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JL/JLU Mesh Bimini Top Installation Instructions.

Congratulations on your purchase of a Rough Country Mesh Top. Check the kit hardware against the parts list. Confirm the correct model was ordered and received. A general knowledge is useful and understanding on top removal on the Jeep.

We are excited that you have chosen a Rough Country Mesh Bimini Top. These high quality tops are designed to enhance your fair weather driving pleasure while providing needed shade while driving in the hot sun and protecting the interior. Please note that it is important that you become familiar with the installation process of this top by reading the following instruction sheet and warnings thoroughly. Though we have used only the finest materials in creating this top, any product that is exposed to the elements requires some general maintenance to keep it looking like new. Please see page 6 for these important maintenance tips. Please also note that it is normal for the mesh fabric to contract and wrinkle when stored in the shipping carton. In a few days the fabric will relax and wrinkles will disappear. If any questions arise, please call Rough Country customer service.

▲ NOTICE Instruction Sheet Strap Installation Note: (all versions)

Installing the Rough Country Mesh tops entails the wrapping of nylon webbing around several locations on your factory installed sport bar. In all cases, the straps are to be wrapped around the sport bar and not just around the door surround.

Threading Straps through Buckles:

Throughout the installation, you will need to thread webbing straps through buckles several times. Please review the picture for correct strap routing through the buckles. As a rule of thumb, run the strap below and through the sewn side of the buckle first and then back down through the end of the buckle. Tighten the strap by simply pulling the exposed webbing after threading the strap through the buckle.



▲ WARNING

Loss of vehicle control involves risk of death or serious injury, particularly to parts of your body not restrained within the vehicle. This product is intended for moderate weather protection only and should not be relied upon to contain occupants in the event of an accident or to protect from either ground contact or falling objects. To reduce risk of accident or injury:

- **ALWAYS WEAR SEATBELTS**
- **Always keep head, arms & body parts within vehicle.**
- **Fully secure or stow the soft top before driving according to instructions. Never try to latch or fold soft top while driving. Do not use if damaged or worn.**
- **Read and follow all instructions & warnings accompanying this product, in your vehicle owner's manual and Off Road Driving Supplement**

▲ NOTICE Remove your factory hard or soft top before installation. For those vehicles with a factory soft top, you will NOT be using your factory soft top header for this installation.

The Rough Country Mesh Bimini top series are designed as an easy-on, easy off sun shade for your Jeep. The tight mesh weave is specially designed to block the heat caused by the sun while letting light and air to flow freely. The installation of these products is easy and requires no tools or windshield header, and allows this product to be left on while you run your hard or your soft top. Enjoy the shade and thank you for purchasing Rough Country products!



2018 JL/JLU Rough Country Mesh Bimini Top Installation

1. Remove your factory hard top or soft top.
2. Locate the front section of your top and drape the front mesh fabric over the top of your Jeep with the flat straight edge facing forward.
3. Wrap the long front straps around the Sport Bar, through the gap between the front roll bar and the windshield and back to the buckle on the strap. **See Photo 1.** Repeat on the other side of the vehicle.
4. Tighten each side strap making sure the top is centered on the vehicle. Adjust as necessary.
5. Locate the two rear corner straps and wrap around the "B" pillar. Thread the straps through the buckle and secure making sure the top is centered on the vehicle. **See Photo 2 & 3.** Repeat on the other side of the vehicle.



6. Once the rear corner straps are secure and the top is centered, locate the supplied two rear center hook and loop straps sewn onto the end of the top. **SEE Photo 4**
7. Using a T25 Torx bit (found in your on-board Torx tool kit) and driver, remove the screw on the sound bar header and install the webbing using the same screw (**Photo 5 & 6**). Thread the Hook and loop strap on the rear of the mesh top through the rectangle loop and tighten (**Photo 7 & 8**). Repeat this procedure for the second screw/strap location. Repeat this on the other side. Secure all straps while making sure the top is centered. When centered properly, the top will have very few if any wrinkles in it.

