

## XJ Cherokee Tow Hook Kit RR-TH11-XJ INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

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### Introduction:

Rusty's recommends that this installation be performed by a certified automotive technician or a person with professional mechanical knowledge. Installing this kit without this expertise may jeopardize the handling and safety of the vehicle.

Read instructions several times before starting. Be sure you have all the needed parts and know where they install. Read each step completely as you go. Exhaust modifications may be necessary. Prior to drilling or cutting, check behind the surface being worked on for any wires, lines, or hoses that could be damaged. After any drilling or cutting, remove burrs and grind smooth any surfaces. An inclinometer or similar tool may be needed to measure driveshaft angles before and after the installation.

### Warning:

- It is the owners' responsibility to inspect all Rusty's products for proper torque specs to prevent loosening of components.
- Seat belts and shoulder harnesses should be worn at all times.
- Re-check all bolts and nuts after the first 100 miles and after any off-road usage during the first 300 miles.
- Although all of our products are made from the highest quality materials possible, they are not a substitute for Safe and Careful driving. In other words, have good safe on-road / off-road sense. Know the terrain, the speed limitations, and any obstacles that may lie ahead. Please remember to preserve our right to enjoy public land through the proper use of off-road vehicles.

### Before Starting Installation:

1. Carefully Read all warnings and instructions completely before beginning.
2. Verify all parts have been received in this kit by checking the parts list on page#2 of this document.
3. Only install this kit on the vehicle for which it is specified.
4. Park the vehicle on a clean, dry, flat, level surface and block the tires so the vehicle cannot roll in either direction.
5. Be certain the vehicle is safely secured on jack stands or a vehicle lift prior to working around or under a vehicle. Never rely on a jack alone to support a vehicle's weight; use appropriately rated stands to support the vehicle's frame and any other heavy components.

**Parts List:**

**Note:** Please be sure that you have all the provided parts listed below before continuing with the installation.

<b>Part #</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION:</b>	<b>Quantity</b>
RR-TH11-XJ-DS	Driver Side Tow Hook Mounting Bracket	1
RR-TH11-XJ-PS	Passenger Side Tow Hook Mounting Bracket	1
THB1	Tow Hook Package (Contains Qty:2 Tow Hooks with Mounting Hardware)	1
87918686	1/2"-13 x 3-1/2" Length Steel Carriage Bolt	2
05724646	1/2" SAE Flat Washer	2
67488965	1/2"-13 Grade 8 Hex Lock Nut	2
67444729	M10 x 1.50mm x 30mm Length Hex Head Cap Screw	6
05724620	3/8" SAE Flat Washer	6

**Installation Instructions**

**Note:** Save all factory components and hardware for reuse, unless noted.

1. Park the vehicle on a level and safe working surface before continuing with the installation process. Chock the tires to prevent the vehicle from being able to roll.
2. Disconnect the vacuum bottle on the inside of the passenger side of the bumper. Mark and disconnect each of the lines to assist with reinstallation
3. Disconnect any wiring that maybe routed to any driving or fog lights that will prevent the removal of the vehicles front bumper.
4. Remove the front bumper from the vehicle. Retain all mounting hardware as it will be reused when the bumper is reinstalled. (**Note:** Carefully remove the plastic push in retainers so that they may be reused.)
5. Position the Driver Side Tow Hook Mounting Bracket on the side of the frame where the bumper was bolted. Approximately 9" to the rear of the bumper mounting holes there is a hole that goes through the frame, align and insert the supplied (Qty:1) 1/2"-13 x 3-1/2" Length Steel Carriage Bolt and install the supplied (Qty:1) 1/2" SAE Flat Washer and (Qty:1) 1/2"-13 Grade 8 Hex Lock Nut. Do Not Tighten Hardware Yet.
6. Repeat step 5 to install the Passenger Side Tow Hook Mounting Bracket.
7. Loosen the factory bumper mounting brackets hardware and spread both the driver and passenger side mounting bracket outward 1/4" on each side and retighten hardware.



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8. Reinstall the factory bumper by sliding the bumper over the two hook brackets and replace the original hardware with the supplied (Qty:6) M10 x 1.50mm x 30mm Length Hex Head Cap Screw and (Qty:6) 3/8" SAE Flat Washers.
9. Adjust the bumper once installed to ensure that it is straight then tighten hardware. (Tighten the 1/2" hardware to 65 ft.-lbs.) (Tighten the 10mm hardware to 45 ft.-lbs.)
10. Reconnect the vacuum bottle and any wiring removed during steps 2-3.
11. Install the supplied tow hooks to the frame brackets using the hardware packaged with the Tow Hook Package. Tighten supplied hardware to 65 ft.-lbs.
12. Installation is now completed! (We highly suggest rechecking all hardware to ensure that everything is tightened properly once the installation is completed and after your first use of the tow hooks.)

### Final Notes

Be sure to never use a chain or a tow strap with a chain for self-recovery chains can become deadly! When winching to a tree, be sure to always use a tree protector. Although all of our products are made from the highest quality possible, they are not a substitute for safe and careful driving. In other words good safe on-road / off road sense. Know the terrain, the speed limitations, and any obstacles that may lie ahead. Please remember to preserve our right to enjoy public land through the proper use of off-road vehicles.

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