



# 12010 INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS



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

YEARS: 2010-CURRENT

MAKE: LINCOLN

MODEL: MKT

STYLE: CROSS OVER

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

## WEIGHT CARRYING:

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

## WARNING:

WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THE USE OF AUXILIARY STABILIZING STRAPS FOR ALL NON-TRAILER (WHEEL-LESS) LOADS. PLEASE SEE THE CURT CATALOG OR VISIT US ONLINE AT [WWW.CURTMFG.COM](http://WWW.CURTMFG.COM) FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

INSTALLATION TIME: **40 MIN.**

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


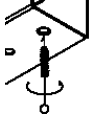
## INSTALLATION TIPS:

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

## INSTALLATION REQUIRES:

 RATCHET	 18 mm SOCKET	 8 in SOCKET EXTENSION
 TORQUE WRENCH	 PRY BAR	 SPRAY LUBRICANT
 SAFETY GLASSES	 MASKING TAPE	

## LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY: HARD

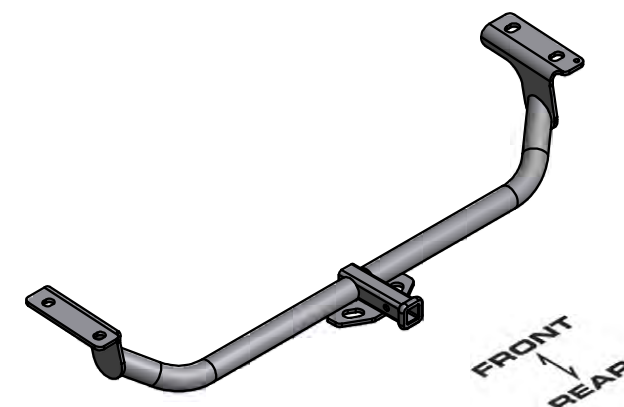
EASY	MODERATE	HARD
	MUST REMOVE (4) REARMOST EXHAUST HANGERS	
	WELDNUT CLEANING MAY BE REQUIRED	

## VEHICLE PHOTO:



REPRESENTATIVE PHOTO

## HITCH ILLUSTRATION:



MAKE SURE YOUR HITCH MATCHES

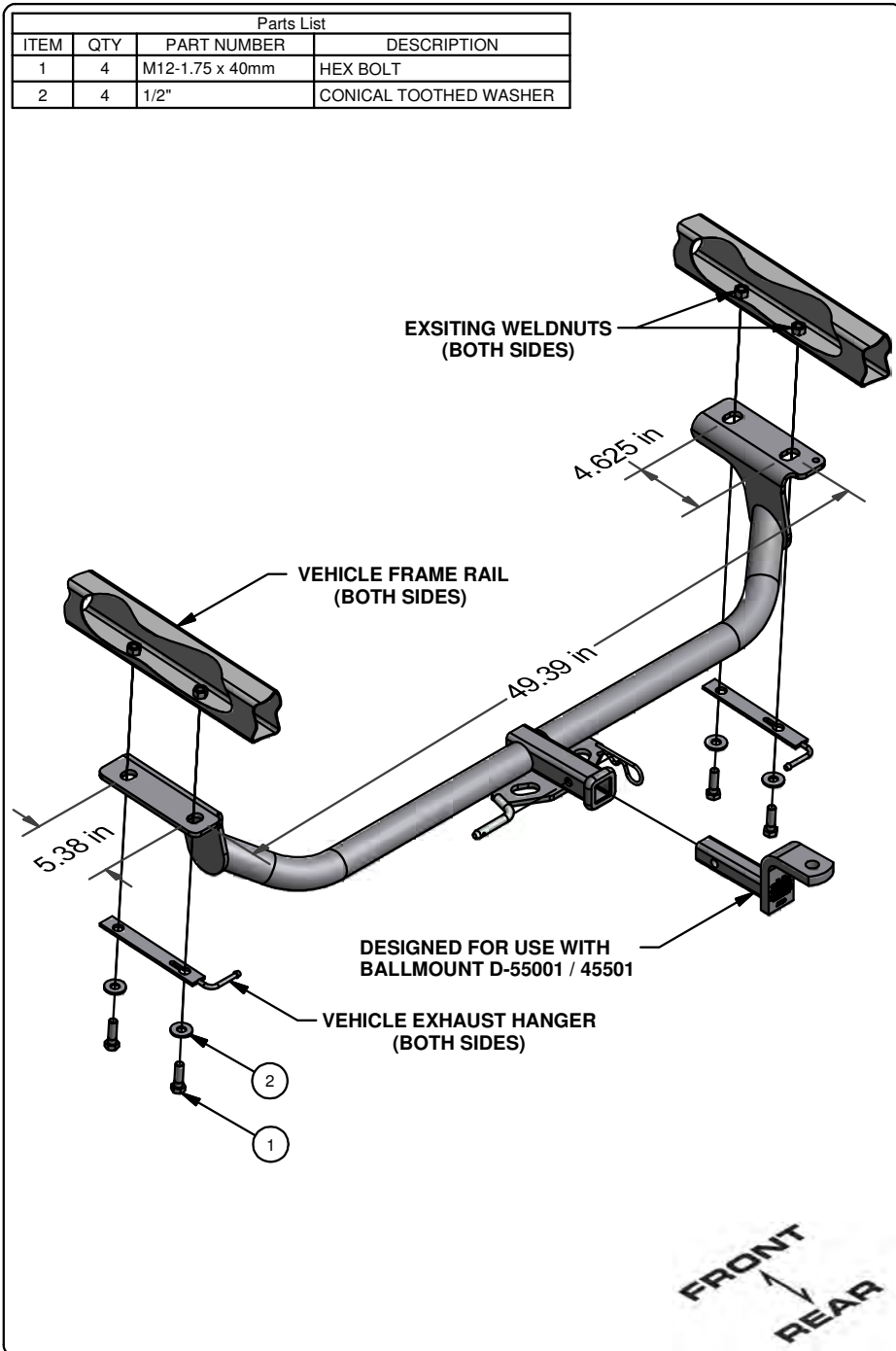
**PERIODICALLY CHECK THIS RECEIVER HITCH TO ENSURE ALL FASTENERS ARE TIGHT AND ALL STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS ARE SOUND**

