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## INSTRUCTIONS

## A7708R - A7712R

## A7708RS - A7712RS

## Warning!!

This battery box is made of aluminum and is conductive! Do not allow the battery terminals to touch the aluminum battery box. Be careful not to touch the battery box with a wrench while tightening the battery terminals, as this could cause a short!





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# <u>Warning!! Improper installation of</u> <u>Solar Equipped Power Armors may</u> <u>result in battery over-charging!</u>

# **Solar Installation Option 1:**

If you plan to use **two** batteries with a single **10-Watt Solar Panel**, you will <u>NOT</u> need to purchase any additional parts.

# **Solar Installation Option 2:**

If you plan to use **one** battery with a single **10-Watt Solar Panel**, it is required that you use a **6 Amp Regulator (PN A7715)** to prevent your battery from gassing and over charging.

## **Optional Solar Parts**

**PN - A7713** - Additional 10-Watt Solar Panel (Requires the use of **A7714** or **A7715** when installed as a second solar panel)

**PN - A7714** - Y-Harness Adapter (Connects Two 10-Watt solar panels, not needed if using **A7715**)

**PN - A7715** - 6-amp regulator **required when using less than two batteries per solar panel** (Regulates amperage to prevent gassing and over charging, will work with **one** or **two** 10-Watt Solar Panels, **A7714** not required)

# **Replacement Battery Mats**

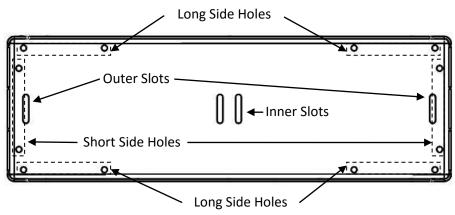
The battery mat included with the Power Armor Battery Box is acid neutralizing, and will help reduce any corrosion from spilled battery acid. They are a "wear" item and may eventually need to be replaced. New battery mats are available through Torklift International. Part Numbers below.

PN: A7716- A7706R(S)/A7708R(S) Battery Mats
PN: A7718- A7711R(S)/A7712R(S) Battery Mats

## **Inventory List** A7708R, A7712R, A7708RS, A7712RS

Item:	Quantity:
Power Armor Battery Box	1
Power Armor Lid	1
Angle Extension	2
Battery Mat 26" (A7708R - A7708RS)	1
Battery Mat 23.5" (A7712R - A7712RS)	1
Battery Strap	2
1/4" x 1" Self-Drilling Screw	6
7/16" Square Profile O-rings	6
1/4"-20 x 1" SS Hex Bolt	4
1/4"-20 x 2" Hex Bolt	4
1/4" SS USS Flat Washer	16
1/4"-20 SS Nylock Nuts	8
15A Fuse Holder (Solar Models Only)	1
1/4"x 5/8"x 1/4" Nylon Spacer	4

Figure 0.1



### Step 1:

Remove the **Power Armor Lid** by sliding the lid away from the side with the lock, then lifting the front edge and unhooking the lid from the tabs on the rear of the box. The **Power Armor Battery Box** has four slots cut into the bottom of the box. Use a sharp knife to make an incision in the **Battery Mat** over each of the slots. This will allow for the **Battery Straps** to pass through the slots.

### Step 2:

On each side of the **Power Armor Battery Box**, insert the non-buckled end of a **Battery Strap** down through the outer slot and back up through the inner slot (see figure 0.1 for slot locations.) Leave approximately 10" of the buckled end inside of the box.

Depending on mounting, the battery straps will not be able to slide through the slots after the box is mounted. Place a battery into the **Power Armor Battery Box** and adjust the **Battery Stra**ps into a suitable position on both sides. Remove the battery and **Battery Mat** before proceeding. The 2" hole in the front/back panel of the **Power Armor Battery Box** is used to allow the battery cables to enter the battery box. It can be mounted to either the front or rear of the trailer as long as there is sufficient room to open and remove the **Power Armor Lid.** There are four mounting options described in these instructions.

**Option 1:** <u>PAGE 6</u>: **Mounting on top of the trailer A-frame.** Use this option if all four corners of the **Power Armor Battery Box** will sit on top of the A-frame.

