



Tail Gate Protector

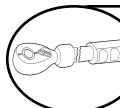
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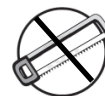
READ INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE STARTING INSTALLATION.



DO NOT OVER TORQUE. STANDARD OPERATING LOAD FOR TIGHTEN BODY MOUNT NUTS & BOLTS VARIES FROM 45 TO 65 FOOT POUND.



15 min



Cutting Not
Required



Drilling
Required



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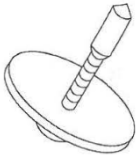
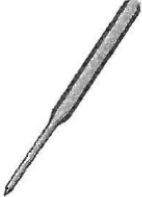
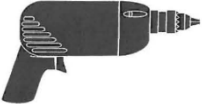


90 DAYS

Tools Needed

Power Drill With 9/64" Drill Bit	Phillips Screwdriver
Center Punch Or Scratching Awl	

Mounting kit images

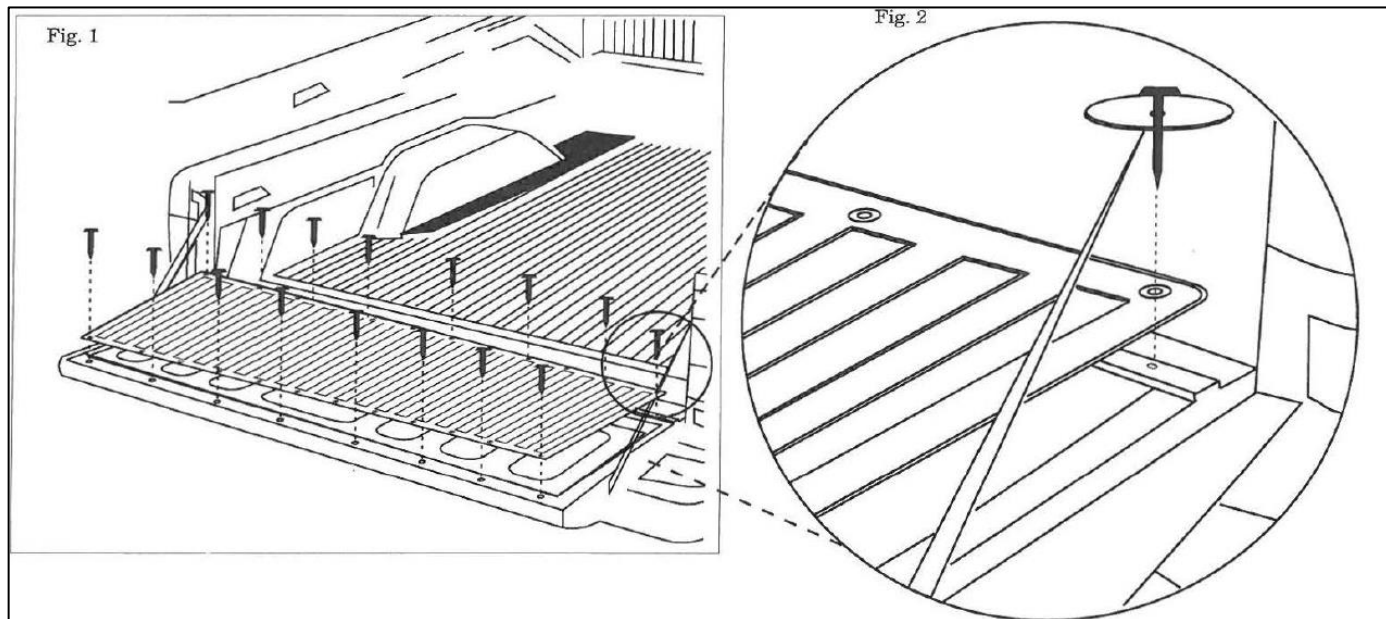
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1. INSTALLATION PROCEDURE

Hardware Kit Contents:

