

# Installation Instructions: MT6/MT8 TOYOTA TACOMA 6'2" BED LENGTH

# MT6 2005-2018 / MT8 2019-CURRENT

IMPORTANT: If installing a CargoGlide on top of this drawer system, DO NOT install the drawer system into your truck yet - SEE INSTRUCTIONS.

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### TOOLS REQUIRED

- short 7/32" hex wrench
- 1/8" hex wrench
- 7/16" socket
- 3/8" socket

- electric drill
- 5/16" drill bit
- drill stop
- T30 or T40 Torx driver

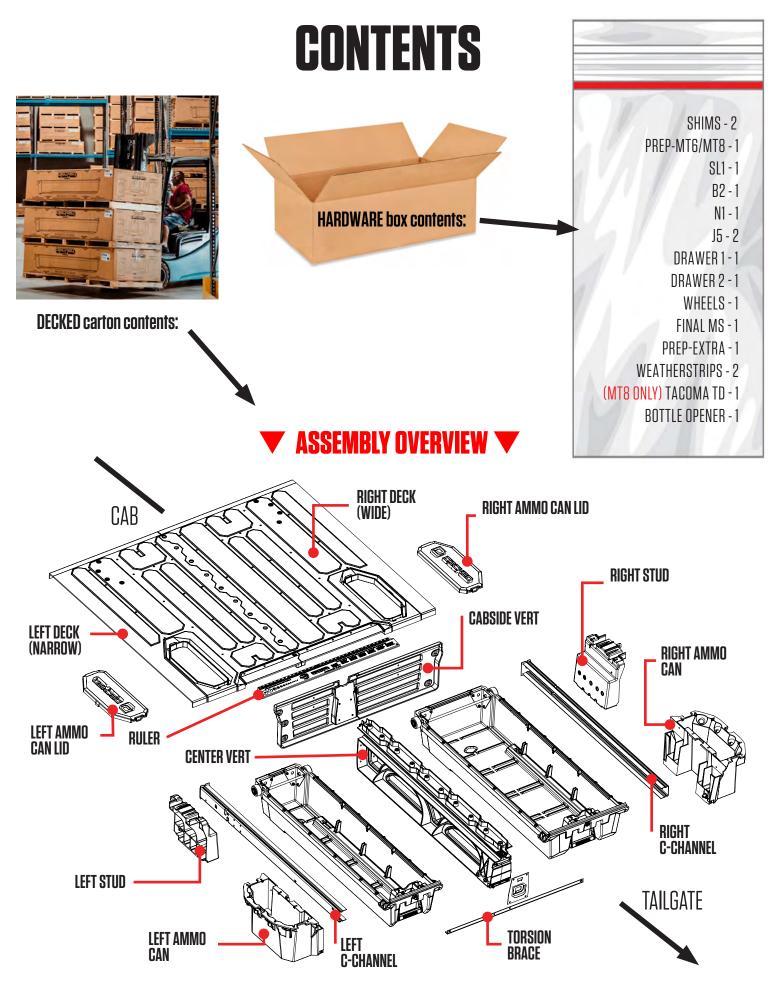


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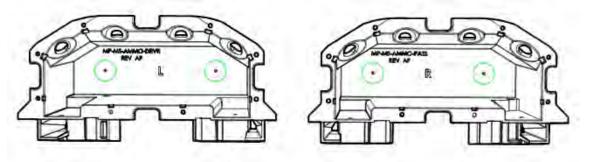
- **DON'T** go rogue on us, please read the instructions.
- Start all bolts with your fingers to avoid cross-threading you don't want to spin out any inserts.
- DON'T over tighten bolts, get em' hand-tight...or you will spin out the inserts.
- **DON'T** use power tools.
- If you don't follow directions and do use power tools, please set the clutch at a very low setting.
- Over-torquing or using an impact wrench will spin out the inserts we're warning you!
- If you blow it, you can screw the inserts back in from the opposite side with a slotted screwdriver.
- If you really blow it, we've included some repair inserts in the PREP-EXTRA bag install with a 7/32" hex wrench. Call us if you need more.
- Torque ratings are suggestions tighten all fasteners until snug.
- Prevent expletive-filled language, watch our detailed installation video or give us a call. We're happy to help!