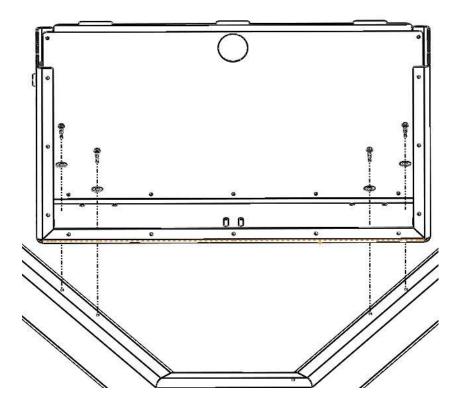
**Option 2:** <u>PAGE 7</u>: Mounting on top of the trailer A-frame using the **Angle Extension Brackets.** Use this option if the box is not wide enough for the rear corners to sit on the A-frame.

Option 3: <u>PAGE 9</u>: Mounting in the factory battery box location between the rails. Use this option if your Power Armor Battery box will fit in between the factory battery box support rails.

**Option 4:** <u>PAGE 10</u>: Mounting in the factory battery box location above the rails. Use this option if your Power Armor Battery Box will mount in the factory battery box location, but can't fit between the battery support rails.

### Step 3: Option 1

Place the **Power Armor Battery Box** on top of the trailer A-frame. Mark each corner of the box where it will screw down into the trailer A-frame, and drill a 3/16" pilot hole. Use the **1/4" x 1" Self-Drilling Screws** and **1/4" SS USS Flat Washers** to screw the **Power Armor Battery Box** into the Trailer A-frame. Place a **7/16" square profile O-ring** around the head of each screw to protect the battery mat from abrasion. See figure 3.1

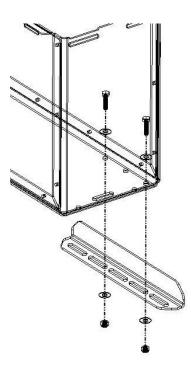


Front/Back View-

Figure 3.1

### Step 3: Option 2

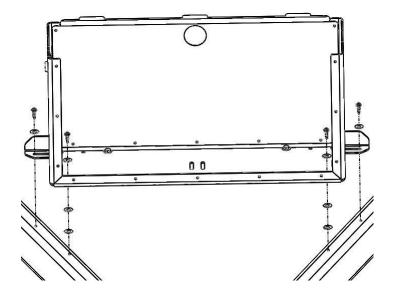
Measure the mounting width required for the rear of the **Power Armor Battery Box**. Insert one **1/4''-20 x 1'' SS Hex Bolt** with one **1/4'' SS USS Washer** into two of the "*Long Side Holes*" on each side of the battery box. (see figure 0.1) Secure the **Angle Extension Brackets** to the box with one **1/4'' SS USS Flat Washer** and one **1/4''-20 SS Nylock** nut per bolt. Any of the slots in the **Angle Extension Brackets** can be used as long as the previously measured mounting width is achieved. See figure 3.2



Side View-

Figure 3.2

Drill a 3/16" pilot hole and use the 1/4" x 1" Self-Drill Screws to secure the outside of each Angle Extension Bracket to the A-frame of the trailer. To keep the Power Armor Battery Box level, use two 1/4" SS USS Flat Washers as a shim under each of the front corners of the Power Armor Battery Box. Drill a 3/16" pilot hole and use a 1/4" x 1" Self-Drill Screw to secure the front corners of the Power Armor Battery Box through the 1/4" SS USS Flat Washers and into the trailer's A-frame. See Figure 3.3

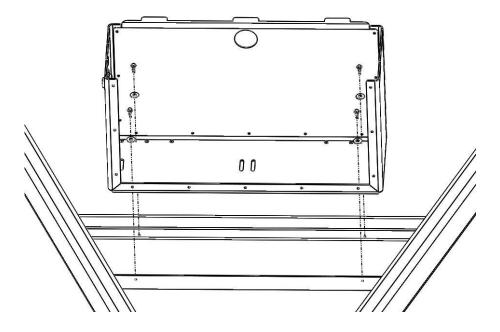


Front/Back View-

Figure 3.3

### Step 3: Option 3

Place the **Power Armor Battery Box** between the factory battery support rails. Drill a 3/16" Pilot hole in each corner of the **Power Armor Battery Box** and through the battery support rails. The existing holes in the battery box can be used if they are placed appropriately for your application. Use the supplied 1/4" x 1" Self-Drilling Screws to secure each corner to the battery support rails. See figure 3.4