20 - Screws: Amount used will vary depending on tailgate application

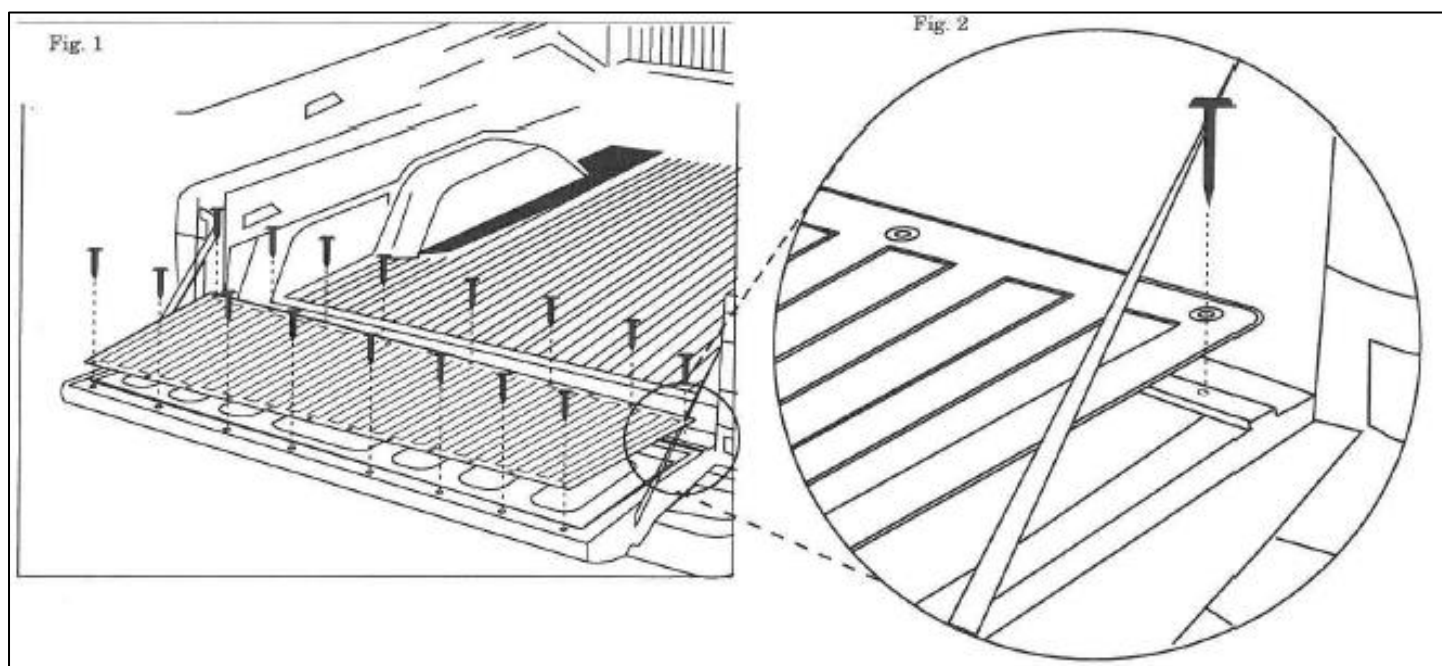
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2. Allow to dry completely prior to installing ProTecta tailgate protector.
3. Place tailgate protector on clean, dry, debris free tailgate. Center the tailgate protector side to side on the tailgate. Make sure holes line up with flat of tailgate as shown in Fig. 2.
4. After aligning tailgate protector, hold tailgate protector in place and close the tailgate. Check for interference between tailgate protector and sheet metal.
5. Using a 9/64 drill bit, drill a hole in one corner.
6. Insert screw and washer into hole just drilled.
7. Reposition tailgate protector if needed. Drill remaining holes. Note: Maximum of 20 holes/screws per tailgate.
8. Remove any debris from drilling. Fasten tailgate protector to tailgate with remaining screws and washers. (See Fig 1)