### **AMMO CAN DRAIN HOLES**

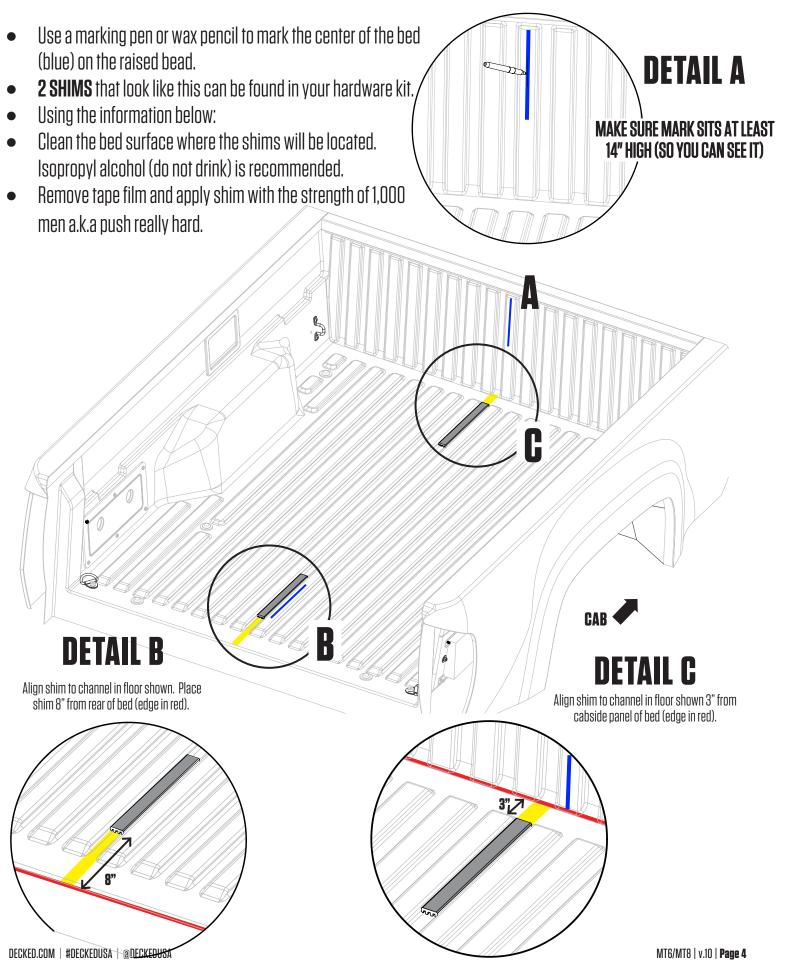
(TO DRILL OR NOT TO DRILL.)

• **Do you use a tonneau or shell over your DECKED system?** There is no need to drill holes, unless you leave your tonneau open in a deluge.

 Does your DECKED system live outside? The ammo cans will get water in them. You'll need to drill holes in the ammo cans. There are two dimples in the bottom of each ammo can. Drill a 1/2" hole at each dimple. A smaller hole will get clogged. Depending on the system, we may have drilled these for you already.



## **PREP BED:** MARK CENTER OF BED AND INSTALL SHIMS



## **PREP BED:** CABSIDE BRACKET

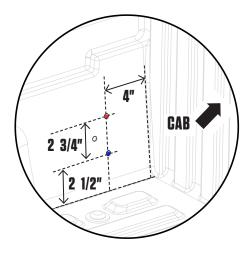


Do you have a factory cabside tie down? NO: Use the directions on this page. **YES: GO TO PAGE 7** 

### Grab vour bag: PREP MT6 or PREP MT8

### **STEP 1**

Mark bottom hole location (blue) at 2 1/2" up from floor and 4" from cabside panel of bed. Mark top hole location (red) 2 3/4" up from bottom hole and 4" from cabside panel.



**STEP 4** 

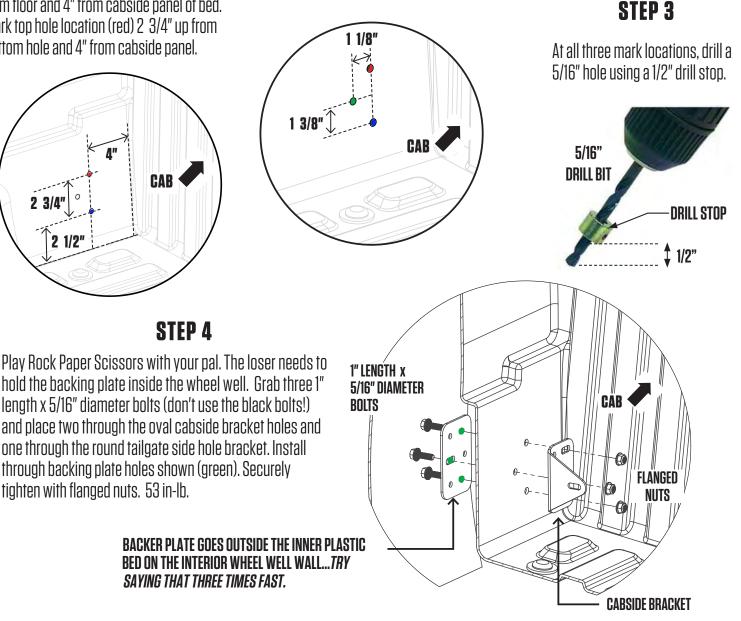
SAYING THAT THREE TIMES FAST.

through backing plate holes shown (green). Securely

tighten with flanged nuts. 53 in-lb.

