

# TACTIK® Steel Skid Plate for Muffler

## Installation & Use Instructions:

For '07 - Current Jeep® Wrangler (JK 2 and 4 Door)

### **⚠ WARNING ⚠**

TO REDUCE RISK OF SERIOUS INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE: READ ALL SAFETY MESSAGES, ALWAYS WEAR SAFETY GLASSES, AND UNDERSTAND ALL INSTRUCTIONS AND PROCEDURE NOTICES BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO INSTALL OR USE THIS PRODUCT.

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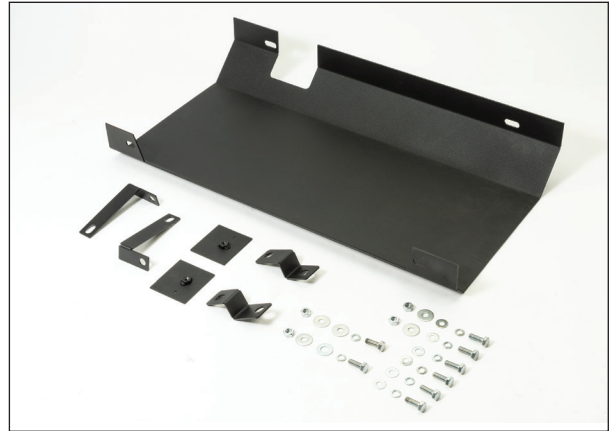
THE VEHICLE MUST BE PROPERLY SUPPORTED BY A VEHICLE LIFT OR JACK STANDS BEFORE BEGINNING INSTALLATION. NEVER WORK UNDER A VEHICLE SUPPORTED ONLY BY A JACK. READ THE INSTRUCTIONS AND CONFIRM YOU HAVE THE PROPER TOOLS AND SKILLS TO COMPLETE THE JOB. CONTACT A PROFESSIONAL INSTALLER IF YOU DO NOT HAVE THE NECESSARY QUALIFICATIONS.

### **⚠ CAUTION ⚠**

RISK OF EYE INJURY! SAFETY GLASSES MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES WHILE INSTALLING OR MAINTAINING THIS PRODUCT. TORQUE AND RECHECK FASTENERS AFTER 250 MILES AND FREQUENTLY THEREAFTER. DO NOT USE IF DAMAGED.

### **NOTICE**

AN AUXILIARY SKID PLATE ADDS EXTRA PROTECTION ON THE TRAIL, BUT IT CAN NOT GUARANTEE AGAINST ALL POSSIBLE DAMAGE FROM LARGE OBJECTS YOU MAY ENCOUNTER. ALWAYS DRIVE WITH RESPECT FOR OBJECTS AND TERRAIN THAT COULD DAMAGE SENSITIVE PARTS OF THE VEHICLE.







## A Few Words About Product Safety:

Your Tactik® Skid Plate is intended to enhance the performance and protection of your off road capable vehicle. Before installation, please review the following safety information and installation recommendations.

Throughout these instructions important safety information is generally preceded by one of three signal words indicating the relative risk of injury, property damage or adverse consequence.

### The Signal Words Mean:

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|  <b>WARNING</b>  | A HAZARDOUS SITUATION WHICH, IF NOT AVOIDED, COULD RESULT IN DEATH OR SERIOUS INJURY. YOU CAN BE KILLED OR SERIOUSLY HURT IF YOU DON'T FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS.  |
|  <b>CAUTION</b>  | A HAZARDOUS SITUATION WHICH, IF NOT AVOIDED, COULD RESULT IN MINOR OR MODERATE INJURY. YOU CAN BE MODERATELY HURT AND ALSO MAY SUFFER PROPERTY DAMAGE IF YOU DON'T FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS.                        |
| <b>NOTICE</b>  | CAREFUL ATTENTION IS REQUIRED TO THIS INSTRUCTION OR OPERATION BUT GENERALLY DOES NOT RELATE TO PERSONAL INJURY. DAMAGE TO YOUR TACTIK® PRODUCT OR OTHER PROPERTY MAY RESULT IF YOU DON'T FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS. |

### Before You Begin Installation:

Congratulations on your purchase of TacTik® Skid Plate for your Jeep® Wrangler. This custom fit skid plate has been designed for protection, long life, and great looks. When unpacking, check to make sure all parts are included and not damaged due to shipping.

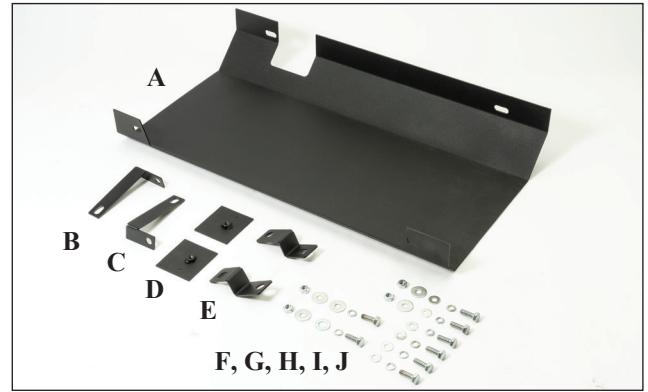
If any part is missing or broken, please call Customer Service at 800-745-6037 as soon as possible. Thank you again for your purchase and let's start the installation process.

