

BX1646 Installation Instructions 2003 - 07 Cadillac CTS

Serial No.

The front fascia, metal bumper, bumper brackets and horn bracket are removed for baseplate installation. Holes need to be drilled. Forward windshield washer brace is removed to relieve area for baseplate. No trimming required. The BX8869 is available for this vehicle. Attachment Tabs are 18 inches center to center and a height of 12 1/2 inches.



1. Remove eight push pins from the top side of fascia.



3. Inside wheel well, on fascia's corner, remove three metric bolts with the 10MM deep socket, both sides.



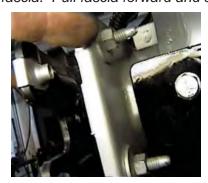
5. Remove six metric bolts from metal bumper using the 13MM socket, pull forward and set aside. Remove metric bolt on windshield washer reservoir from bumper bracket with a 10MM socket.



2. Just forward of front tire, on fascia corner, remove three push pins, both sides.



4. Using the 7MM socket, remove the two metric bolts and eight push pins on lower fascia. Pull fascia forward and set aside.

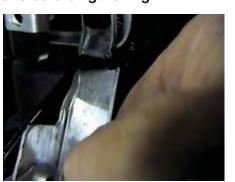


6. Using the 13MM socket remove the four metric bolts from metal bumper bracket, pull forward and set aside, both sides. Remove horn and bracket on driver's side with 10MM socket.





7. Hold baseplate to align with existing 1/2" hole on driver's side, outer frame, and insert item 3 into existing hole from frame end. Install items 6 and 8, do not tighten. With baseplate aligned to existing hole on passenger's side inner frame, install items 3, 6 and 8, do not tighten. Be sure and use loctite on all bolts before tightening.



- **9.** Using the hack saw, cut off the brace for the windshield washer reservoir on the passenger's side bumper bracket, reinstall bumper brackets, metal bumper, horn brace and fascia. Be sure all electrical connections are secured.
- **10.** The dimensional variations between otherwise identical cars can be considerable. While the location and size of the holes in the baseplate were designed to allow for easy installation, it may be necessary to file a hole slightly to allow a bolt to clear.
- **11.** Install the tow bar and safety cables according to the instructions included in their packages.
- 12. Do not substitute other devices if the tow bar pin and clip are lost.
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8. While maintaining a level position on the attachment tabs, clamp the baseplate to frame with vise grips. Using the baseplate as a template, drill the remaining four holes with the 13/32" drill bit. Insert item 4 into frame end and install items 5 and 7, tighten all bolts. Be sure and use loctite on all bolts before tightening.

Tools Required

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Loctite Blue 9/16" Socket Hack Saw

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7MM Socket 3/4" Socket Flat Screw Driver Parts List 10MM Deep Socket 13MM Socket 13/32" Drill Bit

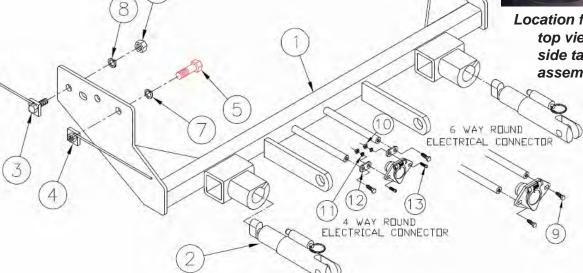
Strong As An Ox'			Parts List
Ref. No.	Qty.	Part No.	Description
1	1	61-5790	Weldment, Base Plate, BX1646
2	2	62-3468	Assy, Att. Tab, Rem.,SF/SB
3	2		1/2 X 1 1/4 Bolt Plate w/wire
4	4	61-5208	Wldm't, Nut Plate, 1/4x1x1, 3/8 Bolt
5	4	201-0368	
6	2	202-0005	1/2-13 Hex Nut, ZP, Grd.5
7	4		3/8 Lock Washer, ZP
8	2		1/2 Lock Washer, ZP
9	2	201-0553	1/4-20 x 1/2 Hx. Washer Hd.
10	2	202-0047	#10-32 Hex Nut, ZP
11	2	203-0054	#10 Lock Washer, ZP
12	2		Adapter, 4 Way Connector
13	2		#10-32 x 1/2 Slot Hd. Screw, ZP
	2		Baseplate Safety Cable, 36" CL III (Not Shown)
	2	229-0359	Quicklink, 3/8, ZP (Not Shown)
	2	290-0437	Receiver, Cap Plug (BLK) (Not Shown)







Location for the BX8869, top view of driver's side tail light assembly.



IMPORTANT: Use only genuine factory replacement parts on your Base Plate. Do not substitute homemade or nontypical parts. If a bolt is lost or in need of replacement, for your safety and the preservation of your Base Plate, be sure to use a replacement bolt of the same grade (Usually Grade 5, refer to parts list). Repair parts may be ordered through your nearest **Blue Ox** dealer or distributor.

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