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INSPECT YOUR PRODUCT FOR DAMAGE & MISSING PARTS BEFORE PROCEEDING TO INSTALLATION

PROCEDURE FOR RETURNS OR MISSING HARDWARE

-PLEASE CONTACT THE ORIGINAL POINT OF PURCHASE FOR: SHIPPING DAMAGE, RETURNS, OR WARRANTY CLAIMS

-CONTACT DEE ZEE DIRECTLY FOR MISSING PARTS OR HARDWARE

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REGISTER YOUR PRODUCT ONLINE: <u>www.deezee.com/registration</u> VIEW INSTRUCTIONS ONLINE: <u>www.deezee.com/instructions</u>

> WARNING: Cancer and Reproductive Harm www.P65Warnings.ca.gov

Operating, servicing, and maintaining a passenger vehicle can expose you to chemicals such as lead, phthalates, engine exhaust, and carbon monoxide that are known to the State of California cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. To minimize exposure, service your vehicle and its accessories in a well-vented area and wear gloves or wash your hands frequently.



DEE ZEE, INC. WARRANTY AGREEMENT

Dee Zee, Inc. guarantees the original purchaser a limited lifetime warranty against manufacturer defects in materials, workmanship, and design under normal use, excluding damage resulting from road hazards such as gravel or other debris, product misuse, improper installation, impairments from accidents, product modifications, improper repairs, spills, vandalism, product neglect, or acts of God.

This warranty applies only to the original purchaser of new product(s) and is limited to the replacement of genuine Dee Zee products. Modification of any kind to Dee Zee products voids all warranty coverage. Warranty does not include electrical components, installation, cost of removal, labor, transportation costs, loss of use, inconvenience, or consequential damages.

WARRANTY COVERAGE - MATERIALS & WORKMANSHIP

LIMITED LIFETIME WARRANTY:

- <u>STAINLESS STEEL</u>: Side Steps, Grill Guards, Bull Bars, Bed Caps, and Side Rails
- <u>ALUMINUM</u>: Side Steps, Running Boards, Storage Boxes, Transfer Tanks, Bed Protection, Side Rails, Invis-A-Racks, and Cab Racks
- PLASTIC: Storage Boxes
- <u>OTHER</u>: Front and Rear Bumpers

THREE-YEAR WARRANTY:

- <u>POWDER-COATED / E-COATED STEEL</u>: Side Steps, Running Boards, Storage Boxes, Transfer Tanks, Cab Racks, Sport Bar Ladder Racks, Cargo Carriers, Mounting Brackets (NX, Rough Step, and Bumper Guards only)
- <u>OTHER</u>: Tailgate Assist, Bed Mats, Floor Mats, Auxiliary Fuel Connection Kits, and All Products Not Otherwise Listed Individually

WARRANTY COVERAGE – FINISH PROTECTION

The finish of all Dee Zee products is covered for <u>one-year</u> (1) from the date of purchase. Dee Zee products have a high quality finish that must be cared for and maintained like any other exposed finish on the vehicle. Protect the finish with non-abrasive automotive wax (e.g. Pure Carnauba) on a regular basis. Applying soaps, polishes, or waxes that contain an abrasive compound may scratch the finish and leave the exposed material susceptible to corrosion.

WARRANTY COVERAGE – COMPONENT PARTS

Operational items such as shocks, latches, hinges, and wear items including, but not limited to, mud flaps, step pads, toolbox tray, end caps, hardware, seals, etc. have a <u>one-year</u> (1) warranty. Replacement component parts can be ordered via credit card (MasterCard or VISA) by calling 1-800-779-2102. All replacement parts are non-returnable and non-refundable.

GPI® FUEL PUMPS & ACCESSORIES

All Great Plains Industries (GPI) products, including transfer tank pumps and fuel meters are covered by GPI's warranty policies. Dee Zee's warranty terms do not apply to GPI products. To submit a warranty claim, please contact GPI at 1-800-835-0113 or visit www.gpi.net.

WARRANTY SUBMISSION PROCEDURE

All warranty claims will be initiated at the place of purchase. The original purchaser will be required to present the original sales receipt with purchase date shown and provide photographs of the defect.

In the event the originally purchased product style is no longer available, Dee Zee will warranty the defective part with a current equivalent. If a comparable product is no longer available, the product would be returned to the store of purchase for a refund or the applicable cost difference can be paid to choose an alternate style.

