

# Bowless Soft Top

## 2007-2018 JK Wrangler Unlimited (4-Door)

### Part Number: BRT20135T

#### Kit Components:

- Soft Top
- Rear Window
- (2) Side Windows
- (4) Anti-puddle poles
- Window Storage Bag



**-Read all instructions carefully prior to starting installation.**

**-We recommend installing this top in temperatures 70F (21C) and above. This will make installation easier and reduce the risk of damaging the top. Laying all of the pieces of the top in the sun is also suggested to ease installation.**

**-An aftermarket windshield channel is required to install this top (P/N: RT26067).**

**-Do not over-stress the zippers or straps. Failure to comply may damage the top or windows.**

1. Ensure that all components in the kit are accounted for.
2. Remove the factory top.
  - If removing a hard top: Remove the hard top and freedom panels. The following parts are required:  
Windshield Channel P/N: RT26067 OE Style Tailgate Bar P/N: 55395757AE  
Door Surround Set P/N: RT25002 OE Style Tailgate Bar Retainers P/N: 68041620AA & 68041621AA
  - If removing a soft top: Remove the soft top and frame, windshield channel, and tailgate bar. Set aside the tailgate bar. Do not remove the door surrounds.

**NOTE:** The factory door surrounds on 2010 and later JK have an extrusion nailed into the door surrounds above the doors. They must be removed to install this top. Replacement door surrounds are an alternative.

3. Remove the knobs and brackets from the windshield channel. Slide the windshield channel into the pocket at the front of the Soft Top. See **Figure 1**. Snap the Soft Top to the windshield channel.
4. Spread the Soft Top over the top of the vehicle taking care not to scratch any paint or glass.
5. Mount the windshield channel to the windshield frame with the fork-shaped brackets saddling the footman loops on the windshield frame. See **Figure 2**. Install the windshield channel bracket under the footman loops using the knobs and tighten. Make sure the fork-shaped brackets engage fully into the holes in the windshield channel brackets. See **Figure 3**. Failure to do so will result in poor soft top fitment and potential leakage.



6. Remove the hook and loop fasteners from the left and right sides of the top. Starting at the front, tuck the plastic strips that are sewn into the side of the top into the channel in the door surrounds. See **Figure 4**. Pull the top backward to eliminate any slack.
7. Locate the adjustment straps inside the vehicle near the main roll bar. Wrap the straps around the back of the main roll bar and clip the hooks into the holes underneath the roll bar. Tighten the straps making sure not to over-tighten. See **Figure 5**.
8. Fold the rear outer skin of the Soft Top over the front half of the top. See **Figure 6**.

Figure 4



Figure 5



Figure 6



9. Locate the adjustment straps at the rear corners of the inner Soft Top skin. Pull the strap around the top of the roll bar, loop it around the inside of the seat belt stud, and back up to the adjustment buckle. See **Figures 7, 8, and 9**. Lightly tighten and repeat for the other side. Once both sides are started tighten both straps, keeping the top centered.

Figure 7



Figure 8



Figure 9



10. Ensure the plastic strips in the Side Windows are properly seated into the pockets. See **Figure 10**.
11. Attach both Side Windows to the inner Soft Top skin by starting the zippers just a few inches. See **Figure 11**.
12. Attach the Rear Window to the inner soft top skin using the three buckles in the top and the three straps in the window. Make sure the hook and loop strips in the top line up with the window. See **Figure 12**.

Figure 10



Figure 11



Figure 12



13. Start the Side Window to Rear Window zippers 6-8". Fully zip both Side Windows to the inner Soft Top skin.
14. Install the sewn-in plastic strips in the front of the Side Windows to the channels in the door surrounds, starting at the top of the door and working down to the tub. See **Figure 13**. Do not install the Side Windows to the tub rails at this time.
15. Slide the tailgate bar into the bottom of the rear window with the weatherstrip facing outward. Slide the tailgate bar into both tailgate bar retainers.
16. Fully zip the Side Window to Soft Top and Rear Window zippers.
17. Attach and snug the straps on the Side Windows to the inner Soft Top Skin. Snug up the Rear Window to Soft Top Straps.
18. Install the sewn-in plastic strips in the bottom of the Side Windows into the channels in the body, starting with the front and working around to the Rear Window. The plastic inserts in each window should be slightly above the plastic sewn-in strips in the window and just below the hook and loop strip on top of the window. Do not install the last 5 or 6" of the Side Window to the body on either side. Pulling the windows and top backward may help eliminate wrinkles.
19. Fully zip the rear window zippers. Install the last 5 or 6" of the sewn-in plastic strips in the Side Window.
20. Make sure the rear window storage bag is flat and properly attached to hook and loop fasteners in the inner soft top skin.
21. Pull the outer Soft Top skin (part folded forward) back. Attach the hook and loop fasteners at the left and right sides of the soft top above the door surrounds. See **Figure 14**.
22. Attach to the hook and loop fasteners of the outer Soft Top skin to the Side Windows and Rear Window. See **Figure 15**. Make any adjustments necessary to eliminate any uneven sections. Hook the straps located at the corners of the outer skin through the slits in the side windows at the quarter panel tub rails. Make sure to hook the tub channel and not just the top. Over-tightening the straps will result in wrinkles or damage to the top.
23. Fold both fabric strips with pockets that are sewn on the underside of the top to the top of the windshield channel. See **Figure 16**. Install the supplied puddle poles in the soft top by lightly bending them and sliding them into the pockets inside the top. See **Figure 17 and 18**. The longer puddle poles should go in the front.



Figure 13



Figure 14



Figure 15



Figure 16



Figure 17



Figure 18

- 24.** Make any adjustments necessary to ensure the top is centered and fits properly. Creases in the top fabric and windows will fade away once the top is installed.
- 25.** Small adjustments to the top may be necessary once the top warms up and any creases are smoothed out.
- 26.** To store the windows: We suggest cleaning the windows prior to storing them. Begin by detaching the hooks at the rear corners of the Jeep. Disconnect the hook and loop fasteners and carefully flip the outer Soft Top skin forward to expose the window storage bag. See **Figure 19, 20, and 21**. Store the windows inside the bag securely, isolating each window with a layer of fabric in the storage bag.



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