

### 13142 INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

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

YEARS: 2010-2012

MAKE: MERCEDES BENZ

MODEL: GLK350 4MATIC

STYLE: SUV



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**WEIGHT CARRYING:** 

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

PRO INSTALL TIME: **60 MIN.**NOVICE INSTALL TIME: **120 MIN.** 

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

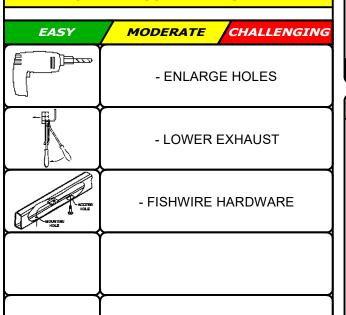
#### **INSTALLATION REQUIRES:**



### **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 877.287.8634

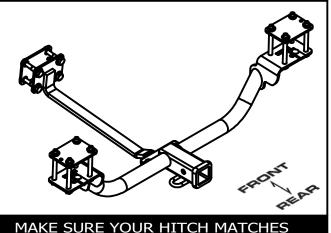
#### LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY: MODERATE



### VEHICLE PHOTO:



#### HITCH ILLUSTRATION:



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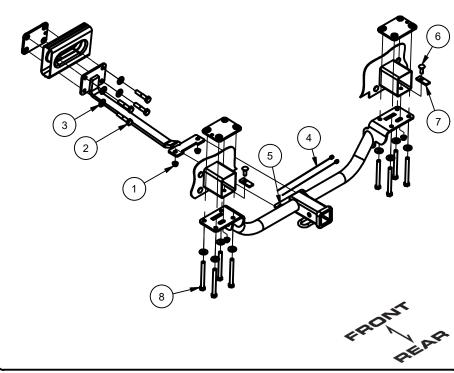
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This product complies with safety specifications and requirements for connecting devices and towing systems of the state of New York, V.E.S.C.Regulation V-5 and SAE J684.

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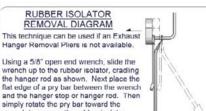
### **INSTALLATION WALKTHROUGH:**

Parts List				
ITEM	QTY	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	
1	4	20-00103	NUT,SER-FLANGE,7/16-14 UNC,GRD8,YZ	
2	4	10-10306	HHCS,1/2-13 UNC,2-1/2,GRD8,YZ	
3	12	30-00149	WASHER,S-CON,1/2,YZ	
4	2	7_16 FISHWIRE	7/16" FISHWIRE	
5	2	10-10311	BOLT,CAR,7/16-14 UNC,1,GRD8,YZ	
6	2	10-10281	BOLT,CAR,7/16-14 UNC,1-1/4,GRD8,YZ	
7	2	CM-SP2	.250 x .88 x 2.25" SQUARE HOLE SPACER	
8	8	10-10294	HHCS,1/2-13 UNC,5,GRD8,YZ	



1. 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.





wrench to remove the rubber isolator.

Note: Using a spray lubricant or soapy water on the hanger rod and the rubber isolator helps removal.

2. Remove (2) screws securing rear fascia to underbody panel. Save screws for re-installation in Step (10).





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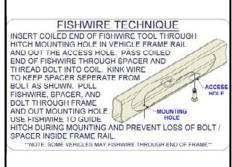
3. Enlarge existing slot in the bottom of the driver and the passenger side bumper beams large enough to allow the threaded portion of a 7/16" carriage bolt to pass through.





4. Locate channel behind driver side bumper fascia leading to access hole in driver side bumper beam. Fishwire 7/16-14 x 1 1/4" carriage bolt and SP2 spacer through access hole and out enlarged hole in driver side bumper beam.





5. Locate square access cover on the outside of the bumper fascia on the passenger side of vehicle. Push in on side of cover with the arrow to open. Fishwire 7/16-14 x 1 1/4" carriage bolt and SP2 spacer through fascia access hole and out enlarged hole in passenger side bumper beam. Replace access cover when finished.





6. Place supplied nut plates over bumper beam. Raise hitch into position over exhaust and loosely secure hitch into place with 7/16" flange nuts. **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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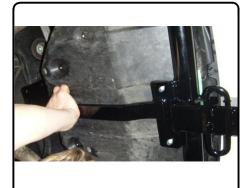
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7. Loosely secure hitch to nut plates with 1/2-13 x 5" hex bolts and 1/2" conical toothed washers.





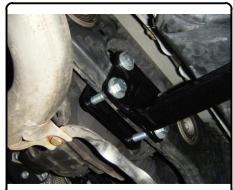
8. Insert 7/16-14 x 1" carriage bolts through top of square holes behind receiver tube of hitch. Raise mounting strap between vehicle crossmember. Loosely secure mounting strap to hitch with 7/16" flange nuts.





9. Raise nut plate in front of vehicle crossmember. Loosely secure nut plate to mounting strap with 1/2-13 x 2 1/2" hex bolts and 1/2" conical toothed washers.