### **STEP 2**

Mark center hole (green) 1 3/8" up from lower hole center. Mark 1 1/8" toward tailgate from top hole center.



**NOTE:** Do not attempt alone. Rock Paper Scissors for who lays on the ground to hold the backing plate.

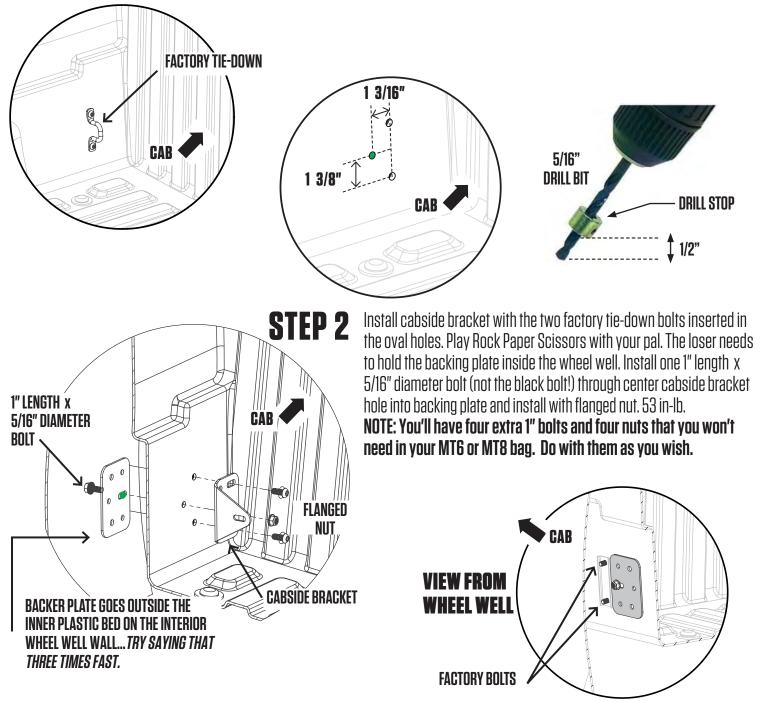
### **PREP BED:** CABSIDE BRACKET

# **STOP:** Double check that you have a Tacoma with a cabside factory tie-down. If you don't have a cabside factory tie-down, revert to page 5.

#### Grab your bag: PREP MT6 or PREP MT8



Remove factory cabside tie-down with a Torx T30 or T40 driver, depending on which size your truck has. Keep bolts. Mark 1 3/8" up from lower factory hole center. Mark 1 3/16" toward tailgate from factory hole centers. At center mark (green), drill a 5/16" hole using a 1/2"drill stop.



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### **PREP BED:** TAILGATE BRACKETS

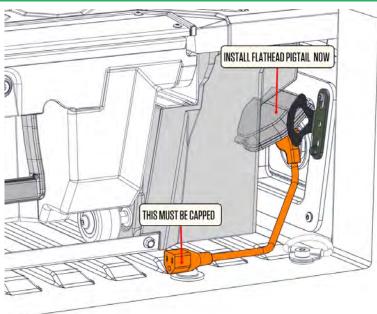
#### **NOTE:** You will need to grab a pal for this step (or have incredibly long and flexible arms).

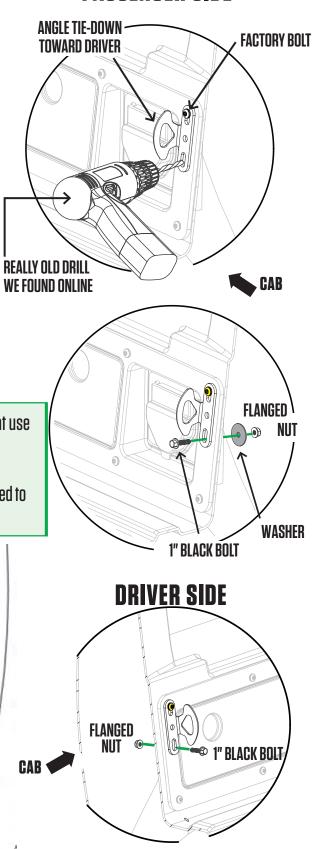
### Grab your bag: JPREP MT6 /MT8

- Remove top rear factory compartment bolt from the passenger side with a T40 Torx Driver. Keep bolt.
- Loosely attach passenger side tailgate bracket with factory bolt in top hole. Make sure the tie down opening is angled toward the driver, not the tailgate.
- Align bracket so it's parallel with vertical edge of compartment. Tighten factory bolt. 53 in-lb.
- Using the bottom hole in bracket as a guide, drill a 5/16" hole with a 1/2" drill stop through compartment and bed wall.
- Install a black 1" bolt through the bracket and bed wall. Install 1" washer and flanged nut. Tighten securely. 53 in-lb.
- Repeat driver side unless you don't have a driver's side cubby. If not, follow the instructions for driver's side on the next page.
- NOTE: You need to add a washer on the passenger side ONLY. We know it's strange, but you can trust us.

