

31052 INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

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

YEARS: 2011

MAKE: FORD

MODEL: EXPLORER (EXCLUDES 2.0L

STYLE: SUV

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TAPE

SCAN FOR

WARNING: NEVER EXCEED YOUR VEHICLE MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDED TOWING CAPACITY For more information log onto www.curtmfg.com & for helpful towing tips log onto www.hitchinfo.com

WEIGHT CARRYING:

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

GROSS LOAD CAPACITY WHEN USED AS A STRAIGHT LINE PULL: 9,000 LBS MAX.

PRO INSTALL TIME: 30 MIN.

NOVICE INSTALL TIME: 60 MIN.

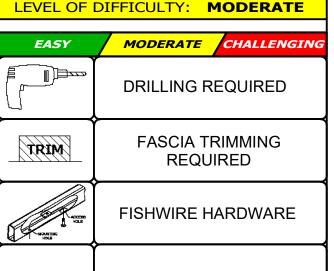
INSTALLATION REQUIRES:

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

INSTALLATION TIPS:

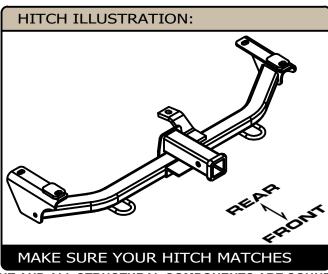
- 1. BEFORE YOU BEGIN INSTALLATION, READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY.
- 2. TO EASE INSTALLATION, 2 PEOPLE MAY BE REQUIRED.
- 3. USING PROPER TOOLS WILL GREATLY IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF THE INSTALL AND REDUCE THE TIME REQUIRED.
- 4. NEED HELP OR HAVE SOME QUESTIONS? CALL TECHNICAL SUPPORT AT 877.287.8634

3/4" **POWER DRILL RATCHET** SOCKET **DRILL BIT TAPE TORQUE** 9/16" **MEASURE WRENCH SAFETY MARKER** UTILITY KNIFE **GLASSES MASKING ROTARY TOOL**



VEHICLE PHOTO:

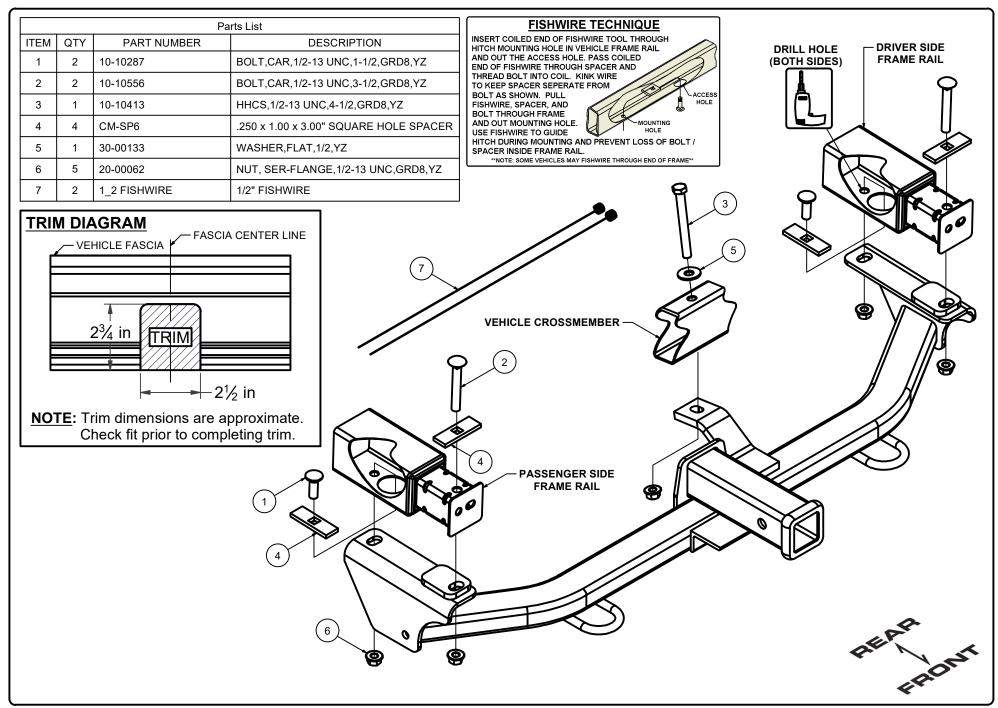
REPRESENTATIVE PHOTO



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

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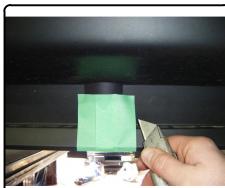
INSTALLATION WALKTHROUGH:



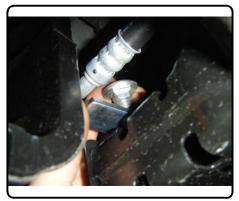
INSTALLATION WALKTHROUGH:

1. Mark fascia and trim. See TRIM DIAGRAM on page 2. (**Note:** Check fit prior to completing trim.)





2. Place 3 1/2" carriage bolt with CM-SP6 spacer through the top of each frame rail.





3. Insert 4" hex bolt with 1/2" washer through the top of vehicle cross member. (**Note:** Hoses above the cross member and the strap which holds the hoses may need to be moved slightly to get the hardware into position.





