RCI Lower Link Skid Plate Installation

- 1. Apply paint or other rust preventive coating if plate was purchased in bare steel.
- 2. Lift and safely secure rear of vehicle with floor jack. Block front tires to prevent vehicle from rolling forward and rear tires to prevent axle from rotating back when lower link bolts are removed. This will make installation of new hardware MUCH simpler.
- 3. Using a 19mm open end wrench and impact driver with 19mm socket, remove the lower link bolt on ONE side of vehicle at a time.
- 4. Hold lower link skid plate in position over the mount and align linkage bolt holes with corresponding holes on the skid plate.
- 5. Mark bottom of the vehicle chassis with a marker at locations of holes that will need to be drilled at front of skid plate.
- 6. Remove the lower link skid plate and drill the two holes using a 1/4" drill bit.
- 7. Re-install lower link skid plate, installing the M14 bolt first. Use washers on both sides of the mount and install with the M14 Lock-nut on the inside of vehicle frame.
- 8. Install 5/16" thread forming bolts into the previously drilled holes. The bolts are designed to form their own threads but it may take extra force to get the bolts started. Be careful not to over-tighten and strip the bolt holes.
- 9. Tighten the linkage main bolt to factory specs, and then repeat process on other side of vehicle.

INCLUDED HARDWARE KIT

| A. | M14 x 100mm Hex Head Bolts | 2 ea. |
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| В. | M14 Washers | 4 ea. |
| C. | M14 Lock-nuts | 2 ea. |
| D. | Thread Forming Bolts | 4 ea. |





Enjoy the new protection!!!

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