



# 11073 INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS



Safety glasses should be worn at all times while installing this product.

YEARS: 2011-CURRENT

MAKE: MAZDA

MODEL: 2

STYLE: HATCHBACK

**WARNING: NEVER EXCEED YOUR VEHICLE MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDED TOWING CAPACITY**





**WEIGHT CARRYING:**  
TRAILER WEIGHT: 1,500 LBS.  
TONGUE WEIGHT: 150 LBS.

**WARNING:**  
WE RECOMMEND THE USE OF 18050 STABILIZING STRAPS FOR ALL NON-TRAILER (WHEEL-LESS) LOADS. PLEASE SEE THE CURT CATALOG OR VISIT US ONLINE AT [WWW.CURTMFG.COM](http://WWW.CURTMFG.COM) FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

**INSTALLATION TIME: 30 MIN.**

THE INSTALL TIME LISTED IS FOR PROFESSIONAL INSTALLERS. IF YOU ARE HESITANT TO UNDERTAKE THIS TASK ON YOUR OWN, CONTACT AN AUTHORIZED CURT INSTALLER FOR ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE.



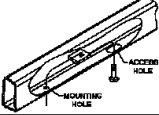
### INSTALLATION REQUIRES:

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| <br><b>RATCHET</b>             | <br><b>TORQUE WRENCH</b> | <br><b>9" SOCKET EXTENSION</b> |
| <br><b>10mm 11/16" SOCKET</b> |   |   |
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### INSTALLATION TIPS:

- BEFORE YOU BEGIN INSTALLATION, READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY.
- TO EASE INSTALLATION, 2 PEOPLE MAY BE REQUIRED.
- USING PROPER TOOLS WILL GREATLY IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF THE INSTALL AND REDUCE THE TIME REQUIRED.
- NEED HELP OR HAVE SOME QUESTIONS? CALL TECHNICAL SUPPORT AT 800.798.0813

### LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY: MODERATE

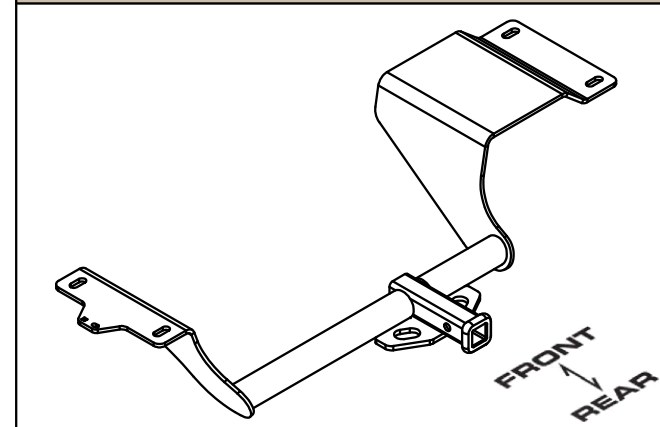
| EASY  | MODERATE               | HARD |
|---|------------------------|------|
|    | - NO DRILLING REQUIRED |      |
|   | - LOWER EXHAUST        |      |
|  | - FISHWIRE HARDWARE    |      |
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### VEHICLE PHOTO:



