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# TRUE FRAME MOUNTED CAMPER TIE DOWNS

IMPORTANT OWNER-OPERATOR INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

**C2218** 



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### **Warnings**

### Truck Bed and Camper Protection

Torklift **does not** recommend installing your camper on top of a plastic bed liner (or other compressible material such as foam). These materials can act as a spring, causing increased vertical truck camper movement independent of the vehicle. Plastic bed liners can slide on the truck bed surface, and the truck camper can slide on top of the bed liner. Using a plastic bed liner or similar compressible material will <u>void your warranty</u> and may additionally cause truck bed and/or camper damage.

Minor movement or settling can occur in some incidental harsh driving conditions (on or off-road). A rubber bed mat is recommended to protect the truck bed and camper, but is not a requirement to maintain the Torklift legendary lifetime warranty.

#### Suspension

To significantly reduce body roll, sag and sway Torklift strongly recommends the StableLoad. Torklift International StableLoads improve safety, handling, and to help level your truck. More information can be found at (www.Torklift.com/stableload).

If your truck is additionally equipped with suspension air bags Torklift cautions against over pressurization as this may lead to unsafe vehicle handling characteristics. We have found that airbags used in conjunction with StableLoads have allowed operators to lower air bag pressure by 50% or more. Only pressurize suspension air bags enough to level the truck.

## **C2218 PARTS INVENTORY**

2- Tie Down Receiver

2- Tie Down Insert

2-7/16"-14 x 2" Hex Bolt Grade 8 Zinc

2- Star Washer

2-1" x 2" Plate Washer

2- 7/16" Flat Washer USS

2-7/16" Lock Washer

2- Insert Pin

2- 7/16"-14 Hex Nut Grade 8

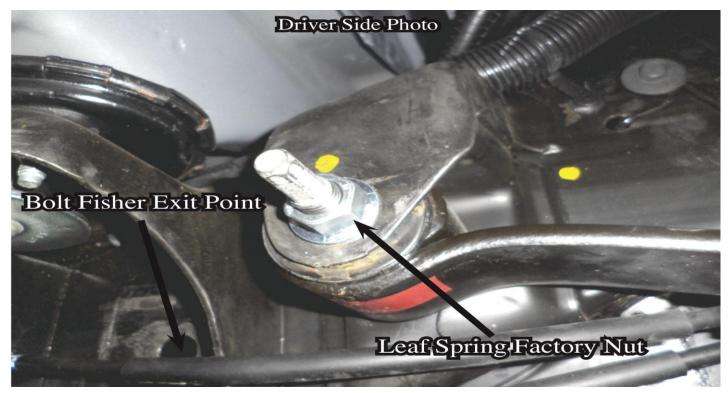
2- Bolt Fisher

### **Instructions**

#### **Step 1:**

Starting with the driver side. Remove the factory nut located on the front leaf spring hanger. (See Photo 1.1) Slide the driver side Tie Down Receiver onto the front leaf spring hanger bolt.

