

12140 **INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS**

Safety glasses should be worn at all times while installing this product.

STYLE: SUV

YEARS: 2015-PRESENT

MAKE: FORD

MODEL: EDGE



WARNING: NEVER EXCEED YOUR VEHICLE MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDED TOWING CAPACITY For more information log onto www.curtmfg.com & for helpful towing tips log onto www.hitchinfo.com

WEIGHT CARRYING:

TRAILER WEIGHT: 3,500 LBS. **TONGUE WEIGHT:** 350 LBS.

WE RECOMMEND THE USE OF 18050 STABILIZING STRAPS FOR ALL NON-TRAILER (WHEEL-LESS) LOADS. PLEASE SEE THE CURT CATALOG OR VISIT US ONLINE AT

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PRO INSTALL TIME: 30 MIN. **NOVICE INSTALL TIME:** 60 MIN.

IF YOU ARE HESITANT TO UNDERTAKE THIS TASK ON YOUR OWN, CONTACT AN AUTHORIZED CURT INSTALLER FOR ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE.

INSTALLATION TIPS:

- 1. BEFORE YOU BEGIN INSTALLATION, READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY.
- 2. TO EASE INSTALLATION, 2 PEOPLE MAY BE REQUIRED.
- 3. USING PROPER TOOLS WILL GREATLY IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF THE INSTALL AND REDUCE THE TIME REQUIRED.
- 4. NEED HELP OR HAVE SOME QUESTIONS? CALL TECHNICAL SUPPORT AT 800.798.0813

INSTALLATION REQUIRES: 7/32" 3/4" 5.5mm 10mm **TORQUE** RATCHET **SOCKET** WRENCH **SAFETY AVIATION** SOCKET **GLASSES SHEARS**

LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY: MODERATE

EASY

MODERATE

CHALLENGING

TRIM

TRIM UNDERBODY (2) PANELS



FISHWIRE (4) 1/2" FASTENERS



LOWER (2) EXHAUST **HANGERS**



REMOVE EXHAUST BEZELS (SPORT ONLY)

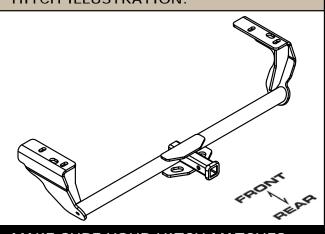


NO DRILLING REQUIRED

VEHICLE PHOTO:



HITCH ILLUSTRATION:





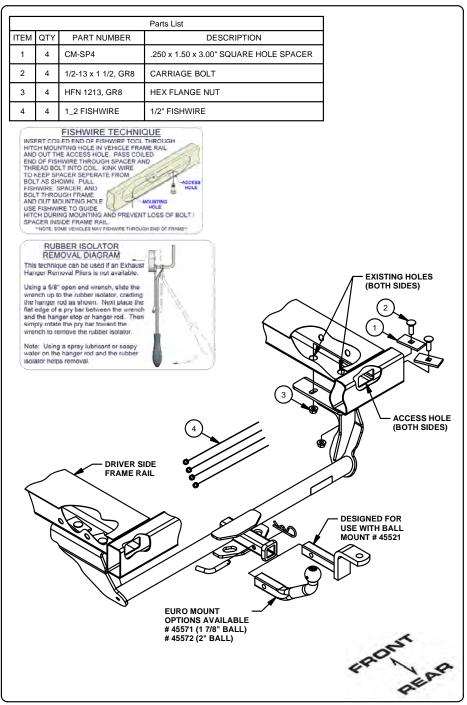


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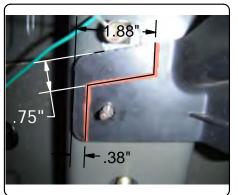


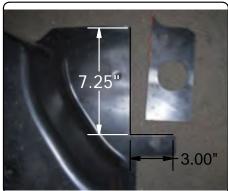


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3) Trim 3/8" off of the center under body panel outer tabs to allow easier mounting of the hitch. Trim the removed underbody side panels as shown in the diagram below to allow for reinstallation.





4) Raise hitch over exhaust and thread fishwires into the mounting holes. Raise hitch into mounting position, remove the fishwires and install (4) supplied 1/2" hex flange nuts.

Note: The hitch side plates will be located between the center underbody panel tabs and the frame rails.





5) Torque all 1/2" fasteners to 110 lb-ft. Reinstall the trimmed underbody panels onto the vehicle using the hardware removed in step 1.

Note: The washer/nut may require trimming of the washer for reinstallation.





6) Raise the exhaust back into position and reinstall rubber isolators and exhaust bezels if removed.

Note: On vehicles equipped with hands free lift gate, perform the kick motion on the left or right side of the receiver tube.