REPRESENTATIVE PHOTO

### HITCH ILLUSTRATION:



MAKE SURE YOUR HITCH MATCHES

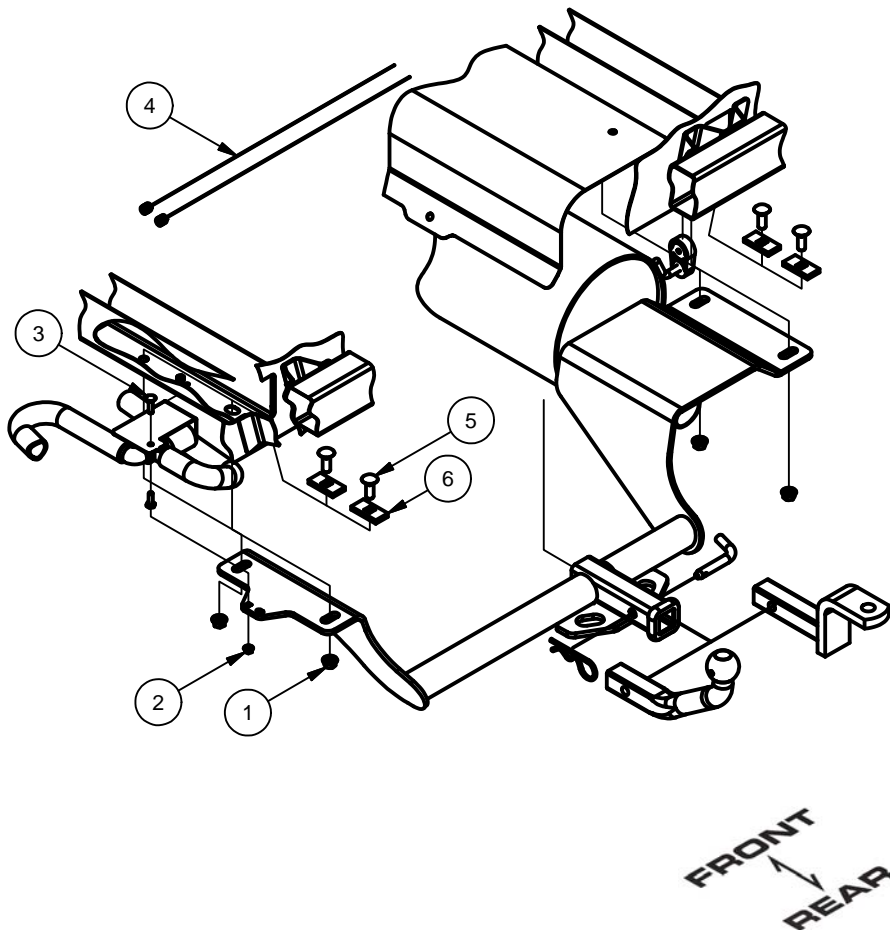
**PERIODICALLY CHECK THIS RECEIVER HITCH TO ENSURE ALL FASTENERS ARE TIGHT AND ALL STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS ARE SOUND**

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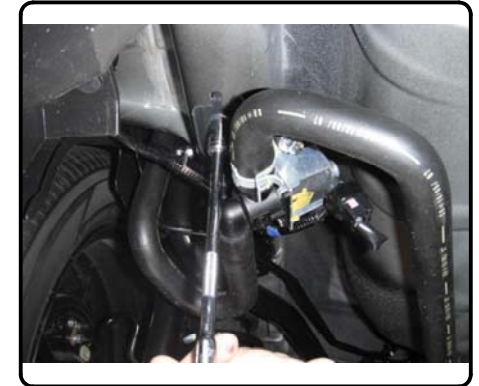
For more information log onto [www.curtmfg.com](http://www.curtmfg.com), & for helpful towing tips log onto [www.hitchinfo.com](http://www.hitchinfo.com)

## INSTALLATION WALKTHROUGH:

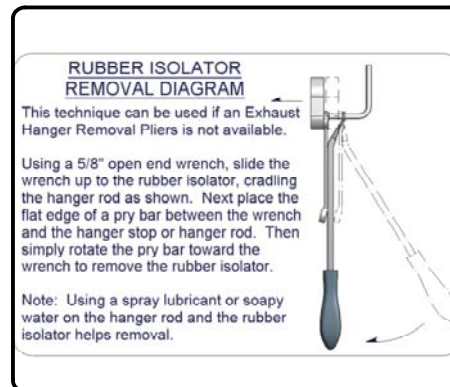
| Parts List |     |                 |  |
|------------|-----|-----------------|--|
| ITEM       | QTY | PART NUMBER     | DESCRIPTION                            |
| 1          | 4   | 7/16-14         | HEX FLANGE NUT                         |
| 2          | 1   | 1/4-20          | HEX FLANGE NUT                         |
| 3          | 1   | 1_4 - 20 x 1    | CARRIAGE BOLT                          |
| 4          | 2   | 7_16 FISHWIRE   | 7/16" FISHWIRE                         |
| 5          | 4   | 7/16-14 x 1 1/4 | CARRIAGE BOLT                          |
| 6          | 4   | CM-SP7          | .250 x 1.00 x 2.00" SQUARE HOLE SPACER |



1. Remove the bolt securing the vapor canister to the driver side frame rail and return bolt to owner.

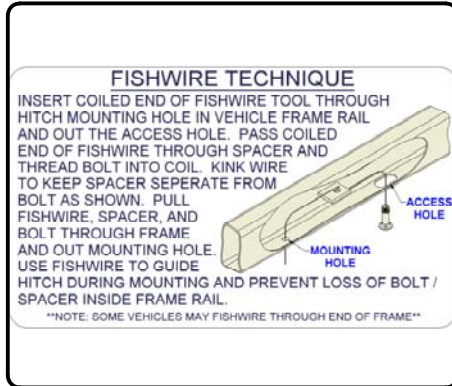


2. Lower exhaust by removing (2) rubber isolators from the hangers attached to the frame.



## INSTALLATION WALKTHROUGH:

3. Fishwire 7/16-14 x 1 1/4" carriage bolts and SP7 spacers through the end of the frame rails, both sides. Leave fishwires attached to the passenger side bolts.