#### Photo 1.1



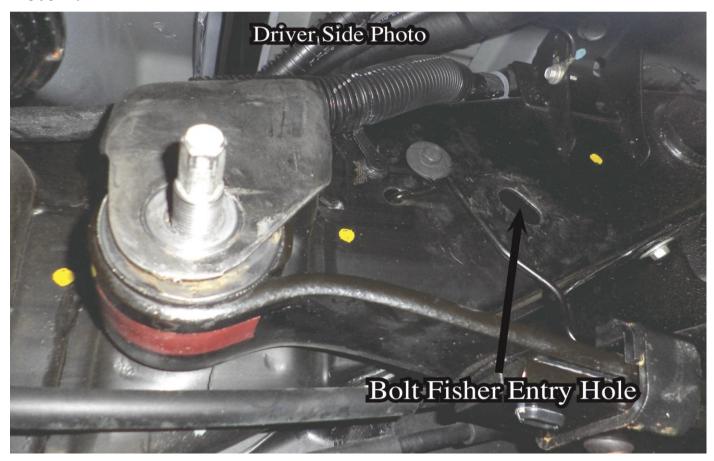
#### **Step 2:**

Take one **Bolt Fisher** and attach to it one 7/16"-14x 2" Hex Bolt Grade 8 Zinc, Star Washer, and 1" x 2" Plate Washer. (See Photo 2.1) Run this Bolt Fisher through the oval hole located on the frame to the rear of the front spring hanger. (See Photo 2.2) Be sure to fish the bolt assembly out through the circular hole located under the bed support(See Photo 1.1) and in front of the front spring hanger, and out through the mounting hole on your **Tie Down Receiver**. (See Photo 2.3)

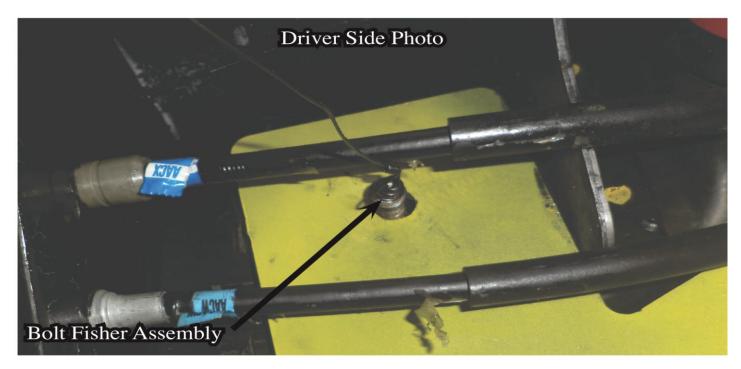
#### Photo 2.1



Photo 2.2



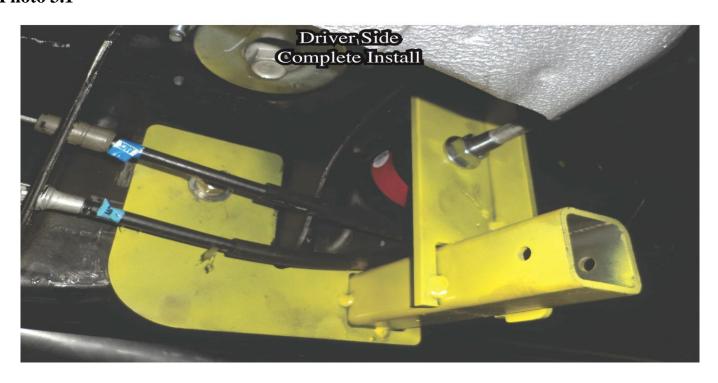
#### Photo 2.3



#### **Step 3:**

Carefully remove the **Bolt Fisher** from the 7/16"-14 x 2" Hex **Bolt Grade 8 Zinc** bolt assembly, and secure the bolt assembly in place with one 7/16" **Flat Washer USS**, one 7/16" **Lock Washer**, and one 7/16"-14 Hex **Nut Grade 8** keep these fasteners hand tight.(See Photo 3.1)

#### Photo 3.1



#### **Step 4:**

Reinstall the factory nut removed in step one onto the front leaf spring hanger bolt, securing the **Tie Down Receiver** in place.

#### **Step 5:**

Torque the factory nut on the leaf spring hanger bolt to 80 ft-lbs.(108nm) Torque the **7/16"-14 Hex Nut Grade 8** to 60 ft-lbs (81nm) (See Photo 3.1)

#### **Step 6:**

Install the **Tie Down Insert** into the **Tie Down Receiver** so that the hole farthest away from the tube is facing towards the front of the truck. Secure the **Tie Down Insert** with a **Insert Pin**. Either hole in the **Tie Down Insert** can be used as long as it provides enough clearance around the truck body.