HELPFUL TIP #1: Feel free to remove doors of cubbies so you can still somewhat use them. Use will be compromised, but hey, life ain't always fair, right?!

HELPFUL TIP #2: The power outlet can still be used if you insert a flat head pigtail extension cord <u>BEFORE</u> you install the system. Make sure to have the outlet capped to keep water out. See below.





**PASSENGER SIDE** 

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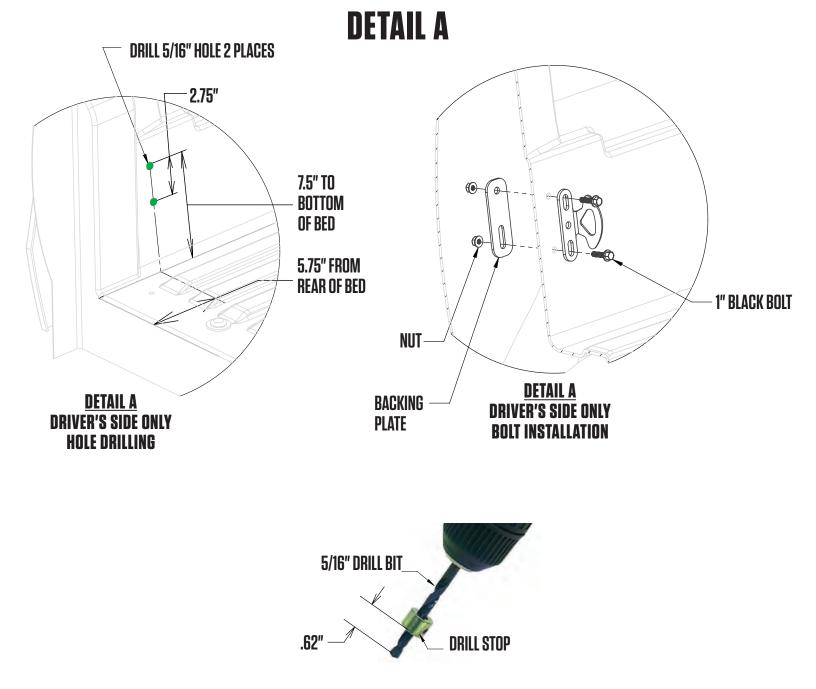
# **PREP BED:** TAILGATE BRACKETS

### (FOR TACOMAS WITH NO DRIVER SIDE TAILGATE CUBBY)

#### Grab your bag: PREP MT6/MT8 TACOMA TD

#### NOTE: Disregard this page if you HAVE a driver's side tailgate cubby - refer to the instructions on the previous page.

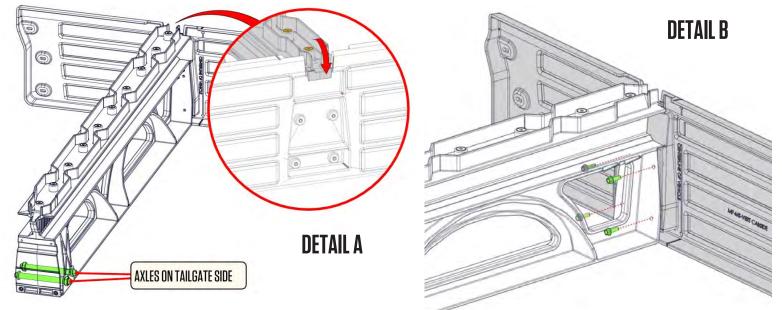
- Referencing dimensional info in **DETAIL A** mark hole locations and drill (2) 5/16" holes (with drill stop set at .62").
- Referencing **DETAIL A** install J-hook mounting bracket as shown with 1" black bolts, backing plate and nuts. **Tighten bolts securely.** 53 in-lb.



### **ASSEMBLY:** CENTER VERT + CABSIDE VERT

#### Grab your bag: **SL1**

- NOTE: Perform the next few steps on a flat surface.
- Place hook on center vert over notch in cabside vert. DETAIL A.
- There are three types of bolts in the SL1 bag. Use the plain, stainless steel bolts for the steps on this page.
- Attach the center vert to the cabside vert with four bolts from the SL1 bag. Tighten just until snug. 27 in-lb. DETAIL B.



**ASSEMBLY:** LOOSELY ATTACH STUDS (YUP)

Grab your bag: **SL1** 

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• **LOOSELY** attach the studs to the cabside vert with the plain stainless steel bolts.

