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## JK WRANGLER TAILGATE HINGE COVER INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS WAR 2200

This hinge cover kit is designed to replace your existing plastic hinge covers on JK Wranglers. Commonly, plastic covers are broken upon removal, and also do not like to fit with the addition of corner plates and tailgate covers.

### Installation:

1. Begin by removing the two bolts holding the upper hinge to the tailgate. Do only one hinge section of the tailgate at a time to ensure that you don't change the alignment of the tailgate during installation.
2. Align one of the new tailgate side hinge covers to the holes where you removed the two bolts. Using the new stainless 8mm allen-head bolts supplied in the kit, bolt the outer hinge cover into place.
3. As you tighten, if you notice that the bolt is starting to deform the new cover, remove the bolt and use some of the supplied washers to space it out. You want to tighten these bolts very securely, but do not want to deform the covers. The number of washers you might need to use will vary from top to bottom and also based on accessories installed such as tailgate covers and corner plating.
4. Once you have the desired washers in place, tighten fully. Be sure that you are keeping the cover centered vertically paying close attention to the end nearest the pivot point of the hinge. You want to make sure it stays aligned centrally so that it does not end up contacting the outer pieces once installed.
5. Repeat steps 1-4 on the lower hinge.
6. With the larger inner pieces both now installed, you can start installing the outer pieces. With the factory plastic pieces removed, slide one of the outer covers over the top hinge. Hold the outer cover so that it is slid as far as possible away from the tailgate. Center vertically so that they have even clearance top to bottom.
7. Next you need to use a center punch to mark where the holes will be drilled in the hinge to hold the new covers. This is done easiest by having someone assist you and do the punching while you hold the cover in place.
8. With the holes center punched, set the cover aside and drill the two punched marks with a #7 drill bit. You will drill through the thick hinge material and then through the body sheet metal.
9. Once the holes are drilled, thread them with a 1/4"-20 thread tap. Work slowly, backing out often and cleaning the tap to ensure that you do not break your tap. Use cutting oil as well to keep the tap cool and lubricated.
10. With the holes drilled, tapped, and the metal and cutting oil cleaned up, slide your cover back into place and bolt into place. Use the same spacer method used on the inner pieces to make sure you are not deforming the cover. These can be tightened firmly, but do not need to be tightened extremely tight as they do not hold the tailgate and hinge together as the inner pieces did.
11. Repeat steps 6-10 on the lower outer piece. This will complete your installation.

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