Torque all 1/2-13 x 5" hex bolts to 75 ft-lbs. Torque all remaining 1/2" hardware to 110 ft-lbs and all 7/16" hardware to 59 ft-lbs. Reinstall (2) screws removed in Step (2). Raise exhaust back into position. Hitch installation is complete.





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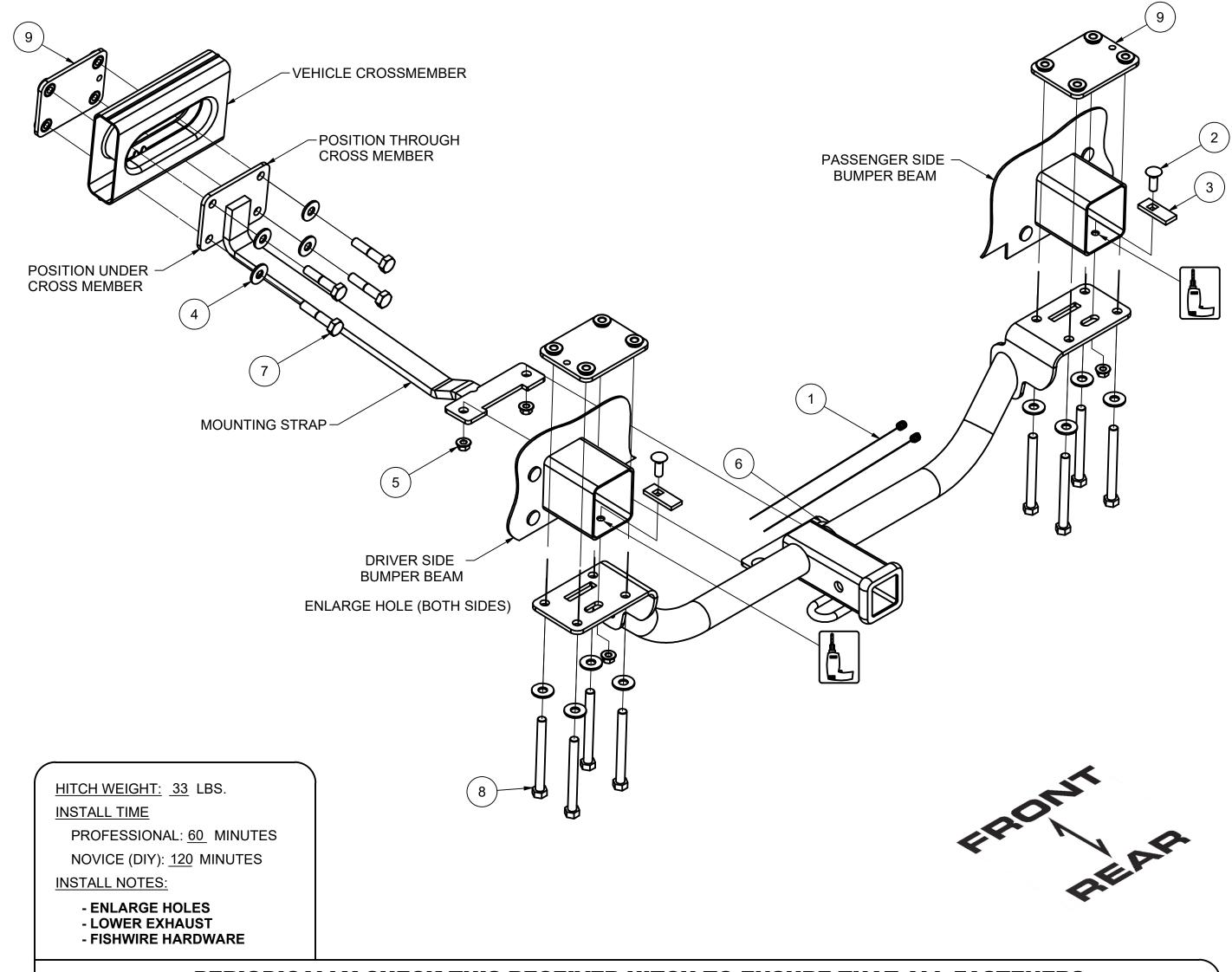
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	Parts List				
ITEM	QTY	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION		
1	2	7_16 FISHWIRE	7/16" FISHWIRE		
2	2	10-10281	BOLT,CAR,7/16-14 UNC,1-1/4,GRD8,YZ		
3	2	CM-SP2	.250 x .88 x 2.25" SQUARE HOLE SPACER		
4	12	30-00149	WASHER,S-CON,1/2,YZ		
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8	8	10-10294	HHCS,1/2-13 UNC,5,GRD8,YZ		
9	3	CM-NP1W	NUT PLATE WELDMENT		