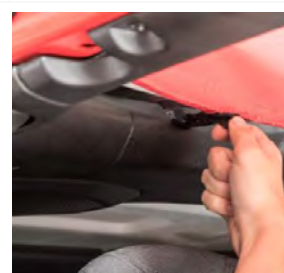
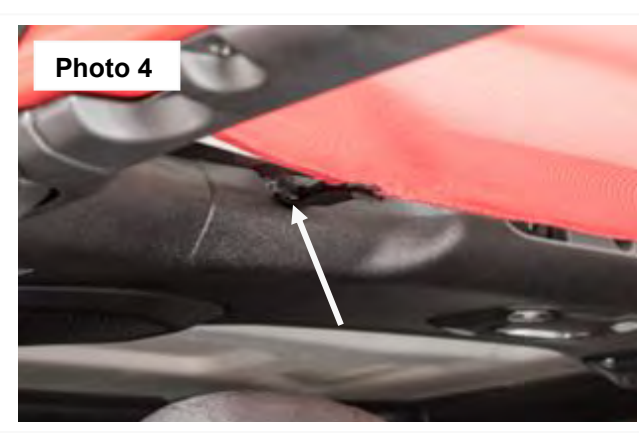
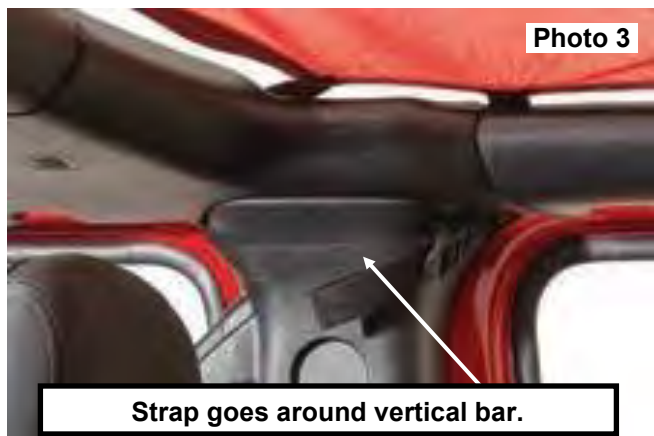


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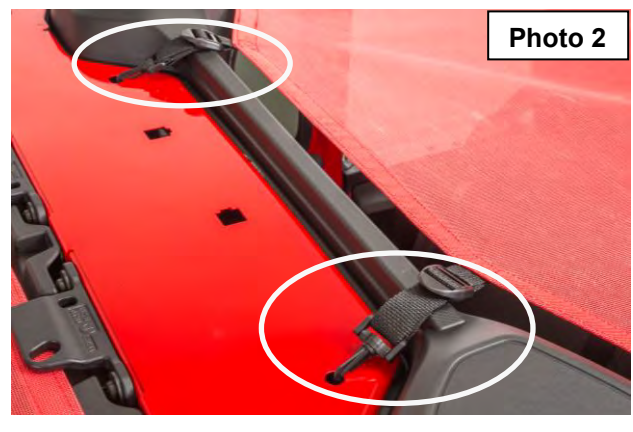
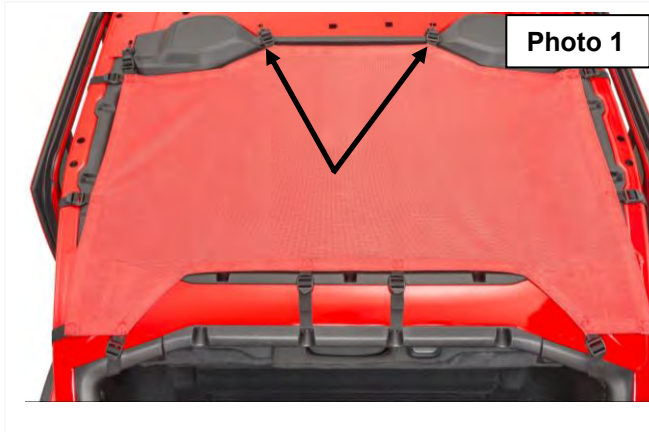
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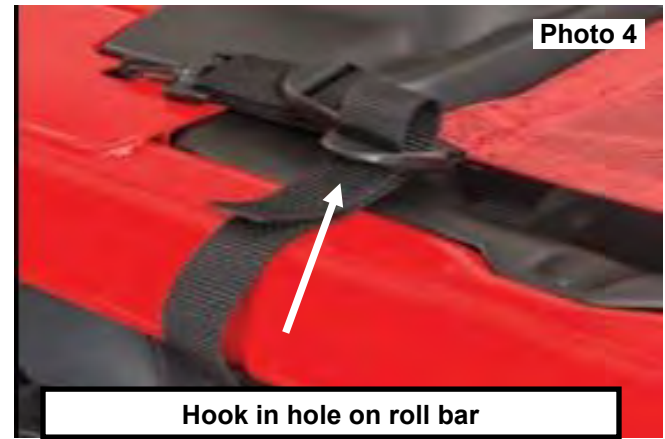
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2019 JL/JLU Rough Country Mesh Full (Rear) Bimini Top Installation

1. Remove your factory hard top or soft top.
2. On the Rear Mesh, locate the two center buckle straps.
3. Thread the supplied hook straps into the center buckles and hook the straps into the holes located in **Photo 1 & 2**. Do not tighten yet.



