31253 MOUNT KIT PERSONAL PLOW

Ford F-150 2009–14

Installation Instructions

A CAUTION

Read this document before installing the snowplow.

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See your sales outlet/website for specific vehicle application recommendations before installation. The online selection system has specific vehicle and snowplow requirements.

SAFETY DEFINITIONS

A WARNING

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation that, if not avoided, could result in death or serious personal injury.

A CAUTION

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation that, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury. It may also be used to alert against unsafe practices.

NOTE: Indicates a situation or action that can lead to damage to your snowplow and vehicle or other property. Other useful information can also be described.

WARNING/CAUTION & INSTRUCTION LABELS

Become familiar with and inform users about the warning/caution labels on the back of the blade and the instruction label on the headgear.

NOTE: If labels are missing or cannot be read, see your sales outlet.

Warning/Caution Label

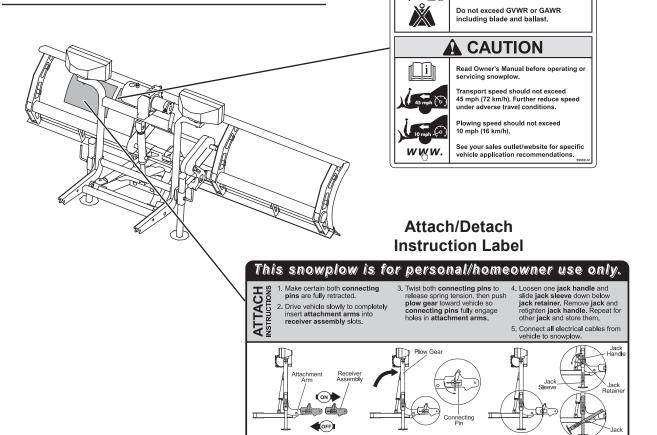
WARNING

Lower blade when vehicle is parked.

 Put blade on ground using LOWER/ FLOAT on snowplow control. Leave control ON and in FLOAT.

Attach jacks. Loosen jack handle, put jack on ground, and raise jack sleeve until fully engaging jack retainer. Tighten jack handle. Repeat for other jack.

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5 Back vehicle away from

See Owner's Manual for proper snowplow storage.

 While pushing plow gear toward vehicle to release connecting pin tension, pull connecting pin out on one side and twist pin handle to keep pin retracted. Repeat procedure for other connecting pin.

4. Disconnect all electrical cables

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Improper installation and operation could cause personal injury and/or equipment and property damage. Read and understand labels and the Owner's Manual before installing, operating, or making adjustments.

A WARNING

Lower blade when vehicle is parked.
Temperature changes could change
hydraulic pressure, causing the blade to
drop unexpectedly or damaging hydraulic
components. Failure to do this could result in
serious personal injury.

A WARNING

The driver shall keep bystanders clear of the blade when it is being raised, lowered, or angled. Do not stand between the vehicle and the blade or within 8 feet of a moving blade. A moving or falling blade could cause personal injury.

A WARNING

Keep hands and feet clear of the blade and A-frame when mounting or removing the snowplow. Moving or falling assemblies could cause personal injury.

A WARNING

Do not exceed GVWR or GAWR including the blade and ballast. The rating label is found on the driver-side vehicle door cornerpost.

A WARNING

To prevent accidental movement of the blade, always turn the control OFF whenever the snowplow is not in use. The power indicator light will turn OFF.

A WARNING

Remove blade assembly before placing vehicle on hoist.

A CAUTION

Refer to the online selection system for minimum vehicle recommendations and ballast requirements.

PERSONAL SAFETY

- Remove the ignition key and put the vehicle in PARK or in gear to prevent others from starting the vehicle during installation or service.
- Wear only snug-fitting clothing while working on your vehicle or snowplow.
- Do not wear jewelry or a necktie, and secure long hair.
- Wear safety goggles to protect your eyes from battery acid, gasoline, dirt, and dust.
- Avoid touching hot surfaces such as the engine, radiator, hoses, and exhaust pipes.
- Always have a fire extinguisher rated BC handy, for flammable liquids and electrical fires.

A WARNING

Gasoline is highly flammable and gasoline vapor is explosive. Never smoke while working on vehicle. Keep all open flames away from gasoline tank and lines. Wipe up any spilled gasoline immediately.

FIRE AND EXPLOSION

Be careful when using gasoline. Do not use gasoline to clean parts. Store only in approved containers away from sources of heat or flame.

CELL PHONES

A driver's first responsibility is the safe operation of the vehicle. The most important thing you can do to prevent a crash is to avoid distractions and pay attention to the road. Wait until it is safe to operate Mobile Communication equipment such as cell phones, text messaging devices, pagers, or two-way radios.

VENTILATION

A WARNING

Vehicle exhaust contains lethal fumes. Breathing these fumes, even in low concentrations, can cause death. Never operate a vehicle in an enclosed area without venting exhaust to the outside.

NOISE

Airborne noise emission during use is below 70 dB(A) for the snowplow operator.

VIBRATION

Operating snowplow vibration does not exceed 2.5 m/s² to the hand-arm or 0.5 m/s² to the whole body.

TORQUE CHART

A CAUTION

Read instructions before assembling. Fasteners should be finger tight until instructed to tighten according to the torque chart. Use standard methods and practices when attaching snowplow including proper personal protective safety equipment.

