

DZ Running Board Installation Instructions

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Ford Explorer (4 Door)

Congratulations on your purchase of a quality Dee Zee product. Dee Zee is recognized as having the highest quality running boards and accessories on the market today. We have earned this reputation by offering our customers a product they can be proud to place on their vehicles. Dee Zee meets all the criteria of manufacturing a custom-fit product which guarantees it to be the easiest product to install.

NOTICE: This product requires the use of sheet metal screws. To use these screws, drill a hole as specified in the instructions. Once the hole has been drilled, tighten the screw firmly into the hole with a wrench. Caution should be taken **not to overtighten** the sheet metal screws.

NOTE: After drilling, Dee Zee recommends putting a sealant or rust inhibitor around all holes drilled into the body panel of the vehicle.

TOOLS REQUIRED:

Two 7/16" Wrenches	A Level
A Drill with a set of Bits	Locking Pliers
A Tape Measure	A 3/8" Wrench
Utility Knife or Electric Saw	

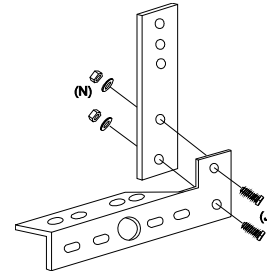
PARTS LIST:

	QTY
Running Boards	2
Radius Mudguards	4
Left & Right Angle Brace	2
Flat Bar Braces	2
Hardware Bag	1

Warning: It is the sole responsibility of the vehicle owner to check for tire clearance.

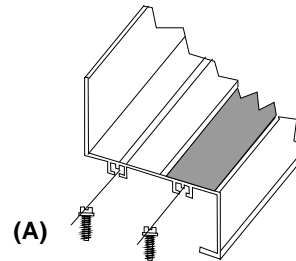
INSTRUCTIONS: Please take time to read all instructions carefully before beginning installation.

NOTICE: With the left and right angle brace, add a flat bar by matching the two holes in each part. Fasten with two 1/4" x 3/4" hex head bolts (J), washers and nuts (N). These L-braces will be used later in the instruction.



STEP 1

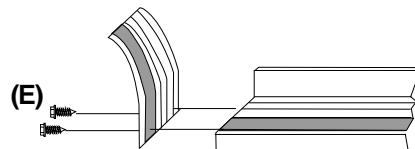
Slide the heads of two 1/4" X 1" slotted head bolts (A) into the channel ribs on the underside of the running board, one bolt per channel.



STEP 2

NOTE: There is a right and left side mudguard. To mount correctly, align the black tape on the mudguard with the black tape on the running board.

Attach a radius formed mudguard to the front and rear of each running board using two 1/4" X 1" sheet metal screws (E) in the provided holes.



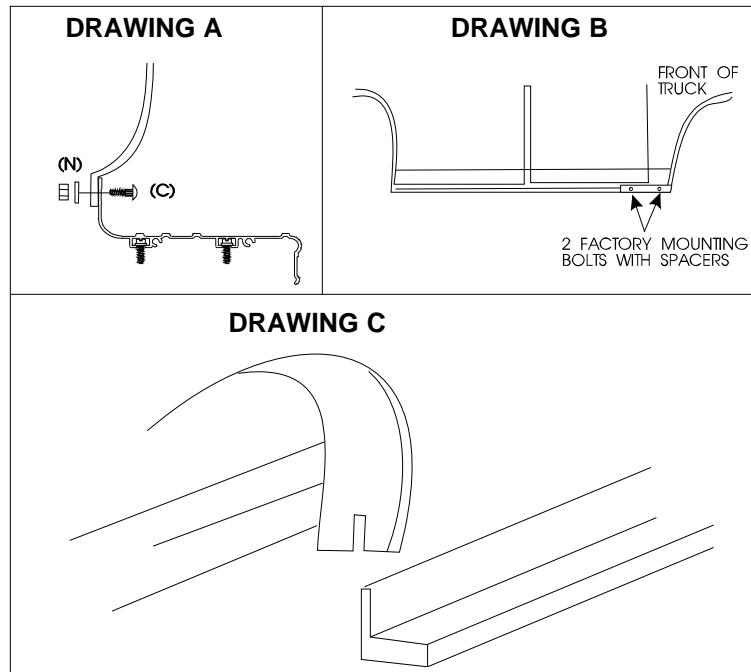
STEP 3

NOTE: It may be necessary to notch the fender flare on the front wheel well with a utility knife to make room for the rocker panel of the running board. Refer to drawing C.

Remove the two factory mounting bolts and the two spacer washers. Save these two bolts (but not the spacers). Refer to Drawing B.

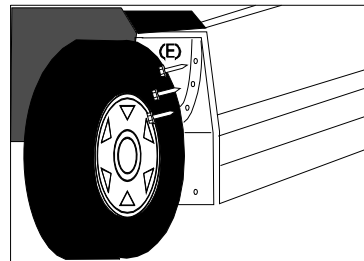
Position the back lip of the running board to the side of your vehicle's rocker panel. Place the front part of the back lip up where the two spacer washers were. Align the rest of the running board to the vehicle's rocker panel lip with the mudguards snug against the inner edges of the wheel wells. **Helpful Hint:** The running board may be temporarily clamped in place with locking pliers.

Level the running board and then use the holes where the two factory bolts were removed (refer to drawing B) as guides to drill two 1/4" holes through the back lip of the board. Drill three evenly spaced 1/4" holes through the remaining part of the back lip of the board and the rocker panel lip. Attach the board to the rocker panel lip with three 1/4" X 1" carriage bolts (C), washers and nuts (N) and the two factory bolts that you removed. Repeat this step on both sides of the vehicle. Refer to drawing A.



