



MOUNTING BRACKET KIT INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

ROADMASTER, INC.

5602 N.E. SKYPORT WAY

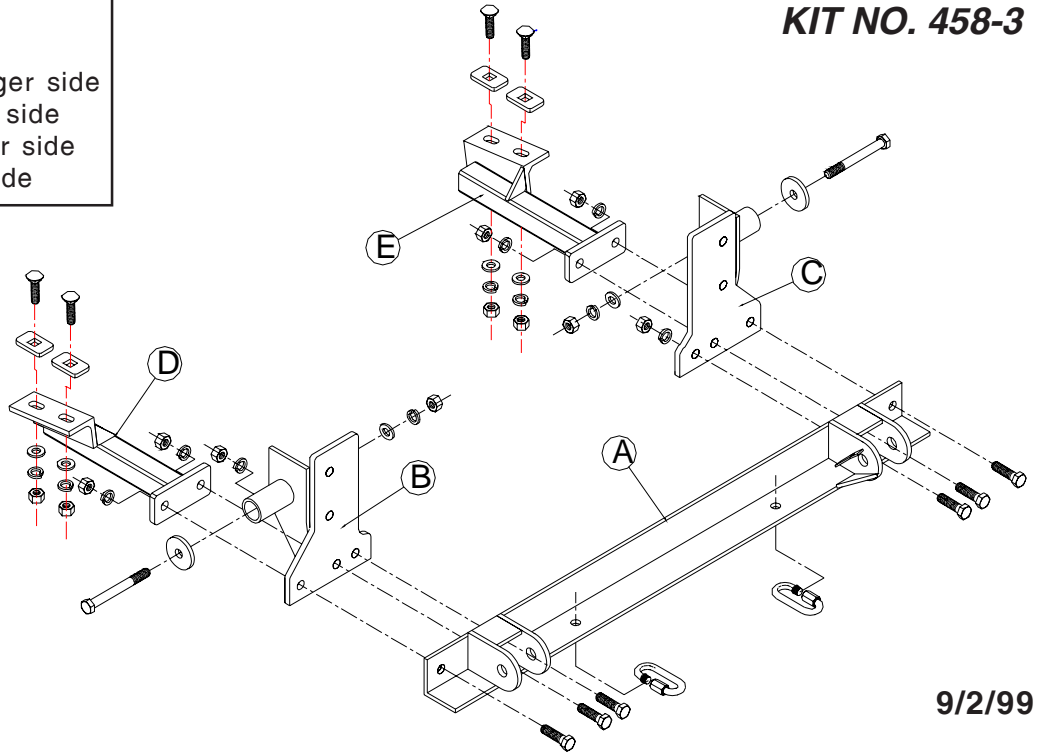
PORTLAND, OR 97218

1-800-669-9690

FAX (503) 288-8900

PARTS LIST:

- 1- FACE PLATE (A)
- 1- FRAME BRACE (B) - Passenger side
- 1- FRAME BRACE (C) - Driver's side
- 1- REAR BRACE (D) - Passenger side
- 1- REAR BRACE (E) - Driver's side

KIT NO. 458-3

9/2/99

IMPORTANT: All brackets **must** be assembled with all the bolts left loose for final adjustment & positioning (before tightening) unless otherwise instructed. All bolts **must** be torqued for proper strength. If more than one bolt is used per fastening point, the diagram may only show one.

- Use flat washers over all slotted holes
- Use lock washers on all fasteners

ROADMASTER Limited Warranty, including One-Year Conditional Warranty Text and Product Registration Card, in Carton.