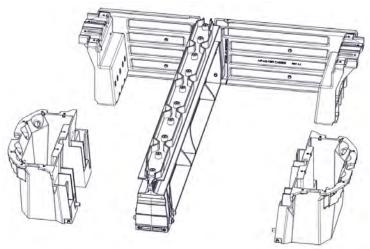
• Leave all of these loose for now.

## **ASSEMBLY:** ALIGN STUDS AND PANELS

#### **NOTE:** The next two steps ensure the studs are properly located before tightening bolts. It's important. Don't skip it.

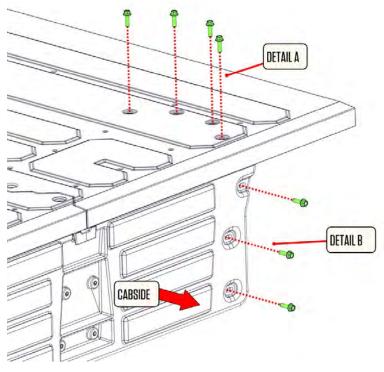
#### Grab your bag: **SL1**

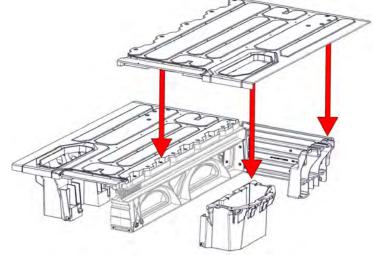
- Place ammo cans to support tailgate end of deck panels.
- Place deck panels on center vert + stud + cabside vert assembly.
- Slide studs around L-R until deck panels are seated.
- Move ammo cans around to seat the panels onto the ammo cans.
- **DETAIL A:** There are three types of bolts in the SS1 bag use the plain stainless bolts for all steps on this page.
- Loosely secure each panel to the cabside stud supports. Don't tighten these. **DETAIL A**
- Now you can securely tighten the bolts that hold the studs to the cabside vert. 27 in-lb. **DETAIL B.**



### STOP If you will be installing a <u>CargoGlide</u> onto the DECKED drawer system, now is the time to grab your <u>CargoGlide</u> instructions and prepare the panels - do not put the drawer system in your truck.

• Unbolt deck from studs (DETAIL A bolts), remove deck panels, save bolts, remove ammo cans and set aside for later assembly.



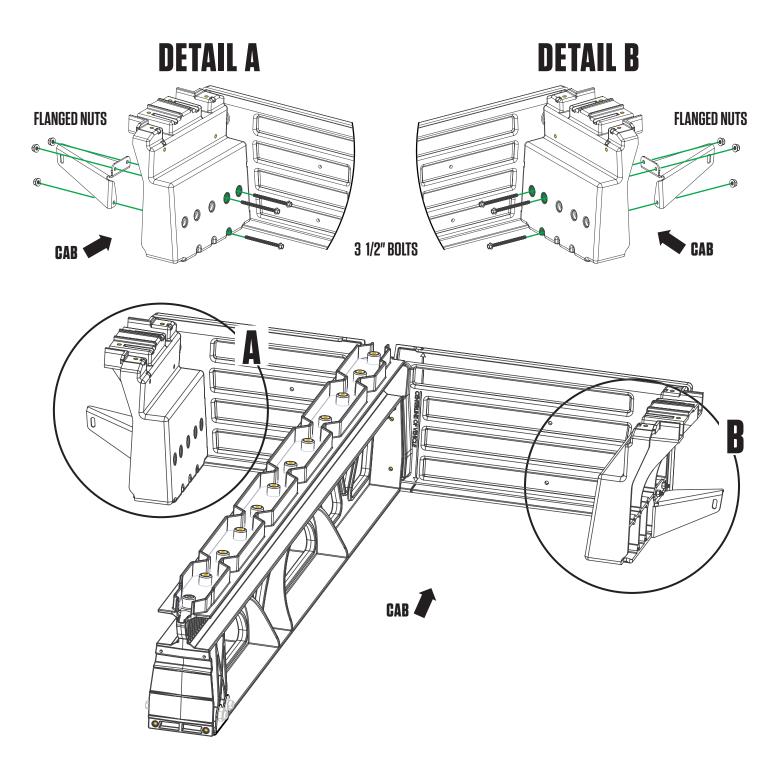


**HELPFUL TIP:** This step seems like a waste of time, but Dr. DECKED says it's important...don't skip out.

### **ASSEMBLY:** STUD BRACKETS

#### Grab your bag: PREP MT6/MT8

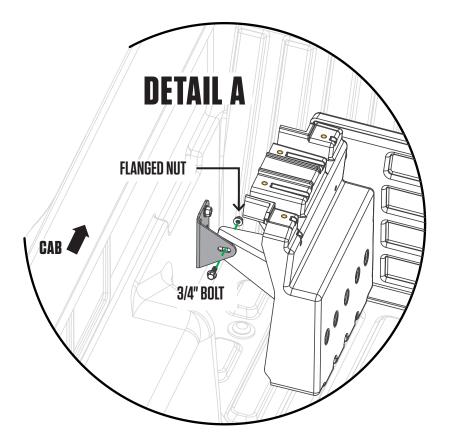
- **DETAIL A:** Securely attach stud bracket to driver side stud using three 3 1/2" length bolts and flanged nut in holes shown. 27 in-lb.
- **DETAIL B:** Securely attach stud bracket to passenger side stud using three 3 1/2" length bolts and flanged nut. 27 in-lb.

