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## Fiberglass Door Inserts

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Parts list: 1 right door insert Preferred tool list: cordless drill

1 left door insert 5/32" drill bit 4 sheet metal backing plates 1/8" drill bit

1 hardware kit (screws) Phillips screw drivewr

tin snips

Please read through the entire instruction sheet to understand the scope of the project. Please keep in mind that the instruction sheet is a guideline and not law. The installation is on a vehicle, in some cases, that is 30 years old. Each of these vehicles have been though wrecks, rust, modifications..... so each installation will be unique. Slight filing, grinding, cutting and general fitting of the insert is normal and expected during the installation of the inserts. If there are questions about the install that are not answered by the install instructions, please give us a call.

If desired, prepare and paint the Wild Horses Fiberglass Door Inserts to match the color of the Bronco. For best results do the complete install first then remove the inserts for paint.

- 1. Remove all the attaching hardware and carefully remove the hardtop from the Bronco.
- 2. Remove the two screws that attach the door strap to the inner kick panel.
- 3. Carefully swing the door open enough so the bolts that attach the door hinges to the door post are easily accessed.
- 4. Support the door and remove the BOTTOM hinge bolts FIRST. Now remove the TOP hinge bolts and remove the door. Both doors are removed the same way. If the install is on a 66-67 Bronco, large diameter machine screws are used to secure the doors.

**NOTE**: The following step is not necessary but will add to the clean appearance of the install.

- 5. Carefully remove the weather stripping from the door opening. 3M has weather stripping adhesive remover that works very well and will help in saving the rubber for later reinstall.
- 6. Protect the paint on any edge in the door openings with masking tape that may be come in contact with the door inserts during installation. Please use GOOD quality masking tape (3M) as cheap tape may not remove easily.
- 7. Carefully inspect the door opening where the insert will be mounted for body sealer, spot-weld flash, etc. that may effect the proper fit of the insert.

**CAUTION**: The auxiliary gas tank is located directly under the driver's floor boards. It is highly recommended that the aux gas tank be removed prior to the fiber glass door insert installation.

- 8. Using a 5/32" drill bit, predrill all the dimpled screw locations located on the edges of the door inserts
- 9. Position the fiberglass insert in the door opening. Align the bottom edge on the rocker panel. Shift the insert right or left so the gap is even between the front and rear edges and the door post/striker post.
- 10. Using a 1/8" drill bit, carefully drill the two lower center holes on the rocker panel and secure the insert using #8 x 2 sheet metal screws. See Figure 1.

- 11. Continue to carefully drill and secure using #8 x 1 ½" sheet metal screws the bottom of the door insert to the rocker panel and to the front door post and striker post.
- 12. Position the front backing plates and mark the location. Trimming the backing plate may be necessary for proper fit. See Figure 2.
- 13. Secure the front backing plate using #8 x ½" sheet metal screws evenly spaced. See Figure 2.
- 14. Position the rear backing plates and mark the location. Trimming the backing plate may be necessary for proper fit. See Figure 3.
- 15. Secure the rear backing plate using #8 x ½" sheet metal screws evenly spaced. See Figure 3.
- 16. After the installation, carefully inspect all edges. File or sand any sharp edges or corners.
- 17. Please note that the figures show only the driver's insert installation. The passenger's insert installation is installed in the same way.





