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2014-18 Dodge Durango Installation Instructions

Attachment Tab Height: 18"

Attachment Tab Width: 27-1/2"

Please read BOTH these Installation Instructions and the General Information sheet prior to installing or operating this equipment.

1. Blue Ox® towing products and accessories are intended to be installed by Blue Ox® Dealers who are familiar with our products and have the equipment and knowledge necessary to do "it work".
2. Many Blue Ox® baseplates are designed to use existing holes and hardware to mount the baseplate to the towed vehicle. Even though bolts are there, do not assume they are adequate for baseplate mounting. Always use the hardware supplied in the hardware kit and existing hardware as specified in the installation instructions.

Bolt Torque Specifications

Torque in Foot-Pounds for Inch Bolts

Bolt Size	Grade 5	Grade 8
1/4"	10	14
5/16"	19	29
3/8"	33	47
7/16"	54	78
1/2"	78	119
5/8"	154	230
3/4"	257	380



Bolt Torque Specifications

Torque in Foot-Pounds for Metric Bolts

Bolt Size	Grade 8.8	Grade 10.9
6MM	6	8
8MM	16	22
10MM	31	40
12MM	54	70
14MM	89	117
16MM	161	230
18MM	222	318

Reference your vehicle owner's manual for manufacturer's towing specifications.



WARNING

Failure to read and follow these instructions could result in separation of the towed vehicle from the tow bar, causing property damage, loss of towed vehicle, personal injury or death.

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Instruction Notes: The fascia is removed and reinstalled for the baseplate installation. Some drilling and trimming is required.

Place all components that are removed on a flat, sturdy surface. All items will be reinstalled unless otherwise noted after the baseplate is installed.

The dimensional variations between otherwise identical vehicles can be considerable. While the baseplate was designed for easy installation, it may be necessary to tailor the baseplate slightly to compensate for vehicle manufacturer's tolerances.

The BX8848 4-Diode Wiring Kit is recommended for this model.

NOTICE

- Handling of some cosmetic parts when installing this product may require the use of protective covers, rags, specialty tools, etc. to prevent damage.
- When using power drills be aware of the dangers of torque and drill bit length.
- When using a reciprocating saw be aware of objects behind the cutting surface.
- Use a good quality paint to spray cut edges of frame to prevent rusting.
- Be sure that **ALL** electrical connections are plugged in and accessories are functioning properly before reinstalling the fascia.
- The baseplate is computer tested to your vehicle's GVWR, exceeding this weight will void the manufacturer's warranty.
- Be sure to use a sufficient amount of Loctite® Red on all bolt threads before tightening. Tighten all bolts according to the torque chart provided.
- Dealer or installer be certain the user receives these instruction sheets.
- If the baseplate is in an accident, it must be replaced. **DO NOT** use it again! An accident can cause unseen damage and using it again could result in more damage or serious injury. **DO NOT** use the baseplate if it is damaged or missing parts.

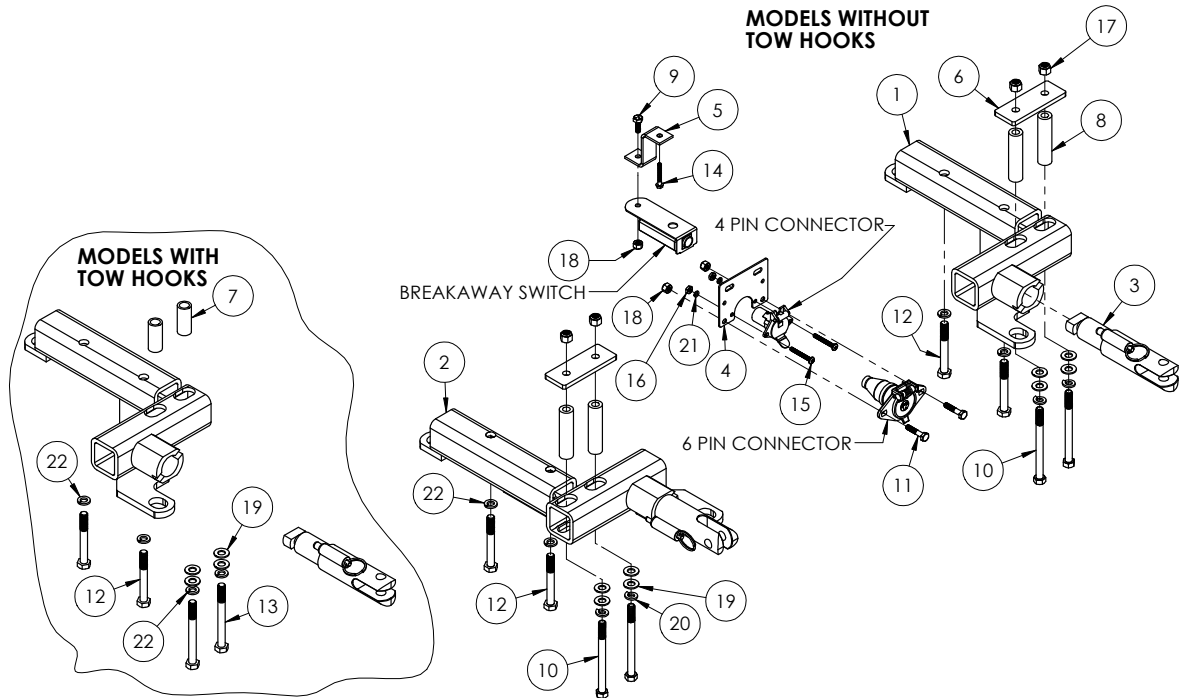
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Tools Required

