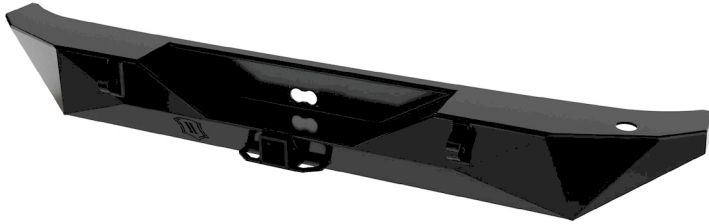




# JK PRO SERIES REAR BUMPER WITH INTEGRATED TOW HITCH & RECOVERY TABS

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## APPLICATION

These installation instructions apply to the following products:

25227 07-18 JK PS REAR BUMPER W/ TABS  
(Shown Above)

## COMPONENTS INCLUDED

(1) PRO Series Rear Bumper with Hitch

## HARDWARE INCLUDED

- (6) 3/8-16 X 1-1/4 Gr8 Hex Head Cap Screw
- (6) 3/8 Gr8 Flat Washer
- (6) 3/8-16 Clip-Nut

## TECH NOTES

*NOTE: These installation instructions are based on a clean installation on to a stock 2007-2018 Jeep JK Wrangler. Previously modified vehicles may require additional steps.*

## TOOLS REQUIRED

- Ratchet with extension, 16mm, 18mm, 9/16" sockets, and 3/4" deep socket
- Drill motor with drill bits or step bit up to 1"
- Cutting fluid or lubricant
- Black paint and primer
- Fine-tip felt pen

## IMPORTANT NOTICES - PLEASE READ FIRST

- ✓ **READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY FROM START TO FINISH BEFORE BEGINNING INSTALLATION! IF THESE INSTRUCTIONS ARE NOT PROPERLY FOLLOWED SEVERE FRAME, SUSPENSION AND TIRE DAMAGE MAY RESULT TO THE VEHICLE!**
- ✓ **ICON VEHICLE DYNAMICS RECOMMENDS ALL INSTALLATION TO BE PERFORMED BY A PROFESSIONAL SHOP/SERVICE TECHNICIAN. PRODUCT FAILURE CAUSED BY IMPROPER INSTALLATION WILL NOT BE COVERED UNDER ICON'S WARRANTY POLICY.**

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Ensure the vehicle is placed on a flat, level surface with the transmission in PARK, the tires chocked, and the emergency brake ON. Wear safety glasses from this point forward.
2. Use a ratchet with 3/4" deep socket to remove the lug nuts holding the factory spare tire and set them aside. (NOTE: it is possible to perform the bumper installation without removing the spare tire first, however it is much easier if you do so)



FIG.1

3. If the Jeep is equipped with a tow hitch, unhook the tow wiring harness from its retainer on the hitch, then remove the hitch using an 18mm open end wrench to remove the bolts holding it to the rear crossmember.



4. Use a 16mm socket to remove the 4 bolts from the bumper brackets on the outside of each of the frame rails as shown in Figure 2.



FIG.2

5. Use a ratchet with a shallow 16mm socket to remove the bumper Z-brackets from the back side of the rear crossmember. Each bracket has two bolts, one that attaches to the crossmember and one that attaches to the bumper. Remove both bolts to remove the bracket.



FIG.3

6. With the help of a friend, remove the bumper from the vehicle by pulling it up and away from the vehicle. Set the bumper aside along with the Z-brackets and OE bolts. Retain four (4) of the OE bolts for re-use in mounting the ICON bumper.
7. Remove the OE tow hook by using an 18mm socket to remove the three bolts that hold it to the driver's side frame rail. Set aside the tow hook, the nut plate from inside the frame rail, and the three bolts as they will not be re-used.



FIG.4

8. With the help of a friend, lift the ICON bumper into place on the vehicle. Use the four (4) retained OE bumper bolts, inserted into the stock bumper mounting holes on either side of the frame rail as shown in Figure 5, to hold it in place. Do not tighten these bolts at this time.



FIG.5

9. Note the third bolt hole in the upper-right of the ICON bumper's mounting flange, as shown in Figure 5, above. Some JK's came with the corresponding hole in the frame rail, some did not. If yours does not already have the hole, use a fine-tip felt marker or center punch to mark the center of this hole on the frame rail, as you will need to drill this hole in a subsequent step.
10. There are four bolt holes along the bottom surface of the ICON bumper, as shown in Figure 6. Use a fine-tip felt marker or center punch to mark the center of each of these holes on the bottom of the rear crossmember, as these holes will be drilled in a subsequent step.





