

RCI 2005-20 Tacoma

Transfer-Case Skid Plate Installation

1. Locate mounting holes on cross-member ahead of transfer-case prior to lifting skid plate into position. If installing in conjunction with transmission skid plate, the rear two carriage bolts of the transmission plate should be loosened approx. 1/2".
2. If not installed already, install two carriage bolts upward, through the round outer holes on transfer-case frame cross-member. Install the included steel backer washers on top of frame followed by 3/8" washers, lock-washers, and nuts. Do not install skid plate yet.

* On 2016+ models, remove the cat protector bars. These are the tubes running diagonally to the frame. The skid plate will take their place in protecting the exhaust.

Included Hardware Kit

A.	M8 x 1.25 x 30mm length	2 ea.
B.	5/16" Washer	3ea.
C.	M8 x 1.25 Locknut	1 ea.
D.	7/16" x 1" Carriage Bolt	3 ea.
E.	7/16" Washer	3 ea.
F.	7/16" Locknut	3 ea.
G.	3/8" x 3.5" length	2 ea.
H.	3/8" Nut*	2 ea.
I.	3/8" Lock-washer*	2 ea.
J.	3/8" Washer*	2 ea.
K.	Large Backing Washer*	2 ea.

* Additional hardware necessary when purchased independently.

3. Remove brake line mounting bolt on driver side of frame rail as shown in the picture on back.
4. Install the cross-member onto vehicle first, using the supplied 30mm M8 bolts. The passenger side does not have a frame nut so you will need to install the washer and lock-nut on the inside of the frame rail. It will help to support the cross-member with a jack in order to make sure outside support flanges stay seated against the bottom of vehicle frame.
5. Install main skid plate panel with front of skid plate first, inserting notched cutouts onto the loosened carriage bolts. Plate should be installed on top of transmission plate. Lift rear of plate and install 7/16" carriage bolts upward into corresponding bolt holes on RCI cross-member. Install washers and locknuts on top side of cross-member.
6. Check clearances and fit, and then fully tighten all bolts.

Enjoy the new protection!!!



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