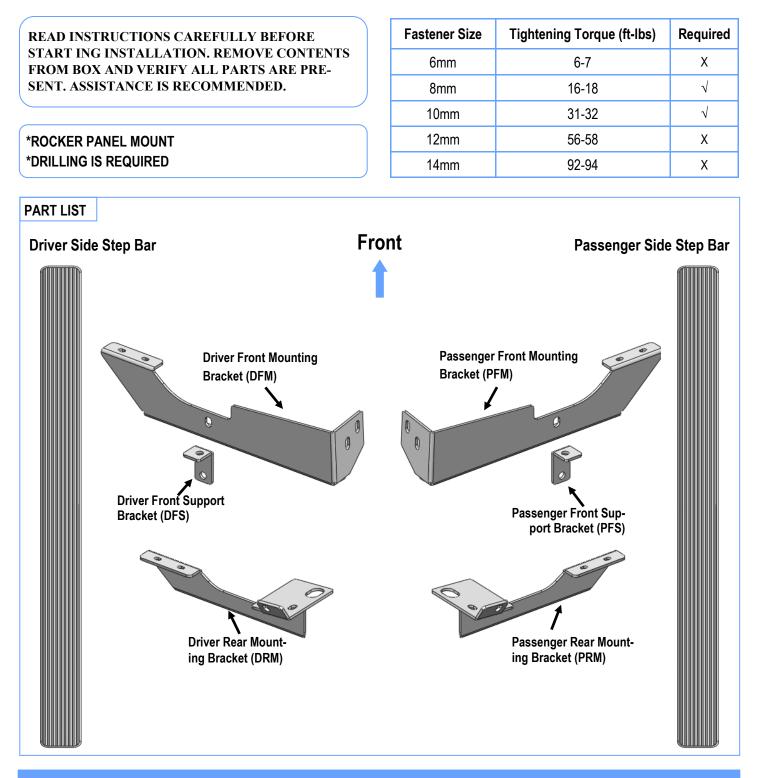
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Hardware Package A (For Bracket Installation)											
ltem	QTY	Description				QTY	Description				
1#	2	M10X1.5 Double Nut Plates			7#	6	M10 Lock Washers				
2#	2	M10 Bolt Nut Plates			8#	2	M10 Hex Nuts				
3#	4	M10X1.5-45mm Hex Bolts			9#	2	M10X1.5 Nylon Lock Nuts				
4#	2	M10X1.5-30mm Hex Bolts			10#	2	M8X1.25-25mm Hex Bolts				
5#	4	M10 Large Flat Washers			11#	2	M8 Large Flat Washers				
6#	6	M10 Flat Washers			12#	2	M8 Lock Washers				
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Hardware Package B (For Stainless Steel Step Bar Installation)										
ltem	QTY	Description		QTY	Description					
1#	8	M8X1.25-35mm Carriage Bolts		8	M8 Nylon Lock Nuts					
2#	8	M8 Large Flat Washers		4	Sliders (Packed with Step Bars)					
1 # 2 #				3 # 4 #						

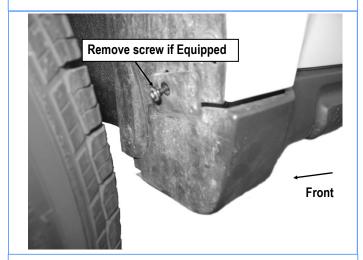
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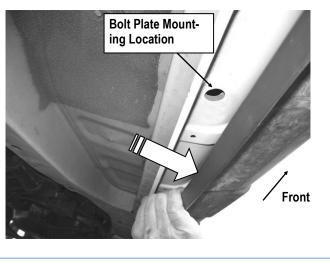
#### **STEP 1**

Start installation from the driver side of the vehicle. Remove the sheet metal screw in the rear of the front fender. Next, remove the (3) plastic clips from under the front of the plastic rocker trim panel, (Fig 1). Once these are removed, gently pull the plastic panel toward the outside to locate the factory hole in the body panel, (Fig 2).

**NOTE:** Hold the front Mounting Bracket up in position to determine the approximate location of the correct mounting hole.



