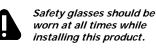
## 13143 INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

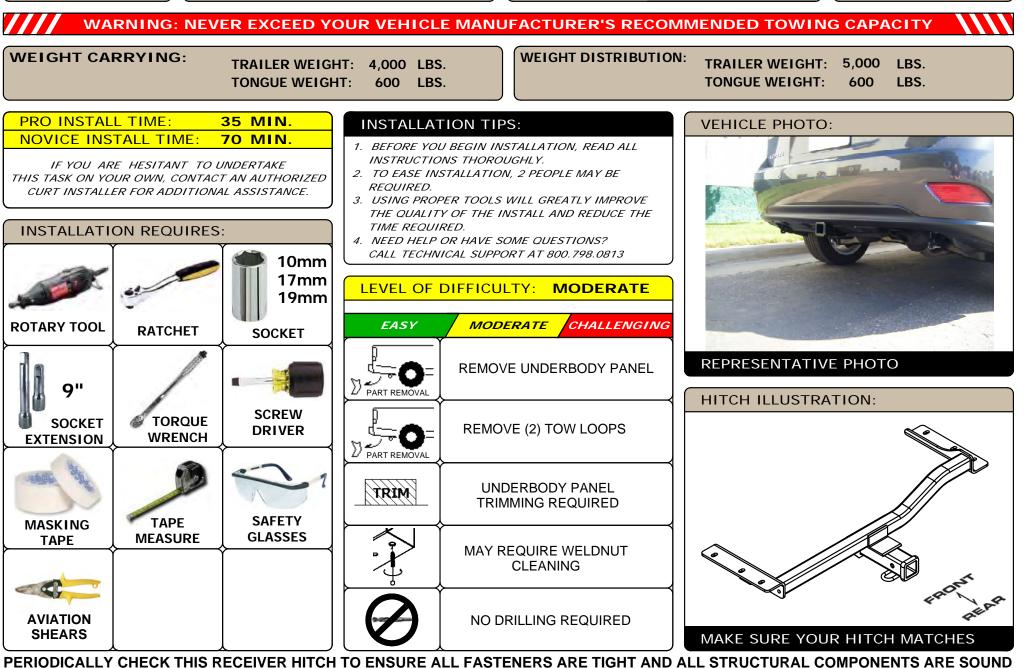


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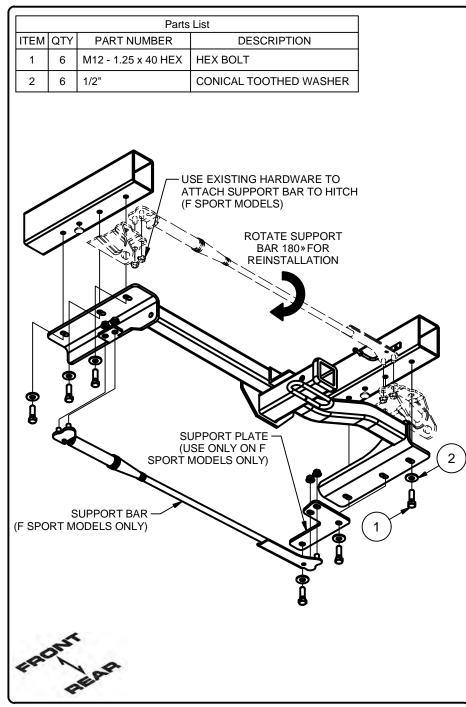
MODEL: RX 350 (INCLUDING F SPORT) & RX 450H

**STYLE: CROSSOVER SUV** 



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 Remove (13) fasteners that secure the lower fascia, using a flat head screw driver and 10mm socket. Fastener (1) removal.





2. Fastener (2 and 3) removal.





3. Fastener (4 and 5) removal.





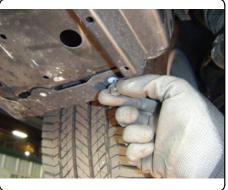
4. Fastener (6) removal. (First photo shows removal technique using flat blade screwdriver.)



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5. Fastener (7 and 8) removal.





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- 6. Fastener (9) is hidden behind wheel well trim. Pull back wheel well trim and remove plunger style fastener.





7. Fasteners (10 and 11) removal.



8. Fasteners (12 and 13) removal. Unscrew fasteners, you may need to pull down on plastic to pop fascia free. Remove fascia and place in a safe area. Fascia will be reinstalled in step (17).



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9. Using a 17mm socket remove tow loops from the driver and passenger side frame rails.

(F Sport models only) Remove support bar which is attached to tow loops by removing four nuts. The existing nuts will be used to attach the support bar to the hitch.



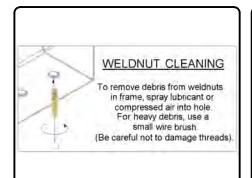


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- 10. Remove hole plugs from the driver and passenger side frame rails. The second photo shows all the hardware that was removed. (F Sport will have four additional nuts.)





11. Clean weld nuts if necessary. Raise hitch into position starting with the passenger side plate. Pull down on the exhaust and slide the passenger side plate into position. Align holes in the frame rails with the holes in the hitch.





12. Secure hitch and tow loops with supplied 12mm bolts and 1/2" conical toothed washers into weldnuts.

**NOTE:** (F Sport models only) Place support plate under passenger side plate, as shown on page 2. Hitch will be clamped between frame and support plate.

**NOTE:** Tow loops cannot be reattached on F Sport models. Tow loop reattachment is optional on other models.





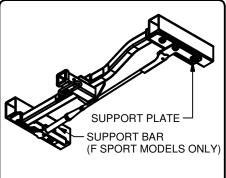
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13. Torque all 12mm fasteners to 86 ft-lbs.

