Step 1 Tacoma Bed Stiffeners Install Instructions



Step by step on how to install the Tacoma Bed Stiffeners. Please read all steps carefully before starting the install.

Installation Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R1APSZRwxfA

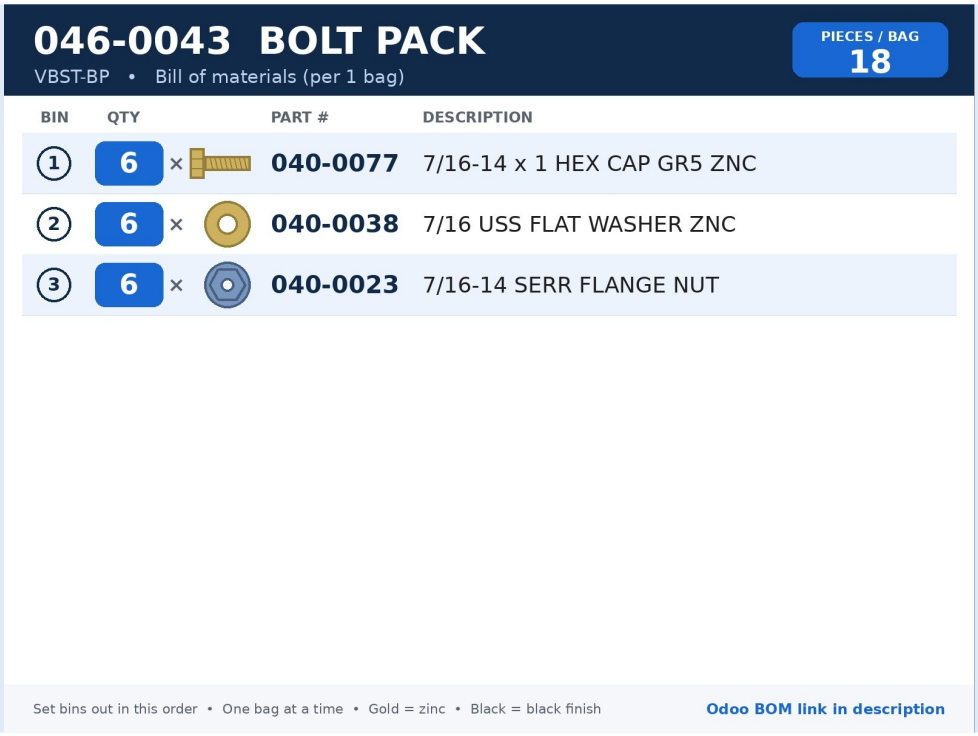
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Step 2 Included Parts



Check that you have all of the parts shown before starting.

Step 3 Included Hardware



046-0043 BOLT PACK

VBST-BP • Bill of materials (per 1 bag)

PIECES / BAG 18

BIN	QTY	PART #	DESCRIPTION
1	6 ×	040-0077	7/16-14 x 1 HEX CAP GR5 ZNC
2	6 ×	040-0038	7/16 USS FLAT WASHER ZNC
3	6 ×	040-0023	7/16-14 SERR FLANGE NUT

Set bins out in this order • One bag at a time • Gold = zinc • Black = black finish

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Check that you have all of the hardware shown before starting. Hardware pack: 046-0043 (every bolt, nut and washer is listed in the bill of materials picture).

Step 4 Identify Brackets



Identify the left and right brackets: the bend always faces the inside of the truck. With a T-55 Torx, remove the body mount, then use a T-30 Torx to remove the D ring. Tools: T-55 and T-30 Torx bits, 5/8 inch socket, pilot bit, step bit or 7/16 inch bit, spray paint.

Step 5 Remove Tail Light



Remove the tail light. With a 10mm socket, take out the bottom bolt and the second highest bolt, then pull the tail light straight back once it is loose.

Step 6 Mark Holes



Put the bracket in place, sitting at 90 degrees and flush with the side of the truck. Mark the bolt holes with a Sharpie to show where to drill.

Step 7 Drill Holes



Drill the marked holes with a small bit first, then open them up with a step bit to 7/16 inch for the 7/16 inch hardware.

Step 8 Paint Bare Metal



Cover any bare metal with spray paint.

Step 9 Install Bracket



Put the bracket in place and loosely install a 7/16 inch bolt and washer with a flange nut on the other end. For the bottom bolt, reach under the truck to get it started. Flange nuts mean you only tighten from one side.

Step 10 Reinstall D-Ring



Remove the additional hardware on the D ring and reinstall it with a T-30 Torx. Secure the body mount you removed earlier with the T-55 Torx.

Step 11 Tighten and Repeat



Tighten the other 3 bolts with a 5/8 inch socket. Reinstall the tail light, then repeat on the other side and you are finished!

Step 12 Installation Complete



Confirm all hardware is tightened. Congrats! Your installation of the Tacoma Bed Stiffeners is now complete. Enjoy!