2. INSTALLATION PROCEDURE

16- Screws: Amount used will vary depending on tailgate application

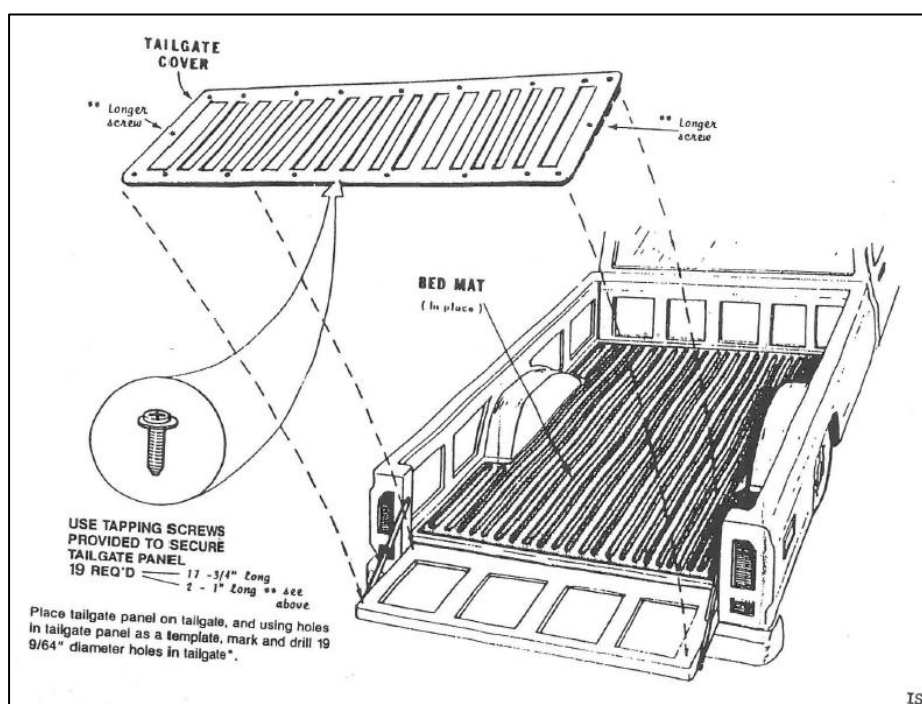
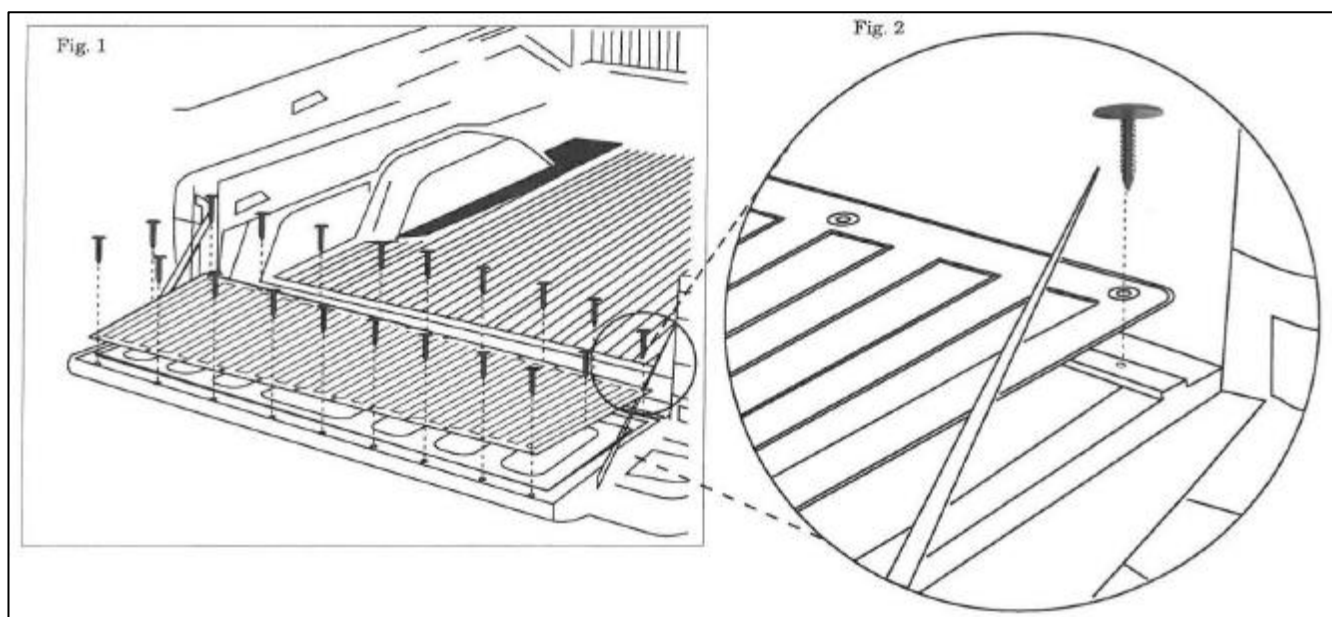
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3. INSTALLATION PROCEDURE