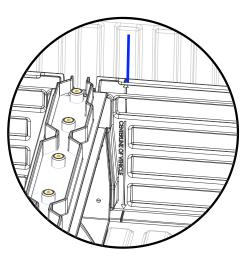


### **INSTALL:** MOUNTING + CABSIDE ATTACHMENT

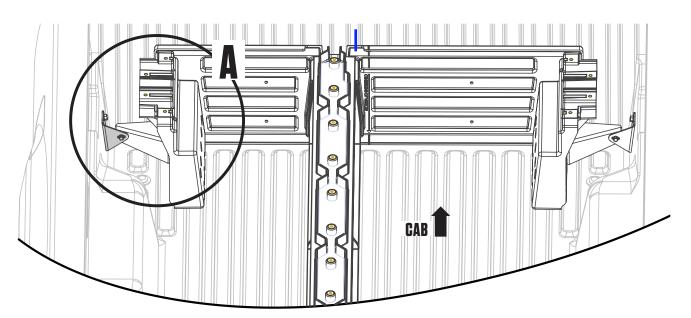
### Grab your bag: PREP MTG/MT8

- While supporting both ends, lift center vert + stud + cabside vert assembly in truck bed.
- Position against cabside panel of bed with stud bracket on the **<u>cabside</u>** of the cabside bracket.
- **DETAIL A:** Install a 3/4" length bolt and flanged nut and tighten securely. 53 in-lb.
- Repeat passenger side.





**NOTE:** Make sure centerline arrows on cabside vert are aligned with your centerline mark (blue).

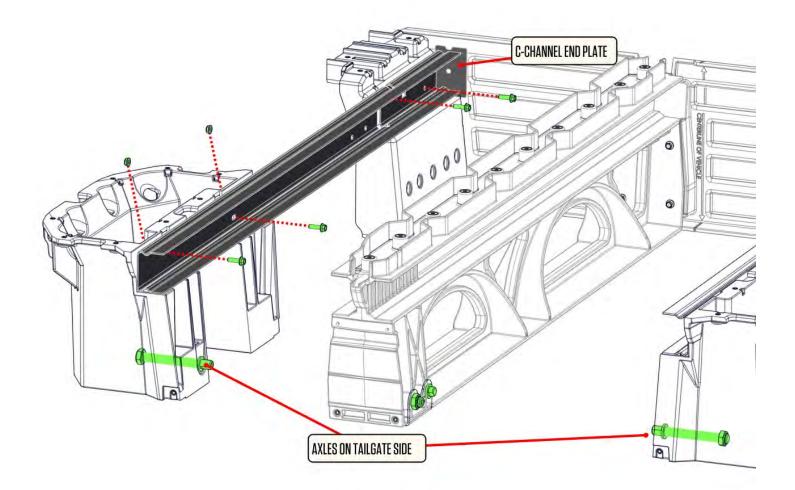


### **INSTALL:** C-CHANNELS

#### Grab your bag: **SL1, B2, N1**

# **IMPORTANT:** The ammo can axles must be on the tailgate side of the assembly. The bolt heads must be on the inside of the C-channel.

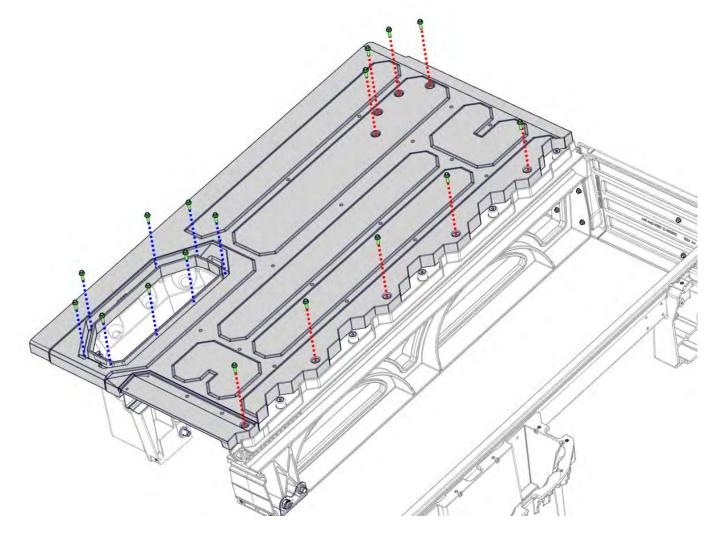
- Loosely place the left side ammo can at tailgate corner of bed. The axle will be closest to you. There is an "L" on the inside of the can. The left can must be on the left side. Don't get this wrong.
- Place a C-channel on the ledge of the stud and ammo can with the end plate on the stud (cabside).
- Use two of the BLACK SL1 bolts to install the C-channel to the cabside stud. No nuts needed here.
- Tighten until snug. 27 in-lb.
- Use two B2 bolts and two N1 nuts to LOOSELY install the C-channel to the ammo can. KEEP LOOSE.
- Repeat on the right side.



