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35217 MOUNT KIT

Kawasaki Mule SX UTV

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Installation Instructions

A CAUTION

Read this document before installing the snowplow.

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See your sales outlet/website for specific vehicle application recommendations before installation. The online selection system has specific vehicle and snowplow requirements.

SAFETY DEFINITIONS

A WARNING

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation that, if not avoided, could result in death or serious personal injury.

A CAUTION

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation that, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury. It may also be used to alert against unsafe practices.

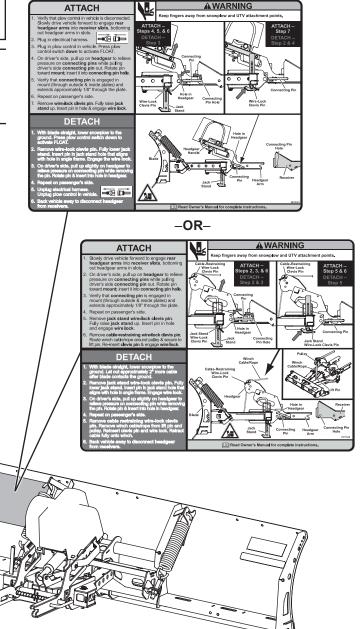
NOTE: Indicates a situation or action that can lead to damage to your snowplow and vehicle or other property. Other useful information can also be described.

WARNING/CAUTION & INSTRUCTION LABELS

Become familiar with and inform users about the warning and instruction labels on the back of the blade.

NOTE: If labels are missing or cannot be read, see your sales outlet.

Attach/Detach Label



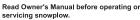
Warning/Caution Label

Blade could drop unexpected or transing limbs. Lower blade

Blade could drop unexpectedly, crushing or trapping limbs. Lower blade when vehicle is parked.

Overloading could negatively affect vehicle handling. To avoid serious injury or death, do not exceed maximum vehicle load capacity, including blade and ballast.

A CAUTION



Transport speed should not exceed 20 mph (32 km/h). Further reduce speed under adverse travel conditions.

Plowing speed should not exceed 10 mph (16 km/h).

See your sales outlet/website for specific vehicle application recommendations.

Warning Label

WARNING

HIGH-PRESSURE FLUID HAZARD

To prevent serious injury or death: Relieve pressure on hydraulic system before servicing or disconnecting.

Wear proper hand and eye protection when searching for leaks. Use wood or cardboard instead of hands.

Keep all components in good repair.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Improper installation and operation could cause personal injury and/or equipment and property damage. Read and understand labels and the Owner's Manual before installing, operating, or making adjustments.

A WARNING

Lower the blade when vehicle is parked. Temperature changes could change hydraulic pressure, causing the blade to drop unexpectedly or damaging hydraulic components. Failure to do this could result in serious personal injury.

A WARNING

The driver shall keep bystanders clear of the blade when it is being raised, lowered, or angled. Do not stand between vehicle and blade or within 8 feet of a moving blade. A moving or falling blade could cause personal injury.

A WARNING

Keep hands and feet clear of the blade and A-frame when mounting or removing the snowplow. Moving or falling assemblies could cause personal injury.

A WARNING

To prevent accidental movement of the blade, always turn the control OFF whenever the snowplow is not in use. The power indicator light will turn OFF.

A WARNING

Remove blade assembly before placing vehicle on hoist.

A CAUTION

Refer to the online selection system for minimum vehicle recommendations and ballast requirements.

PERSONAL SAFETY

- Remove the ignition key and set the vehicle parking brake to prevent others from starting the vehicle during installation or service.
- Wear only snug-fitting clothing while working on your vehicle or snowplow.
- Do not wear jewelry or a necktie, and secure long hair.
- Wear safety goggles to protect your eyes from battery acid, gasoline, dirt, and dust.
- Avoid touching hot surfaces such as the engine, radiator, hoses, and exhaust pipes.
- Always have a fire extinguisher rated BC handy, for flammable liquids and electrical fires.

FIRE AND EXPLOSION

A WARNING

Gasoline is highly flammable and gasoline vapor is explosive. Never smoke while working on vehicle. Keep all open flames away from gasoline tank and lines. Wipe up any spilled gasoline immediately.

Be careful when using gasoline. Do not use gasoline to clean parts. Store only in approved containers away from sources of heat or flame.

CELL PHONES

A driver's first responsibility is the safe operation of the vehicle. The most important thing you can do to prevent a crash is to avoid distractions and pay attention to the road. Wait until it is safe to operate mobile communication equipment such as cell phones, text messaging devices, pagers, or two-way radios.

VENTILATION

A WARNING

Vehicle exhaust contains lethal fumes. Breathing these fumes, even in low concentrations, can cause death. Never operate a vehicle in an enclosed area without venting exhaust to the outside.

NOISE

Airborne noise emission during use is below 70 dB(A) for the snowplow operator.

VIBRATION

Operating snowplow vibration does not exceed 2.5 m/s² to the hand-arm or 0.5 m/s² to the whole body.

TORQUE CHART

A CAUTION

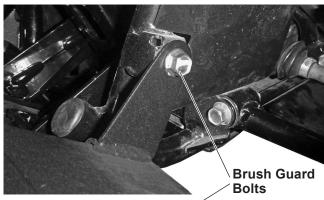
Read instructions before assembling.
Fasteners should be finger tight until instructed to tighten according to the torque chart. Use standard methods and practices when attaching snowplow, including proper personal protective safety equipment.