FIG.6

- 11. Remove the temporarily installed bumper bolts and, with the help of a friend, lift the ICON bumper off of the Jeep and set it aside.
- 12. Drill each of the four (4) previously marked hole locations along the bottom of the crossmember. Use a step drill or a series of drill bits, stepping up in sizes to a final hole size of 1" diameter.



FIG.7

- 13. If the factory hole noted in Step 9 was not present on each side of the Jeep's frame rail, drill the marked hole location to a final size of 1/2" diameter. Use a step drill or a series of drill bits, stepping up in sizes to a final hole size of 1/2".

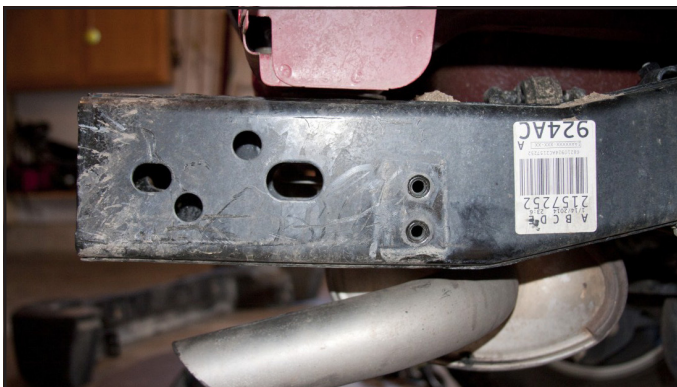


FIG.8

- 14. Use a file or sander to de-burr the edges of the newly-drilled holes. Primer and paint the exposed metal around the edges of the holes in order to prevent future rust.
- 15. Install one of the provided 3/8-16 Clip Nuts into the third bolt location on the outside of each frame rail. Insert the clip-nut into the oval-shaped hole in the frame rail, and slide it into place so that the extruded, threaded portion of the clip-nut indexes into the adjacent hole (which was either preexisting or newly-drilled), as shown in Figure 9.



FIG.9

- 16. Install the four(4) remaining 3/8-16 Clip Nuts into the bolt locations along the bottom of the rear crossmember. At each of the bolt locations, insert the clip-nut into the newly-drilled 1" hole, and slide it into place so that the extruded, threaded portion of the clip-nut indexes into the adjacent (preexisting) hole, as shown in Figure 10.



FIG.10

- 17. With the help of a friend, lift the ICON bumper back into place and re-install the four (4) OE bumper bolts on either side of the bumper. Do not tighten until all of the bumper mounting bolts are installed, in the next steps.
- 18. Insert a supplied 3/8-16 X 1-1/4 Gr8 Hex Head Cap Screw, with 3/8 Gr8 Flat Washer, into the third bolt location in the ICON bumper's mounting



flange on each frame rail, and thread it into the previously-installed clip-nut. It may be necessary to use a spud bar or screw driver to slightly adjust the position of the clip-nut prior to inserting the bolt.

19. Insert a supplied 3/8-16 X 1-1/4 Gr8 Hex Head Cap Screw, with 3/8 Gr8 Flat Washer, into each of the four (4) bolt holes along the bottom surface of the ICON bumper, into the clip-nuts previously installed into the bottom of the Jeep's rear crossmember. It may be necessary to use a spud bar or screw driver to slightly adjust the position of the clip-nut prior to inserting the bolt.
20. Once all of the fasteners have been installed, fully tighten each of them with a wrench. Use a 16mm socket or wrench on the four re-used OE bumper bolts and a 9/16" socket or wrench with the supplied 3/8" Grade 8 hardware.
21. If the vehicle had been previously-equipped with a tow hitch, use wire ties (not supplied) to secure the trailer tow wiring plug in place.
22. This bumper is designed with provisions to mount a Baja Designs S2 Pro LED Flush-Mount Light (not included) as a backup light. If you have purchased the Baja Designs S2, install it into the provided mounting hole in the center-bottom of the spare tire recess in the bumper. Wire the light into your Jeep's backup lamp circuit, a procedure which is not covered in these instructions.
23. Reinstall the spare tire.
24. **VERIFY ALL FASTENERS ARE PROPERLY TORQUED BEFORE DRIVING VEHICLE.**

*Congratulations! Your installation is complete.*

**RE-TORQUE ALL NUTS, BOLTS AND LUGS AFTER 100 MILES AND PERIODICALLY THEREAFTER.**

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