(Fig 1) Remove (3) plastic clips from front of plastic rocker cover



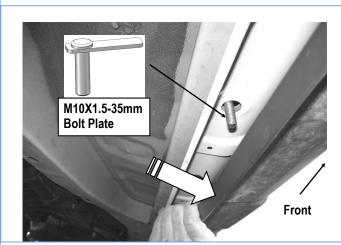
(Fig 2) Driver Side Front Mounting Location

#### **STEP 2**

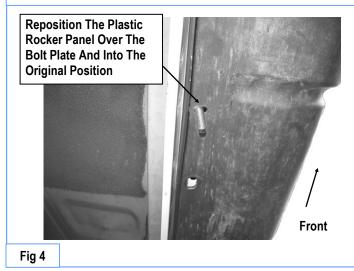
Mark the location of the factory hole onto the plastic rocker panel. Using a 7/16" drill bit, carefully drill through the marked location on the plastic panel, (**Fig 3 & 4**).

**IMPORTANT:** Only drill through the plastic panel. Take precautions to avoid damage to the vehicle.

Gently pull the cover aside to insert (1) M10X1.5-35mm Bolt Plate into the factory hole in the body panel, (Fig 3). Once the Bolt Plate is in place, reposition the plastic rocker panel over the Bolt Plate and into the original position, (Fig 4). Secure with factory clips and metal screw.



(Fig 3) M10 Bolt Plate Installed (On Driver Side Front Mounting Location)

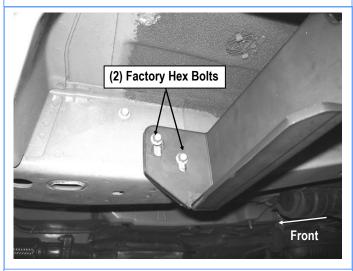


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#### **STEP 3**

Locate the (3) factory bolts on the side of the frame rail. Remove the (2) lower bolts only. Position the Driver Front Mounting Bracket (**DFM**) up to the frame rail. Line up the holes in the Mounting Bracket with (2) threaded holes. Secure the Mounting Bracket with the (2) factory bolts, (**Fig 5**). Do not fully tighten at this time.



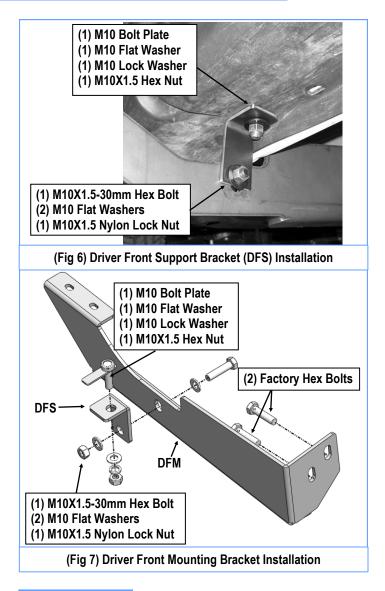
(Fig 5) Driver Front Mounting Bracket (DFM) Installed

#### **STEP 4**

Place the Driver Front Support Bracket **(DFS)** onto the previously installed M10 Bolt Plate using (1) M10 Flat Washer, (1) M10 Lock Washer and (1) M10X1.5 Hex Nut.

Attach the opposite end of the Driver Front Support Bracket to the back of the Driver Front Mounting Bracket with (1) M10X1.5 -30mm Hex Bolt, (2) M10 Flat Washers and (1) M10X1.5 Nylon Lock Nut, (Figs 6 & 7). Do not fully tighten hardware at this time.

<u>NOTE:</u> Shorter tab on the Support Bracket mounts to the rocker panel, longer end to the Mounting Bracket.



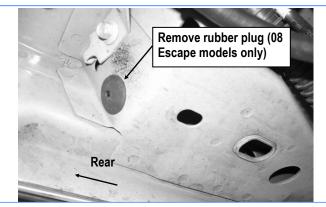
#### **STEP 5**

Moving to the driver side rear of the vehicle, locate the (3) holes in the floor panel next to the pinch weld. Remove the factory rubber plug if equipped, (08 Escape only), facing the rear of the vehicle, (Fig 8).

