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NOTE: THESE INSTRUCTIONS ARE VALID FOR ALL TFK FULL TOPPER KITS. A FEW BOM KITS ARE SHOWN FOR REFERENCE ONLY.

INSTRUCTIONS SHOWS F-150 BODY DURING INSTALLATION

FASTENER AND HOLE COUNTS MAY BE DIFFERENT BETWEEN TOPPER KITS.

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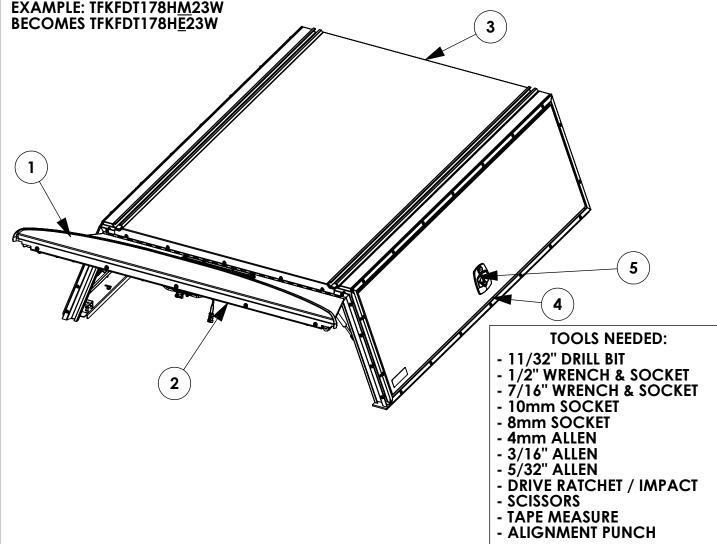
SWAP M WITH E IN PART NUMBER

#### **BOM FOR 6.5' F-150 ITEM** PART NUMBER **DESCRIPTION** QTY. NO. TSK78M23W TOP, SIDE KIT, 78", M, 23, W 2 1 TOP, CLOSE KIT, 78", HM23, W 2 TCK78HM23W 1 3 TRK7823W TOP, ROOF KIT, 78", 23, W 1 4 THKFDT178M23 HDW KIT, TFKFDT178HM23W 1 5 **TMLHK** Topper Mechanical Lock Hatch Kit 1

## \* E-LOCK VERSION SWAP TMLHK WITH TELH05

#### BOM FOR 6.5' SILVERADO 1500

ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	TSK78M23W	TOP, SIDE KIT,78",M,23,W	2
2	TCK78HM23W	TOP,CLOSE KIT,78",HM23,W	1
3	TRK7823W	TOP, ROOF KIT,78",23,W	1
4	THKGMT178M23	HDW KIT, TFKGMT178HM23W	1
5	TMLHK	Topper Mechanical Lock Hatch Kit	1



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PART TITSHM23W

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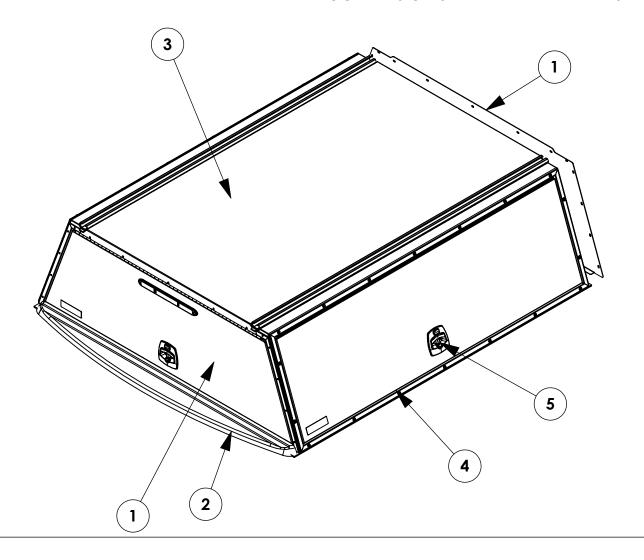
### BOM FOR 6.3' RAM

ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	TCK78HM23W	TOP,CLOSE KIT,78",HM23,W	1
2	THKRAM175M23	HDW KIT, TCKRAMT175HM23W	1
3	TRK7523W	TOP, ROOF PANEL KIT, RAM	1
4	TSK75M23W	TOP, SIDE KIT, 78" RAM	2
5	TMLHK	Topper Mechanical Lock Hatch Kit	1

# \* E-LOCK VERSION SWAP TMLHK WITH TELH02

#### **BOM FOR 5.7' RAM**

ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	TSK66M23W	TOP, SIDE KIT,66",M,23,W	2
2	TCK78HM23W	TOP,CLOSE KIT,78",HM23,W	1
3	TRK6623W	TOP, ROOF KIT,66",23,W	1
4	THKRAM167M23	HDW KIT, TFKRAM167HM23W	1
5	TMLHK	Topper Mechanical Lock Hatch Kit	1



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PART TIP6HM23W

PART • ASM INS, TFK\_\_T178HM23W

E-LOCK VERSIONS: SWAP <u>M</u> WITH <u>E</u> IN PART NUMBER EXAMPLE: TFKFDT178H<u>M</u>23W BECOMES TFKFDT178HE23W

	BOM FOR 8.0' 23" TALL FORD F-150, F-250, F-350			
ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.	
1	TSK96M23W	TOP, SIDE KIT,96",M,23,W	2	
2	TCK78HM23W	TOP,CLOSE KIT,78",HM23,W	1	
3	TRK9623W	TOP, ROOF KIT,96",23,W	1	
4	THKFDT196M23	HDW KIT, TFKFDT196HM23W	1	
5	TMLHK	Topper Mechanical Lock Hatch Kit	1	

#### \* E-LOCK VERSION SWAP TMLHK WITH TELH06

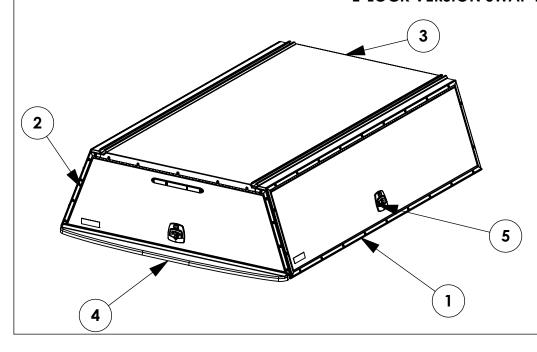
### BOM FOR 8.0' 23" TALL SILVERADO 1500, 2500, 3500

ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	TSK96M23W	TOP, SIDE KIT,96",M,23,W	2
2	TCK78HM23W	TOP,CLOSE KIT,78",HM23,W	1
3	TRK9623W	TOP, ROOF KIT,96",23,W	1
4	THKGMT196M23	HDW KIT, TFKGMT196HM23W	1
5	TMLHK	Topper Mechanical Lock Hatch Kit	1