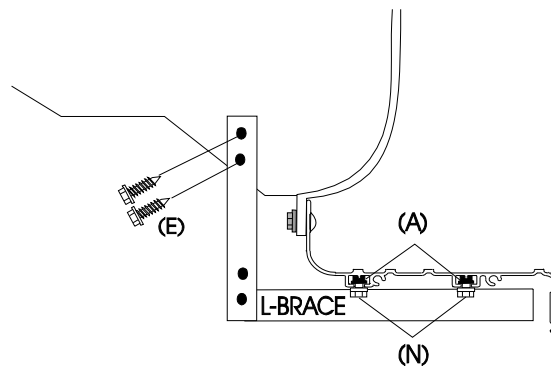
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Level the running board and drill three 3/16" holes through the mudguard and the wheel well lip. Attach the mudguard to the wheel well lip with three 1/4" X 1" sheet metal screws (E).



STEP 5

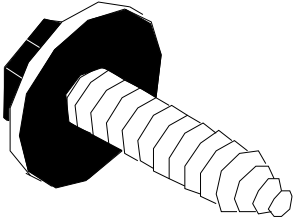
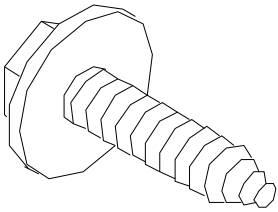
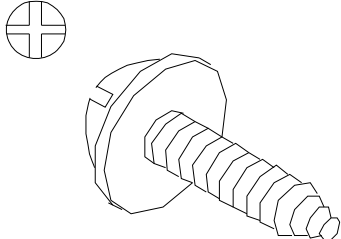
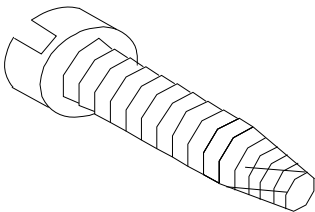
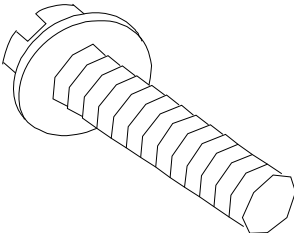
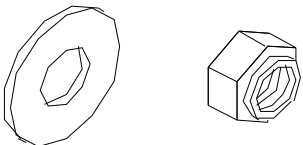
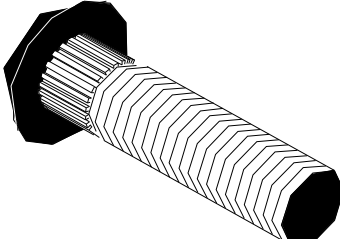
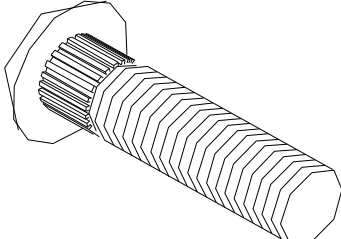
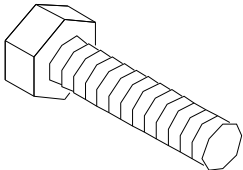
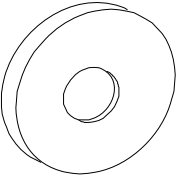
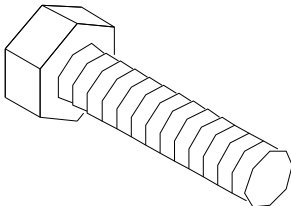
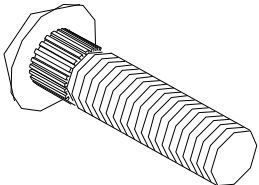
At approximately 43" back from the front of each running board, position an L-brace to the underside of the running board and the side body support as shown in the diagram. Attach the L-brace to the underside of the running board using the two slotted head bolts (A) in the channel ribs on the underside of the board with washers and nuts (N). Use the holes in the vertical leg of the L-brace as a guide drill two 3/16" holes through the side body support. Attach using two 1/4" X 1" sheet metal screws (E).



CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS: To maintain the bright finish of your Dee Zee aluminum running boards, clean with a mild detergent.

WARNING: It is unlawful and dangerous to ride on running boards or side box boards while vehicle is in motion. It is the sole responsibility of the owner to check for tire clearance.

***If you should incur any problems with the installation of this product, please feel free to call us at 1-800-779-8222. So that we may better serve you when you call, please have the W/O#, SEQUENCE#, and the DATE from the labels on the outside of the box.*

<p>1/4" x 1" Black Sheet Metal Screw PN 97B</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">S</p>	<p>1/4" x 1" Sheet Metal Screw PN 97</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">E</p>	<p>#10 x 5/8" Phillips Head Screw PN 140</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">P</p>	<p>1/4" x 1" Slotted Fillister Head Screw PN 80</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">L</p>
<p>1/4" x 1" Slotted Head Bolt PN 86A</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">A</p>	<p>1/4" Washer PN 72 & 1/4" Nut PN 71</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">N</p>	<p>1/4" x 1" Black Carriage Bolt PN 87B</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">T</p>	<p>1/4" x 1" Carriage Bolt PN 87</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">C</p>
<p>1/4" x 3/4" Hex Head Bolt PN 70 PN 70B (Black)</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">J</p>	<p>Nylon Bushing (Spacer) PN 116</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">—</p>	<p>1/4" x 1 1/4" Hex Head Bolt PN 94</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">—</p>	<p>1/4" x 3/4" Carriage Bolt PN 223 Stainless Steel Boards Only</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">—</p>