

Serial Number

Please read **BOTH** these Installation Instructions and the General Towing Instructions before attempting to install or operate this equipment.

- Blue Ox® towing products and accessories are intended to be installed by Blue Ox® Dealers who are familiar with our products and have the equipment and knowledge to do “fit work”. When necessary Blue Ox® Dealers can be found at [www.blueox.us](http://www.blueox.us) or by contacting our Customer Care Department at (402) 385-3051.
- Many Blue Ox® Baseplates are designed to use existing holes and hardware to mount the baseplate to the towed vehicle. Even though bolts are there, do not assume they are adequate for baseplate mounting. Always use hardware supplied in the hardware kit or existing hardware specified in the Baseplate Towing Installation Instructions.

**Attachment Tab Height:** 15”

**Attachment Tab Width:** 24”

**Bolt Torque Specifications**  
Torque in Foot-Pounds per Metric Bolts

Bolt Size	Grade 8.8	Grade 10.9
6MM	6	8
8MM	16	22
10MM	31	40
12MM	54	70
14MM	89	117

Confirm the towability and pre-towing procedures for your vehicle with the owner’s manual or contact the vehicle’s manufacturer for specific towing procedures. You can also contact REMCO for additional information at 1(800)228-2481.

**Bolt Torque Specifications**  
Torque in Foot-Pounds per Inch Bolts

Bolt Size	Grade 5	Grade 8
1/4”	10	14
5/16”	19	29
3/8”	33	47
7/16”	54	78
1/2”	78	119
5/8”	154	230



**WARNING**

Failure to read and follow these instructions could result in separation of the towed vehicle from the tow bar, causing property damage, loss of towed vehicle, personal injury or death.

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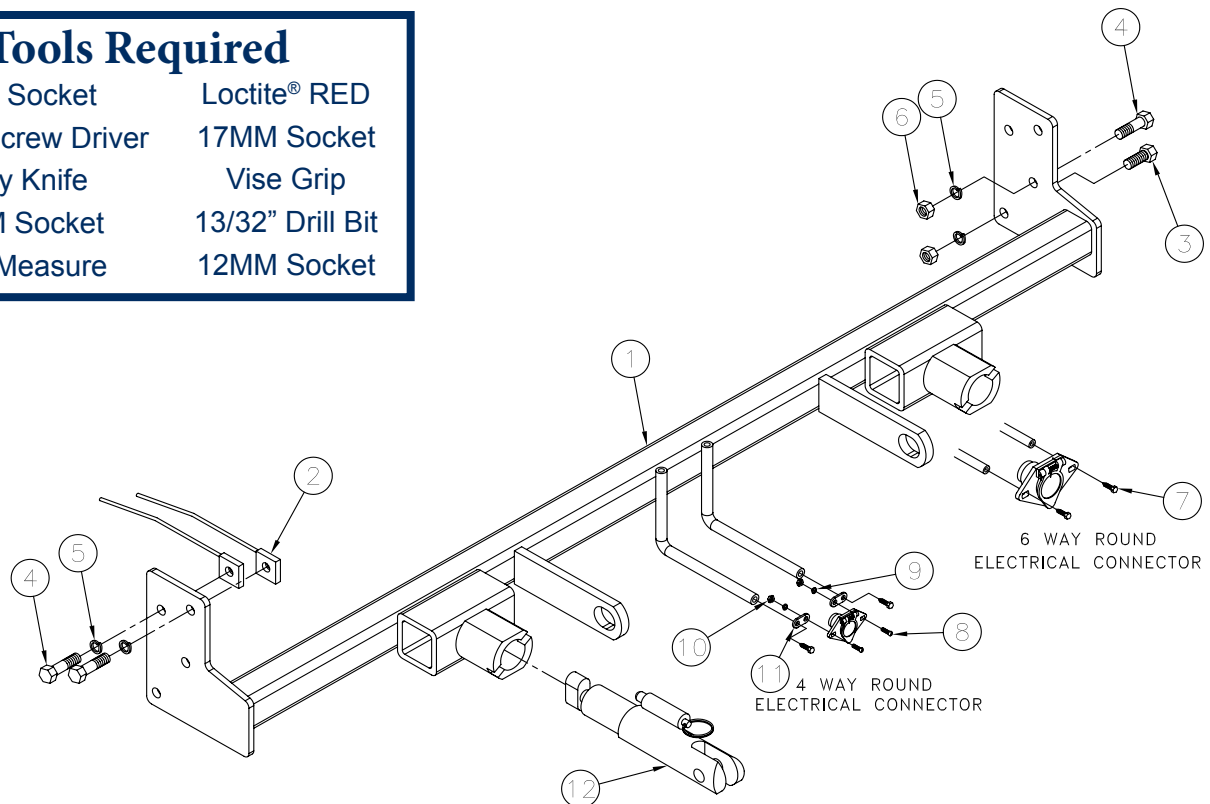
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### Parts List

