

# 13155 INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS



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

YEARS: 2013 MAKE: MERCEDES BENZ

MODEL: GLK250 BLUETEC

STYLE: SUV

WARNING: NEVER EXCEED YOUR VEHICLE MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDED TOWING CAPACITY

**WEIGHT CARRYING:** 

TRAILER WEIGHT: 3,500 LBS. TONGUE WEIGHT: 525 LBS.

WARNING:

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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## INSTALLATION TIME: 45/90 MIN.

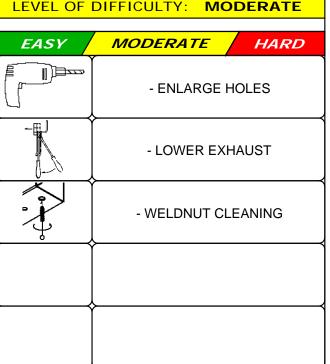
THE INSTALL TIME LISTED IS FOR PROFESSIONAL/NOVICE INSTALLERS. IF YOU ARE HESITANT TO UNDERTAKE THIS TASK ON YOUR OWN, CONTACT AN AUTHORIZED CURT INSTALLER FOR ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE.

**INSTALLATION REQUIRES:** 

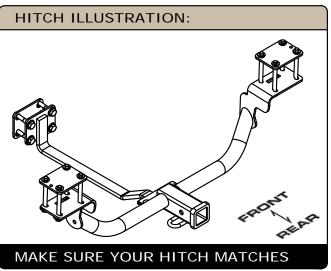
### **INSTALLATION TIPS:**

- 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

# SAFETY **T40** SOCKET RATCHET **GLASSES SCREW** WIRE PIPE SOCKET DRIVER **BRUSH EXTENSION DRILL BIT POWER** 1/2" **DRILL DIE GRINDER** 3/4" 11/16" **TORQUE** SOCKET WRENCH



# VEHICLE PHOTO: REPRESENTATIVE PHOTO

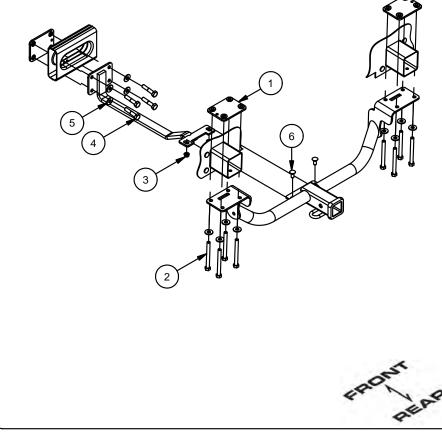


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# **INSTALLATION WALKTHROUGH:**

| Parts List |     |                  |                        |  |
|------------|-----|------------------|------------------------|--|
| ITEM       | QTY | PART NUMBER      | DESCRIPTION            |  |
| 1          | 3   | CM-NP1W          | NUT PLATE WELDMENT     |  |
| 2          | 8   | 1_2 - 13 x 5 HEX | HEX BOLT               |  |
| 3          | 2   | 7/16-14          | HEX FLANGE NUT         |  |
| 4          | 4   | 1/2 - 13 x 2 3/4 | HEX BOLT               |  |
| 5          | 12  | 1/2"             | CONICAL TOOTHED WASHER |  |
| 6          | 2   | 7/16-14 x 1      | CARRIAGE BOLT          |  |



1. Remove 3 fascia clips from each side of the vehicle with a flat head screwdriver. This will allow for the fascia to flex slightly for socket access during installation.





2. Remove exhaust tips by removing T40 torx screws from 3 locations on each side of the vehicle with a short torx bit and ratchet extension. Tips will be reinstalled when hitch installation is complete.





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3. Lower exhaust by removing (2) isolators on the driver side muffler, (2) isolators on the passenger side muffler, and (2) isolators forward of the mufflers. Note: Exhaust can pivot on driver side at ball joint location for increased access to rear vehicle mounting location.





4. Locate plastic fascia support webbing and drill out center inboard section. Enlarge section for 3/4" socket access in order to tighten hitch to nut plates over bumper beam.





- 5. Locate supplied nut plates from hitch and hardware assembly. Nut plate weldnut threads may need to be cleaned with a wire brush before assembly.
- 6. Place supplied nut plates over bumper beam, as shown.





- 7. Raise hitch into position over exhaust.
- 8. Secure hitch to nut plates, with finger tightened 1/2" x 5" hex bolts and 1/2" conical toothed washers, as shown. (Note: Be sure to slide hitch as far forward as possible but not so it rests on the weld seam on the vehicle bumper beams.)





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- 9. Raise mounting strap behind vehicle crossmember, as shown.
- 10. Secure mounting strap to hitch with finger tightened 7/16" hex flange nuts.





- 11. Raise nut plate in front of vehicle cross member.
- 12. Secure nut plate to mounting strap with finger tightened 1/2" x 2 3/4" hex bolts and 1/2" conical toothed washers.





- 13. Torque all 1/2-13 x 5" hex bolts to 75 lb-ft. Torque all remaining 1/2" hardware to 110 lb-ft and all 7/16" hardware to 70 lb-ft.
- 14. Raise exhaust back into position.





- 15. Reattach exhaust tip (3 mounting locations each side.)
- 16. Reattach fascia clips (3 locations each side of vehicle.)Installation is complete.





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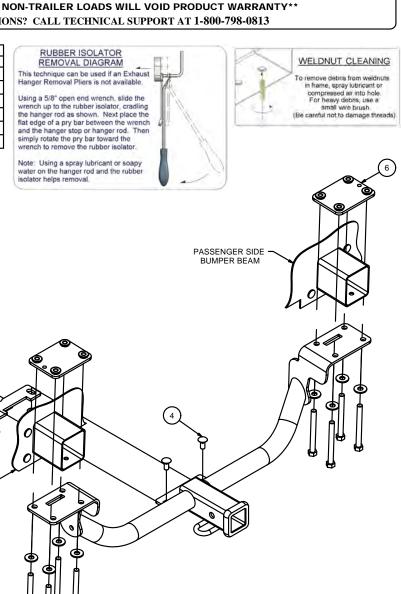
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MOUNTING STRAP

VEHICLE CROSSMEMBER

POSITION THROUGH **CROSS MEMBER** 

> 2 DRIVER SIDE BUMPER BEAM





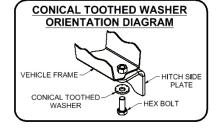
POSITION UNDER CROSS MEMBER

HITCH WEIGHT: 33 LBS. INSTALL TIME PROFESSIONAL: 45 MINUTES NOVICE (DIY): 90 MINUTES

LOWER EXHAUST

**INSTALL NOTES:** 

- FISHWIRE HARDWARE





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   (See RUBBER ISOLATOR REMOVAL DIAGRAM.)

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