

A HITCH FOR EVERY TRUCK

With so many fifth-wheel hitches being offered, making a choice can be tough. But we're here to help. One of the first questions to ask yourself: "How would I like my trailer hitch to attach to my truck?"

NO RAILS

When we invented the Turnoverball Gooseneck Hitch over 25 years ago, customers loved being able to turn the ball over and have their truck bed free. A few years later, we started asking ourselves if that could be done with a fifth-wheel hitch. It turns out, the answer is 'yes'! Our Companion Fifth-Wheel Hitch uses the same under-bed mounting system as the original Turnoverball and has a single-point attachment. When you're not using it, the Companion is removable and your truck is free to haul something else.

PUCKS

A few years ago, some truck manufacturers started offering a mounting system for fifth-wheels as a factory option in new trucks. These mounting systems use 'pucks', arranged at different spacing as a means for attachment. We build Companion Bases that work with these pucks at the four corners.

RAILS

While permanent rails in a truck aren't for everybody, they are still a preferred method of attachment for some. Our Patriot line was born when customers asked us to take the lovable features of the Companion, but mount them on industry standard rails. So, we did. The Patriot, like all of our products, is made in America.









1. Companion[™] Installed



3. Remove Base



2. Remove Coupler



4. Use your truck bed for something else.



TOWING WITH A SHORT-BED TRUCK

Another important consideration when deciding on a fifthwheel hitch is this: SLIDER OR NO SLIDER?

A sliding hitch allows you to move the pivot point of the hitch rearward when maneuvering so that your trailer nose doesn't hit the cab of your truck. There are several schools of thought on this question, but it really comes down to personal preference.

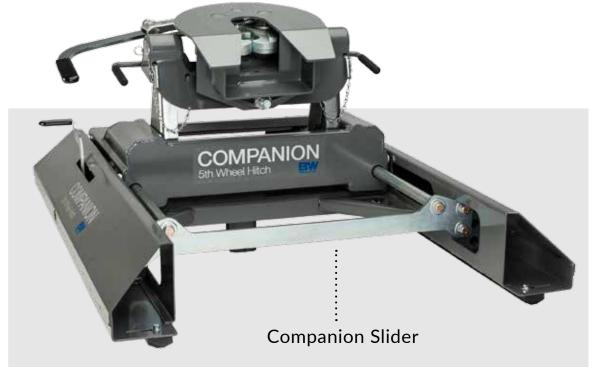
If you have a short-bed truck and you anticipate doing a lot of tight turns and maneuvering into campgrounds, you should consider a slider.

On the other hand, we sold thousands of hitches that were stationary before we built our first slider. Many RV'ers have opted to just 'watch carefully' when making tight turns.

Slider or no Slider, it's important to know how much turning clearance you have. See our video on how to measure this distance on our website.



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12" of sliding movement for turning and maneuvering clearance in short-bed trucks.



Tight tolerances in the sliding mechanism means smooth movement without the rattle

RAILS