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TOWING SAFETY INFORMATION

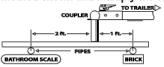
Gross Trailer Weight / GTW

The Gross Trailer Weight is the weight of the trailer & cargo. Measure this by putting the fully loaded trailer on a vehicle scale.



Tongue Weight / TW

The downward force that is exerted on the hitch ball by the coupler. The tongue weight will vary depending on where the load is positioned in relationship to the trailer axle(s). To measure the tongue weight, use either a commercial scale or a bathroom scale with the coupler at towing height. When using a bathroom scale with heavier tongue weights, use the method shown and multiply the scale reading by 3.



Weight Carrying / WC

The total weight of both the trailer and the cargo inside. Never exceed the weight capacity of your trailer hitch.

Weight Distribution / WD

Used to balance the weight of the cargo between the front and rear wheels throughout the trailer, allowing for better steering, braking, and level riding.

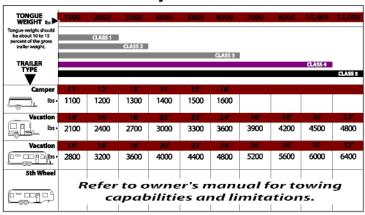




Sway Control

A device used to reduce the lateral movements of the trailer that are caused by the wind. This works in conjunction with a weight distribution hitch. Do not use this on a class 1 or 2 hitch, or with surge brakes.

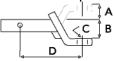
How Much Can You Safely Tow?



Ball Mount

The ball mount is placed inside the opening of the receiver hitch which is mounted to the vehicle. Make sure a hitch pin and clip is properly securing the ball mount to the receiver hitch before you begin towing.

A: Rise. B: Drop. C: Hole Size. D: Length.

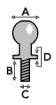


Trailer Ball

The connection from the hitch to the trailer. There are many factors that determine the correct hitch ball:

- Number one is the hitch ball's gross trailer weight rating.
- The mounting platform must be at least 3/8" thick.
- The hole diameter must not be more than 1/16" larger than the threaded shank.
- · Every time you tow, check the nut and lock washer to make sure they are fastened securely.

 • A: Ball Dia. B: Shank Length. C: Shank Dia. D: Shank Rise.



Coupler

The component that is placed over the trailer ball to connect the vehicle to the trailer. Be sure that the coupler size matches the size of the hitch ball and that the coupler handle is securely fastened. To determine what size hitch ball you need for your application you will need to know the size of coupler that is on the trailer. Be sure your coupler is properly adjusted to the ball you are using.

NOTE: For added security the use of safety devices such as Coupler Safety Pins and Locks is strongly recommended.

Safety Chains

Safety chains are a requirement and should be crossed under the tongue of the trailer so that the tongue will not drop to the road if it becomes separated from the hitch. Always leave enough slack so you can turn. Never allow the safety chains to drag on the ground and never attach the chains to the bumper.

Trailer Classification: Safety Chain Breaking Force - Minimum

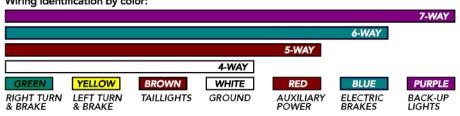
Class 1: 2,000 lbs. (8.9 kN) Class 2: 3,500 lbs. (15.6 kN) Class 3: 5,000 lbs. (22.2 kN)

The strength rating of each length of safety chain or its equivalent and its attachments shall be equal to or exceed in minimum breaking force the GVWR (Gross Vehicle Weight Rating) of the trailer.

Electrical

Trailer lights, Electric Brakes, Break-away systems - Every time you tow, be sure to check that all components are working properly.

Wiring identification by color:



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FORD EDGE

7/29/2015

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ITEN	1 QTY	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	INSERT COILED END OF FISHWIRE TOOL THROUGH	
1	4	CM-SP4	.250 x 1.50 x 3.00" SQUARE HOLE SPACER	HITCH MOUNTING HOLE IN VEHICLE FRAME RAIL AND OUT THE ACCESS HOLE, PASS COILED	
2	4	1/2-13 x 1 1/2, GR8	CARRIAGE BOLT	END OF FISHWIRE THROUGH SPACER AND THREAD BOLT INTO COIL. KINK WIRE	
3	4	HFN 1213, GR8	HEX FLANGE NUT	TO KEEP SPACER SEPERATE FROM BOLT AS SHOWN, PULL EXISTING HOLES	
4	4	1_2 FISHWIRE	1/2" FISHWIRE	BOLT AS SHOWN. PULL FISHWIRE. SPACER, AND BOLT THROUGH FRAME (BOTH FRAMES)	
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This product complies with safety specifications and requirements for connecting devices and towing systems of the state of New York, V.E.S.C.Regulation V-5 and SAE J684