Front/Back View-

Figure 3.4

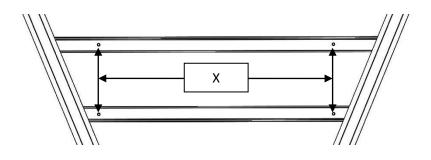
#### Step 3: Option 4

Begin by drilling two 1/4" holes in each of the battery support straps. For

A7706/A7708 Battery Boxes, the holes should be 25-1/2" apart. For

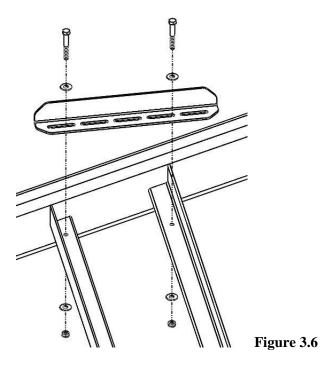
A7711/A7712 Battery Boxes, the holes should be 22-5/8" apart. (see

dimension "X" in figure 3.5)





Insert one 1/4"-20 x 2" Hex Bolt with one 1/4" SS USS Flat Washer down through the slots of the Angle Extension Bracket and through each of the holes previously drilled. The vertical flange on each Angle Extension Bracket should be facing towards the outside of the trailer. Lightly secure each bolt with one 1/4" SS USS Flat Washer and one 1/4"-20 SS Thin Nylock Nut. Test fit to make sure the "*Short Side Holes*" in the Power Armor Battery Box will align with the slots in the Angle Extension Brackets. Adjust as necessary and tighten the 1/4"-20 x 2" Hex Bolts. See figure 3.6



Insert one 1/4"-20x 1" SS Hex Bolt with one 1/4" SS USS Flat Washer into all four "*Short Side Holes*" on the Power Armor Battery Box. Place one 1/4"x 5/8"x 1/4" Nylon Spacer between the battery box and Angle Extension Brackets. Secure each bolt with one 1/4" SS USS Flat Washer and one 1/4"-20 Nylock Nut. See figure 3.7

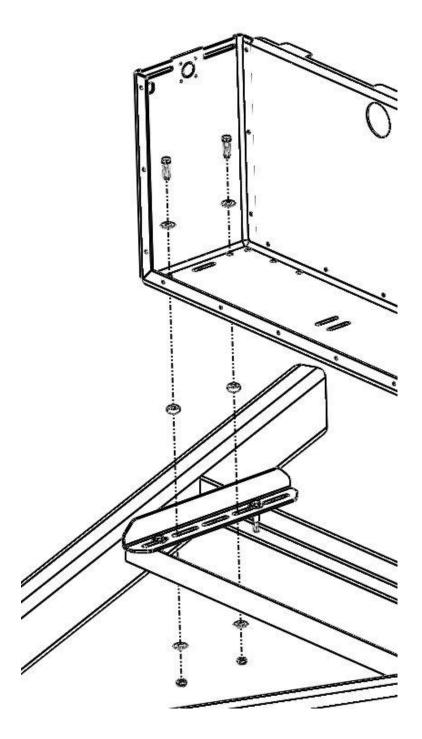


Figure 3.7 12 Reinstall the **Battery Mat** and Batteries. To prevent any possible contact between the battery terminals and lock, the battery terminals should be oriented towards the side of the box with the 2" hole. Tightly secure the batteries with the battery straps.

### Step 5

The **Power Armor** and **Power Armor Solar battery boxes** are capable of supporting multiple battery configurations. Depending on the configuration, additional battery cables may be required but are not included.

Option 1: PAGE 14: Wiring for a single 12v battery

Option 2: PAGE 14: Wiring for two 12v batteries

Option 3: <u>PAGE 15</u>: Wiring for two 6v batteries

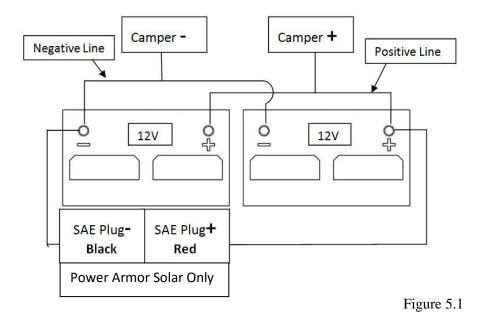
Insert the positive and negative battery cables into the box through the 2" hole. Connect the positive battery cable to the positive terminal on the battery. Connect the negative battery cable to the negative terminal on the battery.