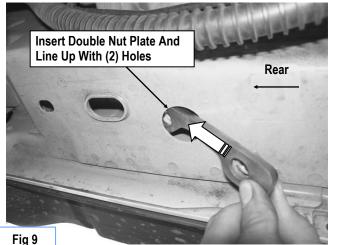
Insert (1) M10X1.5 Double Nut Plate through the large round hole and line up the threaded nuts on the M10X1.5 Double Nut Plate with the smaller round and oval holes, (Fig 9). **NOTE**: Nut Plate must be flat against the inside of the body panel with the Welded Nuts on top.

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(Fig 8) Driver Side Rear Mounting Location



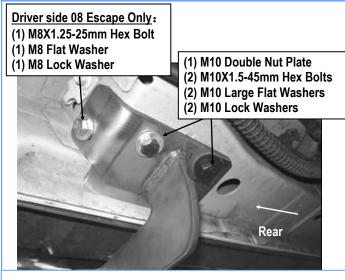
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#### **STEP 6**

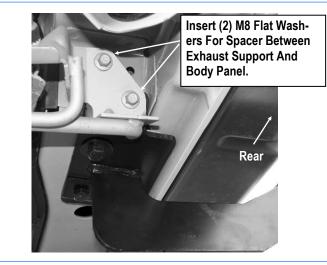
Position the Driver Rear Mounting Bracket **(DRM)** up to the vehicle. Insert (1) M10X1.5-45mm Hex Bolt with (1) M10 Large Flat Washer and (1) M10 Lock Washer through the Mounting Bracket , small round hole and into the M10 Double Nut Plate. Insert (1) M10X1.5-45mm Hex Bolt, (1) M10 Large Flat Washer and (1) M10 Lock Washer through the Mounting Bracket, large oval hole and into remaining nut in the Double Nut Plate, **(Fig 10)**. Do not fully tighten at this time.

### 2008 Escape driver side rear Mounting Bracket installation only:

Use (1) M8X1.25-25mm Hex Bolt, (1) M8 Flat Washer, and (1) M8 Lock Washer to attach the driver side Mounting Bracket to previously removed rubber plug location. You will not be using this M8 Bolt on the driver side of the **Mazda Tribute or 09 Escape**. 2009-012 Escape and Tribute models only: The Passenger Rear Mounting Bracket (PRM) installs between the factory exhaust support and the body panel. Remove the (2) M8 Hex Bolts securing the bracket, move the exhaust support slightly and install the passenger side Mounting Bracket as per **Step 6**, (Fig 11). Reinstall the exhaust support using the factory hex bolts with (1) now inserted through the exhaust support and the Mounting Bracket. On the remaining top location, insert (2) M8 Flat Washers between the body panel and the exhaust support to evenly space the support from the body panel.



(Fig 10) Driver Rear Mounting Bracket (DRM) Installed



(Fig 11) Passenger Rear Mounting Bracket (09-010 models: Install Mounting Bracket Between Exhaust Support And Body Panel)

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#### **STEP 7**

Once all (2) Driver side mounting brackets are installed, then proceed to the Step Bar installation. (**Figs 12 & 13**)

(1) Select (1) Slider and (2) M8X1.25-35mm Carriage Bolts;

(2) Install (2) M8X1.25-35mm Carriage Bolts in (1) Slider.

(3) Slide the Slider (with carriage bolts) to the **Step Bar**.

(4) Repeat to install the other (1) slider to the step bar.

(5) Attach the Step Bar (with the Sliders) onto the installed mounting brackets. Position the Sliders to the installed brackets. Secure the Step Bar to the installed Brackets by using (4) M8 Large Flat Washers and (4) M8 Nylon Lock Nuts and (2) Sliders, (**Fig 13**). Do not fully tighten hardware at this time.

Note: The Sliders are packed with the Step Bars.

Level and adjust the Step Bar and fully tighten all hardware.

Repeat **Steps 1-7** for the other side Step Bar installation. **The installation is completed!!!** 

#### Attention

Do periodic inspections to the installation to make sure that all hardware is secure and tight.

In order to protect your bars/boards, please use mild soap/non-abrasive products for cleaning only.

