

Boss Headache Rack Installation Instructions

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Please read all instructions before installation and check to see that all parts are included.

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5/16" x 3.25" Bolt	2
5/16" x 1.25" Bolt	2
3/8" x 1.5" Bolt	2
5/16" Flange Locknut	2
5/16" Washers	4
Oval or Flat Washer (GM / RAM use oval washer, others use Flat Washer)	2
Rubbers Bands	4

Tools Needed:

- X-Acto Knife/Razor Blade
- Measuring Tape
- Ratchet
- 9/16" Socket
- 3/16" Hex Socket or Key
- Drill and Drill Bits (Optional)

Installation Instructions:

1. Use X-Acto knife/razor blade to cut open stake pocket (if not already exposed).
2. Use 2 rubber bands to hold threaded plate to mounting bracket. Make sure threaded hole is not obstructed (see **Figure 1**).
3. Thread the 3.25" long bolt into the bracket assembly, and lower it into the stake pocket. **NOTE: Some brackets are driver/passenger side specific!** Make sure nut clip is facing into the bed of the truck, and is centered in hole of bed wall (**Figure 2**).



Figure 1: Bracket and threaded plate.

- Loosely thread 3/8" bolt with oval washer (flat washer on Ford) through bed wall into bracket. Temporarily remove 3.25" bolt from top of bracket.
- Repeat steps 1-4 on other stake pocket.
- Place Boss headache rack on bed caps, aligning slotted holes on the rack with threaded hole on mounting bracket.
- Insert 3.25" long bolt into slot and finger tighten in threaded plate (**Figure 3**). Repeat on other side.
- Align headache rack, making it flush with the front of bed cap. Use tape measure to make the gap between mounting feet and edge of bed cap equal on both sides (**Figure 4**).
- Using a 9/16" socket, tighten 3/8" bolts inside bed of truck. Next, tighten the 3.25" long bolts using a 3/16" hex key or socket.
- Optional step:** For extra rigidity, use drill and 5/16" drill bit to drill a hole in bed cap. Make sure headache rack is properly aligned before drilling. Use 5/16" x 1.25" long bolt and flange locknut to fasten rack to bed cap (**Figure 4**).

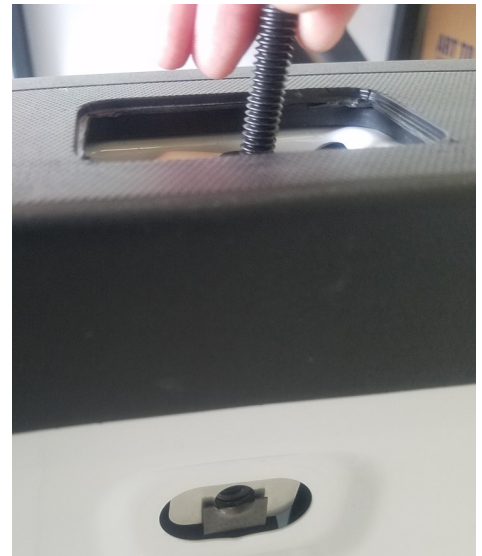


Figure 2: Lowering bracket into pocket. Nut clip facing into bed (touching bed wall) and centered in opening.

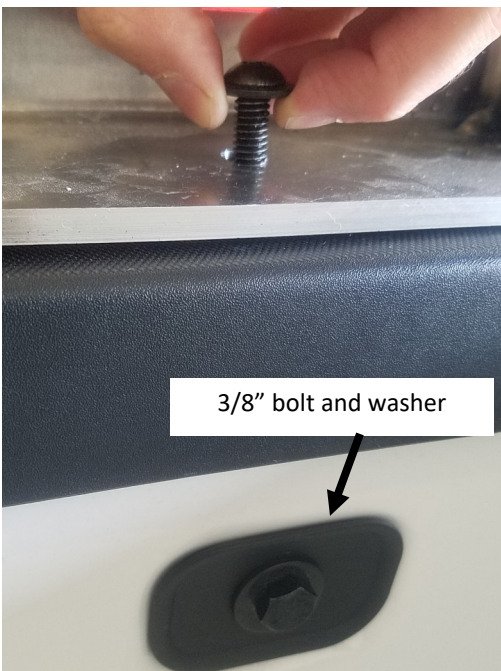


Figure 3: Threading 3.25" bolt.

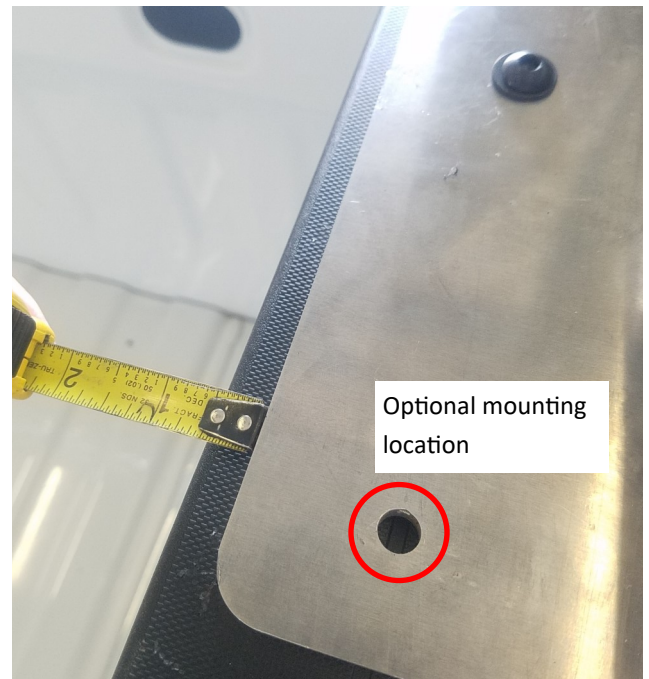


Figure 4: Aligning headache rack. Optional mounting point circled.

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