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## **AUDI A3 SPORT BACK 5 DOOR HATCH**

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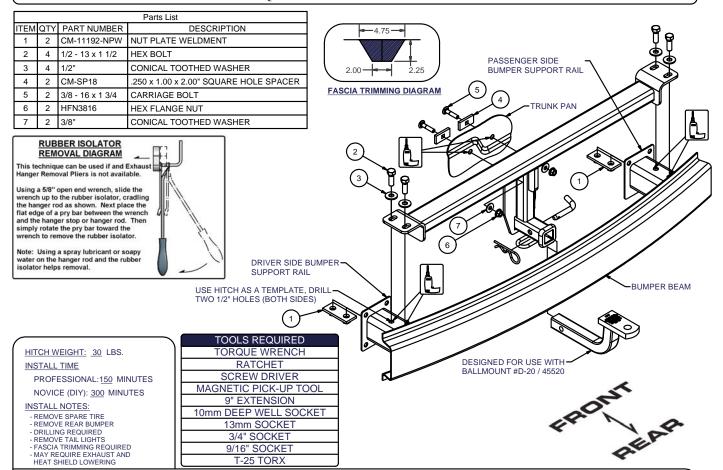
GROSS LOAD CAPACITY WHEN USED AS A WEIGHT CARRYING HITCH: 2000 LBS. TRAILER WEIGHT & 200 LBS. TONGUE WEIGHT.

\*\*\*DO NOT EXCEED VEHICLE MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDED TOWING CAPACITY.\*\*\*

WARNING: ALL NON-TRAILER LOADS APPLIED TO THIS PRODUCT MUST BE SUPPORTED BY AUXILIARY STABILIZING STRAPS.

\*\* FAILURE TO PROPERLY SUPPORT NON-TRAILER LOADS WILL VOID PRODUCT WARRANTY\*\*

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### **INSTALLATION STEPS**

- 1. To remove the rear bumper, remove (3) torx screws from inside each wheel well. Remove both tail lights by using a socket through the port on the inside of trunk. Rotate light out of place <u>carefully</u>, so the tabs on the back side stay intact (rotate then pull straight out from the side to remove lens). Remove 2 torx screws from beneath each tail light (one short black, one long silver). Remove the 2 torx screws from the underside of the bumper. Using a screwdriver pop off the plastic covers inside the trunk to access (2) hex nuts using a 10mm deep socket. <u>Note</u>: Be sure the socket you use is deep enough so it will not bottom out on the post. Use a magnetic arm to catch the nuts. Dettach the bumper cover from the side of the car, then pull straight backwards to remove.
- 2. Loosen bumper beam to place hitch into position above bumper beam support rails, and back against the trunk pan. Using the hitch as a template, mark and drill holes into bumper beam support rails (through top side only) and holes into trunk pan.
- 3. Remove bumper beam from vehicle, (6) hex bolts. May need to lower exhaust (2 hangers) and heat shield for access to trunk pan mounting holes. Clear spare tire well of ALL contents before drilling.
- 4. Install hitch onto bumper beam support rails by inserting hex bolts through hitch into frame rail. Hold the supplied nut plates inside frame and tighten using 3/4" rachet on hex bolt head. Tighten securely. (both sides)
- 5. Re-install bumper beam onto vehicle. Install carriage bolts from the underside of the spare tire well outward. Install remaining hex head flange nuts with conical tooth washers.
- 6. Torque all 1/2" fasteners to 75 lb-ft and all 3/8" fasteners to 30 lb-ft.
- 7. Trim bumper fascia as required for proper fit (see diagram above).
- 8. Re-install heat shield, exhaust, bumper fascia (in reverse order of removal), and tail lights (be sure lights work correctly after re-assembled.

# PERIODICALLY CHECK THIS RECEIVER HITCH TO ENSURE THAT ALL FASTENERS ARE TIGHT AND THAT ALL STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS ARE SOUND.

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