Large Vise Grip
 Flat Screwdriver
 Phillips
 Screwdriver
 Utility Knife
 Torque Wrench
 Rivet Gun
 Tape Measure
 Loctite® RED
 8MM Socket
 10MM Socket
 16MM Socket
 30MM Socket
 30MM Wrench
 9/16" Socket
 9/16" Wrench



Item No.	Part No.	Description	Qty.
1	61-7272	BX2411 DS Baseplate	1
2	61-7273	BX2411 PS Baseplate	1
3	62-3468	Attachment Tab Assembly with Hole	2
4	101-6845	Electrical Bracket	1
5	102-7056	Breakaway Bracket	1
6	102-7106	Locking Plate	2
7	107-3184	Spacer Tube 3/4"Ø x 1-23/32"	4
8	107-3496	Spacer Tube 3/4"Ø x 3"	4
9	201-0050	1/4"-20 x 3/4" Hex Head Bolt, Grade 5, ZP	1
10	201-0077	3/8"-16 x 4-1/2" Hex Head Bolt, Grade 5, ZP	4
11	201-0204	1/4"-20 x 1-1/4" Hex Head Bolt, Grade 5, ZP	2
12	201-0429	10MM-1.5 x 80MM Hex Head Bolt, Grade 8.8, ZP	4
13	201-0432	10MM-1.5 x 100MM Hex Head Bolt, Grade 10.9, ZP	4
14	201-0654	#10-16 x 1" Self Drilling Screw	1
15	201-0679	#10-32 x 1-1/2" Phillips Pan Head Screw	2
16	202-0047	#10-32 Hex Nut	2
17	202-0090	3/8"-16 Hex Nylon Insert Lock Nut, ZP	4
18	202-0102	1/4"-20 Hex Nylon Lock Nut, ZP	3
19	203-0003	3/8" Flat Washer, ZP	8
20	203-0010	3/8" Lock Washer, ZP	4
21	203-0054	#10 Lock Washer, ZP	2
22	203-0104	10MM Lock Washer, ZP	8
23	226-0049(not shown)	Class IV Safety Cables	2
24	229-0512(not shown)	1/2" Quicklink, ZP	2
25	229-0536(not shown)	6.3MM Plastic Rivet	4
26	290-0437(not shown)	Black Cap Plug Receiver	2

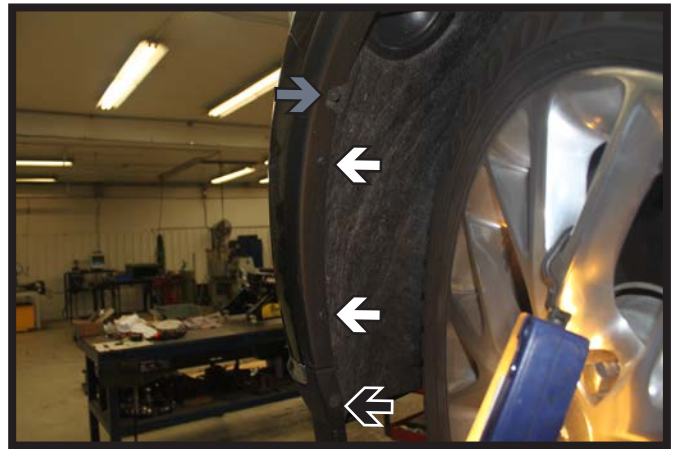
Important:

Use only genuine factory replacement parts on your baseplate. Do **NOT** substitute homemade or non-typical parts. If a bolt is lost or in need of replacement, for your safety and the preservation of your baseplate, be sure to use a replacement bolt of the same grade (In most cases it will be Grade 5, please reference the parts list above). Replacement parts may be ordered through your nearest Blue Ox® Dealer or Distributor. Failing to follow and/or altering these installation instructions in either installation or required equipment will void the manufacturer's warranty. Towing behind a non-motorized vehicle will void the warranty.