DISCLAIMER

All products are sold as appearance accessories and should not be relied upon as protection for the vehicle or its occupants in the event of an accident. Vehicles equipped with a supplemental restraints system (air bags) deployed by impact and collision avoidance systems should not be modified in any way. Always consult the vehicle manufacturer if you have any questions regarding supplemental restraint systems and sensors.

Buyer must accommodate front and rear sensors during product installation and assumes all risk should these be tampered, rerouted, severed, or disconnected. This includes disabling visual, audio, or vibration alerts into the cab. Buyer assumes all risk and responsibility for wiring any supplemental auxiliary lights.

Buyer assumes all risk, liability, and cost for the installation and use of Dee Zee products. Dee Zee, Inc. assumes no liability for injury, loss, incidental or consequential damages in the event of an accident.



Thank you for choosing Dee Zee to add function and accessorize your vehicle. Dee Zee has been a staple brand in the truck accessory market since 1977 and we hold a reputation of quality manufacturing based in America's Heartland. Our products are born through careful engineering and backed by industry leading warranty programs. We appreciate the opportunity to serve you and your vehicle!

Review the instruction pages in their entirety to prepare the required tools

Warning: Please check for wiring or other obstructions before drilling any holes in the vehicle. If it is necessary to drill any holes, Dee Zee recommends putting a sealant or rust inhibitory around all holes drilled into the body of the vehicle.

It is the sole responsibility of the vehicle owner to check for tire clearance. It is unlawful and dangerous to ride on any external vehicle step while the vehicle is in motion.

Cleaning: To be entitled to all warranty rights offered with the product, Dee Zee steps need to be cleaned regularly with a mild detergent. Do NOT use abrasive cleaners. For stainless steel products, the application of a high grade automotive wax is recommended.



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INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

3" ROUND & 4" OVAL SIDEBAR (90-DEG BENT END) 09-15 DODGE RAM 1500 CREW CAB 10-15 DODGE RAM 25-3500 CREW CAB PART #DZ 372251/DZ 372253/DZ 372257/DZ 372259

PARTS LIST:

Qty	Description	Qty	Description
1	Driver/Left Sidebar	4	1/2" X 1-1/2" OD x 1/8" flat washers
1	Passenger/Right Sidebar	4	12mm x 35mm Bolt/10mm Nut Plates
1	Driver/Left Front Mounting Bracket	2	12mm x 32mm OD x 3mm Flat Washers
1	Passenger/Right Front Mounting Bracket	2	12mm Lock Washers
1	Driver/Left Front Support Bracket	2	12mm Hex Nuts
1	Passenger/Right Front Support Bracket	4	12mm Plastic Retainers
1	Driver/Left Rear Mounting Bracket	4	10-1.50mm x 35mm Hex Bolts
1	Passenger/Right Rear Mounting Bracket	6	10mm x 30mm OD x 2.5mm flat washers
4	1/2" x 2" Hex Bolts	6	10mm Lock Washers
4	1/2" Lock Washers	2	10mm hex nut
4	8mm-1.25 x 30mm Hex Bolts	2	10mm bolt plate
4	8mm x 28mm OD x 3mm flat washers	1	10mm Fish Wire
4	8mm Lock Washers	2	10mm Plastic Retainer
Rear Mounting Bracket Passenger Side Front Mounting Bracket Passenger/Right Sidebar Front of Sidebar			
	Driver/Left Sidebar		

PROCEDURE:

- 1. REMOVE CONTENTS FROM BOX. VERIFY ALL PARTS ARE PRESENT. READ INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE STARTING INSTALLATION.
- 2. Starting at the passenger side-front of the vehicle, remove the tape covering the factory oval holes in the inner body panel located by the front tire.
- 3. Select (1) 10mm Bolt Plate and partially thread a Plastic Retainer onto it, (Fig 1A). Insert the Bolt Plate into the oval hole, (Fig 1B). Once the Bolt Plate is inserted, hold the Bolt end with one hand and tighten the Plastic Retainer with your other hand until it is tight against the body panel. IMPORTANT: The Plastic Retainer is designed to prevent the Bolt Plate from falling into the body cavity and to aid in installing the Mounting Bracket.

