



MOUNTING BRACKET KIT INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

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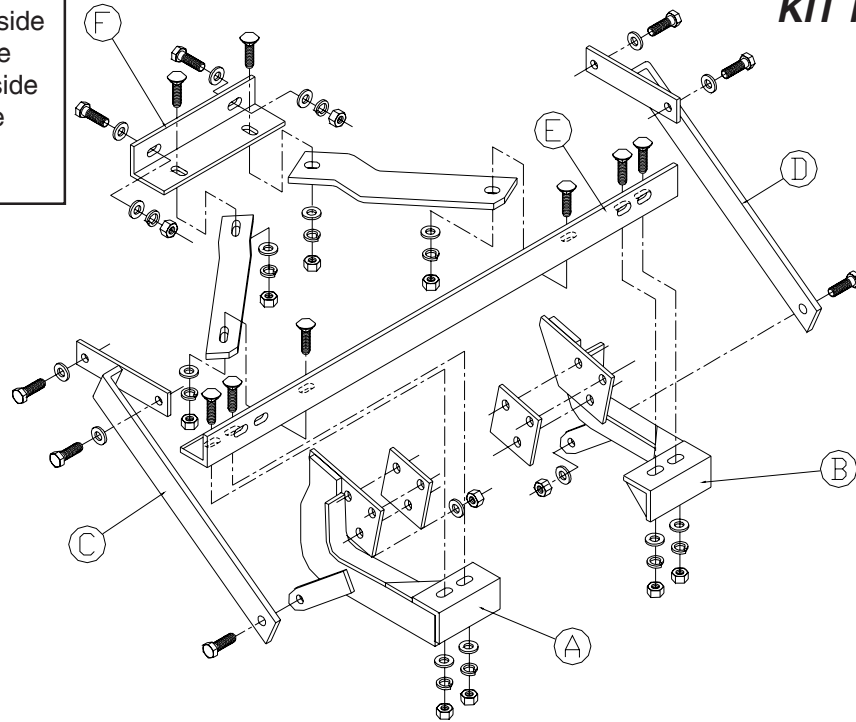
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PARTS LIST:

- 1- MAIN BRACE (A) - Passenger side
- 1- MAIN BRACE (B) - Driver's side
- 1- SIDE BRACE (C) - Passenger side
- 1- SIDE BRACE (D) - Driver's side
- 1- FRONT BRACE (E)
- 1- REAR MOUNTING BRACE (F)

KIT NO. 1403-1

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IMPORTANT: All brackets *must* be assembled with all the bolts left loose for final adjustment & positioning (before tightening) unless otherwise instructed. All bolts *must* be torqued for proper strength. If more than one bolt is used per fastening point, the diagram may only show one.

- Use flat washers over all slotted holes
- Use lock washers on all fasteners

ROADMASTER Limited Warranty, including One-Year Conditional Warranty Text and Product Registration Card, in Carton.

WARNING

- Do not use this document for custom fabrication as it may not show all parts or structural components.
- ROADMASTER will not be responsible for any damage or injury resulting from any modification or alteration.
- The owner must inspect all mounts and brackets before each use for cracks or other signs of fatigue. Also, inspect the fasteners for proper torque, according to the torque chart.
- The owner must check the manufacturer's instructions for the proper procedure(s) to prepare the vehicle for towing. Some vehicles must be equipped with a transmission lube pump, an axle disconnect, driveline disconnect or free-wheeling hubs before they can be towed. Failure to properly equip the vehicle will cause severe damage to the transmission.
- The installer must read the instructions and use all bolts and parts supplied.
- If the towed vehicle has been in an accident, it must be properly repaired before attaching the brackets. Do not install the brackets if any structural frame damage is found. Failure to repair the damage may result in loss of your towed vehicle.
- Some motorhome chassis have such a tight turning radius that you can damage your motorhome, towed vehicle or tow bar while turning sharply. Before getting on the road, test your turning radius in an empty parking lot. Damage that results from turning too sharply is not covered by warranty.
- The driver must not back up the motorhome with the towed vehicle attached or non-warranty damage will occur to your towing system or towed vehicle.
- The safety cables must connect the towing vehicle to the towed vehicle frame to frame, with the cables crossed. Refer to the cable instructions for proper routing.
- Make sure there is enough slack in the safety cables at the motorhome to allow for sharp turns.
- Use caution when handling the tow bar — if your hands, fingers or any part of your body are caught between moving components, they can be pinched, cut or otherwise injured.
- This bracket is designed for use with ROADMASTER tow bars and ROADMASTER adaptors. Using this bracket with other brands, without an approved ROADMASTER adaptor, may result in non-warranty damage or injury.
- Important! This bracket is only warranted for the original installation. Installing a used bracket on another vehicle is not recommended and will void the warranty.
- Upon final installation, the installer must inspect the bracket to ensure adequate clearance, particularly around hoses, AC lines, radiators, etc., or non-warranty damage will result.