4. Raise passenger side plate over the exhaust and slide it past the exhaust hanger. Raise driver side plate past the vapor canister and secure both plates using 7/16-14 flange nuts.  
**Note:** When raising hitch into position you may have to push bolts part way back into the frame to get the plates into position. You may use fishwires to guide hitch during mounting to prevent the loss of bolts and spacers inside the frame rail.



5. Place the 1/4-20 x 1" carriage bolt through the square hole in the driver side plate. Attach the vapor canister lowered in Step (1) to the carriage bolt and secure with the 1/4-20 flange nut.



6. Torque all 7/16" hardware to 50 ft-lbs.  
Torque all 1/4" hardware to 8 ft-lbs.  
Raise exhaust back into position.  
Installation is now complete.



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MAZDA 2

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GROSS LOAD CAPACITY WHEN USED AS A WEIGHT CARRYING HITCH: 1,500 LBS. TRAILER WEIGHT & 150 LBS. TONGUE WEIGHT.

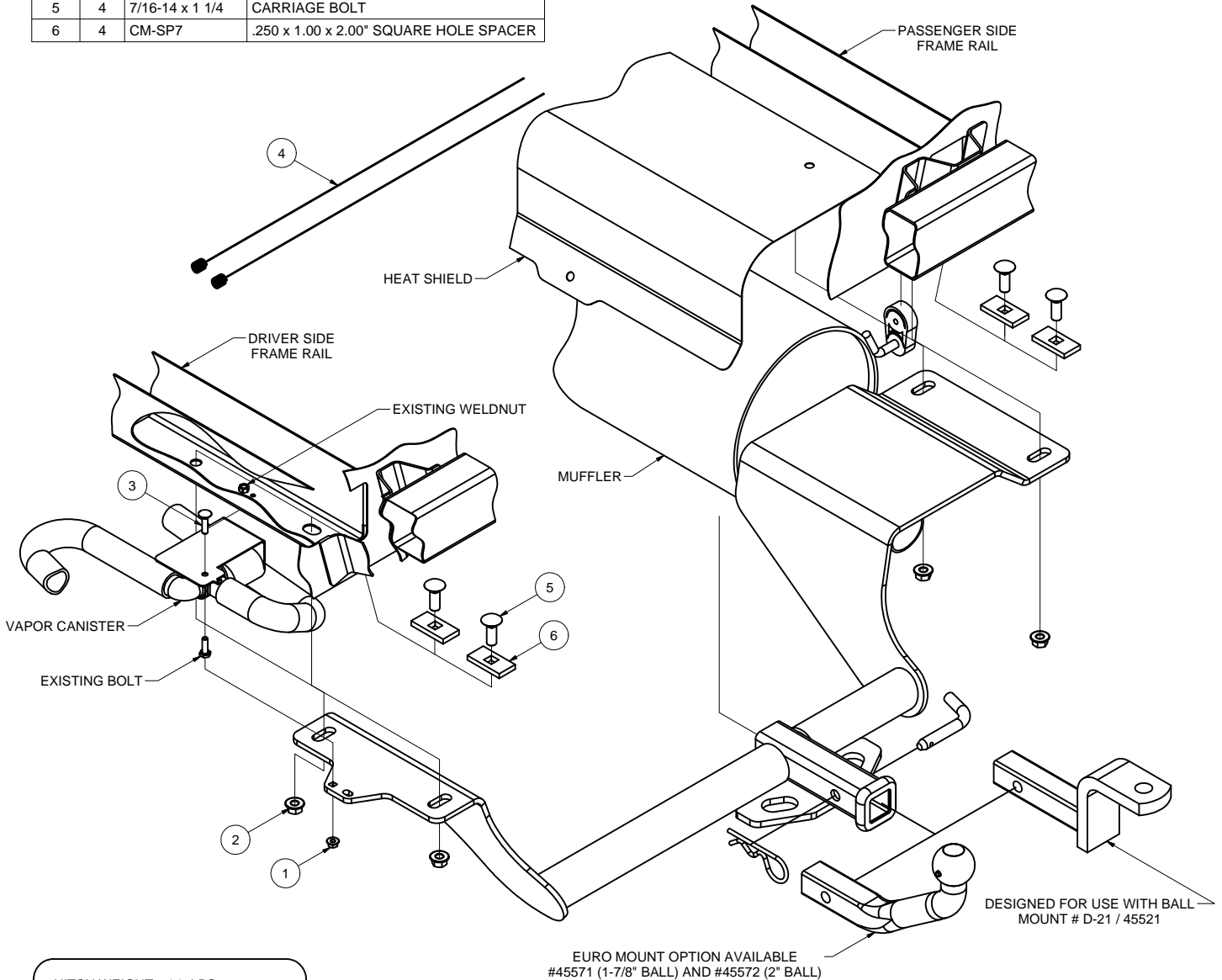
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WARNING: ALL NON-TRAILER LOADS APPLIED TO THIS PRODUCT MUST BE SUPPORTED BY 18050 STABILIZING STRAPS.