# \* E-LOCK VERSION SWAP TMLHK WITH TELHO3

#### BOM FOR 8.0' 23" TALL RAM 1500, 2500, 3500

ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	TSK96M23W	TOP, SIDE KIT,96",M,23,W	2
2	TCK78HM23W	TOP,CLOSE KIT,78",HM23,W	1
3	TRK9623W	TOP, ROOF KIT,96",23,W	1
4	THKRAM196M23	HDW KIT, TFKRAM196HM23W	1
5	TMLHK	Topper Mechanical Lock Hatch Kit	1



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	4   I	ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
PART TFK_T296	HM26W	1	TSK96M26W	TOP, SIDE KIT,96",M,26,W	2
		2	TCK80HM26W	TOP,CLOSE KIT,80",HM263,W	1
PART • ASM INS, TFKT178HM23W		3	TRK9623W	TOP, ROOF KIT,96",23,W	1
		4	THKFDT296M26	HDW KIT, TFKFDT296HM26W	1
E-LOCK VERSIONS:		5	TMLHK	Topper Mechanical Lock Hatch Kit	1

SWAP M WITH E IN PART NUMBER EXAMPLE: TFKFDT178HM23W

BECOMES TFKFDT178HE23W

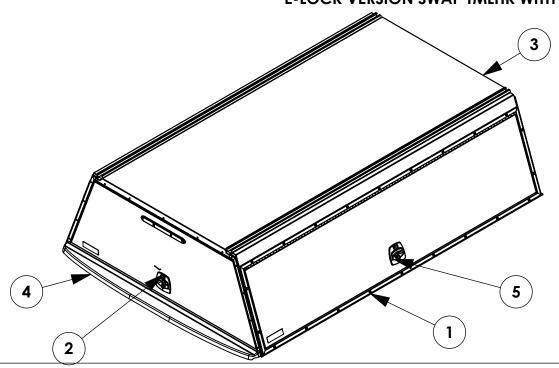
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ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	TSK96M26W	TOP, SIDE KIT,96",M,26,W	2
2	TCK80HM26W	TOP,CLOSE KIT,80",HM263,W	1
3	TRK9623W	TOP, ROOF KIT,96",23,W	1
4	THKGMT296M26	HDW KIT, TFKGMT296HM26W	1
5	TMLHK	Topper Mechanical Lock Hatch Kit	1

#### \* E-LOCK VERSION SWAP TMLHK WITH TELH03

# BOM FOR 8.0' 26" TALL RAM 1500, 2500, 3500 NOTE: SPECIAL ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTION SHOWN ON SHEET 20

ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	TSK96M26W	TOP, SIDE KIT,96",M,26,W	2
2	TCK80HM26W	TOP,CLOSE KIT,80",HM263,W	1
3	TRK9623W	TOP, ROOF KIT,96",23,W	1
4	THKRAM296M26	HDW KIT, TFKRAM296HM26W	1
5	TMLHK	Topper Mechanical Lock Hatch Kit	1



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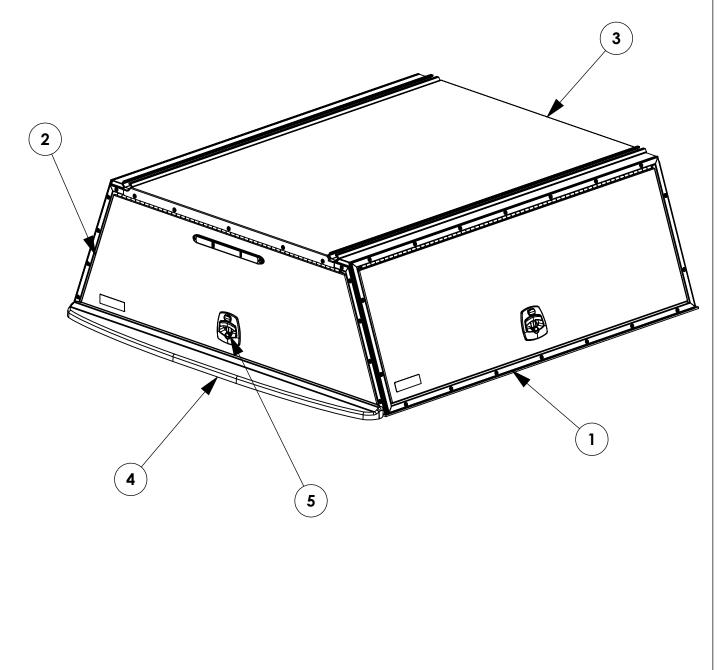
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# E-LOCK VERSION: TFKFDT166HE23W

# BOM FOR 5.5' 23" TALL FORD F-150 LIGHTNING/ICE

ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	TSK66M23W	TOP, SIDE KIT,66",M,23,W	2
2	TCK78HM23W	TOP,CLOSE KIT,78",HM23,W	1
3	TRK6623W	TOP, ROOF KIT,66",23,W	1
4	THKFDT166M23	HDW KIT, TFKFDT166HM23W	1
5	TMLHK	Topper Mechanical Lock Hatch Kit	1



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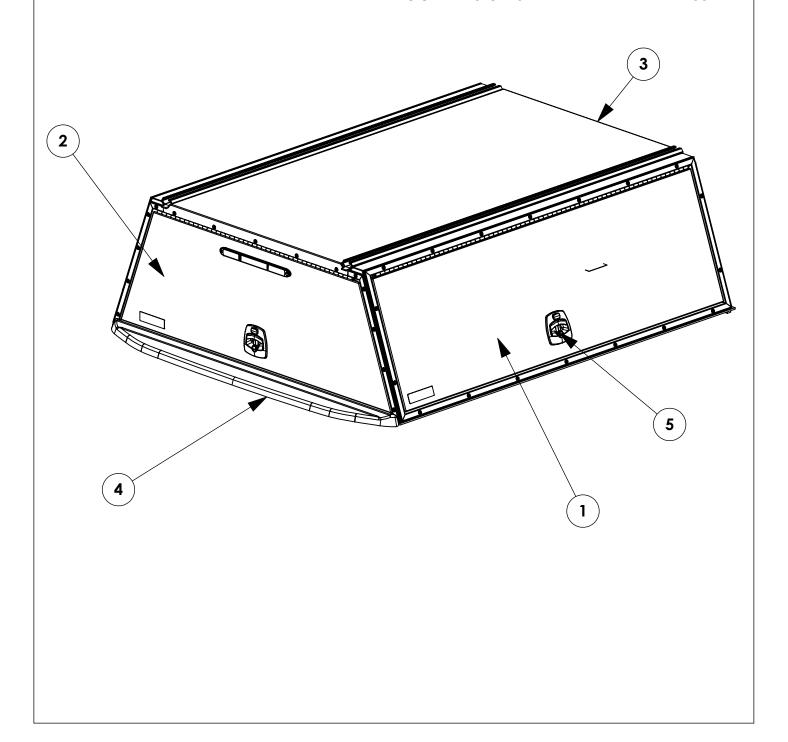
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PART • DESC. • ASM INS, TFK\_\_T178HM23W

#### **E-LOCK VERSION: TFKNFT172HE23W**

# BOM FOR 6.0' 23" TALL NISSAN FRONTIER

ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	TSK72M23W	TOP, SIDE KIT,72",M,23,W	2
2	TCK72HM23W	TOP,CLOSE KIT,72",HM23,W	1
3	TRK7223W	TOP, ROOF KIT,72",23,W	1
4	THKNFT172M23	HDW KIT, TFKNFT172HM23W	1
5	TMLHK	Topper Mechanical Lock Hatch Kit	1

