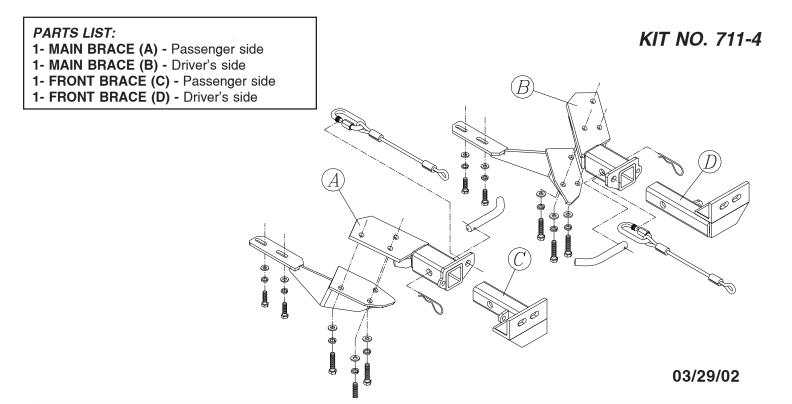
## **MOUNTING BRACKET KIT**

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS



**IMPORTANT:** All brackets **must** be assembled with all the bolts left loose for final adjustment and positioning (before tightening) unless otherwise instructed. All bolts *must* be torqued for proper strength. If more than one bolt is used per fastening point, the diagram may only show one.

> Use flat washers over all slotted holes Use lock washers on all fasteners

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Failure to follow these instructions WARNING Failure to follow these instructions can result in property damage, personal injury or even death.

- · Installation of most mounting brackets requires moderate mechanical aptitude and skills. We strongly recommend professional installation by an experienced installer.
- · The installer must read the instructions and use all bolts and parts supplied. Failure to do so could result in loss of the towed vehicle.
- · Use Loctite® Red on all bolts used for mounting this bracket.
- Do not use this document for custom fabrication, as it may not show all parts or structural components. Custom fabrication or an attempt to copy this bracket design could result in loss of the towed vehicle.
- · Every 3,000 miles, the owner must inspect the fasteners for proper torque, according to the bolt torque requirements chart on the last page of these instructions. The owner must also inspect all mounts and brackets for cracks or other signs of fatigue every 3,000 miles. Failure to do so could result in loss of the towed vehicle.
- · The owner must check the vehicle manufacturer's instructions for the proper procedure(s) to prepare the vehicle for towing. Some vehicles must be equipped with a transmission lube pump, an axle disconnect, driveline disconnect or free-wheeling hubs before they can be towed. Failure to properly equip the vehicle will cause severe damage to the transmission.
- If running changes were made by the vehicle manufacturer after this bracket was designed, some bolts or other fasteners in the hardware pack may no longer be the correct size. It is the installer's responsibility to verify that the bracket is securely fastened to the vehicle and fitted with the correct hardware to account for these changes. Failure to securely

fasten the bracket could result in loss of the towed vehicle.

- If the towed vehicle has been in an accident, it must be properly repaired before attaching the bracket. Do not install the bracket if any structural frame damage is found. Failure to repair the damage could result in the loss of the towed vehicle.
- · Some motorhome chassis have such a tight turning radius that you can damage your motorhome, towed vehicle, tow bar or bracket while turning sharply. Before getting on the road, test your turning radius in an empty parking lot. Turning too sharply could result in non-warranty damage to towing system, motorhome and/or towed vehicle.
- · Do not back up with the towed vehicle attached or non-warranty damage will occur to your towing system, motorhome and/or towed vehicle.
- The safety cables must connect the towing vehicle to the towed vehicle frame to frame, with the cables crossed, with enough slack for sharp turns. Refer to the cable instructions for proper routing. Failure to leave enough slack in the safety cables, or failure to connect the safety cables frame to frame, will result in the loss of the towed vehicle.
- · This bracket is designed for use with ROADMASTER tow bars and ROAD-MASTER adaptors only. Using this bracket with other brands, without an approved ROADMASTER adaptor, may result in non-warranty damage
- · Upon final installation, the installer must inspect the bracket to ensure adequate clearance, particularly around hoses, air conditioner lines, radiators, etc., or non-warranty damage to the towed vehicle will result.
- This bracket is only warranteed for the original installation. Installing a used bracket on another vehicle is not recommended and will void the warranty.

