



## INSTALLATION GUIDE

CVR-180.3

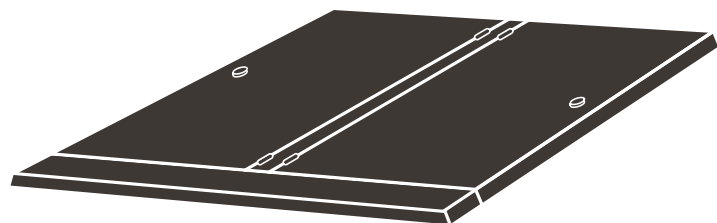
**60 minutes**  
Normal install time

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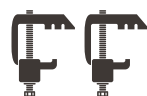
**IMPORTANT!**  
Important installation information

**Helpful Hints**  
Tips to assist installation

### PARTS INCLUDED:



180 Cover



Cap Clamps (2)



Mounting Brackets (2)



1/8" Hex Key



Gas Springs (4)

### TOOLS REQUIRED:



Ratchet Wrench



9/16" Socket



10 mm Socket



7/16" Socket

### PRE-INSTALLATION NOTES:

You'll need a second person to help with this installation.

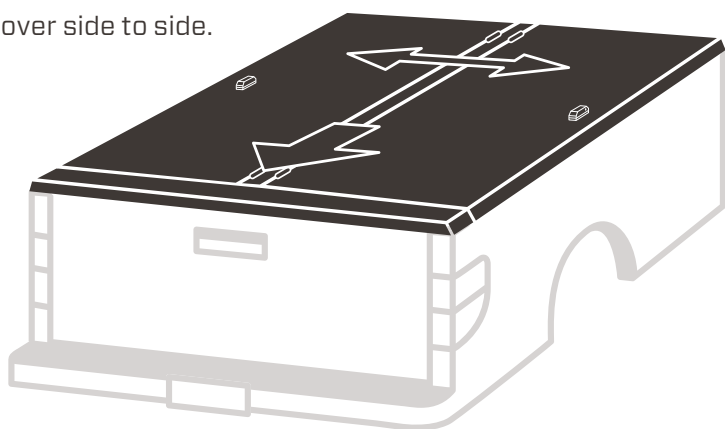
If you have a '16-up, you should affix the included **Sticker-Tite gasket** to your bulkhead before installing the cover. Refer to the **Bulkhead Prep Kit Installation Guide** for details.

If you are installing a **Cross Bin**, you should start before installing the cover. Refer to page 2 of the **Cross Bin Installation Guide** for details.

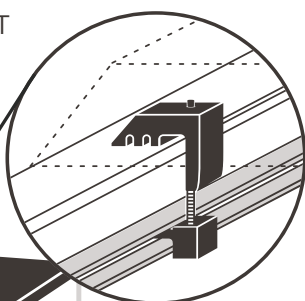
## PREPARE THE CARGO BED & MOUNT THE COVER

**1** Close the tailgate. Place the **cover** onto the cargo bed so that the weatherstrip along the cover's rear angle is firmly compressed against the inside edge of the tailgate.

**2** Center the cover side to side.



**3** Place the **cap clamps** under the nose of the T panel, their top halves gripping the inside flange of the panel and their bottom halves gripping the square-tube top rail ('16-up) or fitting into the deck rail system ('05-15). Tighten with a 9/16" socket.



**4** Verify that the cover remains centered side to side and its rear weatherstrip remains compressed against the tailgate.

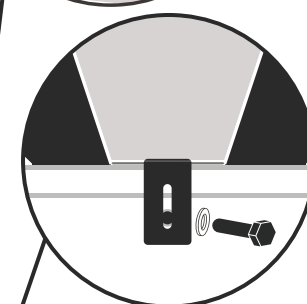
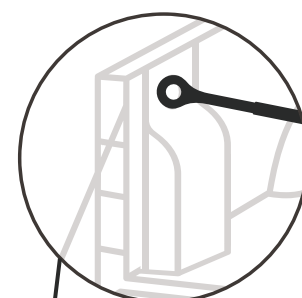
**5** Use a 10mm socket to remove the factory bolt and washer that are on the cargo-bed wall directly below the hollow section of the driver-side end of the cover's T panel. Repeat on the passenger side.

