

BX3805 Installation Instructions 1981-83 Volkswagon Rabbit (U.S. Only)

- 1. Read the General Instruction Sheet included with this baseplate.
- Check to be certain the two pairs of bolts up inside the front of the car which mount the bumper bracket/ shock absorber units to the frame are tight. These are located one behind the other on the same side of the fabricated sheet metal frame tubes.
- 3. Remove the front bumper by removing the four nuts which secure the bumper to the bumper shock absorbers (two on each side). A 13mm socket is required.
- 4. The baseplate mounts with six bolts; the four bolts in the front bumper and the two 1/2" bolts supplied with the unit. The latter two bolts attach the baseplate to the two angled tabs the lower back edge of the bumper shock absorbers.
- 5. Refer to the sketches to get a perspective on how the baseplate is properly installed.
- 6. With the assistance of another person, lift the baseplate into position aligning the six holes to the proper holes in the bumper shock absorber.
- 7. Insert the 1/2" bolts and install the flat washer, lock washers and nuts. Tighten with a 3/4" box wrench only enough to pull the baseplate into position.
- 8. Note the alignment of the four holes at the front of the baseplate to the slots in the front ends of the bumper shock absorbers. The must align to allow the bumper bolts to pass through both the shock absorber and the baseplate.
- 9. Slide the bumper back into position such that the four bolts pass through the holes noted in item 8. It is easier if you do not push the bolts back as they are "carriage" type which are held in position by a sheet of scotch tape. Similarly, be sure these bolts are "seated" in the square holes in the bumper when they are tightened.
- 10. Tighten all bolts firmly.
- 11. The dimensional variations between otherwise identical cars can be considerable. While the location and size of the holes in the baseplate were designed to facilitate easy installation, it may be necessary to file a hole slightly to allow a bolt to clear.
- 12. Install the tow bar and safety cables according to the instructions included in their packages.
- 13. Do not substitute other devices if the pin and clip are lost.
- 14. DEALER OR INSTALLER: BE CERTAIN THE USER RECEIVES THE INSTRUCTION SHEET.

Parts List

Ref. No.	Qty.	Part No.	Description
1	1	61-3453	Baseplate, BX3805
2	2	201-0051	1/2-13 x 1 12/ Hex Head Bolt, Grade 5
3	2	202-0005	
4	2	203-0005	
5	2	203-0012	1/2 Lock Washer

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