4. Raise hitch into position and mark drill hole locations.





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INSTALLATION WALKTHROUGH:

5. Lower hitch and drill holes.





6. Fishwire 1/2" carriage bolts and CM-SP6 spacers into position though access holes into drilled holes. See FISHWIRE DIAGRAM on page 2.





7. Raise hitch into position and secure to vehicle with (5) 1/2" flange nuts.





Torque all 1/2" hardware to 110 ft-lbs.Install is complete.





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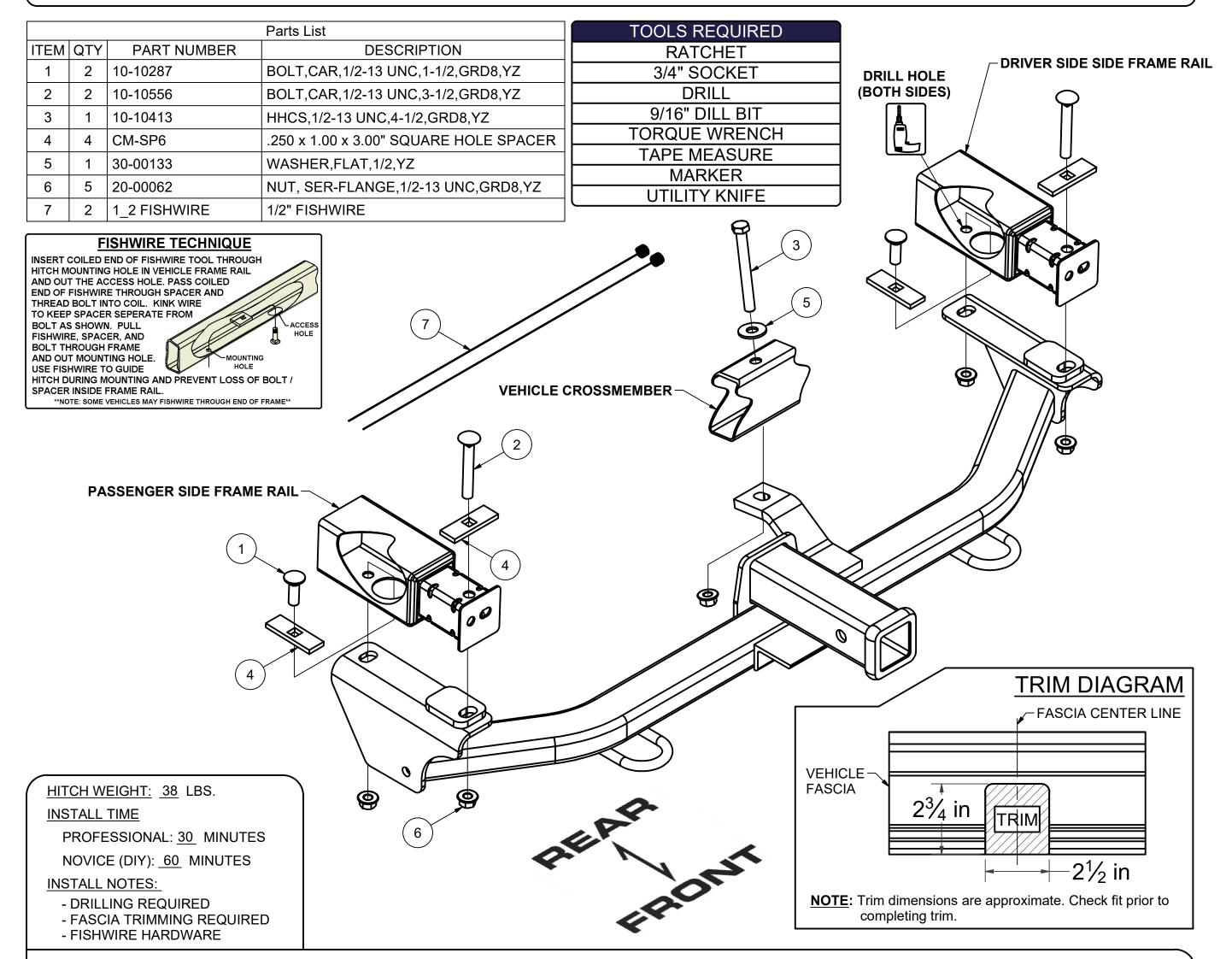
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INSTALLATION STEPS

- 1. Mark fascia and trim. See TRIM DIAGRAM above. (Note: Check fit prior to completing trim.)
- 2. Place 3 1/2" carriage bolt with CM-SP6 spacer through the top of each frame rail, as shown above.
- 3. Insert 4" hex bolt with 1/2" washer through the top of vehicle cross member. (**Note:** Hoses above the cross member and the strap which holds the hoses may need to be moved slightly to get the hardware into position.
- 4. Raise hitch into position and mark drill hole locations.
- 5. Lower hitch and drill holes.
- 6. Fishwire 1/2" carriage bolts and CM-SP6 spacers into position though access holes into drilled holes. See FISHWIRE DIAGRAM above.
- 7. Raise hitch into position and secure to vehicle with (5) 1/2" flange nuts.
- 8. Torque all 1/2" hardware to 110 ft-lbs.

