

HULL RACK

INSTALLATION GUIDE



INTRODUCTION

Congratulations on the purchase of your Apex Hull Rack. The purpose of this Installation Guide is to assist you in the installation of the Hull Rack.

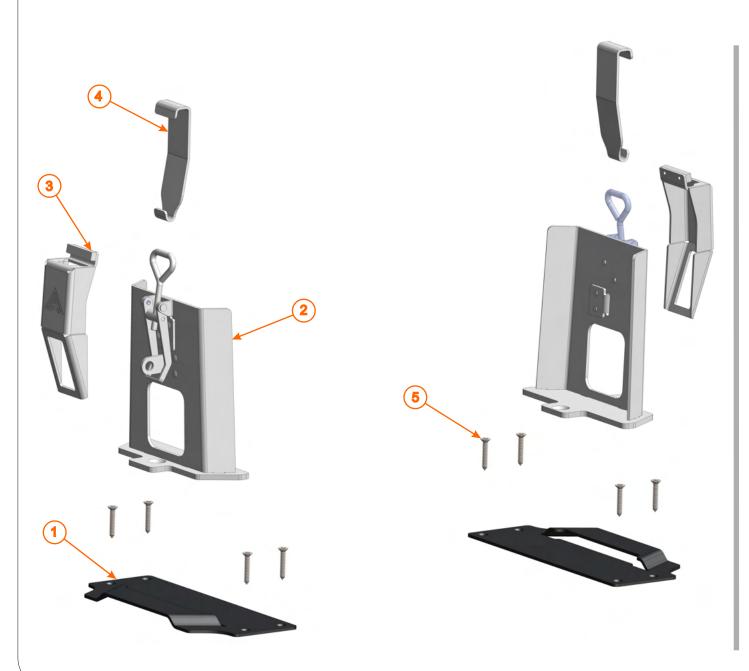
Please carefully read this entire Installation Guide before beginning the install of your Hull Rack. All steps of the installation process are solely your responsibility.

Because of the design and mechanical differences among vehicles, we rely upon your discretion when installing the Hull Rack to your vehicle. Additionally, we recommend professional installation of the Hull Rack.

The manufacturer's warranty is exclusively limited to the repair or replacement of a defective Hull Rack. Damage to your vehicle, its contents or to any person or property is excluded. Damage or failure due to improper installation, use or general wear is not covered by this warranty.

Prior to each use, confirm all components are properly attached, tightened and locked. It is also important to check for any signs of wear, corrosion or fatigue. If any of these issues are present, do not use the product. When traveling, periodically inspect the hardware to confirm it is fastened securely.

PARTS LIST



Item No.	Description	Qty.
1	Base Plate	1
2	Wing	2
3	Latch Cover	2
4	Cooler Strap	2
5	Self Tapping Screw	8



STEP 1

First, select where you want to mount your Hull Rack in your vehicle. Before beginning the installation, look underneath the vehicle to confirm that there is no obstruction or mechanical equipment that will inhibit the installation.

Carefully measure two lines between the inside edges of the two (2) Base Plates as shown in the diagram. The top line and the bottom line should have the exact same measurements. This confirms the Base Plates are squared up correctly and ensures there is accurate space for your Apex cooler.

A75: distance between Base Plates is 26.88 Inches

A45: distance between Base Plates is 17.71 Inches

Once you have made the measurements discussed above, we suggest making a mark at the back (the formed part of the Base Plate) so that you can replace the Base Plate in the correct position during the installation process.

Warning: Look underneath your vehicle and ensure the chosen location is not near the gas tank, fuel lines, electrical wires, transmission lines, cross members or any other integral vehicle parts. Installation may require that you temporarily remove your spare tire.

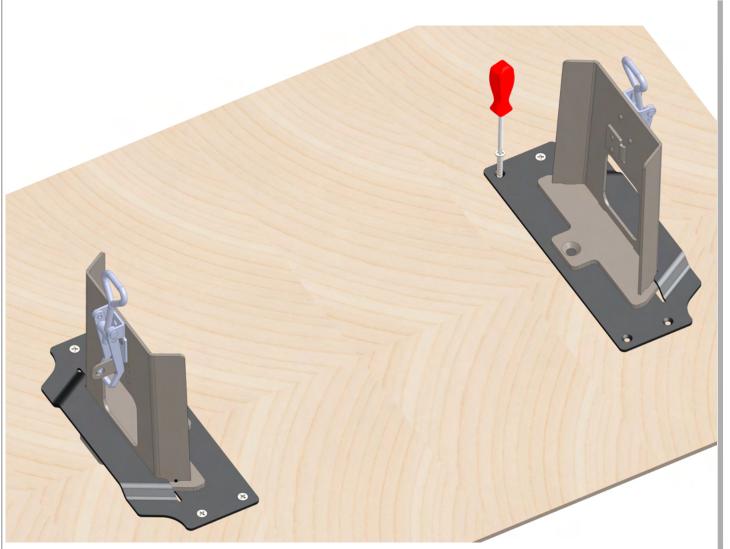


STEP 2

Once you have taken your measurements to ensure that the Base Plates will be squarely positioned at the current measurement apart for your Apex cooler, you will now need to position the Base Plates on the surface, making sure to align the holes of outside edges as shown. Next, slide both Wings into the raised formed part of the Base Plate.

Now, lower your APEX A45 or A75 cooler into place so that the formed channels on the side of your cooler integrate with the Wing such that the upright of the Wing is positioned inside the side channels of the cooler. Once the cooler is positioned on the Wings, make sure everything with the Base Plates lines up correctly and square.

