



INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS
SIDE BAR PART#204003/204003-2

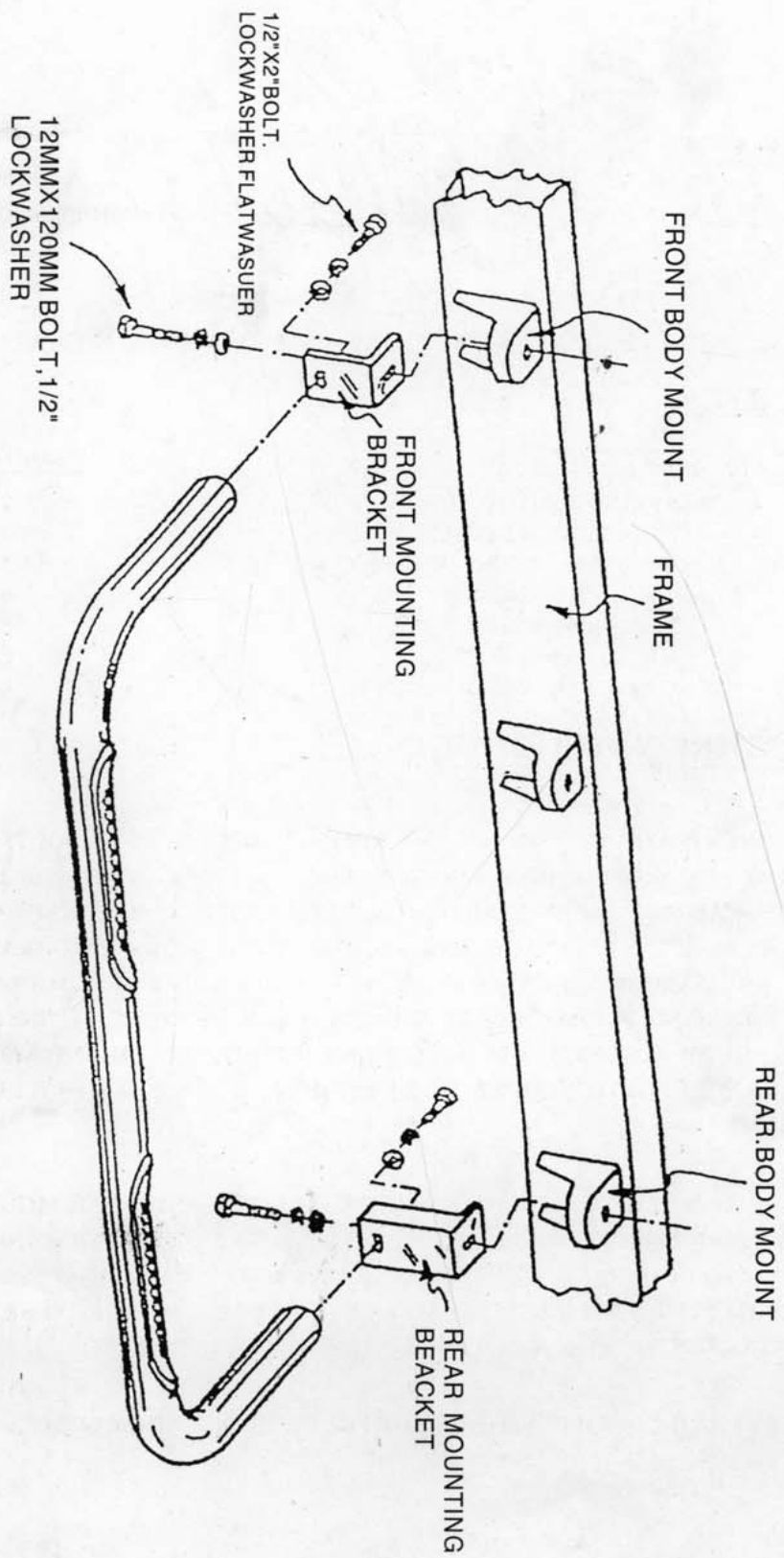
2000-10 CHEVY TAHOE (supercedes 204010) 2007-10 YUKON

PARTS LIST

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| (2) SIDE TUBES WITH STEPS | (8) ½" FLAT WASHERS |
| (2) FRONT MOUNT BRACKETS | (8) ½" SPLIT LOCK WASHERS |
| (2) REAR MOUNT BRACKETS | (4) M12 – 1.75 x 120mm HEX HEAD BOLTS |
| (4) ½" x 2" HEX HEAD BOLTS | |

PROCEDURE

1. Begin installation by working on driver side of the vehicle (see illustration).
2. From underneath truck, loosen and remove body mount bolts that run upward through mounts into floorboard. Attach and secure Front Mount Bracket to underside of vehicles front body mount, re-using isolator and puck, but replacing factory bolt with (1) M12 – 1.75 x 120mm bolt, (1) ½" split lock washer, and (1) ½" flat washer. Hand Tighten.
Note: Use caution when removing bolts as the rubber isolators and metal pucks may fall.
3. Attach and secure Rear Mount Bracket to underside of vehicles rear body mount in same manner as the front.
4. Attach Side Tube to Front and Rear Brackets using (1) ½" x 2" bolt, (1) ½" split lock washer, and (1) ½" flat washer for each bracket, and hand tighten. Torque M12 bolts first to 65 ft-lbs and then the ½" bolts that secure the Side Bar to 65 ft-lbs, to complete the driver-side assembly.
Note: Step Pad closer to the end of the tube goes to the rear.
5. Repeat process for passenger side of vehicle to complete installation.



INSTALLTION ALERT

General Motors has made changes to their late model 2010 and 2012 Chevrolet Silverado and GMC Sierra Light Duty and Heavy Duty Trucks and these changes affect the installation of our Side Bars.

Currently, all Side Bars manufactured for GM trucks use the factory body mount bolts to attach the bars and brackets to the truck. In years past, GM used a fixed nut that was welded in place to the chassis of the truck. Starting late 2010, GM has now gone to a loose nut that is surrounded by a "Cage Nut" which has two tabs on either side of the nut to keep it from loosening. Along with this cage nut, GM is also using Heavy Duty Loc-tite on the Body Mount Bolts for added protection.

Due to this change, Aries is recommending **EXTREME CARE** when removing the factory body mount bolts from these trucks. **Loosen and re-tighten all body mount bolts by hand! DO NOT use Impact Tools of any kind!** If bolts become increasingly tight as you are loosening them you may need to retighten & loosen the bolt several times to clear the loc-tite from the threads Failure to follow this instruction could cause the body mount bolts to seize and the tabs of the 'Cage Nut' to bend allowing the nut to spin freely inside Chassis floor board!

Most of clients have been installing the existing side bar applications on these new trucks with no issues, but please be sure to follow our recommendation to prevent any installation issues. If you have any questions, please feel free to call our Customer Service Department at 888-800-2743.

