

## INSTALLATION GUIDE

MISC-2

**30 minutes**  
Normal Install Time

**Keep an eye out for these icons:**

**! IMPORTANT!**  
Important installation information

**★ Helpful Hints**  
Tips to assist installation

### PARTS INCLUDED:



25' Sticker-Tite Weatherstrip



Marker



Ratchet Wrench



1/2" Socket



3/16" Hex Key



Rubbing Alcohol or Glass Cleaner



Lint-Free Cloth



Scissors

### TOOLS REQUIRED:

### PRE-INSTALLATION NOTE:

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

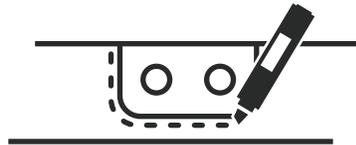
### WHY DO I NEED THIS?

If your truck is parked level, extended periods of heavy rain may fill your DiamondBack's center-panel gutters even when the cover is closed. A full gutter may cause your DiamondBack to leak, particularly above the wheel wells. This Sticker-Tite weatherstrip should eliminate the leakage by reinforcing the existing gutter weatherstrip at its most vulnerable point: the hinge leaves.

## INSTRUCTIONS

**1** Remove the tailgate panel by detaching the gas springs, tilting it past 90° and sliding it off its hinges. Set it on a table or other flat surface so you can easily access the hinge face.

**2** Mark the locations of the hinge leaves carefully on all three sides.

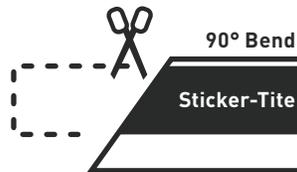


**3** Remove the hinge leaves using a 3/16" hex key and a 1/2" socket.

**4** Clean the hinge face thoroughly with a clean, lint-free cloth and rubbing alcohol or glass cleaner. Allow to dry.

**5** Cut the end of the **Sticker-Tite weatherstrip** to match the slope of the panel's bevel.

**6** Align the cut end of the weatherstrip with the edge of the panel's bevel. Align the top edge of the weatherstrip with bottom of the 90° bend in the hinge face.

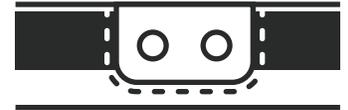


**7** Peel off the adhesive backing 4"-6" at a time and press down firmly along the length of the weatherstrip across the entire hinge face.

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

**8** Cut the weatherstrip again to match the slope of the opposite bevel.

**9** Re-install the hinge leaves over the weatherstrip.



**!** To ensure proper panel alignment, be careful to align the hinge leaves perfectly with your marks.

**10** Test hinge alignment and function by sliding the tailgate panel back onto the center panel and closing it slowly. Adjust the position of the hinge leaves as needed for smooth operation.

**!** To avoid hinge damage, do not close the panel unless the hinges are fully mated.

**11** Remove the tailgate panel once more and set it again on a flat surface.

**12** Repeat steps 5-8 to affix a second layer of weatherstrip exactly over the first, covering the hinge leaves as you go.

**!** To maximize the weatherstrip's effectiveness, press very firmly at the edges of the hinge leaves, where water is most likely to get in.

**13** Re-install the tailgate panel. Repeat steps 1-12 for the cab panel.