WARNING

- Do not use this document for custom fabrication as it may not show all parts or structural components.
- ROADMASTER will not be responsible for any damage or injury resulting from any modification or alteration.
- The owner must inspect all mounts and brackets before each use for cracks or other signs of fatigue. Also, inspect the fasteners for proper torque, according to the torque chart.
- The owner must check the manufacturer's instructions for the proper procedure(s) to prepare the vehicle for towing. Some vehicles must be equipped with a transmission lube pump, an axle disconnect, driveline disconnect or free-wheeling hubs before they can be towed. Failure to properly equip the vehicle will cause severe damage to the transmission.
- The installer must read the instructions and use all bolts and parts supplied.
- If the towed vehicle has been in an accident, it must be properly repaired before attaching the brackets. Do not install the brackets if any structural frame damage is found. Failure to repair the damage may result in loss of your towed vehicle.
- Some motorhome chassis have such a tight turning radius that you can damage your motorhome, towed vehicle or tow bar while turning sharply. Before getting on the road, test your turning radius in an empty parking lot. Damage that results from turning too sharply is not covered by warranty.
- The driver must not back up the motorhome with the towed vehicle attached or non-warranty damage will occur to your towing system or towed vehicle.
- The safety cables must connect the towing vehicle to the towed vehicle frame to frame, with the cables crossed. Refer to the cable instructions for proper routing.
- Make sure there is enough slack in the safety cables at the motorhome to allow for sharp turns.
- Use caution when handling the tow bar — if your hands, fingers or any part of your body are caught between moving components, they can be pinched, cut or otherwise injured.
- This bracket is designed for use with ROADMASTER tow bars and ROADMASTER adaptors. Using this bracket with other brands, without an approved ROADMASTER adaptor, may result in non-warranty damage or injury.
- Important! This bracket is only warranted for the original installation. Installing a used bracket on another vehicle is not recommended and will void the warranty.
- Upon final installation, the installer must inspect the bracket to ensure adequate clearance, particularly around hoses, AC lines, radiators, etc., or non-warranty damage will result.

**WARNING**

Failure to follow these instructions can result in property damage, personal injury or even death.

MOUNTING BRACKET KIT INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

ROADMASTER, INC. 5602 N.E. SKYPORT WAY PORTLAND, OR 97218 1-800-669-9690 FAX (503) 288-8900

KIT NO. 458-3

1. This kit is a heavy duty unit designed for our **EAGLE 8000** tow bar. It utilizes the existing front bumper mounting and frame rails as mounting points. Begin the installation by removing two bumper mounting nuts directly behind the bumper on one side only.
2. Hold the appropriate rear brace in position behind the bumper and against the inside of the frame rail.
3. Replace the bumper mounting nuts and tighten.
4. Insert a 1/2" x 4 1/2" bolt through the frame brace and the vehicles frame and bolt with a 1/2" plate was flat washer,lock washer and nut.
5. Repeat steps 1-4 for the remaining frame brace.
6. Bolt the front base to the frame braces with two 1/2" x 2" bolts. Use the one inner hole on each side.
7. Bolt the rear braces behind the frame braces using 1/2" x 2" bolts, lock washers and nuts through the remaining two holes on each side.
8. Now, "**fish-wire**" two 1/2" x 1-3/4" carriage bolts and 1/4" x 1-1/4" x 2" backing plates into the existing bolt holes and rear braces. Finish bolting with 1/2" nuts, flat washers and lock washers.
9. Check alignment then tighten all bolts to the torque specifications below.
10. Mount the tow bar according to the manufacturer's instructions.

Note: This bracket kit will replace the bar base included with your **EAGLE 8000** tow bar.

HARDWARE

- 4- 1/2" x 1-3/4" carriage bolts
- 6- 1/2" x 2" bolts
- 4- 1/2" flat washers
- 12- 1/2" lock washers
- 12- 1/2" nuts
- 4- 1/4" x 1-1/4" x 2" sq. hole backing plates

9/2/99

CAUTION: Installer must read instructions and use all bolts and parts supplied.

FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAN RESULT IN DEATH, PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE

BOLT TORQUE REQUIREMENTS

Note: The torque values represented below are intended as general guidelines. Torque requirements for specific applications may vary. Roadmaster does not warrant this information to be accurate for all applications and disclaims all liability for any claims or damages which may result from its use.

STANDARD BOLTS			METRIC BOLTS			METRIC BOLTS		
Thread Size	Grade	Torque	Thread Size	Grade	Plated/Unplated	Thread Size	Grade	Plated/Unplated
5/16	5	13 ft./lb.	8mm-1.0	8.8	20 ft./lb. 18 ft./lb.	12mm-1.25	8.8	70 ft./lb. 65 ft./lb.
3/8	5	23 ft./lb.	8mm-1.25	8.8	19 ft./lb. 18 ft./lb.	12mm-1.5	8.8	66 ft./lb. 61 ft./lb.
7/16	5	37 ft./lb.	10mm-1.25	8.8	38 ft./lb. 36 ft./lb.	12mm-1.75	8.8	65 ft./lb. 60 ft./lb.
1/2	5	56 ft./lb.	10mm-1.5	8.8	37 ft./lb. 35 ft./lb.	14mm-2.0	8.8	104 ft./lb. 97 ft./lb.
5/8	5	150 ft./lb.						