**WARNING**

Failure to follow these instructions can result in property damage, personal injury or even death.



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1. Remove the bumper by first removing the three bolts from each side that fasten the bumper braces to the frame. Then remove the bolts that fasten the bumper brackets to the bumper. Separate the bumper brackets from the bumper. Set all parts aside and save the bolts.
2. Bolt the main braces to the frame rails by sandwiching them between the frame and the bumper braces using the original bolts that fasten the bumper brackets to the frame.
3. Locate the two existing holes in the center face of the forward cross member. Bolt the center bracket to these holes using the fish-wire technique described in the attached supplement sheet. You can gain access to the holes through the large holes in the face of each end of the cross member. Use the 7/16 x 2" bolts and 7/16" flat washers provided. Torque these bolts at this time.
4. Reinstall the bumper.
5. Bolt the face plate to the main braces using 1/2" x 1 1/2" bolts.
6. Bolt the laterals to the center bracket and the face plate using 1/2" x 1 1/2" bolts provided.
NOTE: Some vehicles will have a air dam which will have to be notched.
7. Bolt the side braces to the bottom of the main brace on each side with a 1/2" x 1 1/2" bolt, lock washer and nut. Now, bolt the top of the braces to the frame of the vehicle on each side using two 10mm x 1.5 x 35mm bolts, flat washers and lock washers.
8. Install the tow bar according to manufacturers instructions then tighten all bolts to the torque specifications below.

HARDWARE LIST:

- 2-1/2" X 1 1/2" BOLTS
- 8-1/2" X 1 1/2" CARRIAGE BOLTS
- 10-1/2" NUTS
- 10-1/2" LOCKWASHERS
- 12-1/2" FLAT WASHERS
- 2-7/16 X 1 1/2" BOLTS
- 2-7/16" NUTS
- 2-7/16" LOCKWASHERS
- 2-7/16" FLAT WASHERS
- 4-10MM X 1.5 X 35MM BOLTS
- 4-10MM FENDER WASHERS

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CAUTION: Installer must read instructions and use all bolts and parts supplied.

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BOLT TORQUE REQUIREMENTS

Note: The torque values represented below are intended as general guidelines. Torque requirements for specific applications may vary. Roadmaster does not warrant this information to be accurate for all applications and disclaims all liability for any claims or damages which may result from its use.

STANDARD BOLTS			METRIC BOLTS			METRIC BOLTS		
Thread Size	Grade	Torque	Thread Size	Grade	Plated/Unplated	Thread Size	Grade	Plated/Unplated
5/16	5	13 ft./lb.	8mm-1.0	8.8	20 ft./lb. 18 ft./lb.	12mm-1.25	8.8	70 ft./lb. 65 ft./lb.
3/8	5	23 ft./lb.	8mm-1.25	8.8	19 ft./lb. 18 ft./lb.	12mm-1.5	8.8	66 ft./lb. 61 ft./lb.
7/16	5	37 ft./lb.	10mm-1.25	8.8	38 ft./lb. 36 ft./lb.	12mm-1.75	8.8	65 ft./lb. 60 ft./lb.
1/2	5	56 ft./lb.	10mm-1.5	8.8	37 ft./lb. 35 ft./lb.	14mm-2.0	8.8	104 ft./lb. 97 ft./lb.
5/8	5	150 ft./lb.						

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