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

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HITCH WEIGHT: 34 LBS.

INSTALL TIME

PROFESSIONAL: 30 MINUTES

NOVICE (DIY): 60 MINUTES

INSTALL NOTES:

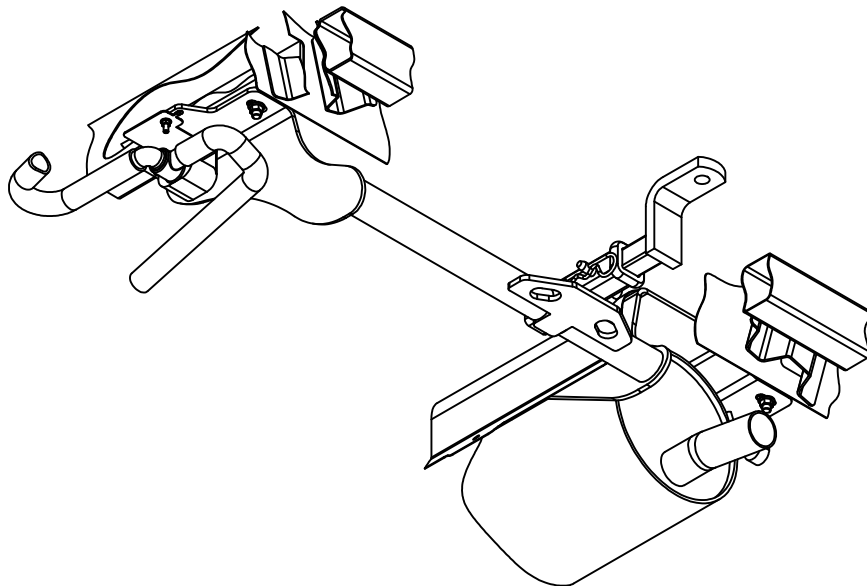
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- FISHWIRE HARDWARE



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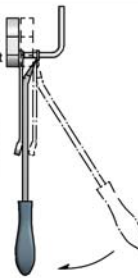
HITCH SHOWN IN PROPER POSITION

#### RUBBER ISOLATOR REMOVAL DIAGRAM

This technique can be used if an Exhaust Hanger Removal Pliers is not available.

Using a 5/8" open end wrench, slide the wrench up to the rubber isolator, cradling the hanger rod as shown. Next place the flat edge of a pry bar between the wrench and the hanger stop or hanger rod. Then simply rotate the pry bar toward the wrench to remove the rubber isolator.

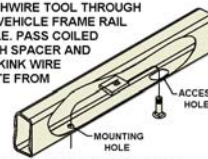
Note: Using a spray lubricant or soapy water on the hanger rod and the rubber isolator helps removal.



#### FISHWIRE TECHNIQUE

INSERT COILED END OF FISHWIRE TOOL THROUGH HITCH MOUNTING HOLE IN VEHICLE FRAME RAIL AND OUT THE ACCESS HOLE. PASS COILED END OF FISHWIRE THROUGH SPACER AND THREAD BOLT INTO COIL. KINK WIRE TO KEEP SPACER SEPARATE FROM BOLT AS SHOWN. PULL FISHWIRE, SPACER, AND BOLT THROUGH FRAME AND OUT MOUNTING HOLE. USE FISHWIRE TO GUIDE HITCH DURING MOUNTING AND PREVENT LOSS OF BOLT / SPACER INSIDE FRAME RAIL.

\*\*NOTE: SOME VEHICLES MAY FISHWIRE THROUGH END OF FRAME\*\*



#### TOOLS REQUIRED

RATCHET

TORQUE WRENCH

9" EXTENSION

10mm SOCKET

11/16" SOCKET

## INSTALLATION STEPS

1. Remove the bolt securing the vapor canister to the driver side frame rail and return bolt to owner.
2. Lower exhaust by removing (2) rubber isolators from the hangers attached to the frame. (See Rubber Isolator Removal Diagram)
3. Fishwire 7/16-14 x 1 1/4" carriage bolts and SP7 spacers through the end of the frame rails, both sides. (See Fishwire Technique) **Note:** Leave fishwires attached to passenger side bolts.
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5. Place the 1/4-20 x 1" carriage bolt through the square hole in the driver side plate.
6. Attach the vapor canister lowered in Step (1) to the 1/4" carriage bolt and secure with 1/4-20 flange nut.
7. Torque all 7/16" hardware to 50 ft-lbs. Torque all 1/4" hardware to 8 ft-lbs.
8. Raise exhaust back into position.

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