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## INSTALLATION WALKTHROUGH:



1. Remove (2) center rubber exhaust hangers. (See RUBBER ISOLATOR REMOVAL DIAGRAM) **Note:** Be sure to support exhaust so it does not bend in STEP 2.



### RUBBER ISOLATOR REMOVAL DIAGRAM

This technique can be used if an Exhaust Hanger Removal Pliers is not available.

Using a 5/8" open end wrench, slide the wrench up to the rubber isolator, cradling the hanger rod as shown. Next place the flat edge of a pry bar between the wrench and the hanger stop or hanger rod. Then simply rotate the pry bar toward the 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 (4) M12x1.75 bolts which attach exhaust hangers to the vehicle frame rail. (Two bolts on each exhaust hanger)

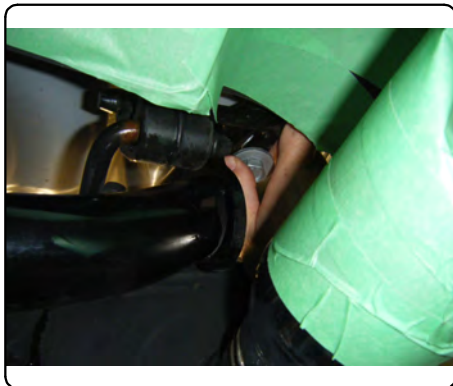
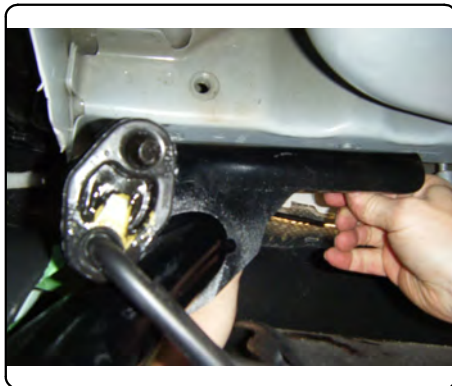


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3. Place hitch so it is between the exhaust and exhaust hanger which is welded to the exhaust on both sides. Simultaneously raise hitch and exhaust into position.



4. Use included hardware to attach hitch and exhaust hangers to vehicle frame. Leave bolts loose. **Note:** Hitch is sandwiched between frame and exhaust hanger.



5. Adjust hitch to allow maximum clearance between hitch and exhaust to avoid rattling. Torque all M12x1.75 hardware to 79 ft-lbs.



6. Re-attach (2) center rubber exhaust hangers which were removed in STEP 1.  
Install is complete.





**12010****LINCOLN MKT****12/7/2012****GROSS LOAD CAPACITY WHEN USED AS A WEIGHT CARRYING HITCH: 3,500 LBS. TRAILER WEIGHT & 350 LBS. TONGUE WEIGHT.****\*\*\*DO NOT EXCEED VEHICLE MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDED TOWING CAPACITY.\*\*\*****WARNING: ALL NON-TRAILER LOADS APPLIED TO THIS PRODUCT MUST BE SUPPORTED BY AUXILIARY STABILIZING STRAPS.****\*\* FAILURE TO PROPERLY SUPPORT NON-TRAILER LOADS WILL VOID PRODUCT WARRANTY\*\*****HAVING INSTALLATION QUESTIONS? CALL TECHNICAL SUPPORT AT 1-800-798-0813**