Recommended Fastener Torque Chart					
Inch Fasteners Grade 5 and Grade 8					
Size	Torque (ft-lb)			Torque (ft-lb)	
	Grade 5	Grade 8	Size	Grade 5	Grade 8
1/4-20	8.4	11.9	9/16-12	109	154
1/4-28	9.7	13.7	9/16-18	121	171
5/16-18	17.4	24.6	5/8-11	150	212
5/16-24	19.2	27.3	5/8-18	170	240
3/8-16	30.8	43.6	3/4-10	269	376
3/8-24	35.0	49.4	3/4-16	297	420
7/16-14	49.4	69.8	7/8-9	429	606
7/16-20	55.2	77.9	7/8-14	474	669
1/2-13	75.3	106.4	1-8	644	909
1/2-20	85.0	120.0	1-12	704	995
Metric Fasteners Class 8.8 and 10.9					
Size	Torque (ft-lb)			Torque (ft-lb)	
	Class 8.8	Class 10.9	Size	Class 8.8	Class 10.9
M6 x 1.00	7.7	11.1	M20 x 2.50	325	450
M8 x 1.25	19.5	26.9	M22 x 2.50	428	613
M10 x 1.50	38.5	53.3	M24 x 3.00	562	778
M12 x 1.75	67	93	M27 x 3.00	796	1139
M14 x 2.00	107	148	M30 x 3.50	1117	1545
M16 x 2.00	167	231	M33 x 3.50	1468	2101
M18 x 2.50	222	318	M36 x 4.00	1952	2701
These torque values apply to fasteners except those noted in the instructions.					

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

NOTE: For easier assembly and installation, the vehicle and all snowplow components should be on a smooth, level, hard surface, such as concrete.

- 1. If the vehicle is equipped with a winch, remove the hook and feed the cable back through the fairlead.
- Remove and retain the four bolts shown to remove the brush guard. Retain the fasteners and the brush guard.

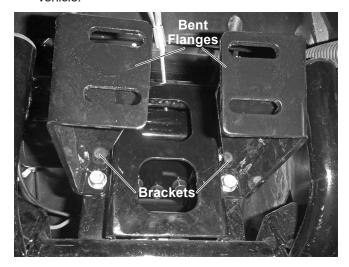




3. Remove and retain the four bolts from the front frame plate.

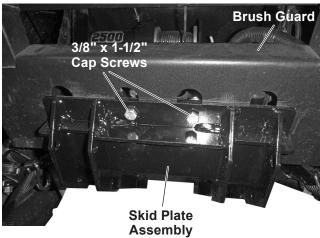


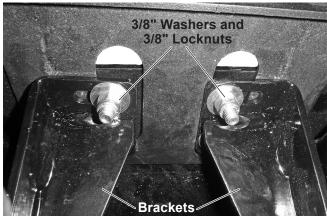
4. Install the brackets to the front frame plate as shown using the fasteners removed in Step 4. The bent flanges of the brackets face the center of the vehicle.



5. Reinstall the brush guard with its original fasteners.

NOTE: If the brush guard does not fit flush against the brackets, the brackets may be installed in the incorrect positions. Remove both brackets and reinstall in the opposite positions, with the bent flanges facing the center of the vehicle. 6. Place the skid plate assembly against the brush guard and secure with two 3/8" x 1-1/2" cap screws through the upper skid plate assembly holes, the brush guard, and the brackets. Place a 3/8" washer and a 3/8" locknut on each cap screw and hand tighten.

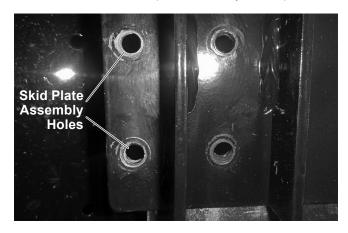




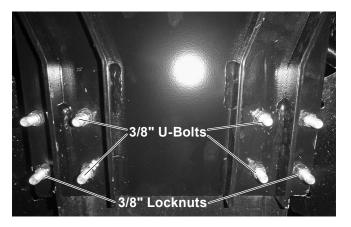
 Place two 3/8" x 1-1/2" cap screws through the lower skidplate assembly holes, the brush guard, and the brackets. Place a 3/8" washer and a 3/8" locknut on each cap screw and hand tighten.



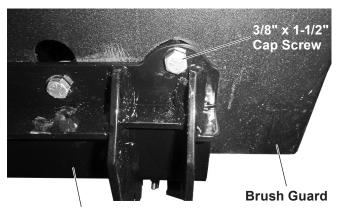
- 8. Center the skid plate assembly on the frame. Tighten the four cap screws and locknuts only enough that the skid plate assembly does not move.
- If an OEM plastic skid plate is present, drill eight 3/8" holes using the existing holes in the rear of the steel skid plate assembly as templates.



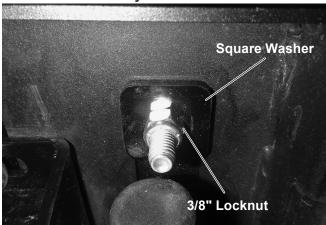
10. Place the four 3/8" U-bolts over the frame rails and through the skid plate assembly. Place eight 3/8" locknuts on the U-bolts and hand tighten.



11. Install a 3/8" x 1-1/2" cap screw through each outer skid plate assembly hole and through the brush guard. Place a square washer and a 3/8" washer on each cap screw and hand tighten.



Skid Plate Assembly



- 12. Check that the skid plate assembly is still centered on the frame. Adjust if necessary. Tighten all fasteners according to the torque chart.
- 13. Install each receiver with two 1/2" pins and two 1/8" hairpin cotters.

NOTE: After five to ten hours of snowplow usage, retorque all mount assembly fasteners.

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