(F Sport models only) Attach the support bar to the hitch and support plate using the existing nuts.

**NOTE:** Support bar will be rotated upside down from how it was originally attached to the tow loops.

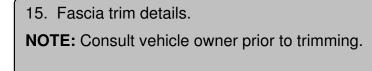




14. Installed hitch shown in proper position.









16. Using masking tape, layout the area to be trimmed, as shown. Use a rotary tool (or aviation shears) to trim the fascia.



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17. Raise fascia back into position, check for proper fit and clearance. If fascia doesn't fit properly trim and try again. Rettach fascia using existing hardware removed earlier. Return all unused hardware to vehicle owner.

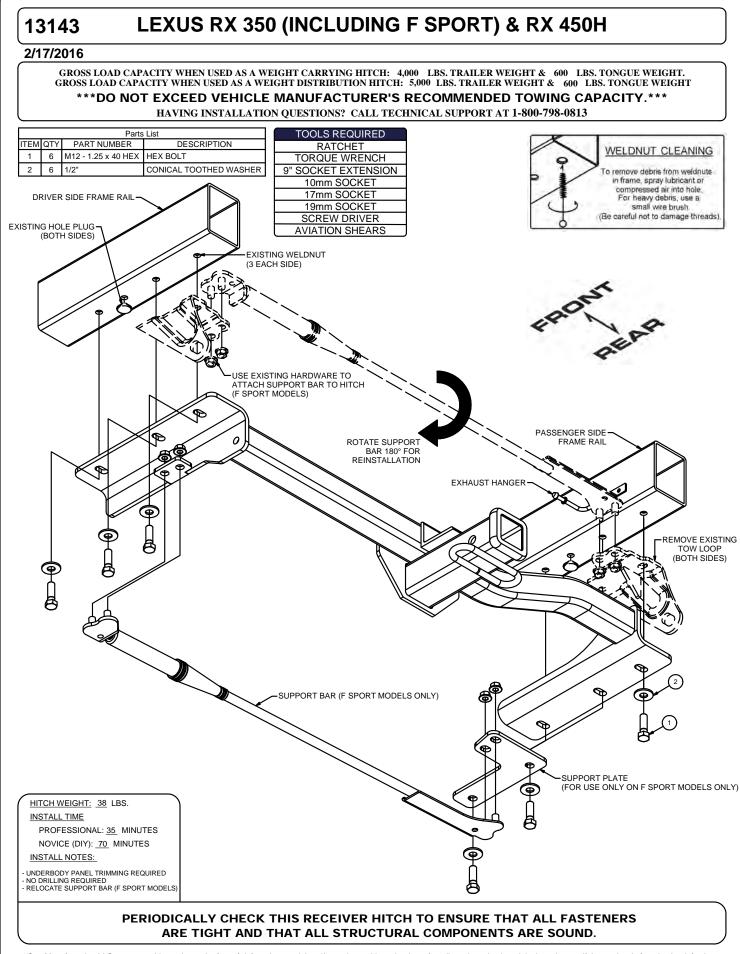




18. Completed hitch installation shown.



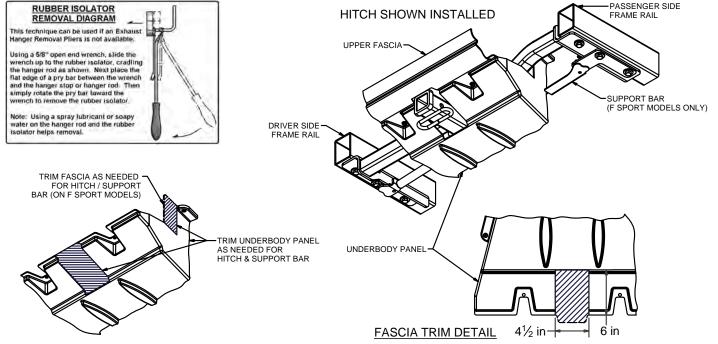




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#### **INSTALLATION STEPS**

NOTE: Tow loops cannot be reattached on F Sport models. Tow loop reattachment is optional on other models.

- 1. Temporarily remove lower fascia by removing 13 fasteners.
- 2. Temporarily lower exhaust, if needed for ease of installation. Support exhaust as needed to prevent damage.
- 3. Remove existing hole plugs from frame rails and return to owner.
- 4. (F Sport models only) Remove support bar which is attached to tow loops by removing four nuts. The existing nuts will be used to attach the support bar to the hitch in STEP 7.
- 5. Remove existing tow loop fasteners and tow loops. Return fasteners to owner (they will not be reinstalled).
- Raise hitch (with tow loops if they are being reinstalled) into position by aligning with existing weldnuts in frame.
  NOTE: Hitch will be clamped between tow loops and frame rails if tow loops are being reinstalled.
  NOTE: (F Sport models only) Place support plate under passenger side plate, as shown on page 1. Hitch will be clamped between frame and support plate.
- 7. Secure hitch with 12mm bolts and 1/2" conical toothed washers into existing weldnuts.
- 8. (F Sport models only) Attach the support bar to the hitch and support plate using the existing nuts removed in STEP 4. **NOTE:** Support bar will be rotated upside down from how it was originally attached to the tow loops.
- 9. Torque all 12mm fasteners to 86 ft-lbs.
- 10. Reinstall exhaust, if it was lowered in STEP 2.
- 11. Trim lower fascia as needed and reattach. (See FASCIA TRIM DETAIL above)

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

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