

MAINTENANCE

REPLACING WEATHERSTRIP

 **20 minutes**
Normal install time

PARTS INCLUDED:



Weatherstrip

24' for covers shorter than 7'
26' for covers 7' or longer

TOOLS REQUIRED:




Rubbing Alcohol
or Glass Cleaner




Clean, Lint-
Free Cloth



Utility Knife

 To ensure the weatherstrip sticks, make sure the surface temperature of your cover is at least 50°F and will remain so for at least a day.

1. With the cover closed, mark the cab panel weatherstrip flange on the driver side where the center panel gutter under it begins. Repeat on the passenger side. These marks will serve as the start and end points for the weatherstrip.

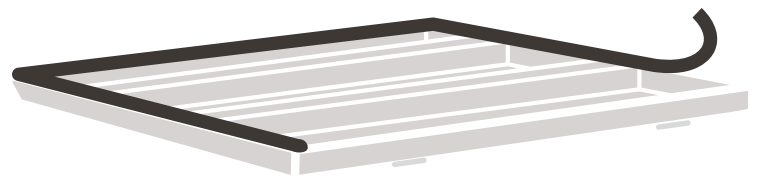
 To ensure the best possible seal, keep in mind when making these marks that the weatherstrip ought to touch and compress slightly against the gutter edge. If anything, cheat the marks slightly toward the gutter.




2. Open the cab panel. Remove the original weatherstrip from the flange.

3. Clean the return flange thoroughly with a clean, lint-free cloth and rubbing alcohol or glass cleaner. Allow to dry.

4. Align one end of the weatherstrip with the mark on the driver side of the flange. Peel off the backing as you affix the weatherstrip along the exterior edge of all three sides of the flange. Press down firmly with your thumb as you proceed. Stop once you reach the mark on the passenger side of the flange.




5. Cut off the excess weatherstrip. Close and lock the cab panel. Leave it closed for 24 hours to allow the weatherstrip adhesive to cure.

 Cut carefully: To seal as well as possible, the weatherstrip should touch and compress slightly against the gutter edge. If the weatherstrip comes up short of that, there'll be a gap for water to get in. If the weatherstrip is too long, it will wrinkle against the gutter and its adhesive will fail.

★ Roughly speaking, the turns the weatherstrip has to make around the corners of the panel should have about a 2" radius to them to avoid pinching or stretching it. So as you apply, start making the turn before you get to the corner itself.

★ Take your time with this step, especially at the corners. DiamondBack weatherstrip features a single-use adhesive.

6. Repeat steps 1-5 on the tailgate panel.

 Never stretch the weatherstrip when applying. If you do, its adhesive will fail.