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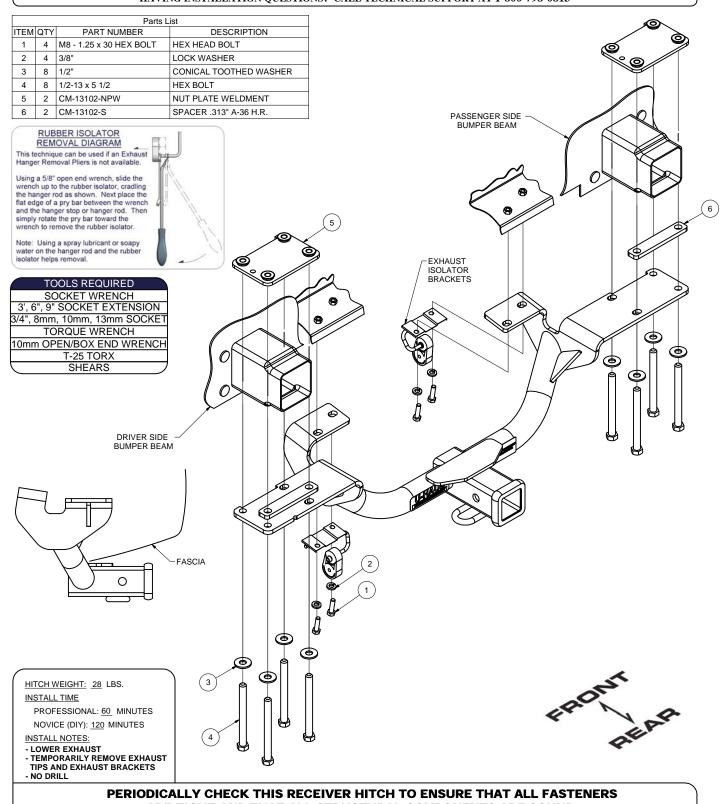
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INSTALLATION STEPS

1. Lower exhaust by removing (4) rubber isolators (2 are located to the inside of mufflers and (2) are located to the outside). (See RUBBER ISOLATOR REMOVAL DIAGRAM)

NOTE: Exhaust tips need to be removed on some models to allow the exhaust to be lowered. Remove exhaust tips by removing (2) screws, then slide tips towards front of vehicle to release mounting tabs.

- 2. Remove (6) screws securing rear fascia bracket. Save screws for reinstallation in step 10. Tuck bracket up onto reinforcement bumper beam.
- 3. Remove rubber isolator brackets which are located to the inside of mufflers. Remove (2) bolts from each bracket and return bolts to vehicle owner.
- 4. Place supplied nut plates over bumper beam.
- 5. Raise hitch into position by pulling down on fascia and sliding hitch into position.

NOTE: Heat shields may need to be bent slightly to allow the hitch to be raised into position.

Secure hitch by clamping the hitch between inside isolator brackets and underbody, loosely install supplied 8mm bolts and 3/8" lock washers.

NOTE: Be sure to slide hitch as far forward as possible but not so it rests on the weld seam on the vehicle bumper beams.

- 7. Insert (1) CM-13102-S (spacer) into position above each hitch side plate, as shown on page 1.
- 8. Secure hitch to nut plates from step 4, with supplied 1/2" x 5 1/2" hex bolts and 1/2" conical toothed washers. Start by loosely installing front outside bolt then front inside bolt then rear outside bolt and then rear inside bolt, repeat for other side.
- 9. Torque all 1/2" hardware to 75 lb-ft and all 8mm hardware to 17 lb-ft.
- 10. Reinstall rear fascia bracket with (6) screws removed in step 2.

NOTE: Some models will need the rear fascia bracket reinstalled to the back of mounting flange for hitch clearance.

- 11. If heat shield contacts hitch, trim heat shield so there is 1/8" clearance.
- 12. Raise exhaust back into position.
- 13. If exhaust tips were removed, reinstall with screws which were removed in step 1.

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