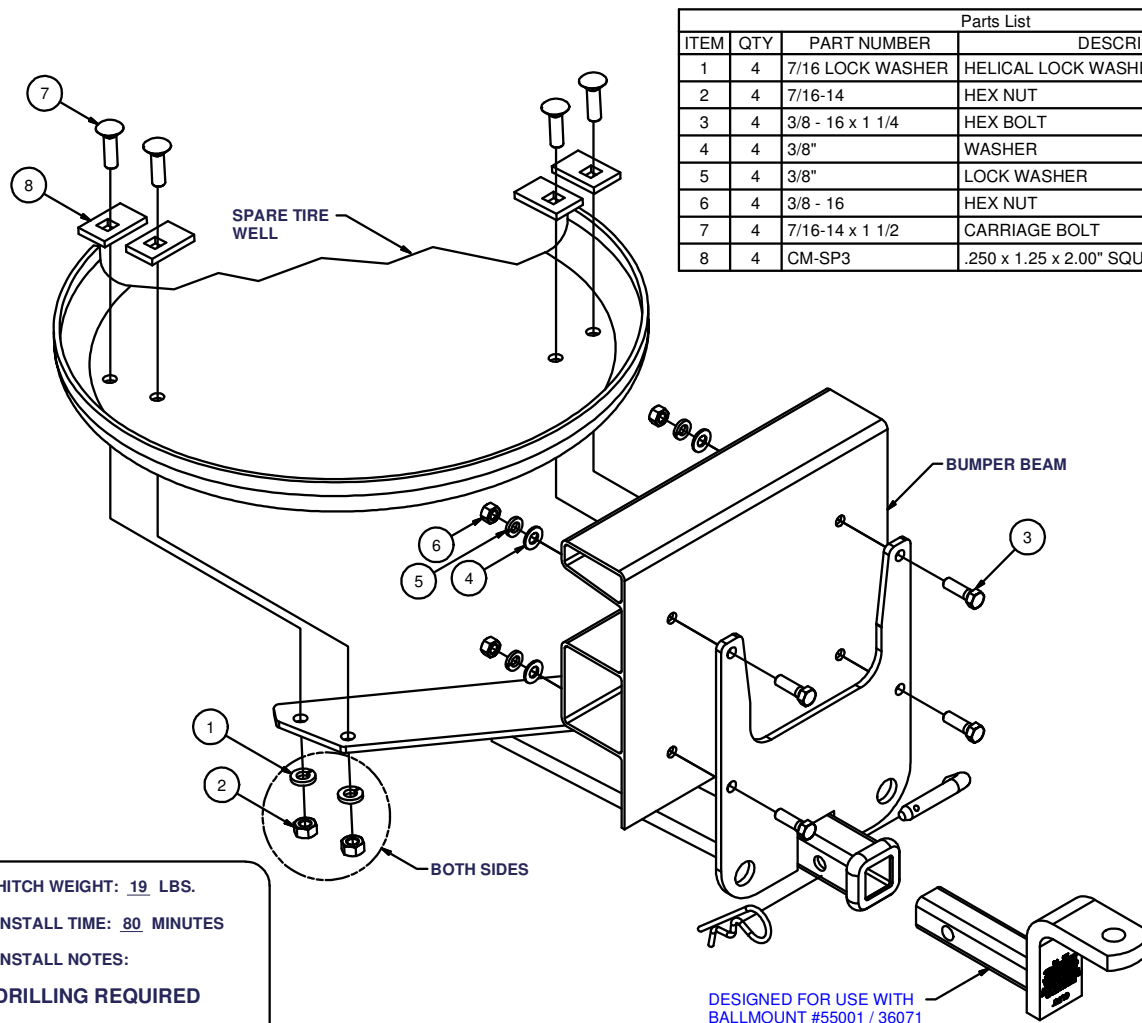


11744 / 247294**96-02 MERCEDES BENZ E-CLASS****10/12/2012**

GROSS LOAD CAPACITY WHEN USED AS A WEIGHT CARRYING HITCH: 2,000 LBS. TRAILER WEIGHT & 200 LBS. TONGUE WEIGHT.
*****DO NOT EXCEED VEHICLE MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDED TOWING CAPACITY.*****

**HITCH WEIGHT: 19 LBS.****INSTALL TIME: 80 MINUTES****INSTALL NOTES:****DRILLING REQUIRED**

INSTALLATION STEPS

- 1) This hitch requires rear bumper removal for installation. Hitch mounts to the vehicle's rear panel and to the bottom surface of the tire well. Temporarily remove spare tire and contents of tire well.
- 2) Temporarily remove plastic panel on inside edge of tire well by removing two screws and pulling out retaining clips. Under this panel there are three bumper retaining nuts recessed in the rear panel. Note: mounted to the inside surface of the bumper fascia are cellular telephone antennas on both left and right sides. Carefully slide antennas out of mounting brackets and remove wires from bumper assembly and temporarily place antennas in trunk. Remove nuts attaching bumper, carefully slide bumper assembly rearward, removing antennas as noted above.
- 3) Mark centerline of car on the rear panel. Position hitch centered on car so bottom holes are 1/2" above bottom lip of rear panel. Mark holes for fasteners on rear panel. Centerpunch and drill holes. Mount hitch and install fasteners as shown.
- 4) Using the hitch as a template, drill tire well for fasteners with backing plates inside tire well as shown.
- 5) Torque all 3/8" fasteners to 45 lb-ft, and all 7/16" fasteners to 70 lb-ft.

PERIODICALLY CHECK THIS RECEIVER HITCH TO ENSURE THAT ALL FASTENERS ARE TIGHT AND THAT ALL STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS ARE SOUND.

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