# **GP Trail Tailgate Installation Instructions**

### Included with your kit:

- X1 Molle Panel or Stainless folding table preassembled
- X2 Mounting brackets for each panel / table preinstalled
- X4 1/4x20 Thumb screws and x4 1/4x20 Button Head Hex Screws preinstalled on panel / table)
- X8 No. 8 1-1/4" Phillips Head drilling screws: 4 needed for installation, 4 extra

## Tools you will need:

- Phillips head driver
- Drill
- 1/8 Drill bit (Recommended but not needed)
- 11/64 Transfer Punch (Recommended but not needed)
- 5/32 Hex Key (If installing Trail Table)







Your GP Trail Tailgate Panel / Table comes with the brackets preinstalled to make installation easier when lining up your panel / table. Installation instructions will be for a single table/ Panel. When installing a second panel for a full kit set up, please repeat steps listed. For lining up the second panel / table, use the first installed panel table for alignment.

**NOTICE:** The System was designed to be installed on Jeep JK Tailgates or any mounting surface that has 15"x12" of flat space available. If installing in a location other than a Jeep JK tailgate, please disregard Jeep JK specific instructions below.

**TABLE INSTALLATION ONLY:** When installing your table, the table will have to be folded in the down position to install the mounting screws.

#### Step 1:

Clean working Service. (Pic 0.0, 0.1) Line up your panel / table with preinstalled brackets On your Tailgate / Position where you are installing. NOTICE: IF INSTALLING ON JEEP JK TAILGATE, MAKE SURE YOU LINE UP YOUR BRACKET AT THE END OF THE TOP CURVE OF YOUR TAILGATE (PICTURE 1.0). We also recommend lining up your table (if you planning to install two kits) to the left of this inside edge on your tailgate (Pictured 1.0). This will insure your Trail Kit is installed on a level platform and in a good position for drilling.



Pic 0.0



Pic 1.0



Pic 0.1



Use a level (Pic 1.1) place on top of your panel to level your panel. NOTE: this will level your panel with the ground. If your tailgate is not level when swung open, you can use the level, but make small adjustments to line up the panel with your tailgate. If you do not want to use a level, just line up your panel and eyeball it to mark your drilling holes. (Pic 1.2)



Pic 1.2

### **Step 2 OPTIONAL:**

Next Steps are optional for marking your drilling holes. You can just start drilling the included self-tapping screws (4 needed, 4 extras included in kit), or use the recommended steps if desired. Once you have it in the desired location, clamp your Trail Tailgate panel to your tailgate, use recommended 11/64 transfer punch where the two threw holes are to mark on your tailgate where you will drill your pilot holes. If you do not have an 11/64 transfer punch, you can use anything that is 11/64 or smaller in size to simply mark through the through holes where you wish to drill (ie: Pen, marker, drill bit end.) (Picture 1.3, 1.3.1, 1.3.2)



Pic 1.3 (11/64" Transfer Punch)



Pick 1.3.2



Pic 1.3.1 (Marking Drill Location)

**Step 3 OPTIONAL:** Once you have marked your holes, you will now drill an undersized pilot hole for yourself tapping sheet metal screw. This hole is to make installation easier and insure your screws go in straight, but is not necessary. You are drilling an undersized hole which will still allow the self-tapping screws to grab enough material for a secure fit. Drill your 4 pilot holes using a 1/8 Drill Bit. (Picture 1.4)



Pic 1.4

# **Step 4 OPTIONAL:**

Grab your panel with bracket installed. Line the panel back up with the pilot holes. Using a screw driver or any manual drive with a phillips head, take The included (x4 needed x4 extra screws) No. 8  $1 \frac{1}{4}$ " Stainless Phillips Head screws and drill in your screws to the pilot holes to mount the panel. You can do this with the panel attached to the bracket, or removed if it's easier (pictured) (PICTURE 1.5, 1.5.1, 1.5.2)







Pic 1.5.1 Pic 1.5.2

\*\*\*\*CAUTION\*\*\*\* You can install the mounting screws with a power drive, ALTHOUGH, We recommend the power drill ONLY for putting the screws in ½ to ¾ of the way. DO NOT FULLY Tighten your screws with the drill as you can strip the screw, or sheet metal which can lead to a loose fit. Manually screwing in the screws is best.

### Step 5:

If you have skipped the Optional Steps 2-4, you can take your panel after it is lined up and drill the self-tapping screws in. Recommend using clamps or another means of holding the panel securely when drilling this way. Now that your 4 screws are installed, your panel/table is ready to go. You can loosen the Thumb screws (Molle Panel) or Button Head Hex Screws (Table) to remove or retighten. The molle panels are set up with the thumb screws for easy installation and removal. Once your brackets are mounted, you can easily take off the panel to set up your configuration the way you need it.

# Step 6:

If installing a second kit, you can chose to line up the second kit right directly next to the first panel/table. Use a level and eyeball before marketing your pilot holes.

We have made these directions longer than the installation really takes. It's very simple, and something anyone can do. We purposefully went into great detail just in case you are unsure of how to do it properly. If you have any questions at all, please email us at <a href="mailto:info@gp-factor.com">info@gp-factor.com</a>, and we can help you right away with the install. Thanks, GP