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## **JK ALUMINUM SIDEPLATES**

### **INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS**

### **5500-5505**

NOTE: All sideplates are designed to be placed over the existing metal surface. They fit between the fender wells with factory fenders over the lower rocker area. Warrior's recommended installation procedure utilizes  $\frac{1}{2}$ " drilled holes & rubber well nuts. Other installations such as pop rivets, self-tapping screws or double-sided tape are also adequate, but will not be covered in this installation guide. Tools required are a hand drill, a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " drill bit and a Phillips screwdriver. If you are installing the optional lower door trim, a pop rivet tool and  $\frac{3}{16}$ " drill bit will also be utilized.

1. Begin by cleaning the lower rocker surface where the sideplates will be installed. Ensure that the surface is relatively straight and painted. Hold your sideplates in place and locate the areas you will be drilling. Take a marker or scribe and make a mark where the holes are in the sideplates. It may be easier with an assistant holding the sideplates while you make the marks.
2. Remove the sideplate and drill the  $\frac{1}{2}$ " holes you've marked. It may be easier if you start with a smaller drill bit and gradually move up to the  $\frac{1}{2}$ " sized bit. Once the holes have been made, clean up any burrs and apply some paint to the bare metal to prevent rust.
3. At this point, you may choose to use silicone or RTV sealant around the edges of the sideplate. Choosing to do so is at your discretion as moisture can get between the sideplates and the body and potentially cause rust issues in the future.
4. Insert the rubber well nuts into the  $\frac{1}{2}$ " holes. Hold the sideplate up to the rocker area and start a couple  $\frac{1}{2}$ " screws in the center of the plate to balance it while you then thread the screws into the remaining mounting holes. Your kit also includes (4)  $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 1- $\frac{1}{2}$ " diameter aluminum spacers. These are installed in the front and rearmost spaces between the sideplates and the body of the vehicle. Do not tighten until all the screws are in place.
5. Repeat steps on the other side of the vehicle.
6. **OPTIONAL:** Installing the lower door trim. Hold the trim pieces up to their corresponding doors and mark the mounting holes with marker or scribe. They are directional, so compare the front and rear radius and choose the proper fit before drilling. Drill these marks with a  $\frac{3}{16}$ " drill bit. Next, use a pop rivet tool to attach the trim pieces into place with the provided pop rivets.
7. Check to make sure all the screws are tight and that the sideplates are installed to your liking. Your installation is now complete.

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