20 – Fasteners: Amount used will vary depending on tailgate application

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4. After aligning tailgate protector, hold tailgate protector in place and close the tailgate. Check for interference between tailgate protector and sheet metal.
5. Using an 11/64 drill bit, drill a hole in one corner.
6. Insert fastener into hole just drilled and tap down with a hammer.
7. Reposition tailgate protector if needed. Drill remaining holes. Note: Maximum of 20 holes per tailgate.
8. Remove any debris from drilling. Fasten tailgate protector to tailgate with remaining fasteners. (See Fig 1)



TRIMMING INSTRUCTIONS - TAILGATE MAT

- Some models may have a factory installed plastic trim protecting the top edge of the tailgate.
- The rubber protector mat can be attached as-is, by drilling through the plastic trim.
- The following steps are suggested if the fit of the tailgate mat is undesirable because of the plastic trim:

1. Lay protector flat, on a smooth cutting surface.
2. Using a utility/razor knife, cut both the top and bottom edges of mat along scribe lines provided.
3. Position the protector on the tail gate just below the black plastic guard.
4. Center the protector left to right and attach with screws provided

4. INSTALLATION PROCEDURE

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22 - Washer

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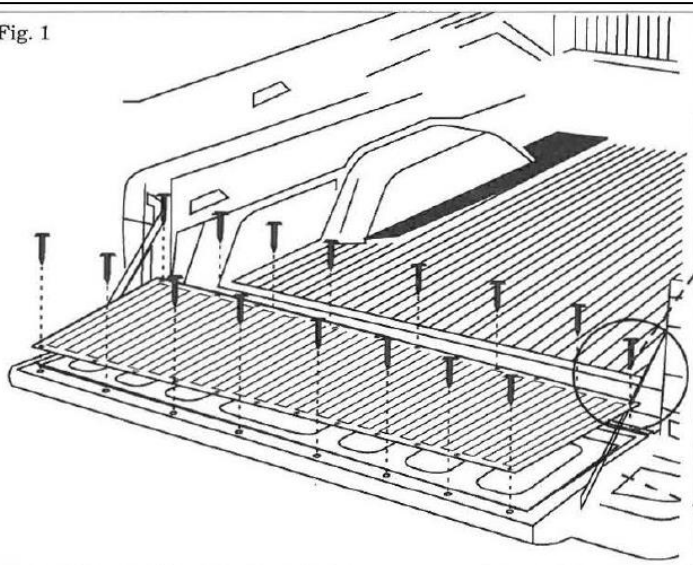
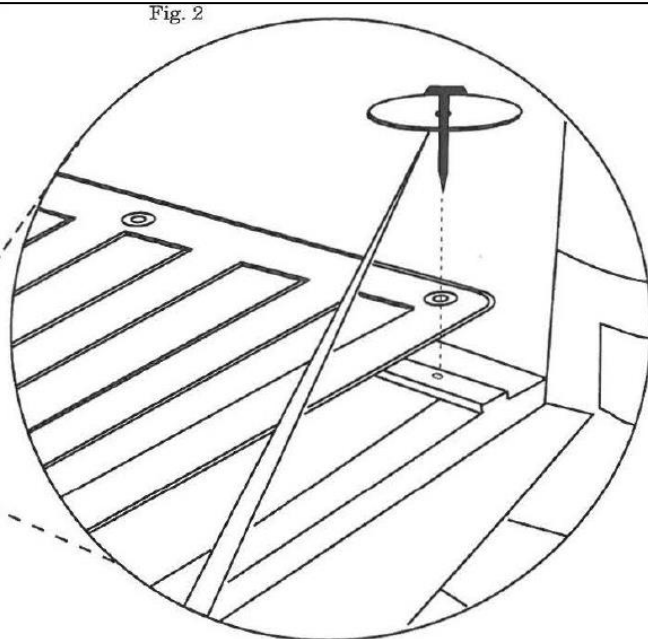


