accident, the chassis may be damaged in an area where the Base Plate attaches. It may no longer be suitable for towing. Extreme caution and careful examination are required in such a situation. It is also likely, even from a minor accident, that the hole alignment will be more difficult due to hole alignment problems.

Many DEMCO Base Plates are designed to use existing holes and hardware to mount the Base Plate to the towed vehicle. Even though the bolt is there, however, do not assume it is adequate for mounting the Base Plate. Manufacturers make many changes in hardware both within and between model years. Be sure the bolt is long enough to protrude past the nut a distance no less than 1/2 the diameter of the bolt, after the Base Plate is mounted. The threads should be in good condition. We require that "LOCTITE® Blue" be used on all bolts. If a new bolt is required, be sure it is SAE Grade 5 or Metric 8.8.

#### NOTE:

The dimensional variations between otherwise identical vehicles can be considerable. Some minor modifications may have to be made to ensure a proper fit.



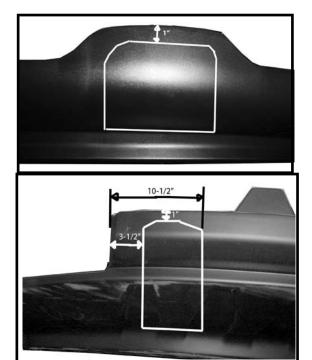
1. If equipped with an air dam remove and discard or relocate the air dam, bolts, and nut clips

## **INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS**





2a. Four wheel drive proceed to step 4. With out tow hooks cut facia according to picture shown above. For all 2009 & newer 4wd model trim as shown on right. NOTE: For vehicles with tow hooks skip to step 5.



**2b.** For 06-08 Two wheel drive cut facia according to picture shown above. For all 2009 2wd model trim as shown on bottom. Minor trimming may be required for desired fit.



3. For 2wd insert nut strip into frame (NOTE: Long tab end must go to front to vehicle). Line up nut strip with holes in frame and start center bolt without washers. Leave approximately 1-1/8" of threads showing. This will aid in the installation of base plate.



With an assistant put base plate up from rear and slide bolt through keyhole. Insert the other bolts with lock and flat washers and snug. Remove center bolts, add lock and flat washers. NOTE: Use Blue LOCTITE. on all bolts and torque bolts according to the chart on front page.

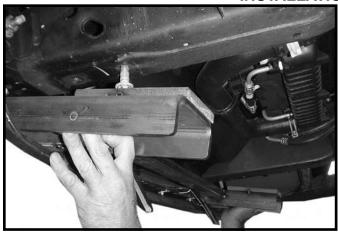


5. Remove tow hooks, on each side, by removing front bolt and loosening rear bolt from each hook. Leave approximately 1-1/8" of threads showing. This will aid in the installation of base plate. The tow hooks will not be reused.



Reinstall factory bolt into rear tow hook hole in frame, also Insert nut strip into rear hole and center over hole.

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7. With an assistant put base plate up, putting pull ears through front opening from back of facia. Align rear base plate key slot holes with previously installed bolts. Push base plate up and forward, so bolts are in the back of key slots. NOTE: Use Blue LOCTITE. on all bolts and torque bolts according to the chart on front page.



**8.** Start factory bolts in the front holes of base plate.



9. Insert supplied 1/2" x 2" Gr. 5 Hex Head bolts, 1/2" Lock washers, and 1/2" thick washers in rear holes (one on each side) and tighten all bolts. NOTE: Use Blue L@CTITE\* on all bolts and torque bolts according to the chart on front page.

 Plug mount (item #10) may be installed if desired for wiring installation. Location of mount to be determined by the installer. NOTE: Excess material may be trimmed from bracket.