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## JEEP CHEROKEE REAR BUMPER

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS (Part #'s 562, 563, 567, 568)

## Disassembly:

- 1. For Part #563 or 568 only; if your vehicle is equipped with any receiver hitch or factory rear tow hook, unbolt and remove those first. If you are installing a non d-ring equipped 562 or 567, skip this step as it is not necessary to remove the hitch or tow hook.
- 2. Next, remove the 8 bolts holding the bumper to the back of the vehicle and remove the bumper.
- 3. If you've removed your hitch in step 1, you can now slide the nut strip out of the frame rail from the oval holes in the rear at the bottom of the bumper mount surface.

## **Reinforcement Brackets:**

- 4. If you have a non d-ring equipped bumper, skip this section
- 5. On the back of your Cherokee where the bumper bolts into place, you will see an oval hole at the bottom of the 4 bolt pattern on each side. Using a die grinder, you will need to open this hole up to accept the bumper reinforcement bracket nut strip. You can grind out only the L shape to fit the bracket, but in our installation we've opened the entire square to show the opening fully exposed. See Images:



- 6. With the holes cut, primer the ground out area to prevent rust and allow to dry.
- 7. Next slide your reinforcement brackets into place. To identify driver versus passenger side brackets, look at the L shaped nut strip portion. The vertical part of the L shape should be to the outside of the vehicle. Also, if you slide them into place, they will only align with the 4 bumper mounting holes if they're installed in the correct sides.
- 8. Bolt the nut strip into place on the backside using the factory bumper bolts. Align the bracket on the 4 bolt holes as nicely as possible. Do nut run any underside bolts into the nut strip just yet.
- 9. Now, if you are installing any receiver hitches or tow hooks back onto the vehicle; do so now with the supplied hardware. Our reinforcement bracket will replace your factory nut strip. If you are not installing a receiver or tow hook, just use the supplied bolts on the underside to secure the reinforcement bracket to the vehicle.
- 10. Remove the 8 factory bumper mounting bolts installed in step 8. Your reinforcement brackets should be held on now only by the underside nut strip bolts.
- 11. Hold your new bumper into place and bolt into place using the 8 factory bolts. Align side to side and tighten.
- 12. This will complete your installation. On Cherokee models 97-01, the area between the bumper and fender flare is exposed with some brackets for the OEM bumper. Warrior recommends removing the brackets and using one of our sideplate kits to cover this unsightly area.