Fig. 2



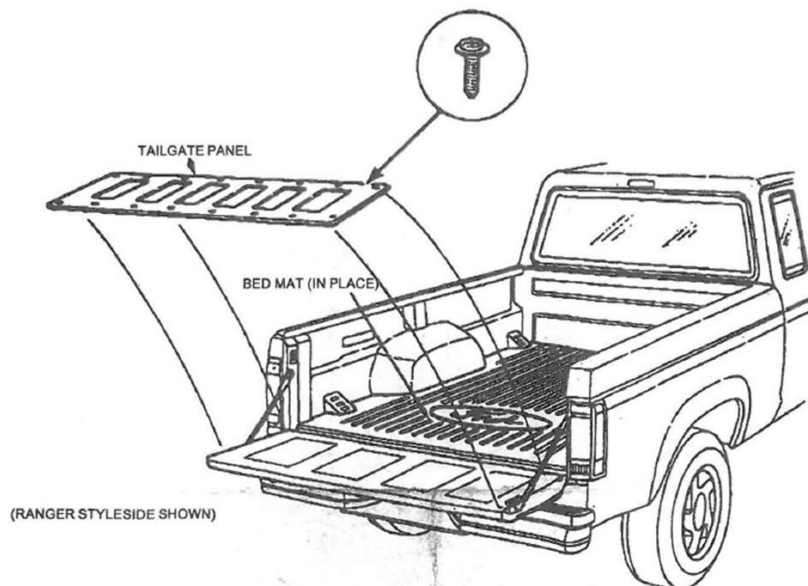
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1. Place bed mat in truck with Ford oval located toward rear of truck (see Figure below)
2. Place tailgate panel on tailgate, and using holes in tailgate panel as a template, mark and drill 9/64" diameter holes in tailgate*.

NOTE: Apply Ford "Super Seal" Anti-Corrosion Compound (08AZ-19515-BA) or zinc-rich primer to all holes drilled into tailgate sheet metal prior to attaching tailgate panel to vehicle.

3. Secure tailgate panel to tailgate using #8-18 x .75 washer head tapping screws*.

NOTE:* USE TAPPING SCREWS PROVIDED TO SECURE TAILGATE PANEL (16 REQ'D FOR RANGER; 20 REQ'D FOR F-SERIES)



