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## 97-04 BUICK PARK AVENUE

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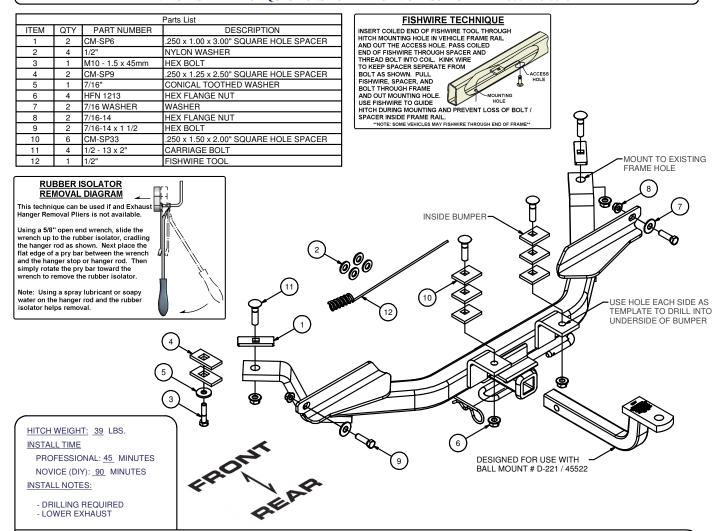
GROSS LOAD CAPACITY WHEN USED AS A WEIGHT CARRYING HITCH: 3,500 LBS. TRAILER WEIGHT & 350 LBS. TONGUE WEIGHT.

\*\*\*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) Support the exhaust and remove the bolt holding the exhaust hanger bracket to the bottom of the frame.
- 2) Loosen the top nuts and remove the bottom nut from the bolt strap which attaches the bumper to the vehicle frame. Bend the bottom of the "T" shaped strap out of the way or cut the tab if needed.
- 3) Raise hitch into position, lining up holes in hitch with existing holes in vehicle frame. Note: The existing attachment holes may need to be enlarged.
- 4) Using the hitch as a template, drill 1/2" holes in the bumper where the bolt strap was removed.
- 5) Place nylon washer (galvanic isolator) between the blocks which will be in contact with the bumper. Fishwire the 1/2" carriage bolts, spacer, and nylon washer through the end of the bumper and into the holes drilled in Step 4.
- 6) Fishwire the remaining fasteners to the proper locations. A reinforcement inside the frame may require the existing hole to be enlarged.
- 7) Add at least two spacers between the frame and the exhaust hanger bracket. Reinstall the exhaust hanger bracket with the M10 bolts provided.
- 8) Torque M10 fasteners to 45 LB-FT. Torque 1/2" fasteners to 110 LB-FT. Torque 7/16" fasteners to 70 LB-FT

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

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