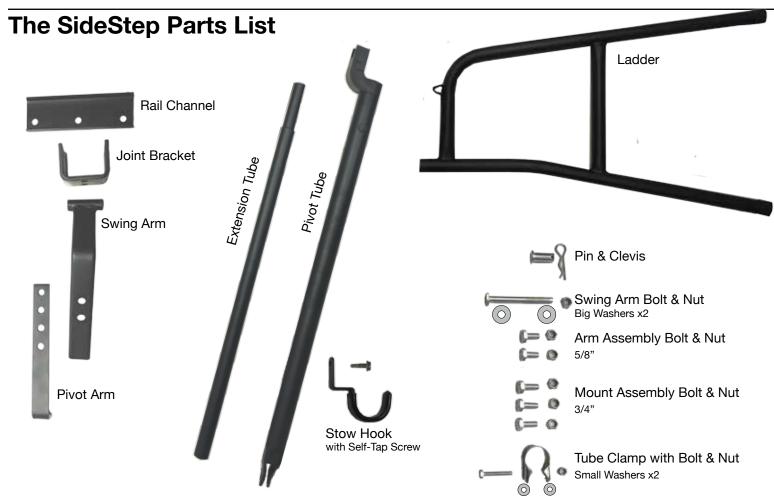




The SideStep

Truck Access Ladder





The SideStep Installation



Decide Where to Mount and Prepare

The SideStep Truck Access Ladder can be installed anywhere along the rail of a pickup truck. First thing to do is decide where you want to mount The SideStep. Some mounting options include:

- Forward corner of the bed with hanger mounted behind cab
- Just rear of toolbox with hanger mounted on toolbox
- At the rear of the bed for easy tailgate access with hanger mounted on the rail

Set Joint Bracket into Rail Channel in any of the ways shown in

Pic1. The several holes are available to allow for flexible mounting. Place this assembly in the desired location along the rail of the truck. Once satisfied with the mount location mark the three hole locations on the inside of the rail as shown in Pic2.





You will need access to the back side of the rail in order to bolt the Rail Channel and Joint Bracket onto the truck. Remove liners or other parts to allow access.



Install the Mounting Bracket

Now it is time to drill the mounting holes at the marked locations. First use a center hole punch or nail to dent the sheet metal where the holes need to be drilled. Drill the holes using a 5/16" drill bit. Bolt the Rail Channel and the Joint Bracket onto the rail using THREE Mount Assembly Bolts & Nuts as shown in Pic3.







Assemble the Swing Arm into the Joint Bracket as shown in Pic4 and Pic5 below. Make sure to use the Big Washers between the Swing Arm and the Joint Bracket. The Swing Arm needs to swing freely, so make sure to not over-tighten the nut.

A good intstallation mounts the ladder as close to the body as possible without making contact with the truck.

Align the Pivot Arm into the channel of the Swing Arm. Match two holes in the Swing Arm with two of the several holes in the Pivot Arm that ensure The SideStep will not contact the truck during deployment as shown in Pic6.

Using two 5/8" bolts and nuts, assemble the Pivot Arm to the Swing Arm as shown in Pic7.





Assemble the Ladder

Slide the Tube Clamp onto the open tube section on top of the Ladder. Slide the Extension Tube into the open tube section of the Ladder. Some force may be necessary. Use a rubber mallet if necessary.

Clamp the two tubes together using the Bolt, Small Washer 1 (then through the Tube Clamp), Small Washer 2 and Nut as shown in Pic8. Slide the Extension Tube part of the Ladder assembly into the plastic bushing in the Pivot Tube as shown in Pic9.



Connect the Ladder to the Arm

Attach the Ladder Assembly to the Arm using the Pin & Clevis as shown in Pic10. Recheck clearance to ensure The SideStep does not contact truck during deploymentnt as shown in Pic11.







Mount Stow Hook

Now that The SideStep is operational you need to plan where to mount the Stow Hook. The Stow Hook can be mounted on any sheet metal including on the rail, behind the cab or on a tool box.

Set The SideStep where you want it to be stowed. Set the Stow Hook in the ideal position to hold The SideStep in that position. Mark the Stow Hook Hole location.

Using center hole punch (or nail, etc) indent the mount location. Set the Self-Tap screw through the mount hole on the Stow Hook as shown in Pic12. Using power driver secure the Self-Tap Screw into place.



Your SideStep is now ready to make your truck bed accessible.

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