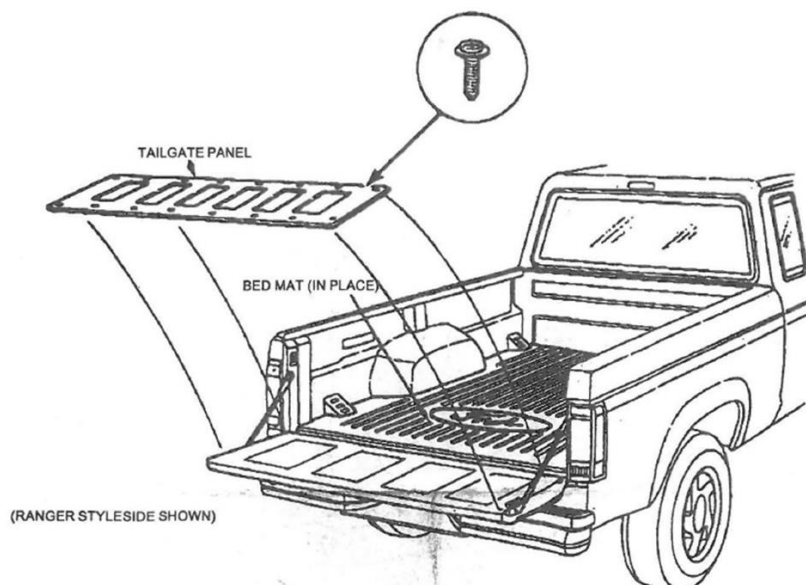
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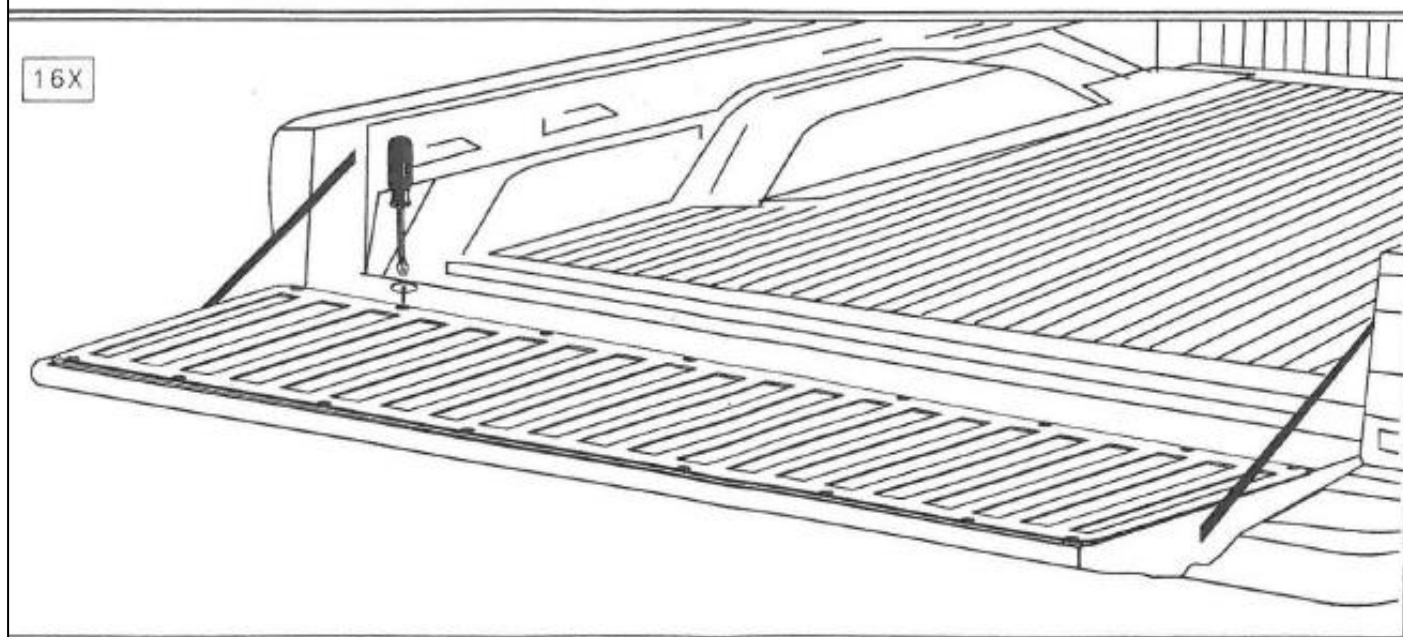
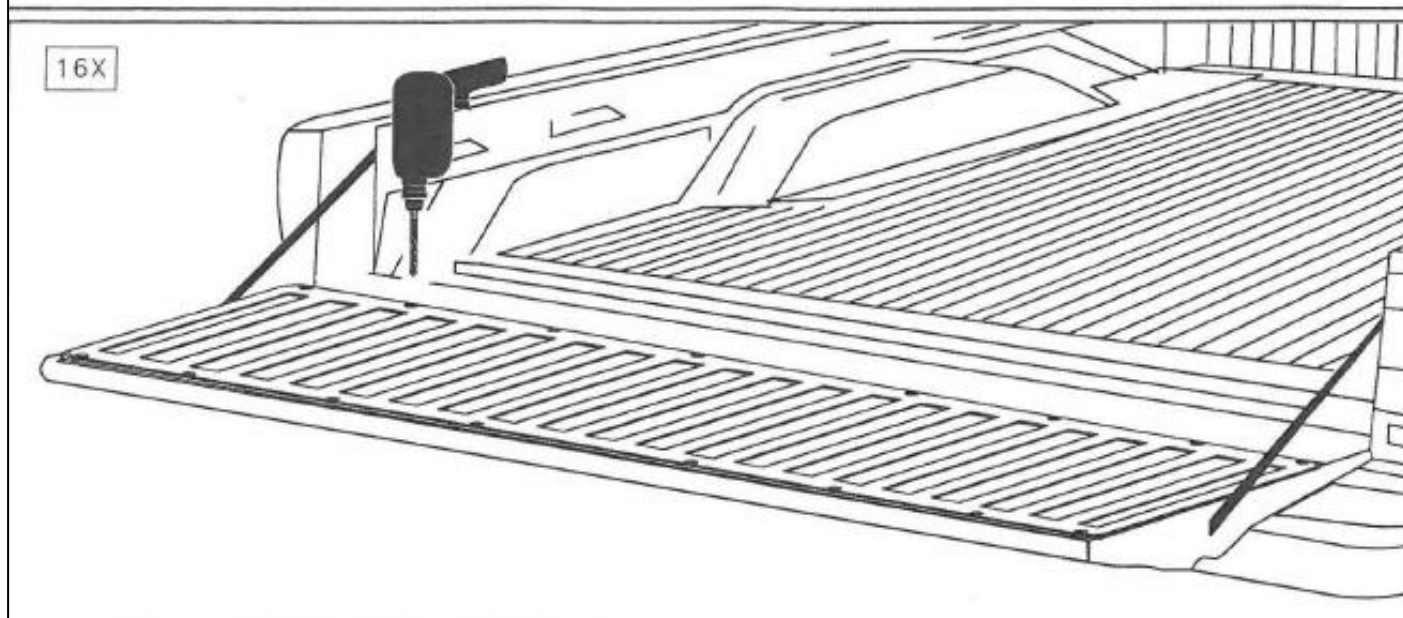
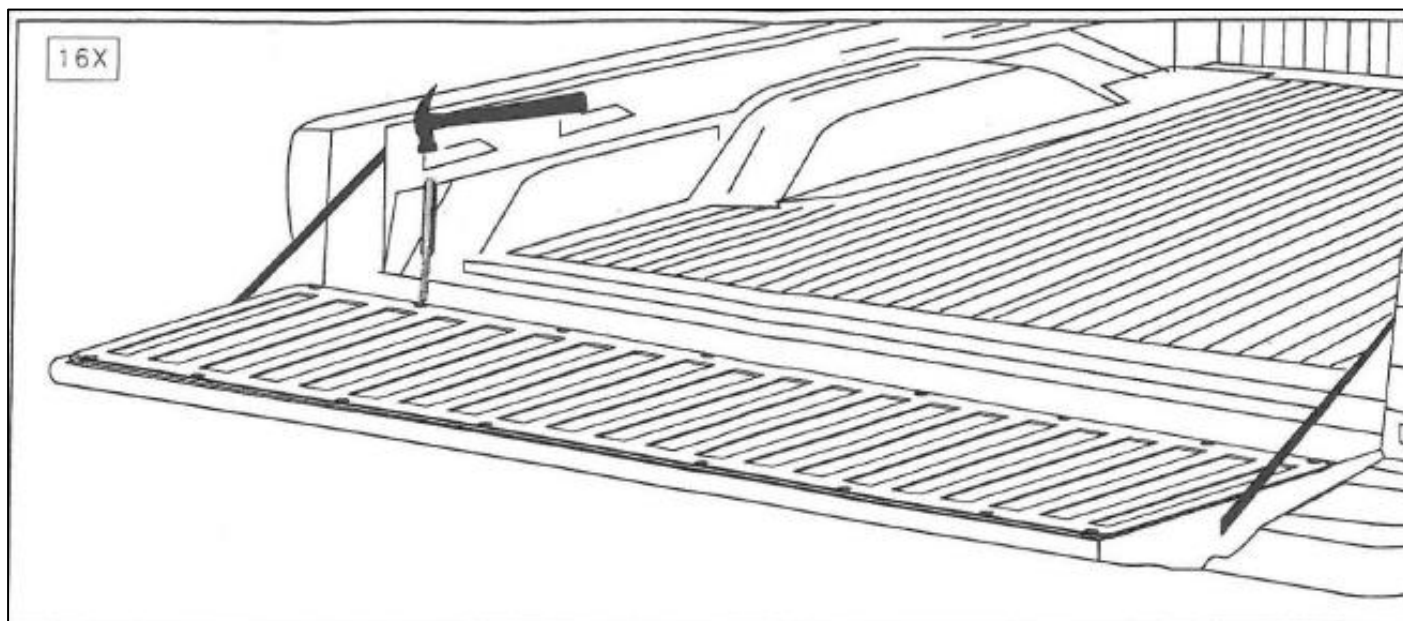
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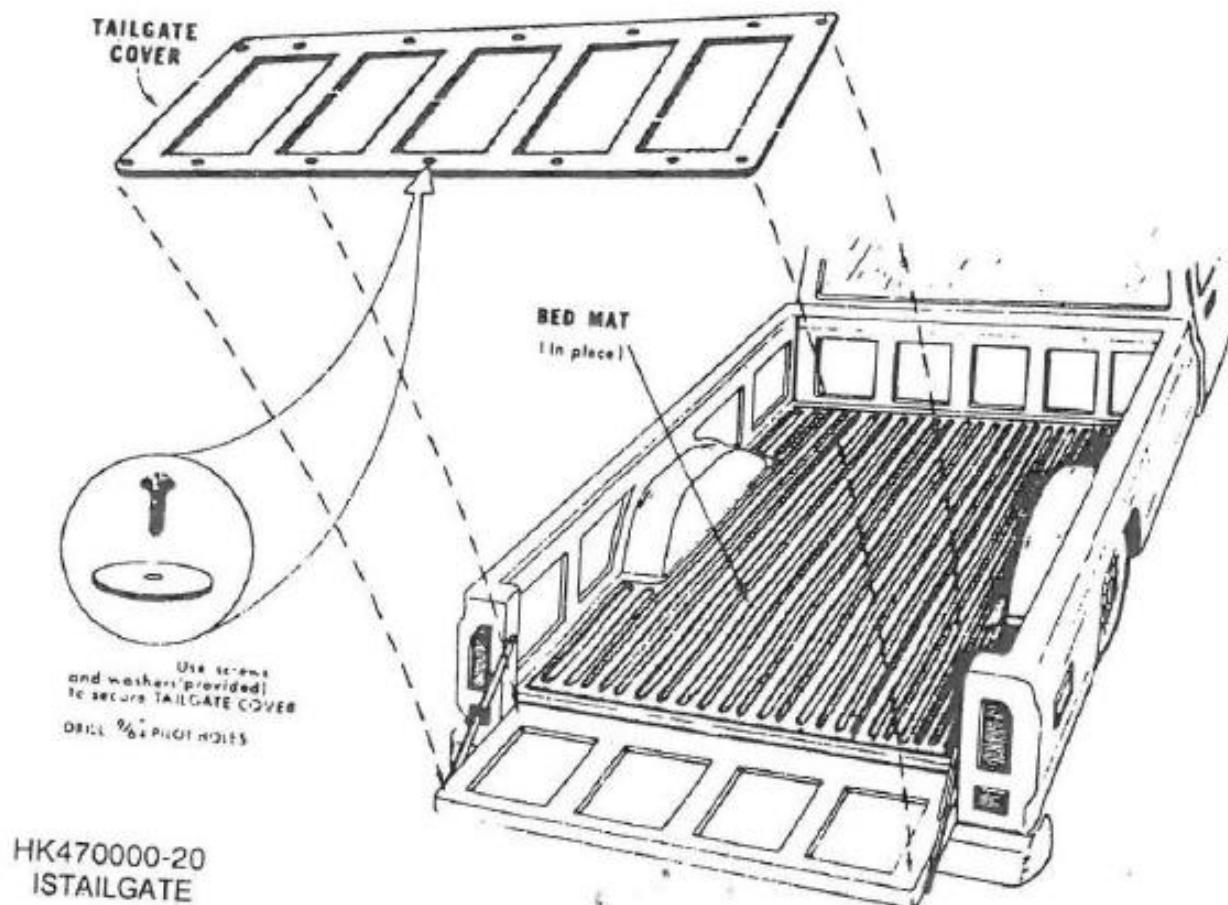
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**YOUR NEW TAILGATE PROTECTOR IS HIGHLY RESISTANT TO GASOLINE, KEROSENE,
FUEL OIL AND SOLVENT SPILLS AS LONG AS CLEANING RECOMMENDATIONS ARE FOLLOWED IMMEDIATELY.**

TAILGATE PROTECTOR CLEANING RECOMMENDATIONS

- Promptly remove any standing liquid or debris from tailgate protector
- Flush with water.
- Allow to air dry.

Tailgates are made from 100% post-industrial recycled SBR rubber with added fiber reinforcement to improve service life and durability. Some visible cord is to be expected and does not detract from the function of the mat nor is it considered to be a defect.

FAQ's

1. How difficult is it to install the tailgate mate?

Installing of tailgate mate is easy, please follow the steps in installation manual carefully.

2. How do I clean my tailgate mate?

Flush with water & Allow to air dry.

3. Missing / Excess Hardware.

Recheck hardware count as per the part list.

4. Why is my tailgate mate not installing properly?

Ensure year, make, model, cab length and bed size of your vehicle is listed in the application and installation steps are followed correctly.

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