**6** Place a **mounting bracket** at each end of the T panel so that the bracket's top leg overlaps the inside flange of the panel and its slot aligns with the factory bolt hole.

**★** Peel the adhesive backing from the top leg of the brackets so they'll stay in place as you attach them.

**7** Re-insert each bolt through its washer, through the bracket slot, and into the factory hole. Re-tighten.

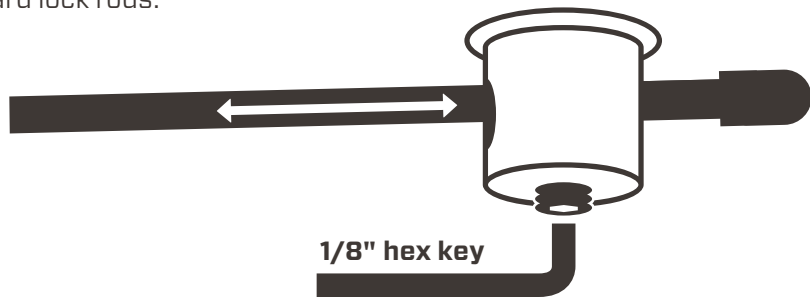
**!** To get the weatherstrip compression necessary for its adhesive to cure and the cover to keep out the weather, have a second person press down on the cover while you're reinstalling the factory bolts.



**8** If you have a '05-15 Tacoma, you should affix the included bulkhead weatherstrip at this point. Refer to the **Bulkhead Prep Kit Installation Guide** for details.

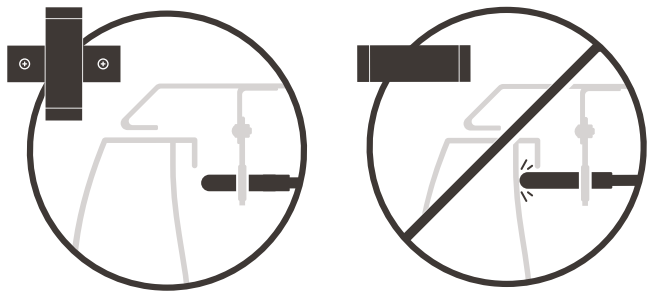
# ADJUST THE LOCK RODS

9 Use the 1/8" **hex key** to loosen the set screws on the linkages of the forward lock rods.

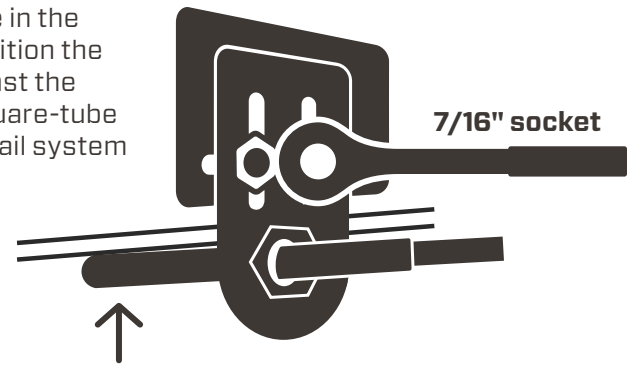


10 Adjust the length of the forward lock rods and retighten the set screws so that:

- A. with the lock handles in the open position, the rod tips clear the square-tube top rail or deck rail system and
- B. with the handle in the closed position, the rod tips do not strike the bulkhead.



11 With the lock handle in the closed position, position the lock rods tight against the underside of the square-tube top rail or the deck rail system so that they'll draw the panels down and compress the weatherstrip. Tighten the rod guide brackets with a 7/16" socket.



12 Double-check both panels to ensure they open, close, lock & seal correctly. If at any point the weatherstrip does not touch the bed rails, readjust the lock rods and mounting brackets as needed.

★ Your panels should be difficult to operate at first. After finishing installation below, leave the panels closed as much as possible for 3-4 days to break in the weatherstrip. After that period, you should find that the panels open and close without difficulty.

# ATTACH THE GAS SPRINGS

13 Attach the **gas springs** to the ball studs.

! To avoid premature failure of your gas springs, attach them barrel up, shaft down.

14 If your truck is a '16-up, switch back to the **Bulkhead Prep Kit Installation Guide** and start at step 6.

15 Leave the cover closed and locked for 24 hours to allow the weatherstrip adhesive, which is pressure-sensitive, to fully cure.

