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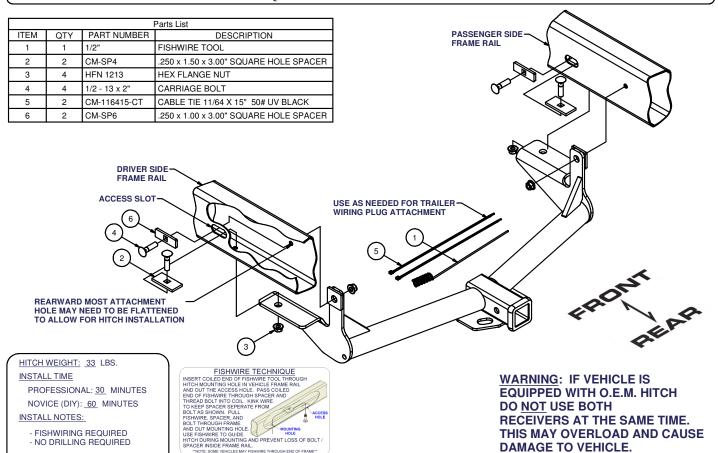
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FIT'S BELOW OEM RECEIVER HITCH

GROSS LOAD CAPACITY WHEN USED AS A WEIGHT CARRYING HITCH: 5,000 LBS. TRAILER WEIGHT & 500 LBS. TONGUE WEIGHT. GROSS LOAD CAPACITY WHEN USED AS A WEIGHT DISTRIBUTION HITCH: 8,000 LBS. TRAILER WEIGHT & 800 LBS. TONGUE WEIGHT

DO NOT EXCEED VEHICLE MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDED TOWING CAPACITY.

HAVING INSTALLATION QUESTIONS? CALL TECHNICAL SUPPORT AT 1-800-798-0813



INSTALLATION STEPS

- 1) Remove the electrical bracket from bumper. Disconnect the rubber electrical connector from the metal bracket. Replace the bolt and return the bracket to the owner.
- 2) Install the carriage bolt and spacer using the fishwire for the forward attachment, insert fasteners through the access slot on either side of the frame rail.
- Raise the hitch into position and hand tighten conical washer and hex nut. (being careful not to push the carriage bolt and block back into the frame)

Note: On some vehicles the rearward attachment hole may have some minor deformation. Use a hammer to flatten frame rail if there is interference with raising the hitch into position.

- 4) Using the fishwire, install the remaining carriage bolts and spacers for the rearward attachment, insert fasteners through the same access slot on either side of the frame rail.
- 5) Torque all 1/2 fasteners to 110 lb-ft.
- 6) Using the cable ties supplied, attach trailer wiring plug in a suitable location for future access. Re-install spare tire, if it was removed prior to hitch installation.

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

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