Ref. No.	Qty.	Part #	Description
1	1	61-6166	Weldment, Baseplate, BX2240
2	4	61-5208	Weldment, 3/8"-16 Nutplate, w/ 14" Wire
3	2	201-0443	3/8-16 x 1 Hex Bolt, Grd. 5, ZP
4	6	201-0368	3/8-16 x 1 1/4" Hex Bolt, Grd. 5, ZP
5	8	203-0010	3/8 Lock Washer, ZP
6	4	202-0003	3/8-16 Hex Nut, ZP
7	2	201-0979	#12-14 x 1" Self Drilling Screw, ZP
8	2	201-0192	10-32 x 1/2" Slot, Rd. Hd. Screw
9	2	203-0054	#10 Lock Washer
10	2	202-0047	#10-32 Hex Nut
11	2	101-5822	Adapter, 4 Way Connector
12	2	62-3468	Attachment Tab, assembly, SF/SB (R)
	2	226-0046	Baseplate Safety Cable, 36" CL III (Not Shown)
	2	229-0359	Quicklink, 3/8, ZP (Not Shown)
	2	290-0437	Cap Plug, Black (Not Shown)

### Tools Required

9/16" Socket	Loctite® RED
Phillips Screw Driver	17MM Socket
Utility Knife	Vise Grip
10MM Socket	13/32" Drill Bit
Tape Measure	12MM Socket



### Important:

Use only genuine factory replacement parts on your baseplate. Do **NOT** substitute homemade or non-typical parts. If a bolt is lost or in need of replacement, for your safety and the preservation of your baseplate, be sure to use a replacement bolt of the same grade (In most cases it will be Grade 5, please reference the parts list above). Replacement parts may be ordered through your nearest Blue Ox® Dealer or Distributor.

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#### Attachment Tabs:

Due to the design of the removable tabs, the RangeFinder II tow bar can not be used. Adapters, except for the BX8833 and BX88151, can not be used with this baseplate.

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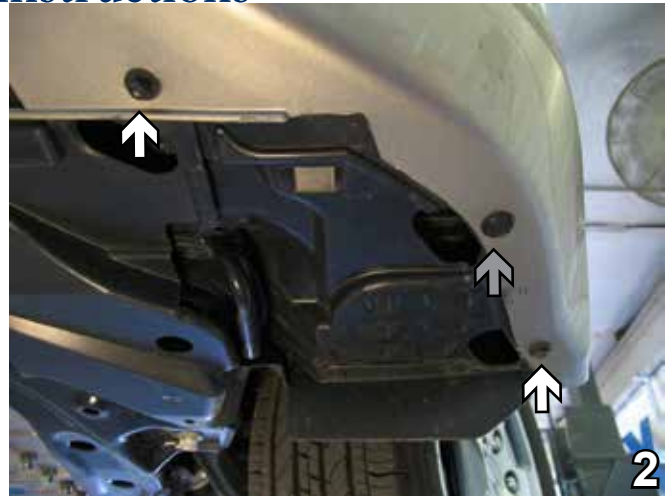
The front fascia, metal bumper, headlight assemblies and the windshield washer reservoir are removed for the baseplate installation. Drilling is required.

Some vehicles fascias may need trimming. The dimensional variations between otherwise identical vehicles can be considerable. While the baseplate was designed for easy installation, it may be necessary to tailor the baseplate slightly to compensate for auto manufacture's tolerances. These minor adjustments may include filing a hole slightly, bending electrical rods, and/ or bending endplates.

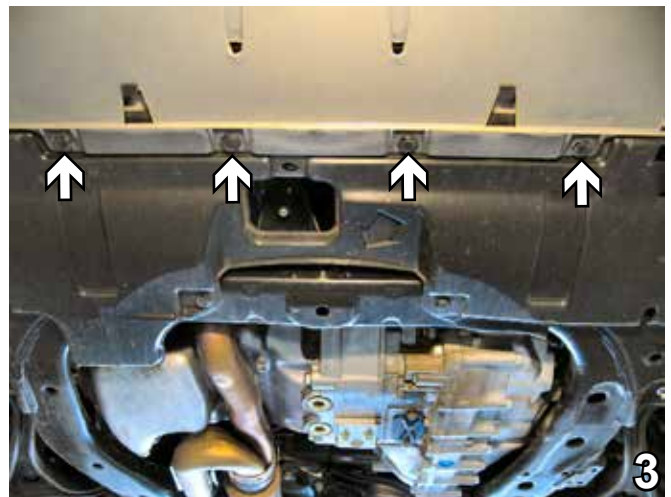
The BX8847 Diode Wiring Kit is recommended for this vehicle.