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| <b>NOTICE</b> | WE RECOMMEND THAT YOU HAVE A HELPER NEARBY AS SOME OF THE STEPS OUTLINED BELOW WILL BE MUCH EASIER WITH THE HELP OF ANOTHER SET OF HANDS.                              |
|               | WHILE INSTALLING SKID PLATES, VISUALLY SCAN FOR ANY INTERFERENCE WITH DRIVETRAIN COMPONENTS AND/OR EXHAUST COMPONENTS AND THE SKID PLATE.                              |
|               | IF THERE IS ANY INTERFERENCE, ADJUST THE SKID PLATE ACCORDINGLY TO MAKE SURE ALL COMPONENTS ARE NOT TOUCHING. FAILURE TO DO THIS STEP MAY CAUSE DAMAGE TO THE VEHICLE. |

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## PARTS LIST

- A) Muffler Skid Plate - QTY 1
- B) Bracket Passenger Side Plate - QTY 1
- C) Bracket Driver Side Plate - QTY 1
- D) Nut Plate QTY 2
- E) Back Bracket Plate QTY 2
- F) M10 x 1.5 x 25mm Bolts - QTY 6
- G) M10 Lock Washers - QTY 12
- H) M10 Flat Washers - QTY 8
- I) M10 x 1.5 Nuts - QTY 6
- J) M10 x 1.25 x 25mm Bolts - QTY 2



## REQUIRED TOOLS

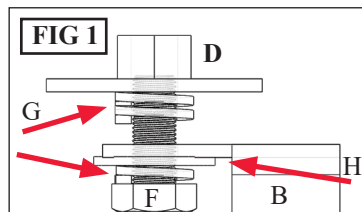
- Safety Glasses
- 17mm Socket
- 17mm Wrench
- Torque Wrench (ft lbs)

## STEP 1

Put on Safety Glasses. Locate the Muffler under the rear of the vehicle. Make sure the Muffler and other exhaust components are cool before proceeding. Assemble the (B) Bracket Passenger Side plate with a (D) Nut Plate using (F) 10mm bolt with three (3) (G) Lock Washers and an (H) Flat washer.

[FIG 1]

Slide the assembly into the cross member. [FIG 2]  
Repeat for the driver side.



## STEP 2

If equipped with the factory rear bumper, at the tailgate side of the muffler there are 2 - L shaped mounting brackets that hold the bumper to the cross member. Remove the factory bolts and mount the two (2) (E) Back Brackets on top of the factory brackets using the factory bolts or the supplied (J) M10 x 1.25 x 25mm bolts, (H) Flat Washer, and (G) Lock Washer.

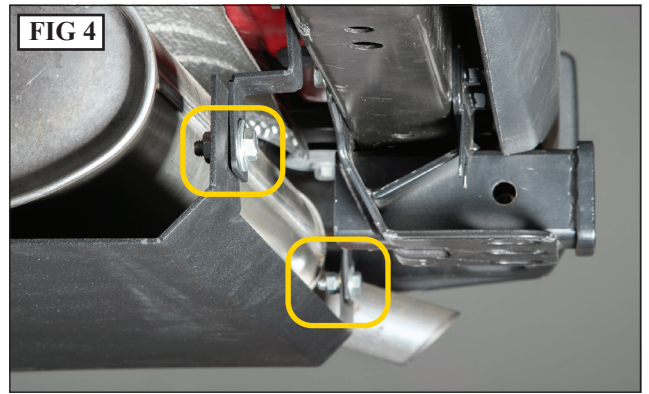
[FIG 3]



### STEP 3

Install the (A) Muffler Skid Plate using the (F) M10 hex bolts and (H) Flat Washer. (G) Lock washer should be installed with the (D) M10 nut.

[FIG 4]



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### STEP 4

On the engine side of the muffler, mount the skid plate to the brackets previously installed in Step 1.

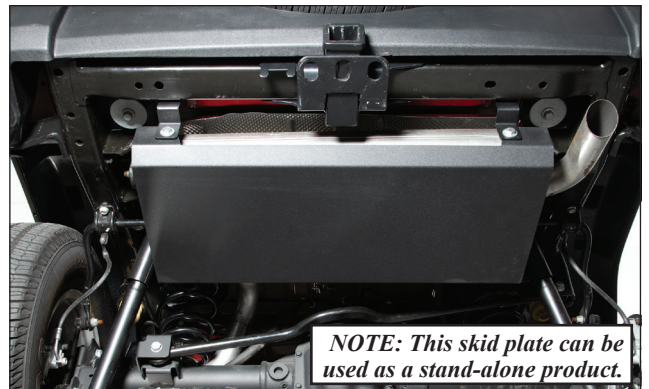
Secure the skid plate to the brackets with the (F) M10 Hex Bolt, (H) Flat Washer, (G) Lock Washer and (I) M10 nut. [FIG 5]

Go back through and torque all bolts to 36 ft lbs.



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Installation is complete.



## NOTICE

BE SURE TO TIGHTEN BOLTS TO THE RECOMMENDED TORQUE VALUES.

*NOTE: This skid plate can be used as a stand-alone product.*

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