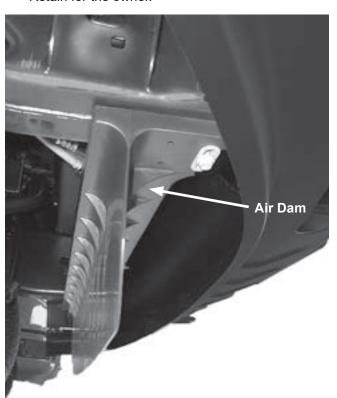
Recommended Fastener Torque Chart								
Inch Fasteners Grade 5 and Grade 8								
Size	Torque (ft-lb)			Torque (ft-lb)				
	Grade 5	Grade 8	Size	Grade 5	Grade 8			
1/4-20	8.4	11.9	9/16-12	109	154			
1/4-28	9.7	13.7	9/16-18	121	171			
5/16-18	17.4	24.6	5/8-11	150	212			
5/16-24	19.2	27.3	5/8-18	170	240			
3/8-16	30.8	43.6	3/4-10	269	376			
3/8-24	35.0	49.4	3/4-16	297	420			
7/16-14	49.4	69.8	7/8-9	429	606			
7/16-20	55.2	77.9	7/8-14	474	669			
1/2-13	75.3	106.4	1-8	644	909			
1/2-20	85.0	120.0	1-12	704	995			

Metric Fasteners Class 8.8 and 10.9								
	Torque (ft-lb)			Torque (ft-lb)				
Size	Class 8.8	Class 10.9	Size	Class 8.8	Class 10.9			
M6 x 1.00	7.7	11.1	M20 x 2.50	325	450			
M8 x 1.25	19.5	26.9	M22 x 2.50	428	613			
M10 x 1.50	38.5	53.3	M24 x 3.00	562	778			
M12 x 1.75	67	93	M27 x 3.00	796	1139			
M14 x 2.00	107	148	M30 x 3.50	1117	1545			
M16 x 2.00	167	231	M33 x 3.50	1468	2101			
M18 x 2.50	222	318	M36 x 4.00	1952	2701			
These torque values apply to fasteners except those noted in the instructions.								

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

NOTE: For easier assembly and installation, the vehicle and all snowplow components should be on a smooth, level, hard surface, such as concrete.

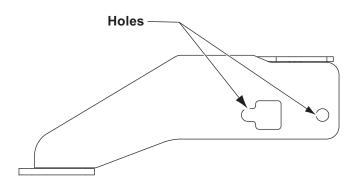
- 1. Remove the bumper.
- 2. Remove the air dam (pictured below), if equipped. Retain for the owner.



3. Remove the tow hooks. Retain the fasteners. Save the tow hooks for reinstallation if mounts are removed in the future.

4. Place the passenger-side mount plate up against the frame. Insert the tow hook bolt bar (a clip with two cap screws attached to it) into the frame. Insert the tow hook fasteners down through the truck frame and down through the mount frame hole. Attach locknuts and hand tighten.

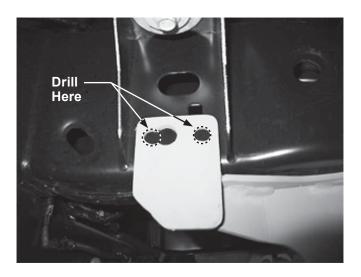
Top View



A CAUTION

Use caution not to pinch, cut or drill through any wires or hoses running along the frame rails.

5. Push the mount plate tight up and rearward against the frame. Using rearmost portion of the rear hole on the outside of the mount plate, drill a 17/32" hole through the frame. Using the other mount plate hole as a guide, drill a hole through the outside of the frame.



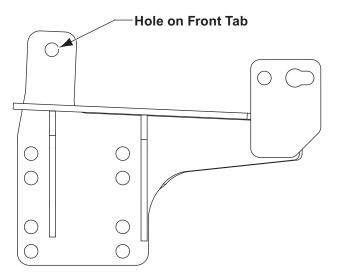
- 6. Attach a 1/2" washer to the 1/2" x 1-1/2" cap screw with handle. Insert the cap screw through the frame and through the forwardmost rear hole. Attach a 1/2" locknut and hand tighten.
- 7. Attach a 1/2" washer to the 1/2" x 1-1/2" cap screw with handle and insert it through the frame and through the rearmost hole in the mount plate.

 Attach a 1/2" washer and 1/2" locknut to the fastener and hand tighten.

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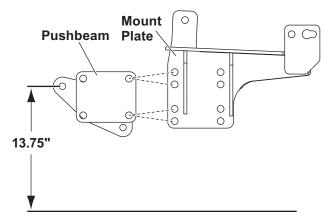
Use caution not to pinch, cut or drill through any wires or hoses running along the frame rails.

8. Using the front tab on the mount plate as a guide, drill a 17/32" hole through the inside of the frame. Attach a 1/2" washer to a 1/2" x 1-1/2" cap screw. Insert the cap screw with washer through the frame and through the front tab on the mount plate. Attach a 1/2" locknut and hand tighten.



9. Repeat Steps 4–8 for the driver's side.

10. Align the four holes in each side of the pushbeam with the holes in the mount plates. Measure the distance between the pushbeam and the ground, as shown below, to choose which set of holes to use for installing the pushbeam. Choose the set of holes that will bring the pushbeam closest to the dimension shown.



- 11. Attach the pushbeam to the mount plates using eight 1/2" x 1-1/2" cap screws (four on each end). Place a 1/2" locknut on each cap screw and fully tighten according to the torque chart.
- 12. Fully tighten all fasteners according to the torque chart.

- 13. Measure the distance between the pushbeam rear hole and the ground. If it exceeds 11-1/2", install the accessory Height Adapter Plate Kit (PN 77555) to ensure optimum plowing performance.
- 14. Bend or cut the ends of the cap screw handles protruding out from the frame to improve appearance and to avoid interference with vehicle components.
- 15. Reattach the bumper and modify the air dam as necessary.

NOTE: After five to ten hours of snowplow usage, retorque all mount assembly fasteners.

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