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KIT NO. 711-4

- 1. Important: please use all supplied bolts and parts and read all instructions carefully before beginning this installation. The majority of questions you may have can be answered within the text, and proper installation will ensure safe and secure travel. Now, begin the installation. This bracket kit is one of our XL series, which is designed to be partly removable. The kit consists of the main receiver braces, front braces, rear braces and a hardware pack. The main receiver braces mount behind and through the front bumper facia to the front tie down plate and stabilizer bar mounts. The front braces insert into the receiver brace on each side. Start by laying the kit out according to the illustration. This will give you a visual idea of how the kit installs and also confirm that the kit components are present and accounted for.
- 2. Start by removing the large center splashguard (ten 10mm bolts, two 10mm nuts) and setting to one side.
- 3. Remove the large radiator air duct (six 10mm bolts, two plastic fasteners) and set aside. This will give you access to the mounting area.
- 4. Remove the existing front tie downs and bolts on each side.
- 5. Unbolt the stabilizer bar on each side and discard the four mounting bolts. Pull the stabilizer bar down a ½" and leave in position.
- 6. Working on one side at a time, insert the receiver brace through the front air inlet and into position on the tie down mounting area. Leave in position for the next step.
- 7. Take the rear brace and position over the receiver brace with the rear mounting plate between the stabilizer mount and the stabilizer bar. Bolt through the receiver brace and the rear brace with three 10mm x 1.25 x 45mm bolts, flat washers and lock washers. Bolt through the stabilizer mount with two 8mm x 1.25 x 35 bolts flat washers and lock washers.
- 8. Repeat steps 6 and 7 for the remaining side.
- 6. Now torque all mounting bolts to the specifications below.
- 7. Replace the radiator air duct removed in step 3 and the splashguard removed in step 2. *Note:* a small cut on the front of the splash guard on each side just below the rear brace will relieve the plastic enough to put the front side nuts back on the mounting studs.
- 7. Insert the front braces into the receiver tubes and secure with 5/8" draw pins and 1/8" spring pins.
- 8. Install the tow bar according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- 9. Attach one end of the included 8" safety cables to the lower front hole in the side mounting plate on each side of the receiver brace with the included cable connectors. Connect the other end to the tow vehicle's safety cables and the tow bar.

### Hardware

6- 10mm x 1.25 x 45mm bolts

6- 10mm lock washers

6-10mm flat washers

4-8mm x 1.25 x 35mm bolts

4-8mm lock washers

4-8mm flat washers

2-8" safety cables

2- cable connectors

2-5/8" draw pins

2- 1/8" spring pins

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### **BOLT TORQUE REQUIREMENTS**

Note: The torque values represented below are intended as general guidelines. Torque requirements for specific applications may vary. Roadmaster does not warrant this information to be accurate for all applications and disclaims all liability for any claims or damages which may result from its use.

STAND	METRIC BOLTS			METRIC BOLTS			
Thread Size Grad	de Torque	Thread Size	Grade	Plated/Unplated	Thread Size	Grade	Plated/Unplated
5/16 5	13 ft./lb.	8mm-1.0	8.8 2	0 ft./lb. 18 ft./lb.	12mm-1.25	8.8 7	0 ft./lb. 65 ft./lb.
3/85	23 ft./lb.	8mm-1.25	8.8 1	9 ft./lb. 18 ft./lb.	12mm-1.5	8.8 6	6 ft./lb. 61 ft./lb.
7/16 5	37 ft./lb.	10mm-1.25	8.8 38	3 ft./lb. 36 ft./lb.	12mm-1.75	8.8 65	5 ft./lb. 60 ft./lb.
1/25	56 ft./lb.	10mm-1.5	8.8 37	7 ft./lb. 35 ft./lb.	14mm-2.0	8.8 104	ft./lb. 97 ft./lb.
5/8 5	150 ft./lb.						