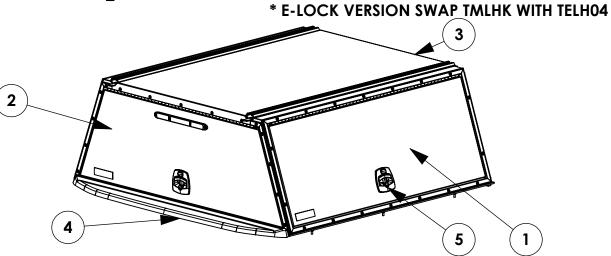


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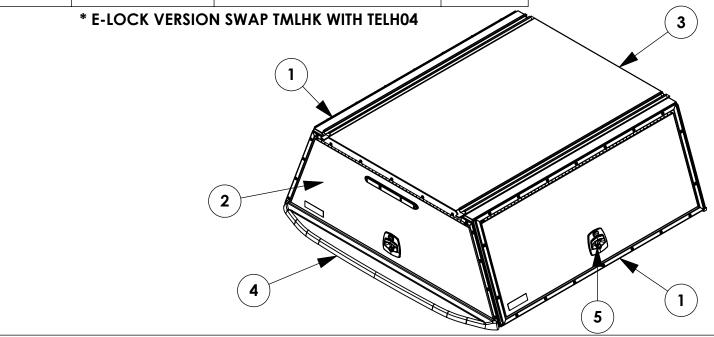
E-LOCK VERSIONS: SWAP <u>M</u> WITH <u>E</u> IN PART NUMBER EXAMPLE: TFKFDT178H<u>M</u>23W BECOMES TFKFDT178HE23W

BOM FOR 5.0' 23" TALL NISSAN FRONTIER			
ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	TSK60M23W	TOP, SIDE KIT,60",M,23,W	2
2	TCK72HM23W	TOP,CLOSE KIT,72",HM23,W	1
3	TRK6023W	TOP, ROOF KIT,60",23,W	1
4	THKNFT172M23	HDW KIT, TFKNFT172HM23W	1
5	TMLHK	Topper Mechanical Lock Hatch Kit	1



## BOM FOR 5.1' 23" TALL COLORADO

ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	TSKCOL60M23W	TOP, SIDE KIT,60",M,23,W	2
2	TCK72HM23W	TOP,CLOSE KIT,72",HM23,W	1
3	TRK6123W	TOP, ROOF KIT,61",23,W	1
4	THKCOL60M23	HDW KIT, TFKCOL160HM23W	1
5	TMLHK	Topper Mechanical Lock Hatch Kit	1



GET TO KNOW THE VEHICLE - AT THE BEGINNING OF ANY INSTALLATION, CHECK THE LOCATION OF THE FUEL TANK, FUEL LINES, BRAKE LINES, HIGH VOLTAGE BATTERIES AND WIRING HARNESSES TO AVOID INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE FROM TOOL CONTACT.

**SEAL ALL EXTERIOR HOLES** - ALL INSTALLATION HOLES SHOULD BE SEALED WITH BUTYL TAPE OR SILICON TO PREVENT WATER AND EXHAUST GASES FROM ENTERING THE VEHICLE.

CONTROL DRILL DEPTH - TO AVOID DAMAGE TO THE VEHICLE, USE A DRILL STOP OR CLEARED STEP BIT WHEN DRILLING INSTALLATION HOLES.

**ALWAYS ADD PRIMER** - WHEN ADDING INSTALLATION HOLES BE SURE TO USE A SELF-ETCHING PRIMER TO PREVENT CORROSION, FASTENER FAILURE AND INJURY.

MOUNTING POINTS MUST HAVE METAL-TO-METAL CONTACT - USE PROVIDED MOUNTING SPACERS TO ACCOMMODATE FOR VEHICLE FEATURES, CARPET OR SUBFLOORS.

PROVIDE CLEARANCE FOR SPACERS - IF THE INSTALLATION VEHICLE CONTAINS A CARPET OR SUBFLOOR, USE A 1-3/16" DIAMETER CARPET CUTTER (P/N: 31183-0) AT ALL MOUNTING LOCATIONS TO OPEN UP ROOM FOR SPACERS.

CHECK SPACER ORIENTATION - BE SURE THAT THE INDENT IN THE SPACER COVERS THE PLUSNUT HEAD; THIS ENSURES THE MOST METAL-TO-METAL CONTACT AND REDUCES VIBRATION.

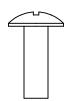
**PLUSNUT INSTALLATION** - A PLUSNUT GUN IS RECOMMENDED FOR PLUSNUT INSTALLATION FOR ITS PRODUCTION SPEED. HOWEVER, A PLUSNUT SETTING TOOL CAN ALSO BE USED (P/N: 22200-0).

THRU-BOLT CLEARANCE - WHEN USING A THRU-BOLT AT ANY MOUNTING LOCATION, BE SURE THAT YOUR HOLE HAS 1/16" CLEARANCE.

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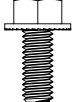








FAS0055 1/4-20 ZP HFLNG NLK NUT QTY: 19 FAS0062 1/4-20 X 0.75 ZP THP SCREW QTY: 9 FASO067 1/4 ZP FLAT WASHER QTY: 9 FAS0234 1/4 SST FLAT WASHER QTY: 30





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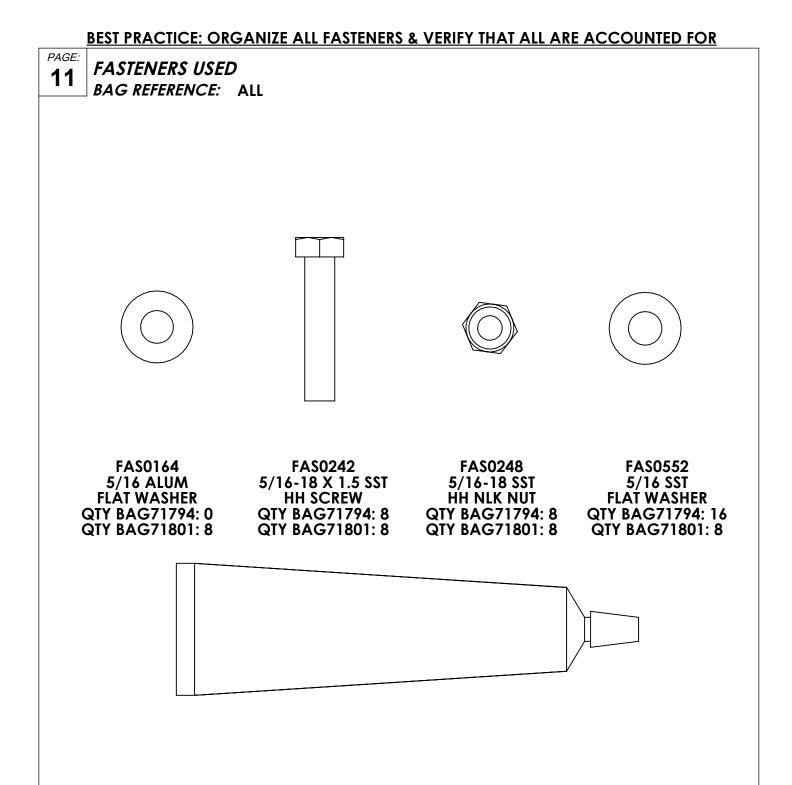
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FAS0920 1/4-20 X 1.0 SST BHC SCREW QTY: 30