#### **Step 7:**

Repeat steps 1 through 6 for opposite side Tie Down

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAINTENANCE OF POLISHED STAINLESS STEEL PRODUCTS



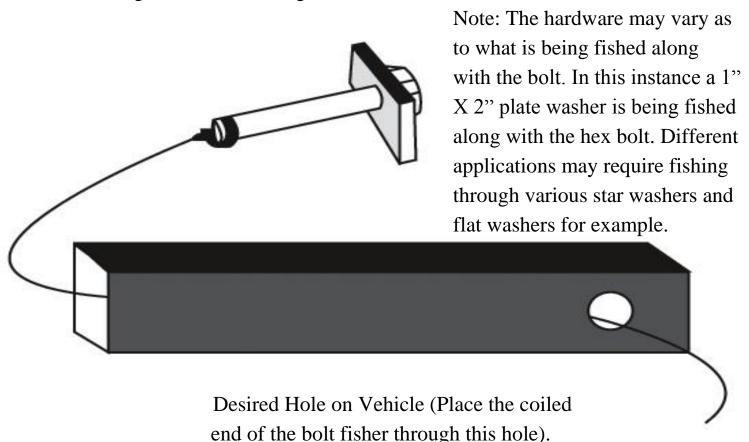
Torklift utilizes quality grade 304 stainless steel in this product.

304 stainless steel is well known for its anti corrosive properties, however in some environments such as coastal regions or when in contact with some road chemicals, corrosion may occur.

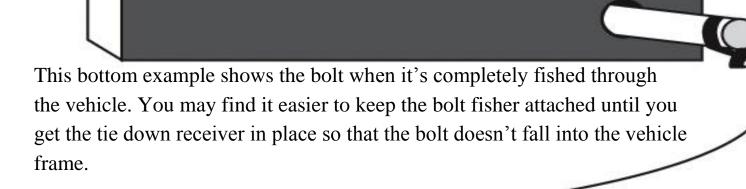
We recommend occasional polishing of our product to maintain its attractive finish. Use an approved stainless steel cleaning/polishing product, which can be purchased from any automotive supplier.

## TORKLIFT'S BOLT FISHING GUIDE

Your guide to understanding the installation of our frame mounted tie downs.



This side of the Bolt Fisher should come out of a hole where the required hardware (for example 1" X 2" plate washer) can pass through.



WARNING: PULLING TOO HARD ON THE BOLT FISHER CAN RESULT IN LOST FASTENERS, OR BROKEN BOLT FISHER.

# TIEDOWN INSERT INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

On one end of each of your tie down inserts is a triangular plate referred to by Torklift as a bullet plate. Your tie down inserts should be installed with the shorter side of the bullet plate facing away from each other, i.e.. The shorter side of the front insert should point to the front of the truck and the shorter side of the rear insert should point towards the rear of the truck. Once installed, attach the TorkLift directional stickers to the face of the bullet plate on the insert as a reminder.

#### DRIVERS SIDE FRONT



#### DRIVERS SIDE REAR



IMPORTANT NOTE: Your tie down inserts are designed to have clearance inside of the receiver. This is to account for road debris, as well as aid in installation and removal. Some rattle may be expected if the inserts are left installed while not under load from the camper.

# RECOMMENDED TRUCK CAMPER INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

When securing any heavy load (especially a camper) in your truck bed, your front tie down points should pull the load forward as much as possible. Some camper anchor points may differ with different manufacturers, as well as the camper jack mounting locations. Your Torklift tie down inserts has offset triangular brackets to increase the angle of pull. These are designed to be used in the front facing forward, and the rear facing rearward but can be used in either front or rear. These recommendations are to be considered and followed as a basic rule of thumb. Obviously there will be some applications where this may not be possible. At a minimum, if opposite pull of both front and rear tie downs cannot be achieved for whatever reason, you should have at least a forward pull at the front or rear location.

If your camper does not come with Rubber Bumpers on the front lower portion of the camper, installing Rubber Bumpers (Torklift has Rubber Bumpers available Part A7001) or using a block of wood such as a 2 x 4 in the bed, will prevent the camper from damaging the front bulk head of the truck bed.

Minor movement (or settling) can occur in some incidental harsh driving conditions (on or off road). A rubber bed mat is not a requirement to maintain the lifetime warranty on a Torklift system, but a strong recommendation simply as a safety precaution to protect the truck bed, the bottom of the camper and to give the camper additional support.

