# Installation Manual Main Skid Plate: TJ Skid Plate Installation

**TJ Models** 

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#### Thank you for purchasing a Clayton Off Road Mfg product.









Please check to make sure you have all necessary parts before you start your install.

- (1) 1/4 Flat skid plate
- (1) 3/16 laser cut cradle (shipped attached to skid plate)
- (1) Rubicon models come with a new air pump cradle and hardware
  - a. \*\*\* Rubicon models, or Jeeps with Rubicon transfer cases or Atlas transfer case require a 1 inch body lift.
  - b. \*\*\*\* Skid plates ordered for an Atlas or any other aftermarket tcase will require custom positioning of center transmission mount.

If you are missing any of the above items, or are unclear about what parts you need, please call and ask before you begin your installation process.

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### **Tool requirements**

- 1. Various shop tools for removing your factory skid plate.
- 2. 7/32's allen key

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#### **Installation Procedures**

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- 1. Separate Clayton Off Road Mfg. 2 piece skid plate and paint or powder coated bare metal.
- 2. If installing on a Rubicon model install **REQUIRED** 1 inch body lift.
- 3. Support Drivetrain.
- 4. Rubicon models unbolt the air locker pump mount. This OEM bracket will NOT be reused. Be careful with the airpumps, and their fittings.
- 5. Remove 4 transmission bolts in the center of the skid plate.
- 6. Remove skid plate.
- 7. Install Clayton Off Road skid plate cradle. Depending on model year different cradle position holes will be used. Only 2 holes per side are used on TJ models. Make sure cradle is centered left to right.



- 8. With any standard transfer case the bolt holes will align with the center plate. Tighten up all 4 transmission mount bolts, as they will not be accessible later.
  - 1. \*\*\* If installing on any aftermarket transfer case you will need to take that center bracket and align it with your transmission mount. You may need to cut out the center hole larger to be able to move this bracket forward or backwards. Once you have it aligned check for any clearance issues and weld center bracket in and tighten up transmission bolts.
- 9. Make sure your new skid plate cradle is centered, the OEM skid plate bolts are all tight, and the transmission bolts are tight.
- 10. The ¼ laser cut skid plate now bolts to that cradle using the 8 counter sunk 3/8s allen bolts.

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- 11. Rubicon models come with a new bracket to relocate the OEM air pumps.
  - a. Remove both air pumps off OEM bracket.
  - Reinstall the rubber grommets into new bracket.
  - Reinstall both Oem pumps, one will be backwards from original location.
  - d. Bolt to back of skid plate, and reattach wires and hoses.





If you have any questions, concerns or comments please feel free to give us a call, send an email or fax.

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