FAS0919 5/16-18 X 1.25 SST BHC SCREW QTY: 10

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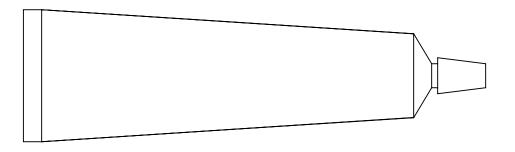
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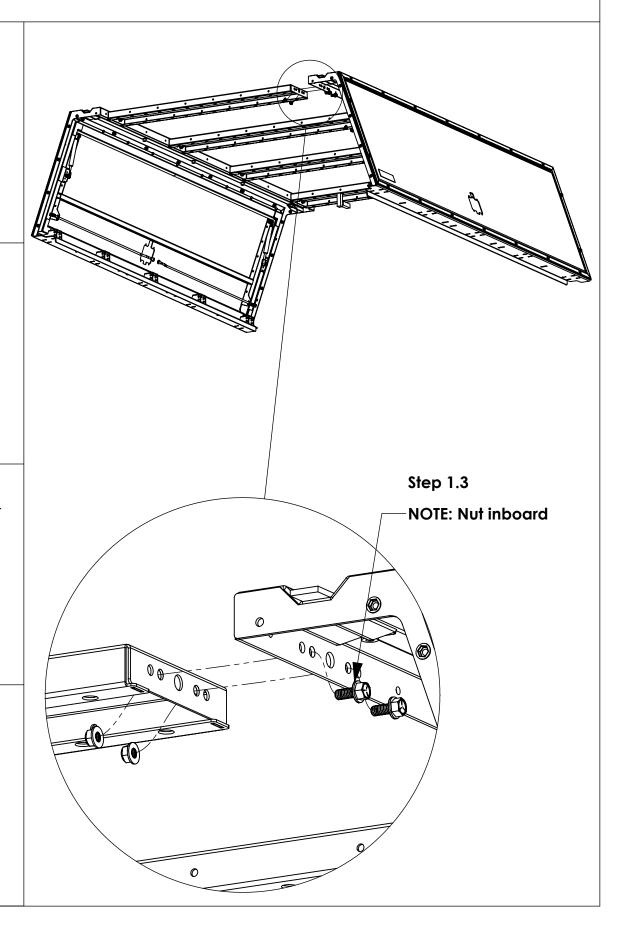
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# STEP 1 - ASSEMBLE BODY FRAME: SIDES AND CROSSBOWS



Step 1.2 OPEN TOPPER ROOF KIT [TRK7823W]

Step 1.3 FULLY TIGHTEN FAS0438 AND FAS0440 (16 PLACES) 1/2" WRENCH 1/2" SOCKET



## STEP 2 - ATTACH HARDWARE: SIDE DOOR HANDLES, FRONT & REAR SEALS

Step 2.1 CUT ZIP TIES THAT ARE HOLDING LOCKRODS IN PLACE.

!! CAUTION !! DOORS MAY TRY TO OPEN.

Step 2.2 ATTACH HANDLE TO DOOR

FULLY TIGHTEN FAS0917 (4 PER DOOR) 10mm SOCKET

DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN

Step 2.3 ATTACH LOCKRODS TO HANDLE

FULLY TIGHTEN FAS0918 (2 PLACES) 8mm SOCKET

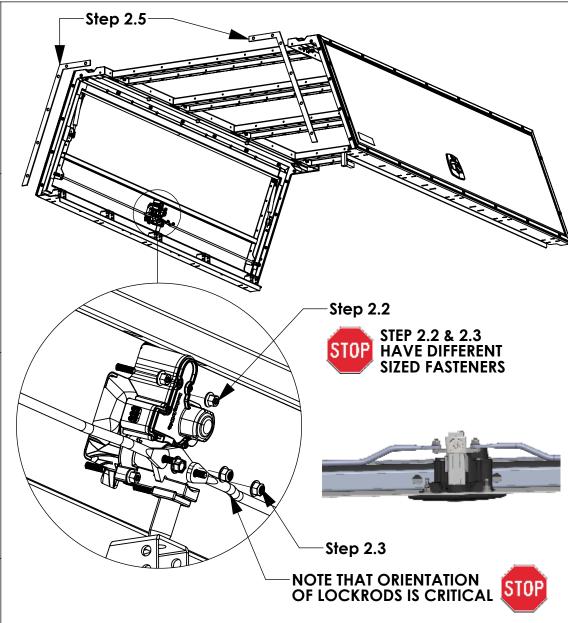
DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN

Step 2.4
ADJUST HANDLE
POINT TO ALIGN
WITH CASTING
LINE ON HANDLE
BODY
(APPROX: 1.0")

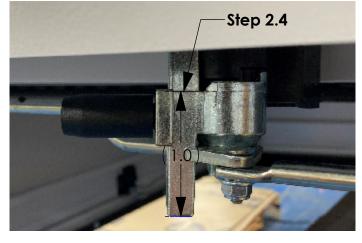
FULLY TIGHTEN 4mm ALLEN (2 PLACES)

Step 2.5 APPLY FOAM SEALS TO ALL CORNERS.

USE HOLES IN SEAL TO ALIGN MATERIAL.







## STEP 3 - ATTACH FRONT PANEL

Step 3.1 OPEN TOPPER CLOSURE KIT [TCK78HM23W]

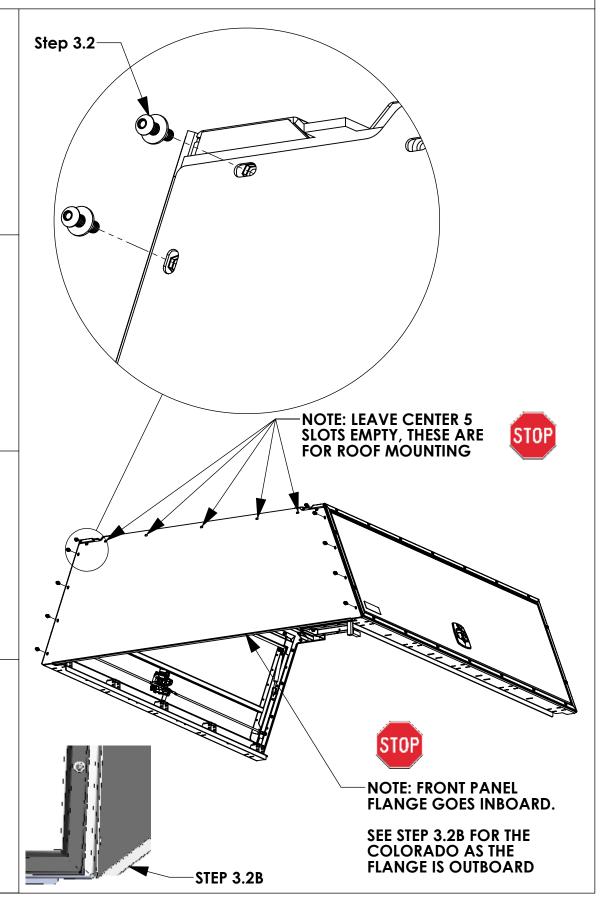
Step 3.2 ATTACH FRONT PANEL

HAND TIGHTEN FAS0234, FAS0920 (10 PLACES)

