



**BX3744 Installation Instructions  
2001-03 Toyota Tacoma 2/WD**

**Serial No.**

Tie down brackets are remove and not reinstalled for baseplate installation. There is **NO** drilling. The attachment tabs are centered at 24 inches and at 11 inches height.



1. Remove the four metric bolts from factory tie down brackets with 17MM socket. Factory tie down brackets will **not** be reinstalled.
2. Using existing bolts hold baseplate in place and tighten all bolts. **Be sure and use loctite on all bolts before tightening.**
3. Baseplate installation is complete.
4. The dimensional variations between otherwise identical cars can be considerable. While the location and size of the holes in the baseplate were designed to allow for easy installation. It may be necessary to file a hole slightly.
5. Install tow bar and safety cables according to the instructions included in their packages. Do not substitute other devices if the tow bar pin or clip is lost.
6. **DEALER OR INSTALLER: BE CERTAIN THE USER RECEIVES THE INSTRUCTION SHEET.**



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## Tools Required

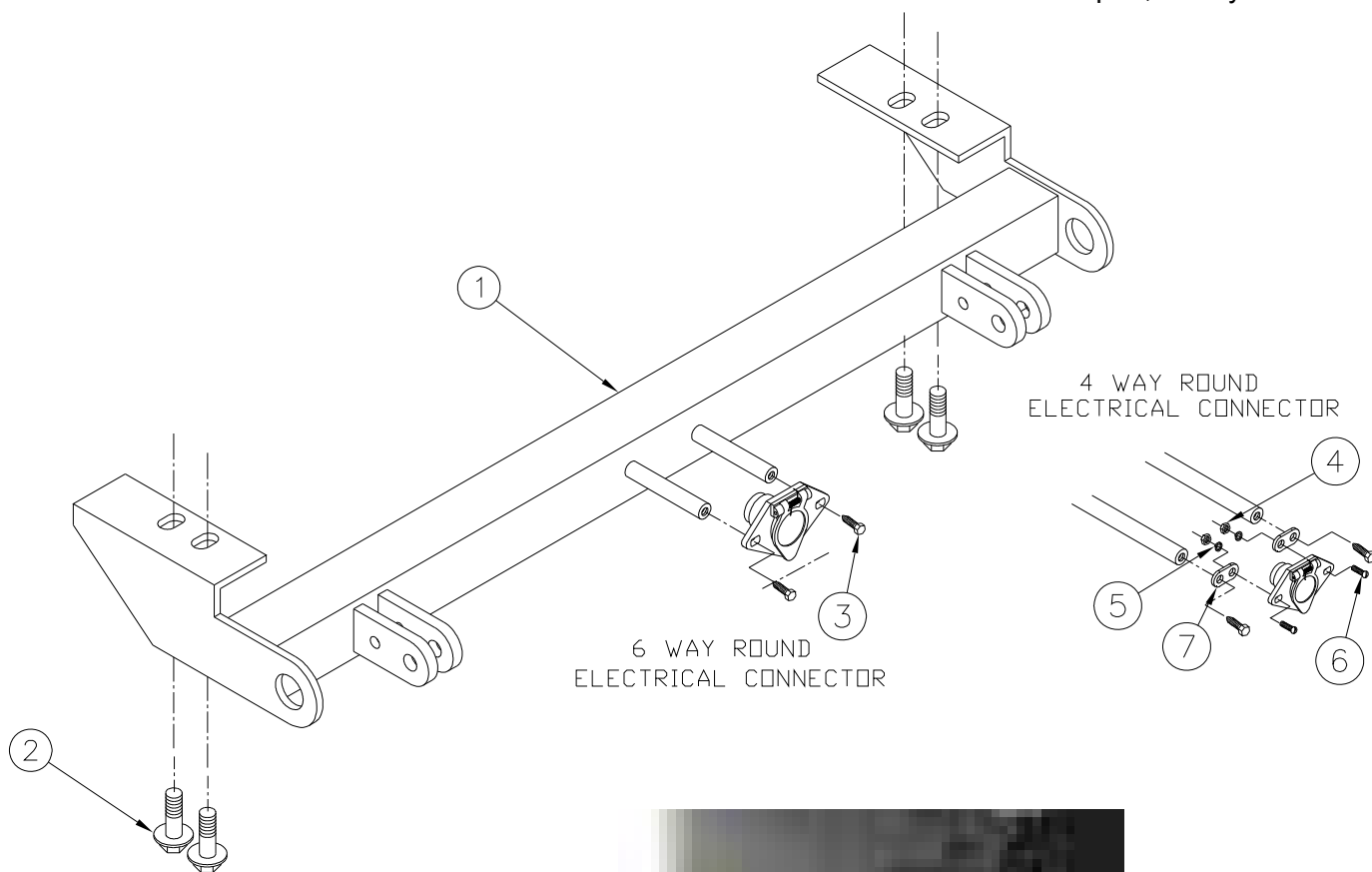
17MM Socket

Loctite Blue

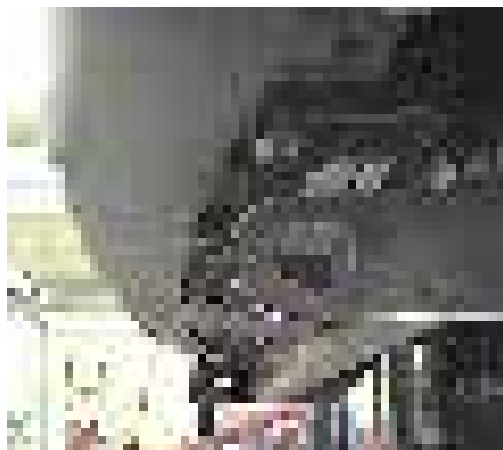
Vise Grips

## Parts List

Ref. No.	Qty.	Part No.	Description
1	1	61-5615	Weldment, Base Plate, BX3744
2	4	Existing	Bolts
3	2	201-0979	#12-14 x 1" Self Drilling Screw, ZP
4	2	202-0047	#10-32 Hex Nut
5	2	203-0054	#10 Lock Washer
6	2	201-0192	#10-32 x 1/2 Slot, Rd. Hd. Screw
7	2	101-5822	Adapter, 4 Way Connector



**IMPORTANT:** Use only genuine factory replacement parts on your Base Plate. Do not substitute homemade or nontypical parts. If a bolt is lost or in need of replacement, for your safety and the preservation of your Base Plate, be sure to use a replacement bolt of the same grade (Usually Grade 5, refer to parts list). Repair parts may be ordered through your nearest **Blue Ox** dealer or distributor.



## 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.**

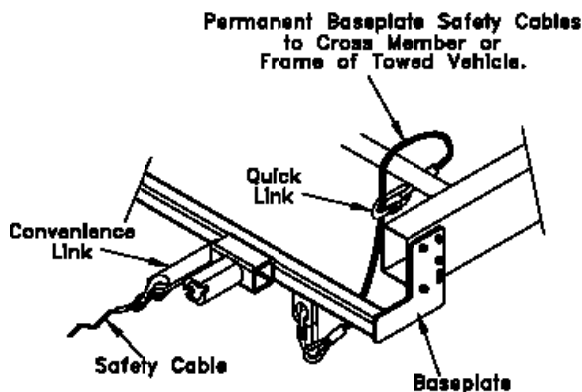
## Permanent Baseplate Safety Cable Installation

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



### OPTION #2

