

## 43225 - Vehicle Wiring Installation Instructions Honda Element 2007 - 2012 (4-Way Flat)

- 1. Remove the access panel underneath the steering wheel by turning the locking knobs 90 degrees counter-clockwise. Locate the grey 10-pin housing underneath the dash and left of the steering column, taped to another harness with blue tape.
- 2. Insert the 10 pin tow plug adapter and lock into place. Be careful not to damage the locking tabs and be sure that connectors are fully inserted with locking tabs in place.
- 3. Mount the converter under the dash in this area using the ny-ties (provided). To prevent damage or rattling, be careful to avoid any areas that would cut or pinch the wires.
- 4. Open the vehicles rear tailgate. On the driver's side, remove cargo nets and cargo floor hatch to access the spare tire area.
- 5. On the driver's side, locate the vehicles factory 4-pin tow harness connector mounted on the threshold. Check to see that the mating surfaces of the vehicle harness connector match the 4-pin harness adapter end. All connector surfaces should be clean and free of dirt.
- 6. Insert the 4-pin harness adapter end with 4-way flat and lock into place. Be careful not to damage the locking tabs and be sure that connectors are fully inserted with locking tabs in place.
- 7. Route the 4-wire flat connector to near the center of the rear tailgate opening. The 4-way flat connector can now be laid on the flat surface to the right or left of the rear tailgate latching mechanism so that it will let the 4-wire flat hang out undamaged from under the rear tailgate when closed for towing. Stow 4-flat connector in the spare tire area when not in use.
- 8. Re-install the cargo nets and cargo floor hatch, etc.
- 9. Attach the 4-way flat dust cover (provided) to the 4-way flat connector.
- 10. Apply a small amount of grease (provided) to the 4-way flat terminals to prevent corrosion.
- 11. Plug completed wire harness into the trailer 4-way flat connector.
- 12. For initial test, reset vehicle electrical system by temporarily removing the key from the ignition. Next reinsert the key and test all functions with the engine running to ensure proper operation.
- 13. Caution: Overloading circuit can cause fires. Don't exceed lower of towing manufacturer rating or : Max. stop/turn light: 1 lamp per side (3 amps) Max. tail lights: (6 amps) Read vehicle's owner's manual & instruction sheet for additional information.

NOTE: Hopkins<sup>®</sup>T-Connector fuse holder assembly requires an ATM 10 amp. Mini-Fuse replacement if blown.

## TIPS:

Always unplug boat trailer connector before backing trailer into the water.

Grease applied to the wiring terminals on a regular basis will help prevent corrosion.

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