# **INSTALL:** DECK HALVES

#### Grab your bag: **SL1**

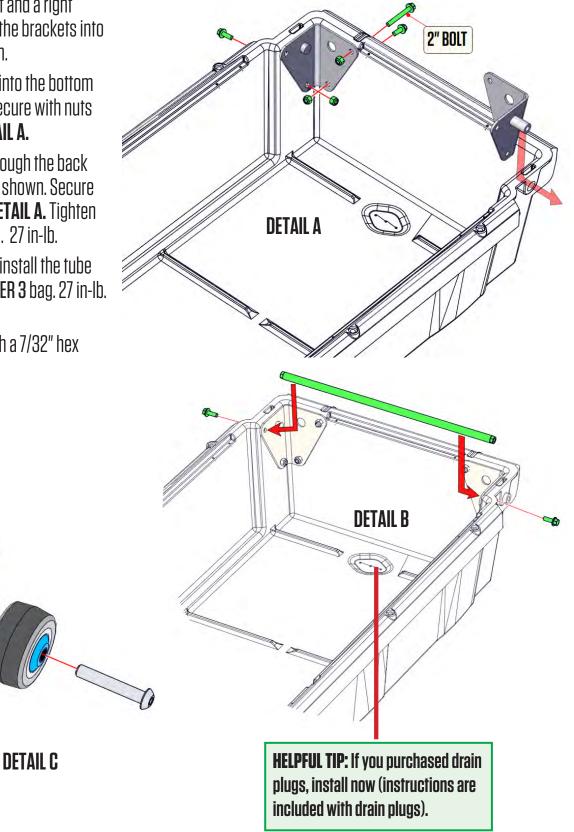
- Place the left deck panel on cabside stud, center vert and ammo can.
- Shift ammo can forward, rearward, L-R, as necessary to align with deck panel.
- Start all bolts with your fingers to avoid cross-threading.
- Use the plain stainless SL1 bolts to attach the deck panel to the center vert (RED lines). Tighten unti snug. 27 in-lb.
- Use the plain stainless SL1 bolts to attach the deck panel to the cabside stud (RED lines). Tighten just until snug. 27 in-lb.
- Use the SL1 bolts with the blue Rimlex sealant applied under the bolt head to attach the deck panel to the ammo can (BLUE lines). Tighten until snug. 27 in-lb.
- Now tighten the C-channel to ammo can bolts. Don't forget unless you like rattles.
- Repeat on the right side (making sure you remember to securely tighten C-channel/ammo can nuts and bolts).



### **DRAWERS:** BRACKETS + WHEELS

#### Grab your bag: DRAWER 1/DRAWER2/WHEELS

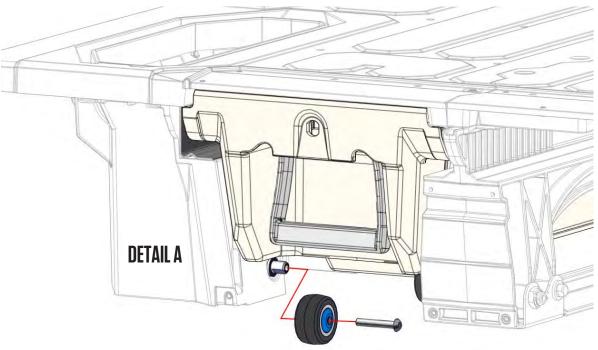
- Each drawer has a left and a right wheel bracket. Place the brackets into the drawers as shown.
- Install two 3/4" bolts into the bottom two bracket holes. Secure with nuts but leave loose. **DETAIL A.**
- Install the 2" bolts through the back mounting hole where shown. Secure with a nut. 27 in-lb. **DETAIL A.** Tighten above nuts until snug. 27 in-lb.
- Use two 3/4" bolts to install the tube brace from the DRAWER 3 bag. 27 in-lb. **DETAIL B.**
- Install the wheels with a 7/32" hex wrench. **DETAIL C.**