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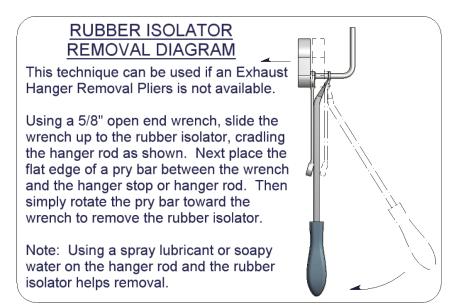
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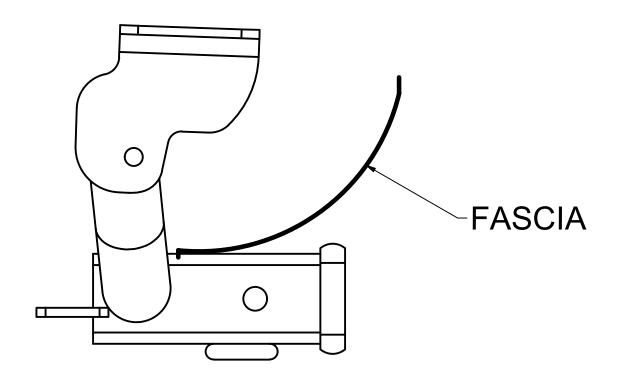
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FISHWIRE TECHNIQUE INSERT COILED END OF FISHWIRE TOOL THROUGH HITCH MOUNTING HOLE IN VEHICLE FRAME RAIL AND OUT THE ACCESS HOLE. PASS COILED END OF FISHWIRE THROUGH SPACER AND THREAD BOLT INTO COIL. KINK WIRE TO KEEP SPACER SEPARATE FROM **BOLT AS SHOWN. PULL** ACCESS FISHWIRE, SPACER, AND **BOLT THROUGH FRAME** AND OUT MOUNTING HOLE. USE FISHWIRE TO GUIDE HITCH DURING MOUNTING AND PREVENT LOSS OF BOLT / SPACER INSIDE FRAME RAIL. \*\*NOTE: SOME VEHICLES MAY FISHWIRE THROUGH END OF FRAME\*\*

TOOLS REQUIRED
DRILL
1/2" DRILL BIT
DIE GRINDER
SOCKET WRENCH
10mm SOCKET
11/16" SOCKET
3/4" SOCKET
 4" SOCKET EXTENSION

TORQUE WRENCH





INSTALLED HITCH POSITION



PASSENGER SIDE FISHWIRE LOCATION



**DRIVER SIDE FISHWIRE LOCATION** 

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### **INSTALLATION STEPS**

- 1. 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. (See RUBBER ISOLATOR REMOVAL DIAGRAM.)
- 2. Tie up exhaust with wire high enough to avoid damaging the exhaust tubes.
- 3. Remove (2) screws securing rear fascia to underbody panel. Save screws for re-installation in Step 20.
- 4. Enlarge existing slot in bottom of driver and passenger side bumper beams large enough to allow the threaded portion of a 7/16" carriage bolt to pass through.
- 5. Locate channel behind driver side bumper fascia leading to access hole in driver side bumper beam. (See Page 2 for diagram showing location of channel.)
- 6. Fishwire 7/16" x 1 1/4" carriage bolt and CM-SP2 spacer through access hole located in Step 5 and out enlarged hole in driver side bumper beam. (See FISHWIRE TECHNIQUE diagram.)
- 7. Locate square access cover on outside of bumper fascia on passenger side of vehicle. Push in on side of cover with arrow. Open access cover and allow cover to hang. (See Page 2 for diagram showing location of access cover.)
- 8. Fishwire 7/16" x 1 1/4" carriage bolt and CM-SP2 spacer through fascia access hole located in Step 7 and out enlarged hole in passenger side bumper beam. (See FISHWIRE TECHNIQUE diagram.)
- 9. Replace access cover from Step 8 by inserting arrow side of cover first and then pushing driver side of cover in until it snaps back into position.
- 10. Place supplied nut plates over bumper beam, as shown.
- 11. Raise hitch into position over exhaust.
- 12. Secure hitch with finger tightened 7/16" hex flange nuts, 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.)
- 13. Secure hitch to nut plates from Step 11, with finger tightened 1/2" x 5" hex bolts and 1/2" conical toothed washers, as shown.
- 14. Insert 7/16" x 1" carriage bolts through top of square holes behind receiver tube of hitch, as shown.
- 15. Raise mounting strap between vehicle crossmember, as shown.
- 16. Secure mounting strap to hitch with finger tightened 7/16" hex flange nuts, as shown.
- 17. Raise nut plate in front of vehicle crossmember.
- 18. Secure nut plate to mounting strap with finger tightened 1/2" x 2 3/4" hex bolts and 1/2" conical toothed washers, as shown.
- 19. 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 59 lb-ft.
- 20. Reinstall (2) screws removed in Step 3.
- 21. Raise exhaust back into position.
- 22. Remove wire from Step 3.

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