

## TRAILER HITCH MOUNTING INSTRUCTIONS

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CATALOGUE NUMBER .....(old # MA16V) .....247262  
 APPLICATION .....Mazda Miata, convertible, all 1990-97  
 HITCH CAPACITY .....2000 pounds gross trailer weight 200 pounds maximum tongue load  
 OR the maximum load specified by the vehicle manufacturer;  
 WHICHEVER IS LESS.

- PLEASE NOTE: A. This hitch features a removable ball mount. This hitch is not intended for use as a weight distributing hitch. Before towing, the hitch pin and retainer clip **MUST** be in place securing ball mount to receiver.
- B. This product complies with safety specifications and requirements for connecting devices and towing systems of the state of New York and regulation V.E.S.C. V-5.
1. A slight trimming of rear bumper facia material may be necessary. This may occur at outer ends of hitch where bottom edge of facia is close. Also, skirt fastened at bottom of rear facia of certain models may have to be removed or trimmed in center to allow for receiver.
  2. Under the rear of the car, left and right sides, locate the vertical metal bosses with the tie down brackets bolted to them. These tie down brackets do **NOT** have to be removed. The hitch will bolt to existing holes in the **OUTSIDE** surface of each boss. Refer to the diagram.
  3. Raise the hitch onto car positioning the hitch end brackets against outside of each boss so holes in boss and hitch end brackets line up.
  4. Fasten the hitch to bosses using fasteners ① Use handle nuts provided placing them inside each boss at access holes.
  5. Final tighten all fasteners as specified on reverse of these instructions. Recheck all fasteners occasionally for tightness.

## FASTENERS:

- ① (4) 7/16 x 1 1/2" screw  
 (4) 7/16" lock washers  
 (4) 7/16" flat washers  
 (4) 7/16" handle nuts (#809)