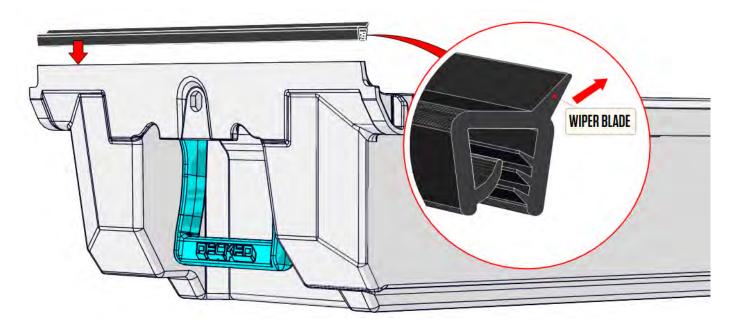
### **DRAWERS:** WHEELS + WEATHERSTRIPS

### Grab your bag: WHEELS

- Slide narrow drawer into driver side drawer cavity. **NOTE: It is easier to fully install the narrow drawer first.**
- **DETAIL A:** Install two tailgate wheels onto narrow drawer axles with a 7/32" hex wrench.
- Repeat with wide drawer.



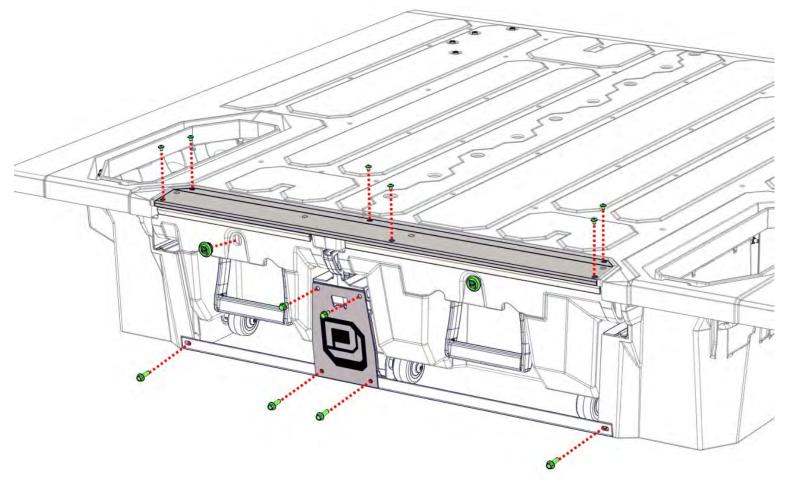
• Install weatherstrips on top of drawer edges WITH WIPER BLADE POINTING TOWARD DRIVER. IMPORTANT: Facing the weatherstrip the wrong way will funnel water into drawer: BAD!



# **THE FUN STUFF:** TORSION BRACE + BOTTLE OPENER + RULER

### Grab your bag: SL1/FINAL MS

- Slide torsion brace under center vert and tailgate ammo cans. The side without the holes slides UNDER the center vert and tailgate ammo cans.
- Place bottle opener on the outside of the torsion brace.
- Loosely install (start with your fingers to avoid cross-threading):
  - Two 1/2" black bolts from the FINAL MS bag through the upper holes in the bottle opener into the center vert leave loose for now.
  - Two black SL1 bolts through the bottom bottle opener holes and torsion brace into the center vert inserts leave loose.
  - Two black SL1 bolts through the end holes in torsion brace into the tailgate ammo can inserts leave loose.
- Align bottle opener to edges of center vert and tighten the four bottle opener bolts just until snug.
- Tighten the torsion brace end bolts into tailgate ammo cans just until snug. 27 in-lb.
- Install lock core plugs into the drawer lock holes or install locks if purchased. (Instructions included with locks)
- Align the ruler plate on the tailgate end of the panels. Use an 1/8" hex wrench to install the six ruler screws into the panel inserts do not overtighten these.



### **INSTALL:** J-HOOKS

### Grab your bag: **J5, FINAL MS**

- Install J-hook onto tie down bracket and through the hole closest to the **tailgate** in ammo can.
- Install winged-spherical nut-washer, round side down, onto J-hook and partially tighten using your fingers only. **IMPORTANT:** Keep J-hook assembly loose.
- Repeat other side.
- Tighten the J-hooks, but **DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN!** Make sure the gap between the side wall of the bed and the deck is equal on both sides.
- Install bolt thread protectors on J-hook ends.
- Install ammo can lids. **HELPFUL TIP:** Make sure the hooks open toward tailgate. TAIL GATE TAII GATE **DRIVER SIDE AMMO CAN** PASSENGER SIDE AMMO CAN

IMPORTANT: You did it! get your favorite beverage ready to crack open in the bottle opener and make a toast to your truck. When finished, immediately post a photo of your significant other, child or canine (in no order of significance - please someone show us your pet alligator) appreciating your accomplishment. Add hashtag #DECKEDUSA | @DECKEDUSA.

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#### WHAT IS COVERED

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