**Solar Models Only:** For *Power Armor Solar* customers, a 6 amp regulator will be required for this installation option. Attach the supplied fuse holder to the positive wire on the SAE connector. Connect the positive wire from the SAE connector to the positive terminal on the battery. Connect the negative wire from the SAW connector to the negative terminal on the battery.

### Step 5: Option 2

Insert the positive and negative battery cables into the box through the 2" hole. Connect the positive cable from the camper to the positive terminal on one of the batteries. Connect the negative cable from the camper to the negative terminal on the other battery. Install one cable connecting both positive battery terminals together. Install one cable connecting both negative battery terminals together. See diagram 5.1. This configuration will produce a 12v power source from two 12v batteries.

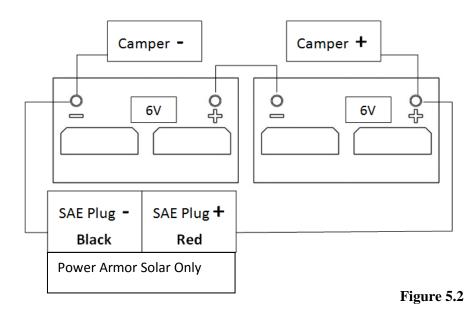
**Solar Models Only**: Attach the supplied fuse holder to the positive wire on the SAE connector. Connect the positive and negative wires from the SAE connector as shown in figure 5.1



Step 5: Option 3

Insert the positive and negative battery cables into the box through the 2" hole. Connect the positive cable from the camper to the positive terminal on one of the batteries. Install one cable connecting the unused negative terminal on the first battery to the unused positive terminal on the second battery. This configuration will create a 12v Power Source from two 6v batteries.

**Solar Models Only:** Attach the supplied fuse holder to the positive wire on the SAE connector. Connect the positive and negative wires from the SAE connector as shown in figure 5.2



Step 6

To attach the **Battery Box Lid** to the **Power Armor Solar Battery Box**, place it over the **Power Armor Battery Box**, and align it so the tabs on the **Power Armor Solar Battery Box** fit through the slotted holes in the **Power Armor Lid** as seen in Figure 6.1

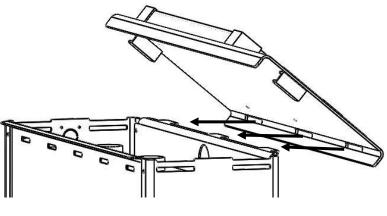
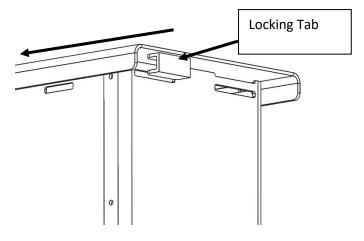


Figure 6.1

### Step 7

Slide the **Battery Box Lid** away from the lock and lower it down over the front of the **Power Armor Solar Battery Box**. Once the **Power Armor Lid** is sitting flat, slide it towards the lock so the Locking tabs on the lid slide into the **Power Armor Solar Battery Box** as seen in figure 7.1





After the Battery Box Lid has slid into place, lock the key cylinder as seen

in figure 7.2.

**Solar Models Only**: Connect the **SAE connector** from the Solar Panel into the **SAE connector** on the side of the **Power Armor Solar Battery Box**.

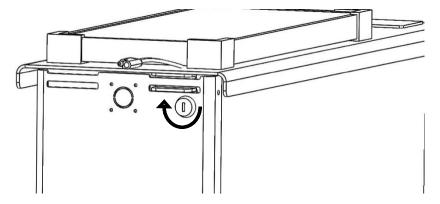


Figure 7.2

#### 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 have 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 Tiedowns 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.

<u>TORKLIFT DOES NOT RECOMMEND</u>: 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!

#### <u>INSTRUCTIONS FOR FINISH MAINTENANCE</u> 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 an 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 products are available at any automotive parts supplier.

#### POLISHED STAINLESS STEEL :

TorkLift utilizes quality grade 304 stainless steel in our stainless steel polished products. 304 stainless

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



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High strength extended hitch system engineered for safely towing all types of trailers behind your truck and camper. With a max towing capacity of 14,000 lbs.(6350Kg). with an extension\*, (20,000 lbs.(9071Kg) to 30,000 lbs (13607 Kg) ( without\*) the SuperHitch Magnum 20K and SuperHitch Magnum 30K are rated the strongest in the industry.



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