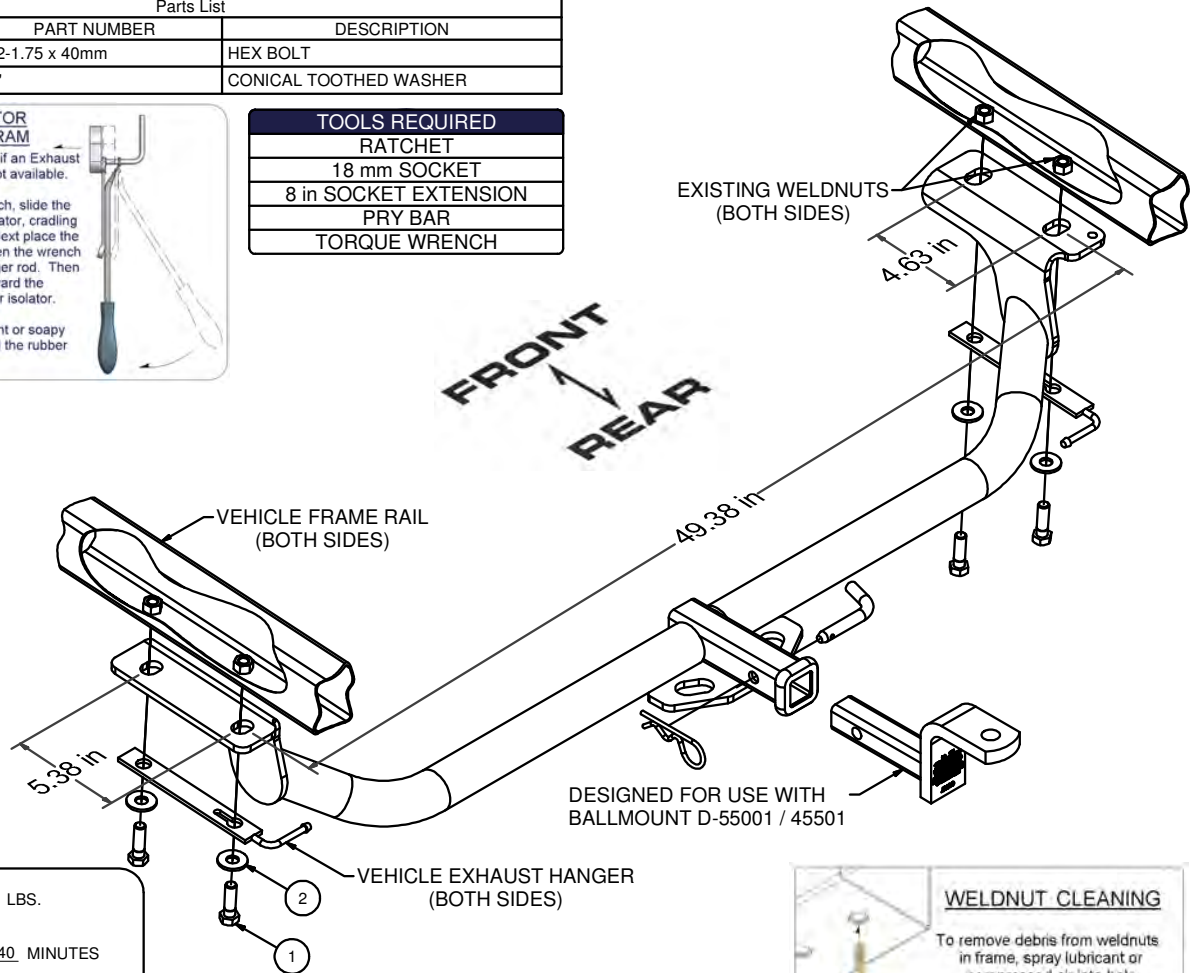
Parts List			
ITEM	QTY	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
1	4	M12-1.75 x 40mm	HEX BOLT
2	4	1/2"	CONICAL TOOTHED WASHER

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**TOOLS REQUIRED****RATCHET****18 mm SOCKET****8 in SOCKET EXTENSION****PRY BAR****TORQUE WRENCH****HITCH WEIGHT: 27 LBS.****INSTALL TIME****PROFESSIONAL: 40 MINUTES****NOVICE (DIY): 80 MINUTES****INSTALL NOTES:**

- LOWER EXHAUST
- NO DRILLING REQUIRED

**WELDNUT CLEANING**

To remove debris from weldnuts in frame, spray lubricant or compressed air into hole. For heavy debris, use a small wire brush. (Be careful not to damage threads).

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