FOR MID-YEAR 2015 & UP MODELS IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO USE THE 10MM FISH WIRE TO INSTALL THIS BOLT PLATE. Insert fish wire into small slot and fish it until threaded end is present at large slot (Figure 2A). Pull this end out slightly and thread 10mm bolt plate onto end of fish wire (Figure 2B). Carefully feed bolt plate into rocker panel by pulling on opposite end of fish wire. Align 10mm bolt in slot and remove fish wire. Thread the 10mm plastic retainer down the bolt plate until it is flush against the sheet metal. (Figure 2C)

- 4. Next, partially thread a Plastic Retainer onto the threaded end of a 12mm Bolt /10mm Nut Plate, (Fig 1C).Insert the Bolt and Nut Plate with Plastic Retainer into the factory oval hole, (Figure 1B). FOR MID-YEAR 2015 & UP MODELS WITH PRE-INSTALLED 8mm THREADED INSERTS, SKIP THIS STEP AND PROCEED TO STEP 5.
- 5. Select the passenger side front Mounting Bracket. Position the Mounting Bracket onto the 10mm Bolt Plate. Secure the Bracket to the Bolt Plate with (1) 10mm flat washer, (1) 10mm lock washer & (1) 10mm Hex Nut (Figure 3). Do not tighten at this time. Rotate the 12mm Bolt/10mm Nut plate until the threaded Nut end lines up with the remaining hole in the Mounting Bracket and body. Thread (1) 10mm x 35mm Hex Bolt, (1) 10mm Flat Washer and (1) 10mm Lock Washer into the threaded nut plate. For mid-year 2015 & up Rams equipped with pre-installed 8mm threaded inserts, substitute (1) 8mm x 30mm Hex Bolt, (1) 8mm Flat Washer and (1) 8mm Lock Washer for the 10mm hardware. Snug but do not tighten hardware at this time.
- 6. Remove the passenger side front factory body bolt. Select the passenger side Front Support Bracket. Insert the factory body bolt through the Support Bracket and up into its original position, (Figure 3). Line the other end of the Support Bracket up with the oval hole in the Front Mounting Bracket. Snug but do not tighten hardware at this time.
- Move to the passenger side rear of the vehicle and remove the tape covering the factory oval hole in the inner body panel as described in Step 2. Thread a Plastic Retainer onto the threaded end of a Bolt and Nut Plate, (Figures 1C & 4). Insert the Bolt and Nut Plate into the factory hole, (see Steps 3 & 4).
- 8. Select the passenger side rear Mounting Bracket. Position the Mounting Bracket onto the installed Bolt and Nut Plate. Secure it with (1) 12mm Flat Washer, (1) 12mm Lock Washer and (1) 12mm Hex Nut, (Figure 5). Do not tighten at this time. Rotate the Bolt and Nut plate until the threaded Nut end lines up with the remaining hole in the Mounting Bracket and body. Thread (1) 10mm x 35mm Hex Bolt, (1) 10mm Flat Washer and (1) 10mm Lock Washer into the threaded nut on the Bolt and Nut Plate. For mid-year 2015 Rams equipped with pre-installed 8mm threaded inserts at rear location, there is no need to align threaded nut with bracket and body. Instead, substitute (1) 8mm x 30mm Hex Bolt, (1) 8mm Flat Washer and (1) 8mm Lock Washer for the 10mm hardware. Snug, but do not tighten hardware at this time.
- 9. Select the passenger Sidebar and fasten it to the front Mounting Bracket and Support Bracket with the included (1) 1/2" x 2" Hex Bolt, (1) 1/2" Lock Washer and (1) 1/2" Flat Washer, (Figure 6). Do not tighten hardware at this time. Attach the Sidebar to the Rear Mounting Bracket with (1) 1/2" x 2" Hex Bolt, (1) 1/2" Lock Washer and (1) 1/2" Flat Washer, (Figure 5).
- **10.** Level and align Sidebar properly and tighten all hardware including the factory body bolt.
- 11. Repeat Steps 2-10 for driver Sidebar installation.
- **12.** Do periodic inspections to the installation to make sure all hardware is secure and tight.

To protect your investment, wax this product after installing. Regular waxing is recommended to add a protective layer over the finish. Do not use any type of polish or wax that may contain abrasives that could damage the finish.

For stainless steel: Aluminum polish may be used to polish small scratches and scuffs on the finish. Mild soap may be used also to clean the Sidebar.

For gloss black finishes: Mild soap may be used to clean the Sidebar.

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Rotate Bolt and Nut plate to line up Nut with this hole in body panel. On Mid– Year 2015 models use 8mm hardware and pre-installed threaded inserts. Passenger side shown





(Fig 2B) Thread 10mm bolt plate onto fish wire. Be careful not to pull other end of fish wire from rocker panel slot



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PASSENGER SIDE INSTALLATION PICTURED