TORKLIFT DOES NOT RECOMMEND: Installing your truck camper in your truck on top of a drop in plastic bed liner!!! The drop in plastic bed liners can slide on top of the truck bed surface, and the camper can slide on top of the slick surface of the bed liner. The liner can also act as a spring causing a trampoline effect increasing vertical truck camper movement, independent of the vehicle, possibly resulting in truck bed, and camper damage!

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR FINISH MAINTENANCE OF TORKLIFT PRODUCTS

#### **POWDER COATED STEEL:**

To keep your Torklift products looking good follow these guidelines. All steel powder coated Torklift products are sandblasted for maximum adhesion and use a high quality industrial urethane based powder coat. Due to the extreme, harsh, undercar environment that your Torklift products live in, (consistently sprayed with corrosive road chemicals such as salt, and road debris), Torklift does not warranty the power coated finish. To minimize corrosion from these factors on powder coated steel products, Torklift recommends regularly cleaning and inspecting the powder-coated surface and touching up any affected areas with enamel or urethane based aerosol paint product. If there are any areas of surface rust, there are also aerosol spray rust converters available on the market that can be used as a preparation to touch-up paint application. These finish maintenance

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products are available at any automotive parts supplier.

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For a quick clean simply use WD40 and a cloth rag. We also recommend occasional polishing of our polished stainless products to maintain their attractive finish. Use an approved stainless steel chrome or aluminum mag wheel polish cleaning product, which can be purchased from any automotive parts supplier.

# Torklift International Limited Lifetime Warranty Information

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Torklift will require proof of purchase to register, with pictures of any defective product before issuing a replacement. Torklift will not register any product without proof of purchase, which can be faxed, scanned, emailed, or mailed to the information provided below. Torklift warrants it's hitches, custom hitch receivers, frame mounted tie downs, turnbuckles, and accessories (excluding wire harnesses which carry a 90 day warranty) from date of purchase against defects in material and workmanship under normal use and service for the ownership life of the original consumer purchaser. ALL COMMERCIAL APPLICATIONS ARE WARRANTED FOR A PERIOD OF 90 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF INSTALLATION/SERVICE. Torklift will replace FREE OF CHARGE any part, which proves defective in material or workmanship when presented to Torklift, TRANSPORTATION CHARGES PREPAID by purchaser, at the address above. THIS WARRANTY IS LIMITED TO DEFECTIVE PARTS REPLACEMENT ONLY. LABOR CHARGES AND/OR DAMAGE INCURRED IN INSTALLATION OR REPLACEMENT, AS WELL AS INCIDENTAL AND CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES CONNECTED THEREWITH ARE EXCLUDED. This warranty does not include the finish or paint on our products. Rusting, cracking or peeling of the finish is also excluded. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you. Any damage to Torklift products as a result of misuse, abuse, neglect, accident, improper installation or any use violation of instructions furnished by Torklift or WHEN USED IN ANY COMMERCIAL APPLICATION WILL VOID THE WARRANTY. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have rights, which vary from state to state. With warranty service, you may be able to go to a small claims court, a state court or a federal district court.



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Dear Valued Customer,

Thank you for making TorkLift your choice for truck, camper packages and accessories for your vehicle. By choosing TorkLift products, you have chosen a company that has been serving the RV industry for nearly 40 years and whose name has become synonymous with strength, quality and advanced design and installation.

Please take a few moments of your time to complete the Product Registration Warranty Card on the next page. When registering your newly purchased TorkLift products, you can be assured that your contact information is secure and that you and your product are getting the attention and respect that you deserve.

Thank you again for choosing TorkLift quality products.

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#### **OFFICIAL WARRANTY REGISTRATION CARD**

PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM COMPLETELY AND RETURN TO TORKLIFT WITHIN 30 DAYS OF PURCHASE ACCOMPANIED BY A COPY OF YOUR ORIGINAL RECEIPT

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