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FRONT MOUNTED ACCESSORIES

1) Do not exceed front axle Gross Weight Rating (GAWR). Consult owners manual or specification plate located on driver's door frame. Measure gross front axle weight by placing front wheels of loaded vehicle on a scale.

WARNING: Exceeding GAWR may overload the front axle and/or suspension. This could result in **accident**, property damage and personal injury.

- 2) Reposition front mounted license plate if obstructed.
- 3) Do not obstruct vehicle lights.
- 4) Allow free air flow into grille opening.
- 5) Rear wheel traction may be reduced. This could effect handling. Reduce speed and drive with caution.
- 6) Accessories extend front of vehicle. This may reduce approach angle. Use caution when parking and maneuvering.
- 7) Do not obstruct driver view.

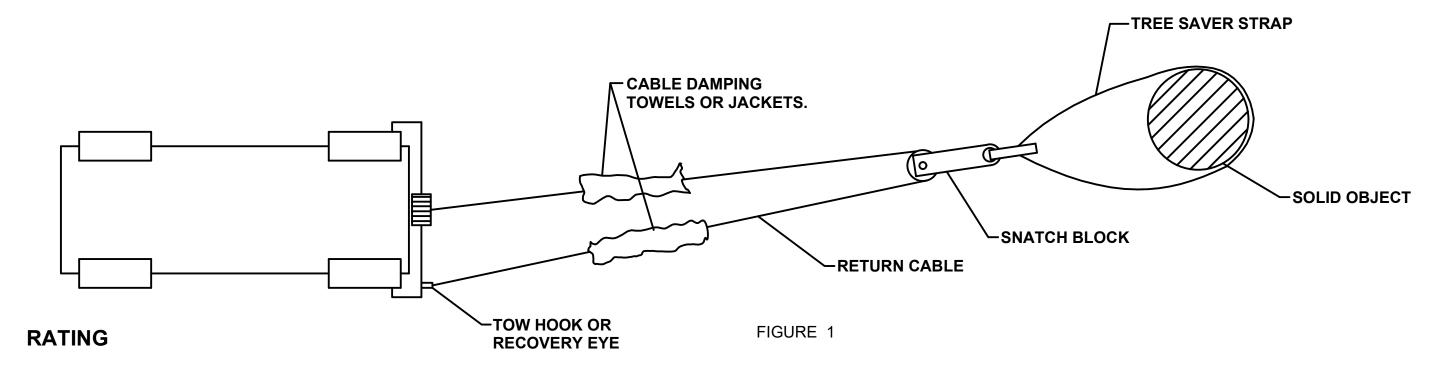
VEHICLE RECOVERY AND WINCHING TIPS

1) Use OEM tow hooks, recovery eyes or a clevis mount for attachment of a tow strap or winch cable.

WARNING: NEVER use a ball and/or ball mount as an anchor point for tow strap or winch cable. Severe personal injury or death could result.

- 2) Observe winch manufacturer's recommendations, cautions and warnings.
- 3) Attach return cable to tow hook or recovery eye when using a snatch block (See figure 1).

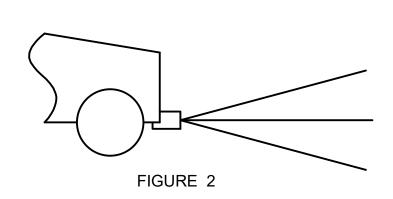
CAUTION: Do not attach return cable to winch mount. This may overload winch mount and/or front mounted receiver.

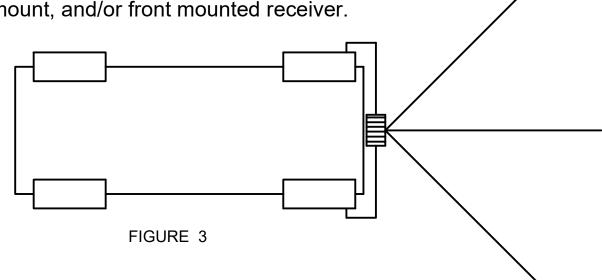


For Maximum line pull rating, winch cable must not exceed:

- 15 degree angle up or down from horizontal (See Figure 2).
- 45 degree angle left or right from straight ahead (See Figure 3).

CAUTION: Exceeding the maximum line pull rating may over load winch, winch mount, and/or front mounted receiver.





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