1. Remove two Phillips push pins from upper, outside edge of the black plastic radiator cover (see grey arrow). Remove regular push pins from radiator (see white arrows) and set cover aside. The driver's side is shown in the photo.



2. Using the 10MM Socket, remove two metric bolts on fascia, just forward of the front tire (see white arrows). Remove one push pin (see grey arrow) and set all aside to be re-installed later. This is done to both sides of the vehicle the driver's side is shown.



3. Remove the four push pins from the front center of the fascia.



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4. On the edge of the fascia, inside the wheel well, there is one Phillips screw to remove. Set these aside to be re-installed later. This is done on both sides of the vehicle, the driver's side is shown. After this is done, you will be able to pull the fascia forward and carefully set it aside.



6. Using a 10MM Socket, remove two bolts from just inside the headlight housing. Set these bolts aside to be re-installed later. This is done on both sides of the vehicle, the driver's side is shown.



5. Remove the metric bolt on the side of the fascia near the headlight assembly using a 10MM Socket. Set bolts aside to be re-installed later. This is done on both sides of the vehicle, the driver's side is shown.



7. Using a 10MM Socket, remove two metric bolts from the top of the headlight assembly. Set bolts aside to be re-installed later. This is done on both sides of the vehicle, the driver's side is shown. Pull the headlight assembly forward and carefully set aside.

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8. Remove two metric bolts from the top of the metal bumper (Photo 8-A) using a 12MM Socket. Remove one metric bolt from the bottom of the metal bumper using a 12MM Socket (Photo 8-B). This is done on both sides of the vehicle, the passenger's side is shown.
9. Straighten the rib on the lower edge of the outside frame rail using the vise grips (See Photo 9-A). This is done to both side of the vehicle, the driver's side is shown. Bend the leading edge of the passenger's side outside frame rail flush with the frame rail (See Photo 9-B).



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10. On the bottom side of the metal bumper, unplug and release the clip holding the temperature sensor to the metal bumper. When this has been disengaged you are able to pull the metal bumper forward and carefully set the metal bumper aside.



12. Measure 1/4" down from the frame rail and clamp baseplate in place using vice grips. The endplate should be flush with the frame rail (See Photo in Step 13).



11. Remove the windshield washer fluid reservoir by removing two metric bolts using a 10MM Socket. Disconnect and plug all hoses. Set the windshield washer fluid reservoir aside to be re-installed later.



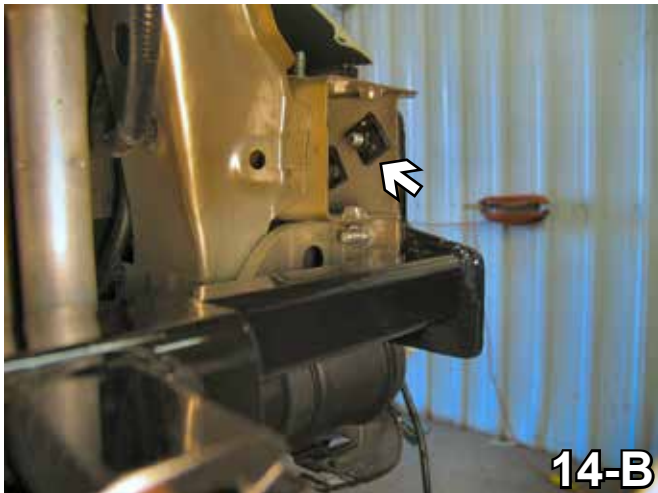
13. Using the baseplate as a template, drill the four holes in the side of the frame rail with the 13/32" Drill Bit. This is done to both sides of the vehicle, the driver's side is shown. Make sure there is 1/4" clearance between the baseplate cross tube and the condenser tubing.

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BE SURE TO USE LOCTITE® RED ON ALL BOLTS BEFORE TIGHTENING. TIGHTEN ALL BOLTS ACCORDING TO THE TORQUE CHART ON THE FRONT PAGE OF THESE INSTRUCTIONS OR ON PAGE 3 OF THE BASEPLATE TOWING GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS.