4. On the rear mesh section, locate the two front corner straps. Thread the front facing buckle with the hook strap and insert the hook into the hole. **See Photo 3**. Do not fully tighten.
5. Take the side facing strap, wrap around the side roll bar and thread it through the attached buckle. **See Photo 4**. Do not fully tighten.



6. Locate the rear two straps on the rear mesh. **See Photo 5**. Wrap the side facing strap around the rear of the roll bar locating it in the "notch" shown in **Photo 6**. Take the rear facing strap and secure it to the side strap under the roll bar. Thread the strap through the buckle and secure.
7. At this point you will need to tighten all straps previously installed making sure the rear top is centered on the vehicle. Start from the front center straps and work out and back to the rear pulling out any wrinkles.



8. This step will require the use of a T25 Torx bit and driver. You will be removing two Torx screws from the rear roll bar and re-installing them back into the same holes. Locate the two center cutouts on the rear of the Roll bar. **See Photo 7.**
9. Using a T25 Torx, remove the two Screws located in these cutouts and place them through the two rear strap holes attached to the top, **See Photo 8 & 9.**

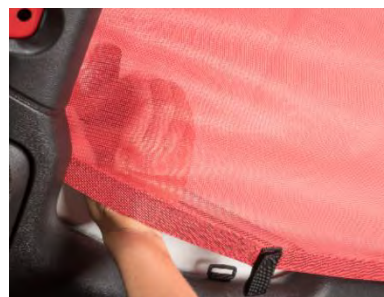
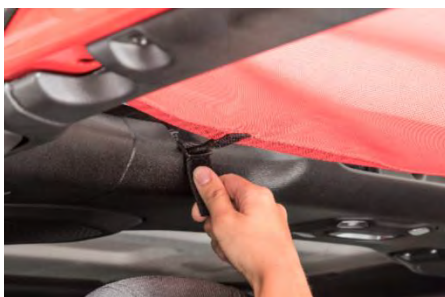


10. With the rear straps threaded through the rear buckles, tighten the straps.



After installing the two rear straps, it may be necessary to adjust the other straps to take out any wrinkles. The two rear straps mounted to the center of the rear roll bar are designed to keep the rear portion from excess flapping while driving and to make sure your top remains tight.

Removal or Reinstallation of the Freedom Panels



Your mesh top has been designed to remain on the vehicle when you re-install your hard top and Freedom Panels. To remove or re-install your hard freedom panels, undo the hook and loop on the rectangle loop and strap installed on the sound bar in step #7 to put your hand behind the mesh (**Photo 1 & 2**). lock the latches and reinstall the hook and loop on the sound bar strap. Repeat on the other side.

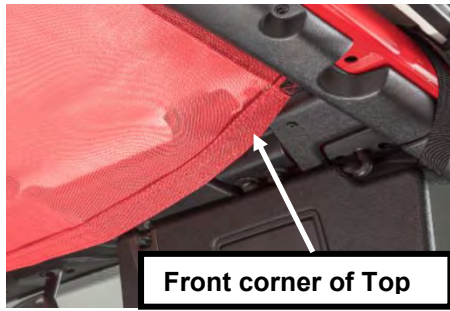


Photo 3



Photo 4

The front latches can be installed by slipping your hand under the mesh near the front corner of the top (Fig 25 & 26) and then latch the front Freedom panel latches. Repeat on the other side of the top.

Maintenance Tips

Your Rough Country Mesh Bimini top is made of the finest materials available but to keep it looking new and for the maximum possible wear, it will need periodic cleaning and basic maintenance. The main threat to your mesh top is pollutants, dirt, and grime. By keeping your mesh top clean you will prolong the life of your top.

We recommend the following to keep your mesh top like new:

Washing:

The mesh top fabric should be washed often using mild soap, warm water, and a **soft** bristle brush. Make sure that after cleaning you rinse with clear water to remove all traces of soap and avoid soap residue. Hang to dry, do not put in a clothes dryer.