DO NOT TIGHTEN UNTIL AFTER STEP 4

Step 3.2B COLORADO FRONT PANEL FLANGE IS OUTBOARD

DO NOT TIGHTEN UNTIL AFTER STEP 4

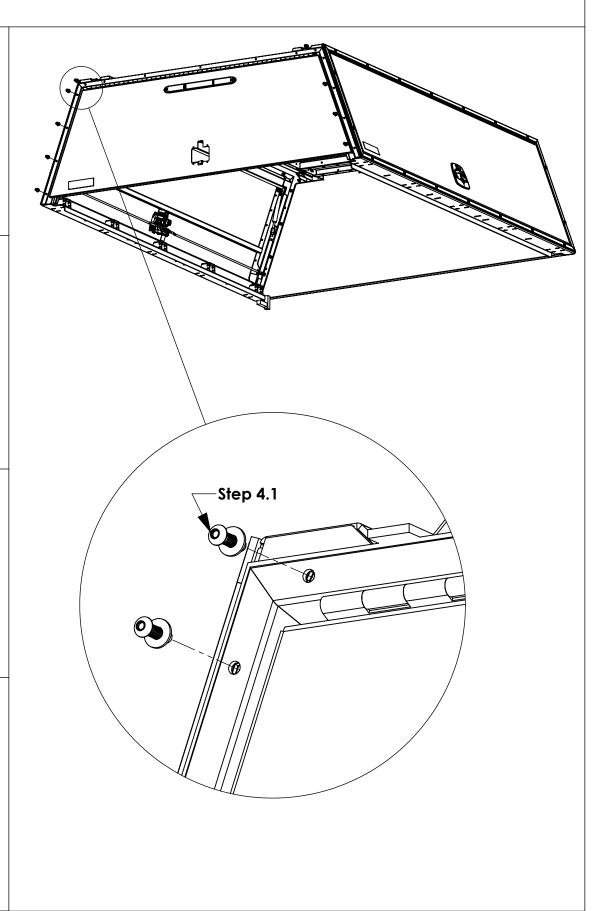


Step 4.1 ATTACH LIFTGATE FRAME

FULLY TIGHTEN FAS0234, FAS0920 (10 PLACES) 5/32" ALLEN

Step 4.2 GO BACK AND FULLY TIGHTEN FASTENERS FROM STEP 3.2

(10 PLACES) 5/32" ALLEN



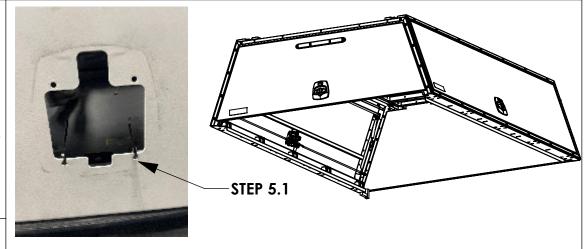
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### STEP 5 - ATTACH LIFTGATE HANDLE

Step 5.1 CUT ZIP TIES THAT ARE HOLDING LOCKRODS IN PLACE.

!! CAUTION !! DOOR MAY TRY TO OPEN.



Step 5.2 ATTACH HANDLE TO DOOR

FULLY TIGHTEN FAS0917 (4 PER DOOR) 10mm SOCKET

DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN

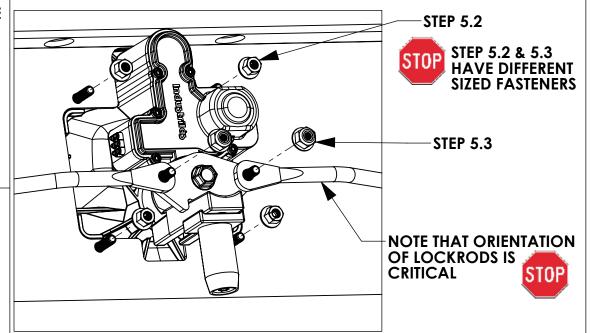
Step 5.3 ATTACH LOCKRODS TO HANDLE

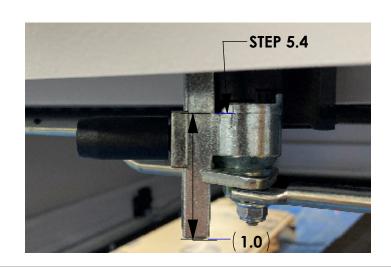
FULLY TIGHTEN FAS0918 (2 PLACES) 8mm SOCKET

DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN

Step 5.4 ADJUST HANDLE POINT TO ALIGN WITH CASTING LINE ON HANDLE BODY (APPROX: 1.0")

FULLY TIGHTEN 4mm ALLEN (2 PLACES)





STOP

Step 6.1 SET ROOF PANEL ON TOPPER BODY PLEASE NOTE THAT ORDER OF OPERATIONS ON THESE BUILD STEPS IS CRITICAL TO A PROPER SEAL!

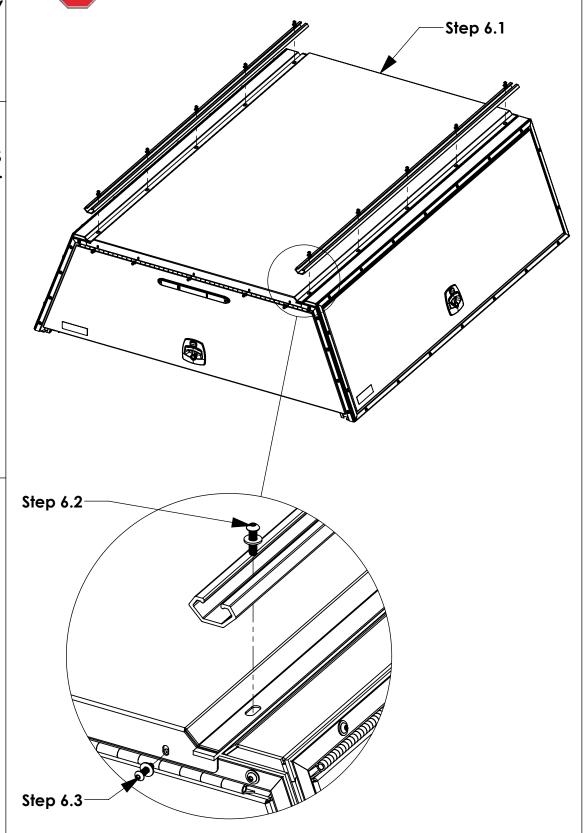
Step 6.2 ATTACH MOUNTING RAILS TO TOPPER BODY.