14-A



14-B

14. Insert the two 3/8-16 nut plates into the frame rail to align with the top two drilled holes on the baseplate and install the 3/8-16 x 1 1/4" hex bolts and 3/8" lock washers (See White Arrows in Photo 14-A). Install the 3/8-16 x 1 1/4" hex bolt, 3/8" lock washer and 3/8-16 hex nut into the center hole. Insert the shorter 3/8-16 x 1" hex bolt, 3/8" lock washer and 3/8-16 hex nut into the lower hole to avoid the air bag sensor (See Grey arrow in Photo 14-A). Tighten all bolts and nut plates. After tightening, cut off the wire on the nut plate (See Photo 14-B).



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15. Re-install the metal bumper according to Steps 8-10. Be sure to plug the temperature sensor back in and clip it to the frame rail.



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16. Re-install the windshield washer reservoir by replacing the two metric bolts and tightening with the 10MM Socket. You will then need to mark and trim the windshield washer reservoir so that it does **NOT** overlap the baseplate.

Be sure that **ALL** electrical connections are plugged in properly and functioning **BEFORE** Installing the fascia.



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17. Reinstall front fascia according to the instructions on the previous pages (Steps 1-7).
18. Install the tow bar and safety cables according to their instructions. When demonstrating this to the customer, be sure to include all the contents and packages of their Blue Ox products.
19. **DO NOT** substitute other devices if the tow bar pins and clips are misplaced.



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Additionally, please visit our website to see which rallies our Destination America team will be attending. For a nominal fee, our service technician will service your towing system to ensure it's in proper working condition. Also as a commitment to our customers, should you visit our factory you can stay at our full service Blue Ox campground at no charge along with enjoying a factory tour.

Again thank you for being our customer and for the confidence you have shown in the performance of our products. It is because of customers like you we enjoy the success we have today.



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# General Information

1. Ensure that your product(s) are registered online at [www.blueox.com](http://www.blueox.com). It is crucial to register your product(s) so that you may be alerted of product offerings, updates, upgrades, maintenance and safety bulletins, and/or recalls.
2. **It is the owner's responsibility to inspect all towing equipment for cracked welds, missing or worn parts and loose bolts before each towing trip.** Be sure to use Loctite® Red on all bolts and tighten to the recommended specifications.
3. **It is the owner's responsibility to hook up all towing equipment per manufacturer's instructions/recommendations.**
4. Remove the attachment tabs when not in use (if applicable).

## Notice To Baseplate Installer

### 1. It is YOUR responsibility to watch for:

- Oil cooler and air conditioner lines
- Electrical wires and hoses
- Missing parts or attaching points on the frame

\*\* If the baseplate is improperly installed and is against a wire or hose, it could cause fluid leaks or electrical shorts some time after the actual baseplate installation.

## Permanent Baseplate Safety Cable Installation

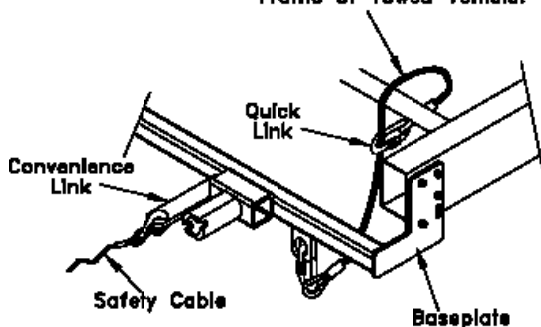
Permanent baseplate safety cables are strongly recommended when towing a vehicle with a tow bar. The principle function of the permanent baseplate safety cables is to prevent the towed vehicle from breaking loose in the event the connection between the frame of the towed vehicle and the baseplate fails or becomes disconnected. The cables must be connected from the baseplate to the frame rail or cross member of the vehicle's frame. The illustrations below show the possible arrangements recommended by Blue Ox®. Each permanent baseplate safety cable must have an adequate weight rating for the towing system. The weight rating of the two (2) cables together will not qualify.

***Do not mount the permanent baseplate safety cables against wires, hoses or brake lines.***

These permanent baseplate safety cables should remain installed as long as the baseplate is installed on the vehicle. Permanent baseplate safety cables are to be used in conjunction with, and NOT a replacement for legally required safety cables attaching the towed vehicle to the towing vehicle.

### OPTION #1

Permanent Baseplate Safety Cables to Cross Member or Frame of Towed Vehicle.



### OPTION #2

Permanent Baseplate Safety Cables to Cross Member or Frame of Towed Vehicle.