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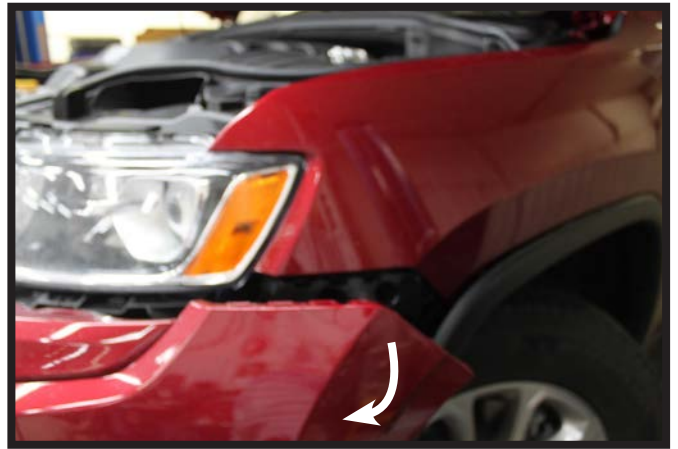
1. Remove the two (2) Phillips head push pins from the top edge of the fascia.



2. In the wheel well, using a 10MM socket, remove the top screw (gray). Using a 8MM socket, remove the lower screw (black). Then remove the two (2) plastic rivets (white). Do this on both sides of the vehicle.

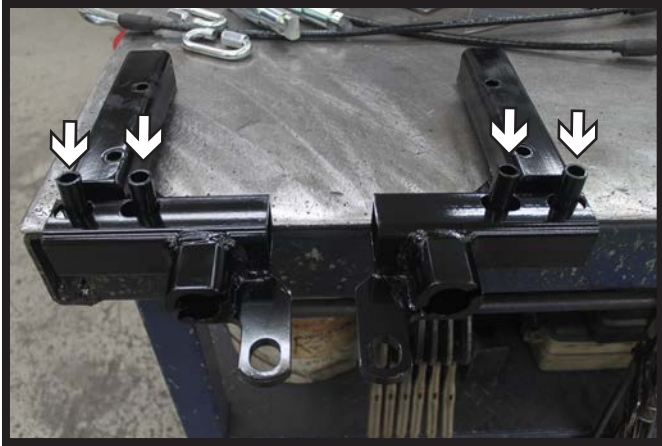


3. On the underside of the fascia, turn the three (3) locking knobs 90° to release.

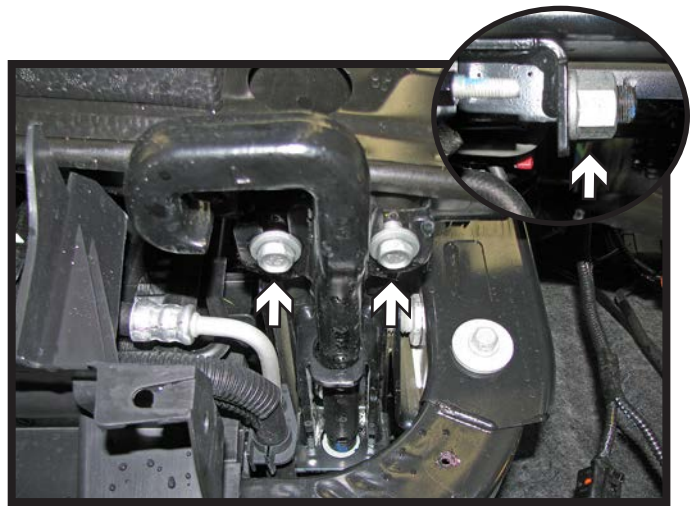


5. Pull the top corners of the fascia out releasing the clips behind, continue working inward towards the grille releasing the clips under the headlights. Pull the fascia forwards disconnecting all electrical connections and set the fascia aside.