USE AN ALIGNMENT PUNCH TO POKE THROUGH SEALS

FULLY TIGHTEN FAS0552, FAS0919 (10 PLACES) 3/16" ALLEN

Step 6.3 ATTACH ROOF TO TOPPER BODY.

FULLY TIGHTEN FAS0055, FAS0552, FAS0920 (10 PLACES) 5/32" ALLEN 7/16" WRENCH



### STEP 7 - ATTACH TAILGATE COVER

Step 7.1
ADD SILICONE TO
CORNER OF
TAILGATE COVER
AND AROUND
BOTTOM FACE
MOUNTING
HOLES.

Step 7.2 ATTACH TAILGATE COVER TO REAR DOOR.

FULLY TIGHTEN FASO062, FASO067, FASO055 (9 PLACES)

#2 PHILLIPS 7/16" SOCKET 7/16" WRENCH

Step 7.3 COLORADO & SILVERADO. PREP WITH ADHESION PROMOTER.

ADD 77152 D-SEAL X 22" LG TO BOTH SIDE OF TAILGATE COVER



## STEP 8 - ATTACH SEALS TO TRUCK BED

Step 8.1
INSTALL FRONT
BED SEAL. REFER
TO <u>TABLE 1</u> TO
GET OEM
SPECIFIC
DISTANCE OFF
OF THE INSIDE
EDGE OF THE
BED. CENTER
BETWEEN THE
DRIVER AND
PASSENGER SIDE
BED RAIL TRIM.

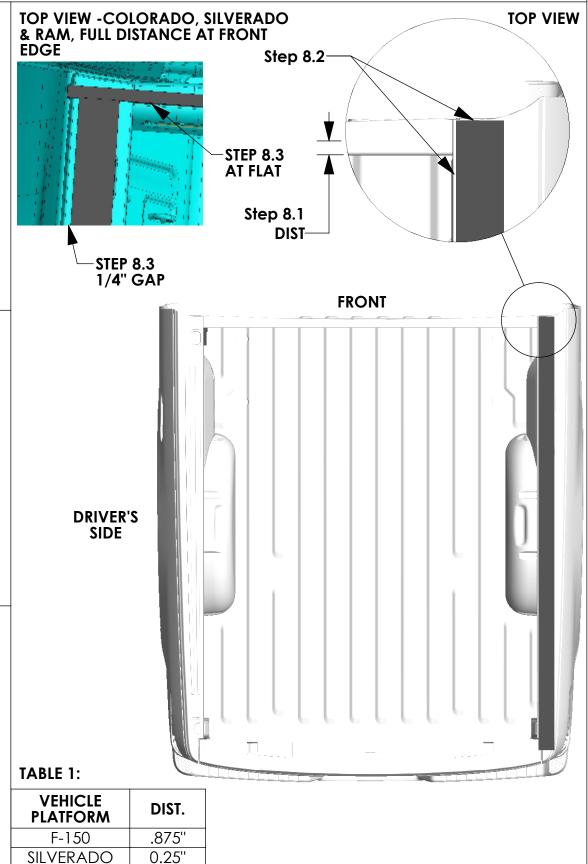
TRIM OFF EXTRA, IF NECESSARY.

Step 8.2
INSTALL SIDE BED
SEALS. ALIGN TO
THE FRONT AND
INSIDE EDGES OF
THE SIDE BED
RAIL TRIM.

DO NOT TRIM EXCESS UNTIL TOPPER IS ON THE TRUCK.

Step 8.3 COLORADO ONLY! INSTALL SIDE BED SEALS. ALIGN TO THE FRONT AND INSIDE EDGES OF THE SIDE BED RAIL TRIM.

DO NOT TRIM EXCESS UNTIL TOPPER IS ON THE TRUCK.



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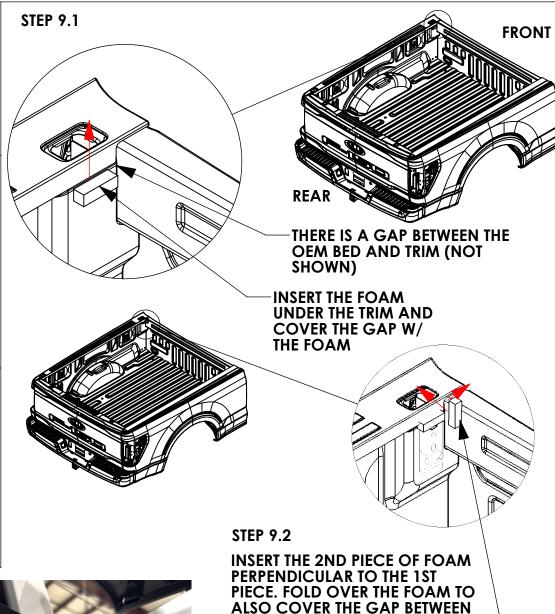
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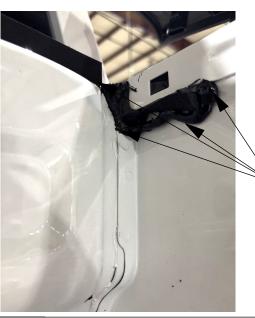
# STEP 9 - INSTALL FOAM & 73740 SEALANT TO TRUCK CAB AND BED SEAMS (NOTE: FOR CHEVY SILVERADO ONLY)

STEP 9.1 USING .75" X.75" X 2.5" FOAM, INSERT UNDER TRIM OF THE BED RAIL, GOING INTO THE GAP AS SHOWN

STEP 9.2
INSERT A 2ND
FOAM OF THE
SAME
DIMENSION IN
9.1 INTO THE
GAP
PERPENDICULAR
TO THE ONE IN
STEP 9.1, BOTH
PIECES SHOULD
BE TOUCHING

STEP 9.3
SECURE BOTH
PIECES OF FOAM
IN PLACE WITH
3M SEALANT
AROUND THE
PERIMETER AND
FILL ANY
REMAINING
GAPS, REPEAT
ON PASSENGER
SIDE





**STEP 9.3** 

THE TRIM AND WALL RAIL-

-ADD 3M SEALANT AROUND THE PERIMETER OF THE FOAMS, BETWEEN THE RAIL TRIM & THE BED, & REPEAT ON PASSENGER SIDE

#### STEP 10 - ATTACH TOPPER TO TRUCK BED



NOTE: (FOR 8.0' 26" TALL RAM 1500, 2500, 3500 ONLY) TOPPER MUST BE SOFT INSTALLED TO MARK FOR DRILLING. TOPPER TO BE REMOVED PRIOR TO DRILLING.

Step 10.1
SET TOPPER ONTO
TRUCK BED.
ALIGNMENT IS
BASED OFF OF
THE TAILGATE
CLEARANCE
CUTOUT IN THE
SIDE BED RAILS
(FOR FORD ONLY)
AND PLACE ON
THE PREVIOUSLY
INSTALLED FRONT
BED SEAL STEP 8.1

THESE 2 FACES SHOULD BE ALIGNED.

Step 10.2
USE HOLES IN THE
BED RAIL TO
MARK AND DRILL
MOUNTING
LOCATIONS. IT IS
NOT NECESSARY
TO REMOVE THE
TOPPER FOR THIS
STEP.

