

ROCK HARD 4X4 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE 1998-2004 REAR BUMPER WITH TIRE **CARRIER PART #: RH-7050 Installation Manual**



(SPARE TIRE AND RECOVERY SHACKLES NOT INCLUDED)

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- 1. Remove plastic bumper and foam. Remove trailer hitch if equipped.
- 2. Install latch striker in the slot with the 7/16" welded nut tab. ONLY SNUG AT THIS TIME.
- 3. Use factory bolts to install bumper.
- 4. Install 2 of the 1 ¼" x .060 shims onto tire carrier shaft, then install a thick spacer. Place the swing arm with the bearings on the shaft. Install remaining thick spacer on top of bearing inside the seal. Install large aluminum nut. Tighten until no up or down movement is felt in the swing arm.
- 5. Swing the arm to plastic slide. It should just touch slide. This is the height adjustment phase. You can add or remove shims as necessary. You may need to repeat this step once you add spare tire or accessories.
- 6. Reopen tire carrier.
- 7. Install black release handle onto latch with $2x \frac{1}{4}$ " x 5/8" button head bolts and nylock nuts.
- 8. Install latch in the swing arm with release handle in slot. Use 3x 5/16" $x 1 \frac{1}{4}$ " bolts and tapped plate for nut. Install plate inside swing arm tube. Tighten bolts.
- 9. Lift the latch handle and bring the swing arm to striker. Close carefully. This will center the striker in the latch. This is why striker must not be overly tight. Carefully open latch if it closed and swing tire carrier open. Tighten striker nut at this time. Recheck latch and striker for binding. Make sure latch goes to second stage, just like a car door.
- 10. Install grease fitting into tire carrier hub.
- 11. Install round rubber bumper onto the tab at bottom of swing arm using 5/16" x $1\frac{1}{2}$ " hex head bolt and 5/16" nylock nut. Close tire carrier swing arm, checking for binding and ensuring the latch goes to second stage. Use

- 3/8" washer to space rubber bumper as needed to remove rattles.
- 12. Install wheel stud in single hole at the bottom of tire mount. Start stud with hammer and drive in with long punch. Install tire and wheel nut. Pull stud into tire mount to seat the stud by tightening wheel nut. Put other two bolts in with punch and seat with wheel nuts. (Lug nuts not furnished)
- 13. With tire carrier installed check where swing arm meets plastic slide. It should be about 1/16" below top of plastic slide. When closed, you want the tire carrier to rest on the plastic slide, not bearings. Adjust shims as necessary.
- 14. Fill hub completely with grease. Fill until the grease starts pushing seals out. Remove zerk/grease fitting and let pressure out. Push seals back in with large screwdriver. Grease your tire carrier swing hub after each rain, vehicle washing, or water crossing.
- 15. Install ½" collars on high lift jack mounts. Install your jack and adjust collars to keep jack away from your powder coating. Install ½" washers and wing nut. A few jacks have different hole spacing. Move the ½" bolt in slot to match your jacks' hole spacing.

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