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63900 **MOUNT KIT**

Chevy/GMC Light Truck 4X4 Blazer/Jimmy/Suburban 4X4 1973 - 87

1973 - 91

Installation Instructions

A CAUTION

Read this document before installing the snowplow.

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See your sales outlet/Web site for specific vehicle application recommendations before installation. The Selection List/Undercarriage Selection Guide 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.

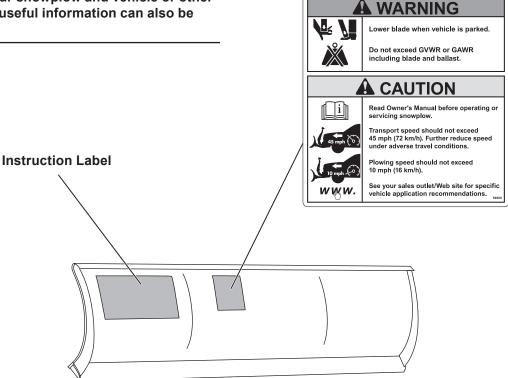
NOTE: Indicates a situation or action that can lead to damage to your snowplow and vehicle or other property. Other useful information can also be described.

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.

Warning/Caution Label



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 the vehicle and the 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

Do not exceed GVWR or GAWR including the blade and ballast. The rating label is found on the driver-side vehicle door cornerpost.

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 Selection List/Undercarriage Selection Guide for minimum vehicle recommendations and ballast requirements.

PERSONAL SAFETY

- Remove ignition key and put the vehicle in park or in gear 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, vehicle and all snowplow components should be on a smooth, level, hard surface, such as concrete.

Mount Frame

IMPORTANT: Vehicles equipped with an air dam must have the air dam removed or notched. Retain the air dam and reinstall it whenever the mount assembly is removed from the vehicle.

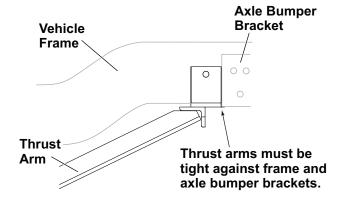
- 1. Remove the bumper bracket fasteners at the frame only. It should not be necessary to remove the bumper or brackets from the vehicle.
- 2. Slide the mount frame outside the vehicle frame horns and align the holes in the side bars to the bumper bracket holes. Install the mount frame using two 1/2" x 1-1/2" cap screws, flat washers to frame, and locknuts on each side.



Thrust Arms

 Position the flat bar of each thrust arm to the inside of the mount frame hanger angle and the other end tight to the bottom and outside of the vehicle frame and tight against the axle bumper bracket. Clamp each thrust arm to the frame.

As Viewed from Driver's Side

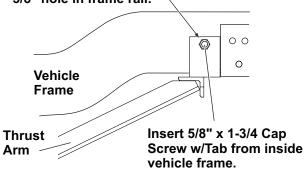


A CAUTION

Before drilling holes, check to be sure that no vehicle wiring or other components could be damaged.

- Drill a 5/8" hole through each frame rail using the thrust arm attaching brackets as templates. On the passenger side, use the top or bottom hole depending on which provides the greatest amount of clearance for the fuel line.
- Install thrust arms to the vehicle frame. From inside the frame, insert a 5/8" cap screw with tab, flat washer against the frame, through the frame and thrust arm. Secure with a locknut against the thrust arm.

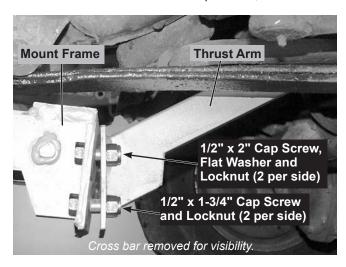
Use Thrust Arm bracket as template for drilling 5/8" hole in frame rail.



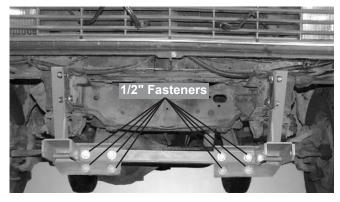
4. Attach each thrust arm flat bar to its mount frame hanger and the cross bar.

Top holes: 1/2" x 2" cap screws, 1/2" washers to slots in cross bar, 1/2" locknuts.

Bottom holes: 1/2" x 1-3/4" cap screws, 1/2" locknuts.



- 5. Tighten the top fasteners in the vehicle frame horn acording to the torque chart.
- 6. Tighten the thrust arm, spreader and mount frame fasteners according to the torque chart.
- 7. Check alignment of the mount frame U-brackets by measuring the inside surface front and back. If the brackets are not parallel within 1/4", loosen all fasteners and set for best parallel alignment. Retighten the 1/2" fasteners first.



8. Tighten the remaining fasteners and recheck the alignment. Tighten all fasteners according to the torque chart.

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

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