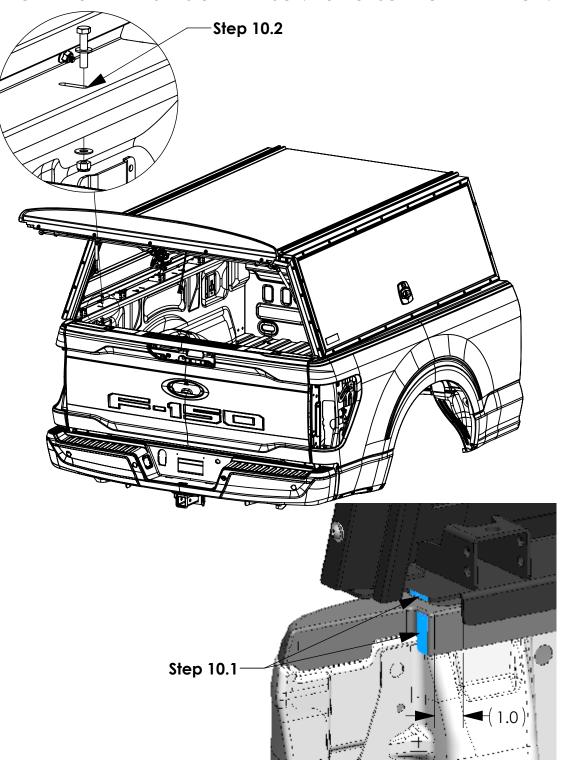
(8 PLACES) 11/32" DRILL BIT



NOTE: IF THESE HOLES INTERFERE WITH THE OEM BODY, DRILL A NEW HOLE IN THE BED RAIL +/- 2" FROM THE INTERFERENCE.

NOTE: IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOU LOAD THE TOPPER ONTO A TRUCKBED WITH ONE OF THE FOLLOWING METHODS:

-HOIST: ATTACH TO THE ROOF RAILS OF THE TOPPER
-FORKLIFT: OPEN THE REAR DOOR AND SET FORKS ON THE ROOF BOWS
-MANUAL: HAVE 1 INDIVIDUAL AT EACH CORNER OF THE TOP AND
CARRY OVER THE SIDES OF THE TRUCK. DO NOT SCRATCH THE VEHICLE.



#### STEP 10 - ATTACH TOPPER TO TRUCK BED

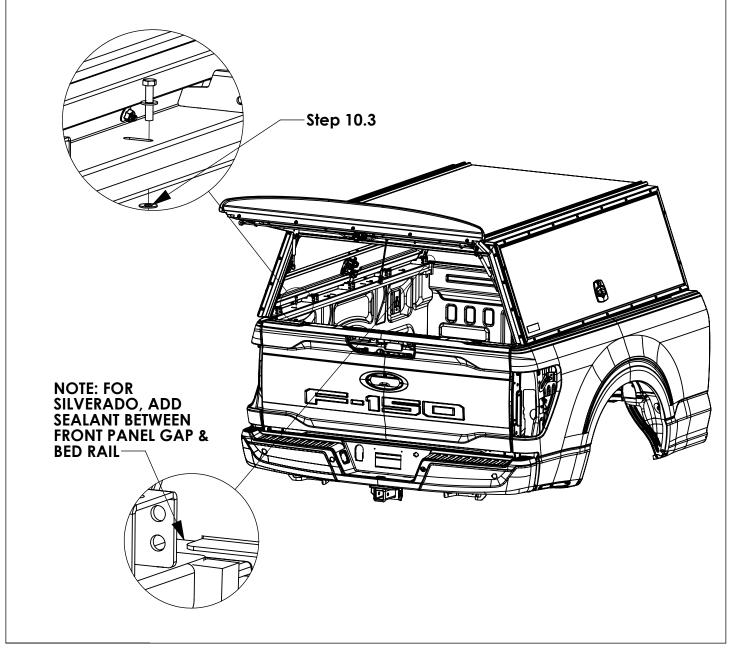


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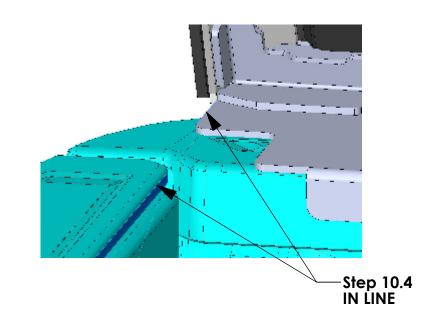
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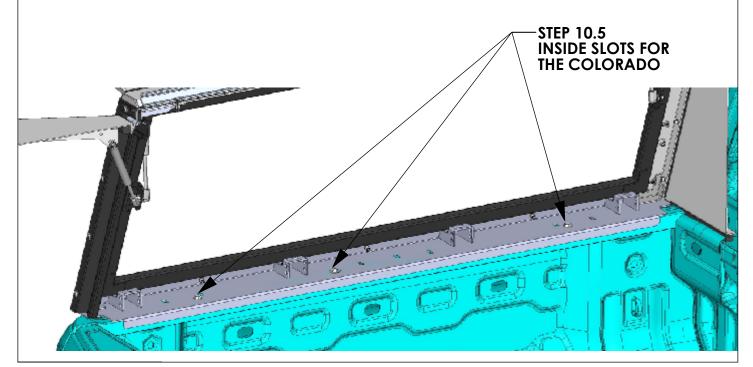
**THESE 2 FACES** SHOULD BE ALIGNED.

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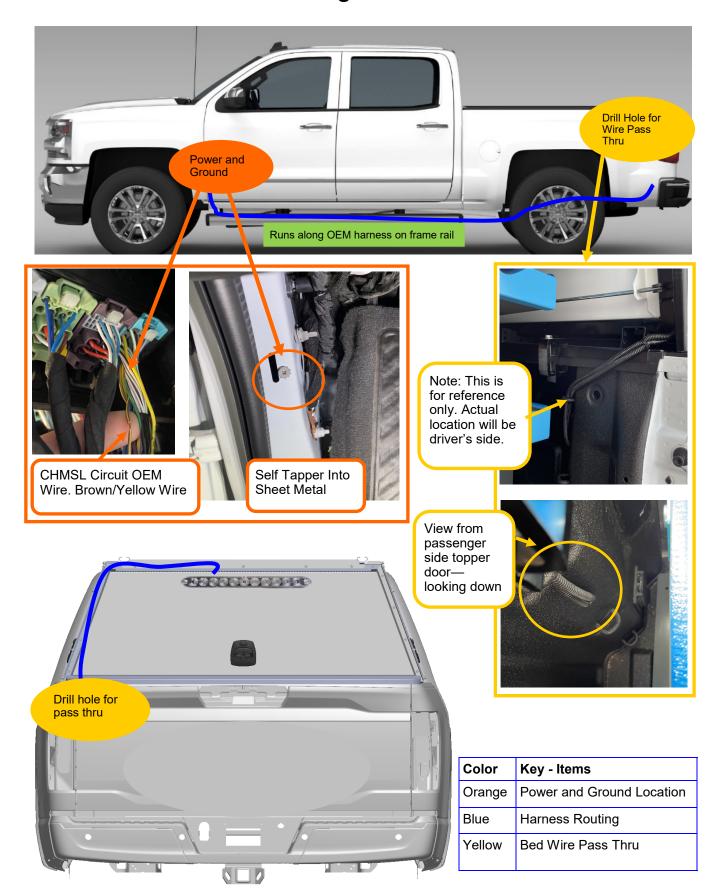
Read all instructions prior to installation. Review the Adrian Steel **GENERAL PRECAUTIONS PAGES** (56638) before attempting installation. Only personnel familiar with using electrical best practices should perform this install. Reference **ELECTRICAL BEST PRACTICES MAN-UAL** (54479) before attempting installation.