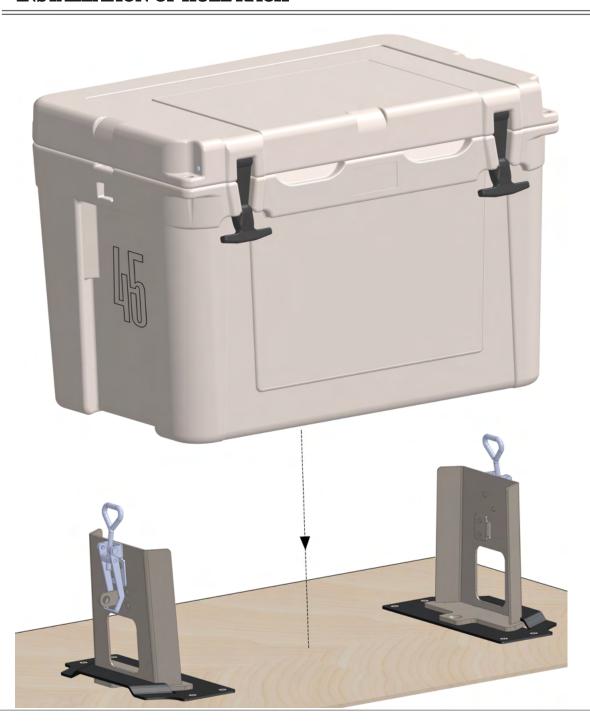
Note: This is only a partial assembly to illustrate how the Bed Rack will be positioned on your equipment once fully installed and to ensure that you have taken correct measurements.



STEP 3

Insert the Self tapping screw through the eight (8) holes. We recommend you hand- tighten each screw.

Please use only the hardware provided to ensure secure installation. Use of other hardware increases the risk of product movement, damage and likelihood of theft.



STEP 4

Lift your A45 or A75 APEX cooler above the Hull Rack and lower the cooler so that the Wings integrate into the channels in the cooler sides. (This is to confirm the equipment is correctly installed before you tighten everything down.) Keep the cooler in place for the remainder of steps.



STEP 5

Slide the Cooler Straps through the slots on either side of the base of the cooler.

You may have to adjust the rope of the cooler handles out of the way to install the Cooler Straps. Due to the rigid manufacturing standards, slight force may be necessary to insert straps into the slots. We recommend leaving the Cooler Straps installed regardless if your cooler is secured in your Hull Rack or out of the Rack.

For safe keeping, the foam handles are designed to be tucked into the space between the cooler and the Wing. This will keep the rope handles from getting caught of other gear and from blowing in the wind.



STEP 6

Because the A45 or A75 is made of rotationally molded plastic, you may need to adjust the length of the I-Bolt Latch to ensure that your A45 or A75 is secured to the Base Plate. However, you do not want to adjust the I-Bolt such that it is difficult to close once the formed steel bottom of the Cooler Strap is connected to the triangle opening of the I-Bolt as this will cause damaging stress to the rivets that are used to mount the I-Bolt Latch to the Wing.



STEP 7

To further secure the cooler, place the Latch Cover over one of the latches. Insert the bottom of the Cooler Strap into the opening at the top of the Latch Cover.



STEP 8

Pull the Latch up and hook it to the bottom of the Cooler Strap on either side of the cooler. Run the Latch Cover slight up the Cooler Strap so that you have room to secure the triangle opening of the I-Bolt onto the curved piece at the bottom of the Cooler Strap. Then, lower Latch Cover so that the Latch Handle comes through the opening in the Latch Cover. Next, fully close the Latch.

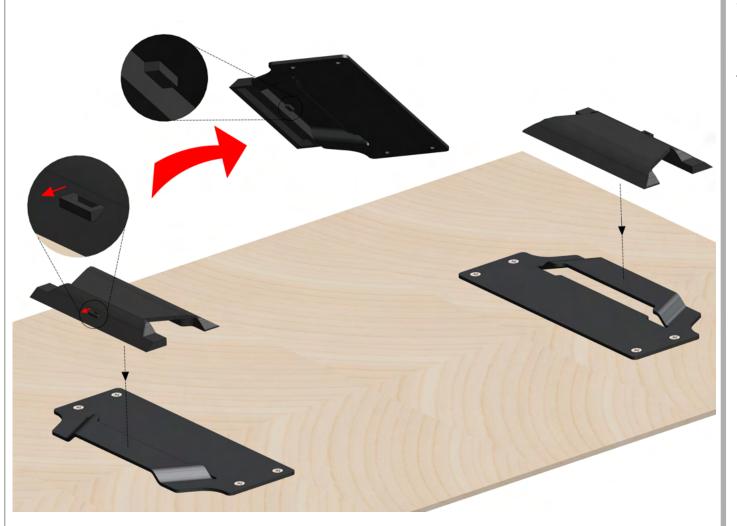
For an extra layer of protection, you may padlock both sides of your cooler with or without a Latch Cover. Also you may purchase a second Latch Cover (sold separately at www.apexcoolers.com).



STEP 9

To fully secure your cooler into place, insert a lock through either padlock hole near the latch handle.

Note that the padlock holes can take up to a 3/8 inch shackle diameter lock.



STEP 10

When not in use, secure your Base Plate with the help of Plastic Protecting Cover to avoid any accident and harm.

Note that use locking button as shown in image, to lock and remove the Plastic Protecting Cover from the Base Plate.



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