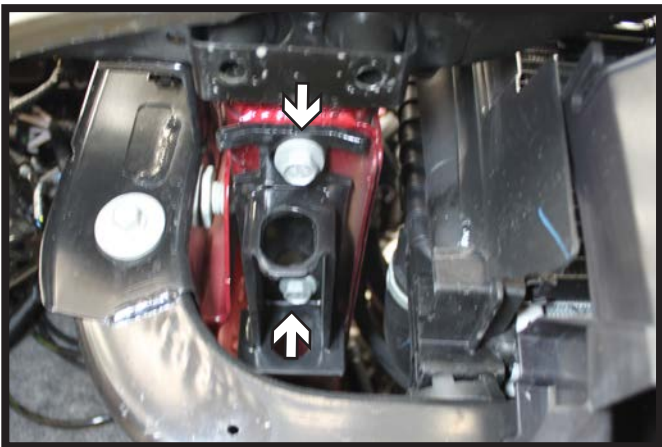
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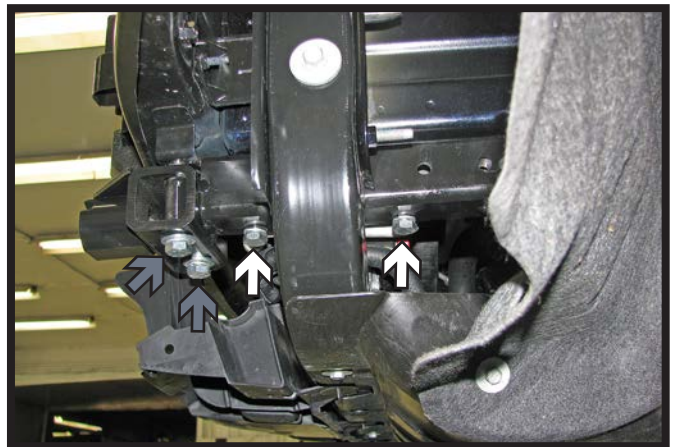
6. Prior to installing the baseplate to the vehicle, install the appropriate spacer tubes into the slots of the baseplate. The tubes will vary depending on whether the vehicle is equipped with tow hooks or not. Reference page 3.



7. **Models equipped with tow hooks:** Using a 16MM socket, remove the two (2) bolts from the front side. Then using a 30MM socket or wrench, remove the nut from the backside of the tow hook. Remove the tow hook from the vehicle. Do this on both sides of the vehicle.

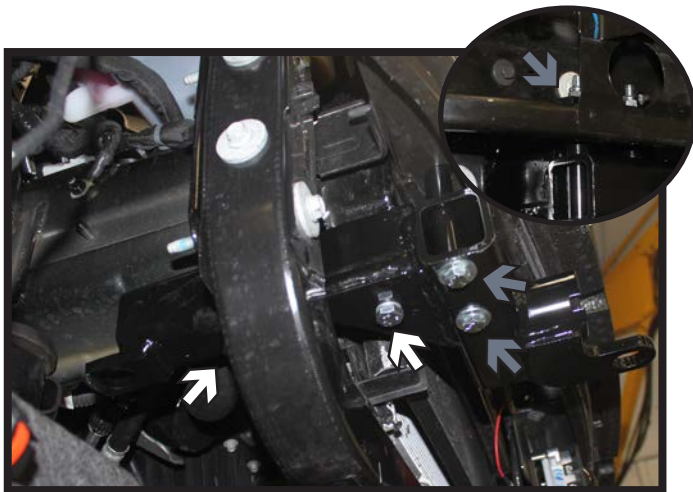


8. **Models equipped with tow hooks:** Using a 16MM socket, remove the two (2) bolts from the tow hook bracket. Remove the tow hook bracket from the vehicle. Do this on both sides of the vehicle.



9. **Models equipped with tow hooks:** Slide the baseplate into position on the frame. Install two (2) 10MM-1.5 x 80MM bolts with 10MM lock washers into the bottom holes (white). Install 10MM-1.5 x 100MM bolts with 10MM lock and 3/8" flat washers thru the baseplate into the bumper on both the front holes (gray). Tighten all hardware. Do this on both sides of the vehicle.

