

## Rear Hoop Installation

Most late model trucks come with plastic bed caps from the factory. If the hole for the rear stake pocket isn't open, you'll need to remove the plug or cut a hole in it to gain access to the pocket. There may be an indication in the plastic where the stake pocket is located. If so, start your cut in the center of the marks and carefully work outward. If you start by cutting on the lines, you'll likely cut into the sheet metal bed. Some import trucks do not include stake pockets at all and/or use a factory 'track' system inside the bed.

These instructions are only general and touch on various make/model trucks. Please contact us if you have questions.

### Chevy/GMC, Dodge, Ford (2014 and older)

Slide the rear hoop into the stake pocket. Thread the wing bolt through the factory hole in the side of the stake pocket and into the hoop. (Fig. 1)

### Chevy/GMC (2015 – 1500's & 2016 and up 1500/2500/3500, 2014-2020 Colorado/Canyon)

Oddly, the factory created a plastic bed cap that doesn't conform to the shape of the stake pocket opening of the steel bed. Plastic overhangs the opening. You'll need to insert our supplied spacer or shim block into the front side of the pocket below the plastic. You may secure it with double stick or other tape to hold it in place. The block will add vertical stability to the hoop. Slide the hoop into the pocket and secure it in place with the wing bolt through the factory hole in the side of the pocket. (Fig. 2)



Fig. 1



Fig. 2



### **Ford (2015 and newer aluminum body)**

When Ford went to the aluminum body, they did away with all holes in the side of the stake pocket. The design is also prone to crushing, so the use of a wing bolt is not advised. For these we provide a hole in the base plate to drill through the bed and secure with a nut and bolt. Slide the hoop into the stake pocket and use the hole in the base plate as a template to drill. (Fig. 3)

Fig. 3



### **Nissan Frontiers & Titans**

Trucks do not have stake pockets. Position the supplied brackets on each side at the rear of the bed and, using the holes as a template, drill through the bed and secure with supplied fasteners. Slip the hoop into the bracket gussets and secure with bolts.

### **Toyota Tacoma (1995-2004)**

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Fig. 4



### **Toyota Tacoma (2005 and newer)**

Trucks do not have stake pockets. This required a special bracket combined with the factory track system inside the bed, temporary removal of the tail lamps, and a hole that must be drilled. Contact us for details on this installation.

### **Toyota Tundra (2000 and newer)**

Slide the rear hoop into the stake pocket. Thread the wing bolt through the factory hole in the side of the stake pocket and into the hoop. (Fig. 1)