Installation Instructions For Brake Light On Topper For Silverado 1500 / 2500 / 3500



# **Routing Overview**







**Step 1:** Locate the brake light harness 71680.

Remove the fuse from the inline fuse holder until he end of the install.

Open the driver's side door. Remove the trim panels circled in red.









#### Step 2:

Locate the body control module on the lefthand side of the vehicle body, behind the OBDII port. There will be 5 colorful connectors with wire harnesses plugged into the bottom of the module.

#### For 2023 and 2024 Silverado 1500 and for the 2024 ONLY Silverado HD Series:

Locate the light blue connector (X5), pin 25. This wire will be Yellow/Brown. This is the OEM CHMSL circuit wire for the brake light. Use a meter to be sure this is the correct wire (OEM's tend to change wire colors).

#### For 2023 Silverado HD Series:

Locate the black connector (X4), pin 11. This wire will be Violet/White. This is the OEM CHMSL circuit wire for the brake light. Use a meter to be sure this is the correct wire (OEM's tend to change wire colors).

Separate the wire from the bundle (by your finger or a trim tool) to prepare it to be connected with the brake light harness.

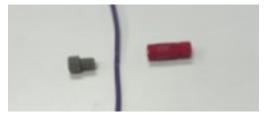
Locate the posi-tap in the brake light harness bag.



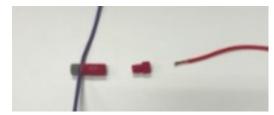
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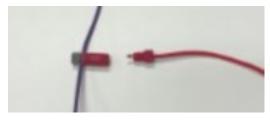


The <u>red</u> wire in the pictures is referencing the brake light harness. The <u>purple</u> wire in the picture is referencing the OEM brake light signal wire.













Step 3: Remove the grey cap on the posi-tap.

Push the OEM brake signal wire into the insert on the grey cap.

Twist the grey cap back onto the positap with the OEM wire secured. The pin point on the posi-tap will puncture the OEM wire and obtain the signal.

Remove the red cap on the posi-tap.

Insert the blunt cut end of the brake light harness through the red cap.

Twist the cap back onto the posi-tap with the brake light harness secured.

The picture to the left is the actual installed posi-tap onto the OEM wire.

Be sure the connection is secure.







**Step 4:** On the driver's side: locate the cut outs for the trim panels in the sheet metal near the OEM chassis ground. This is located to the left of the OBDII port on the vehicle body.

Locate the cut out that is higher on the frame than the OEM ground, shown in the picture to the left.

Locate the fastener bag BAG71800 and find the small tek screw and the star washer.

Insert the ring terminal through the star washer then through the ground ring terminal on the brake light harness.

Screw the tek screw into the frame like shown in the picture to the left.

Be sure not to over tighten or under tighten the screw. Be sure there is a good connection by checking the connectivity of the ground with a multimeter. You can do this seeing if there is a resistance (Setting " $\Omega$ " on meter) between the OEM copper ground and the new ring terminal.

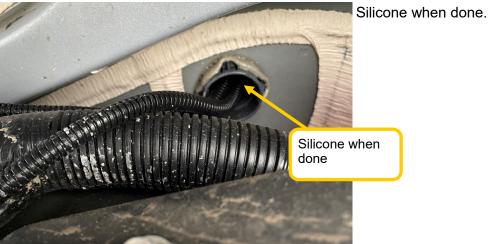


**Step 4:** Locate the OEM floor grommet by lifting up the carpet on the driver's side.

If installing the interior lighting kit as well as the brake light kit, utilize the larger grommet supplied in the brake light harness bag.

If only installing the brake light harness, utilize the smaller grommet supplied in the brake light harness kit

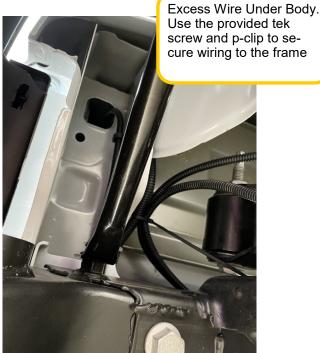
Drill (for larger grommet a 1" hole and 0.625" (5/8) hole for the smaller grommet) then route the wire harness through the grommet, to the underbody of the truck.



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# Step 5: Routing (Refer to routing diagrams at the beginning of the instructions)

Route the brake light harness rearward following the OEM wire harness on the frame. Continue routing the harness rearward until you reach the bumper.

Continue routing the harness upward in the bed cavity, to the bed wire pass thru area.

Drill a hole above the 2 rings on the passenger side of the bed. Be sure the area is clear for a pass thru before drilling.

Tuck any excess wiring into the empty cavity underneath the bed frame. Bundle the excess wire in the cavity using zip ties. Use the tek screw and p-clip to secure the bundle to the frame.

Secure the wiring with zip ties.

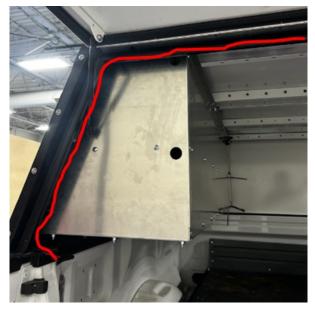
DO NOT secure wiring to any brake lines.





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#### **Step 6: Routing continued**

Continue routing the brake light harness inside the topper, to the light.

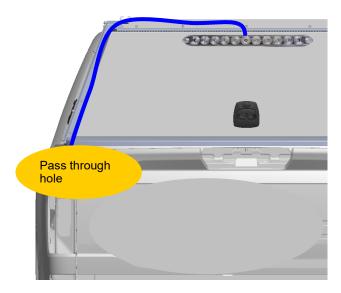
The harness should run along the driver's side rear cavity, then across the top cavity to the light (Red and blue lines shown in pictures.

Be sure to leave extra wire from the brake light to the topper rails before securing. This ensures the wires wont brake when the topper door opens and closes.

Clean the topper corner channel with alcohol pads or spray. Secure using zip ties and the sticky back zip tie holders.

Connect the harness to the light: Plug the connectors together. Pull connectors lightly to ensure they do not come apart.

Be sure the <u>red</u> wire on the harness connects to the <u>black</u> wire on the light. Then the <u>black</u> wire on the harness connects to the <u>white</u> wire on the light.



Insert the fuse into the inline-fuse holder on the brake light harness.

The install is now complete.

Check that the brake light comes on when the brake pedal is pushed, then back off once pedal is released.