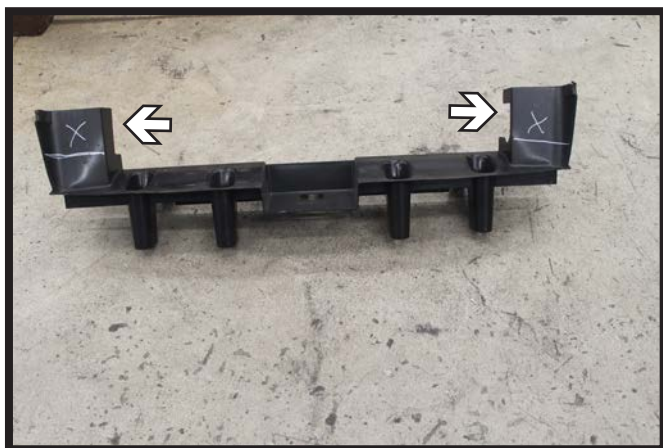
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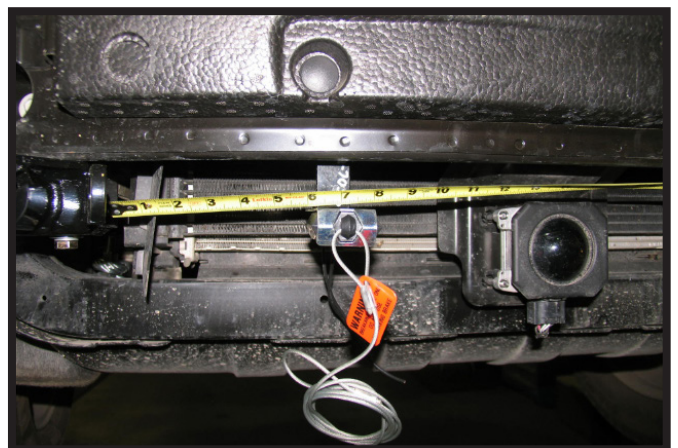
10. **Models equipped without tow hooks:** Slide the baseplate into position on the frame. Install two (2) 10MM-1.5 x 80MM bolts with 10MM lock washers into the bottom holes (white). Insert 3/8"-16 x 4-1/2" bolts with 3/8" lock and flat washers into the front holes with the locking plate and 3/8"-16 lock nuts on top of bumper (inset). Tighten all hardware. Do this on both sides of the vehicle.



11. Attach the permanent baseplate safety cables to the provided convenience link on the baseplate. The photo shows the recommended installation of the cables to frame of vehicle. Additional options may interfere with suggested mounting; in this case, secure the cables to a solid piece of the frame as described in the General Information sheet. Be sure the safety cables do not rub against any hoses or moving parts. Do this on **BOTH** sides of the vehicle.



12. Trim the plastic support on the backside of the fascia as shown for baseplate clearance.



13. **Optional Breakaway:** In the desired location, install the bracket to the bumper with a #10-16 x 1" self drilling screw. Attach the breakaway to the bracket with a 1/4"-20 x 3/4" bolt and 1/4"-20 lock nut.

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14. Hold the fascia as close to its original position, mark and trim the fascia around the convenience links and attachment tabs. Reinstall the fascia. Using the rivet gun, replace the rivets in each wheel well.



General Information

1. **It is the owner's responsibility to inspect all towing equipment for cracked welds, missing or worn parts and loose bolts before each towing trip.** Be sure to use Loctite® Red on all bolts and tighten to the recommended specifications.
2. **It is the owner's responsibility to hook up all towing equipment per manufacturer's instructions/ recommendations.**
3. Remove the attachment tabs when not in use (if applicable).

Notice To Baseplate Installer

1. **It is YOUR responsibility to watch for:**

- Oil cooler and air conditioner lines
- Electrical wires and hoses
- Missing parts or attaching points on the frame

** If the baseplate is improperly installed and is against a wire or hose, it could cause fluid leaks or electrical shorts some time after the actual baseplate installation.

Permanent Baseplate Safety Cable Installation

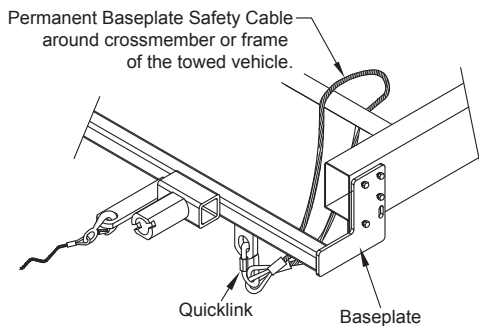
Permanent baseplate safety cables are strongly recommended when towing a vehicle with a tow bar. The principle function of the permanent baseplate safety cables is to prevent the towed vehicle from breaking loose in the event the connection between the frame of the towed vehicle and the baseplate fails or becomes disconnected. The cables must be connected from the baseplate to the frame rail or cross member of the vehicle's frame. The illustrations below show the possible arrangements recommended by Blue Ox®. Each permanent baseplate safety cable must have an adequate weight rating for the towing system. The weight rating of the two (2) cables together will not qualify.

Do not mount the permanent baseplate safety cables against wires, hoses or brake lines.

These permanent baseplate safety cables should remain installed as long as the baseplate is installed on the vehicle. Permanent baseplate safety cables are to be used in conjunction with, and NOT a replacement for legally required safety cables attaching the towed vehicle to the towing vehicle.

Option #1

(Baseplates with Convenience Link Tabs)



Option #2

(Baseplates with out Convenience Link Tabs)

