



2007-Present Jeep JK Wrangler, 4 Dr. Top Prop™ Installation Instructions

Thank you for purchasing your new Skid Row Offroad Top Prop. It is certain to make your Jeep driving experience more pleasant and comfortable. Your Top Prop can be used with any fabric top to prevent the accumulation of water during rainstorms or just when washing your Jeep. It will also prevent the top from flapping, which makes for a much quieter driving experience.

Your Top Prop package should come complete with the following parts:

1. (1) 49" Long Slat (Front)
2. (1) 51" Long Slat (Rear)
3. (4) Bow Sockets
4. (4) Small Stainless Steel Hose Clamps (Front)
5. (4) Large Stainless Steel Hose Clamps (Rear)
6. (8) Sheet metal Screws

Please read the instructions *completely* before starting installation. It will save you time and should prevent you from having any problems.

NOTE: The Top Props should be installed with the soft top DOWN.



Front Top Prop Step 1: Open the fabric cover from the roll bar tube above the door as show above left. The zipper starts at the rear of the bar, near the main roll bar hoop.

Step 2: Mark the location on both the bar and the padding where you want to place the Top Prop. It should be roughly centered above the front doors or at about 10" as shown in the photo above. Then remove the foam padding from the tube being careful not to break the foam. There are plastic fasteners along the bottom of the padding that you simply pull out of holes in the roll bar tubing.





Step 3: Place a bow socket along the top edge of the padding, centered on your mark, and draw a line around it as shown above left. Then place the socket along the line you just drew and draw a second line around the socket as shown in the photo above right. Then cut away the padding material along the lines just made.



Step 4: Take two of the shorter hose clamps provided and fit them loosely around the roll bar tube. Attach one of the bow sockets to the roll bar centered on the mark you made earlier, by placing its lip under the clamps and tightening. Don't tighten them completely at this time. Make sure to leave the clamps loose enough to allow the clamp to be positioned in the opening in the padding. Also, the sockets should angle upward. Then reinstall the padding. It should look similar to the photo at left. Install the second bow socket on the other side of the vehicle. Then tighten the hose clamps.

Step 5: Reinstall the fabric covers.

Rear Top Prop Step 1: Open the fabric cover from the roll bar tube above the door. The zipper starts in front of the main roll bar hoop and is difficult to reach with the top up. If equipped with a sound bar, remove the two bolts on each side that hold the sound bar to the roll bar. This requires a 10mm socket and allows the fabric cover to be moved just enough to remove the foam padding. Also, it may be helpful to unzip the cover of the roll bar just above the rear seat.



Step 2: Mark the location on the bar and on the padding where you want to place the Top Prop. It should be roughly centered above the door. On vehicles with a sound bar, place the socket just behind the sound bar as shown in the photo. Then remove the foam padding from the tube being careful not to break the foam. There are plastic fasteners along the bottom of the padding that you simply pull out of holes in the roll bar tubing.

Step 3: As was done at the front, place a bow socket along the top edge of the padding, centered on your mark, and draw a line around it.. Then place the socket along the line you just drew and draw a second line around the socket. Then cut away the padding material along the lines just made.

Step 4: Take two of the LONGER hose clamps provided and fit them loosely around the roll bar tube. Attach one of the bow sockets to the roll bar centered on the mark you made earlier, by placing its lip under the clamps and tightening. Don't tighten them completely at this time. Make sure to leave the clamps loose enough to allow the clamp to be positioned in the opening in the padding. Then reinstall the padding. It should look similar to the photo at right. Install the second bow socket on the other side of the vehicle. Then tighten the hose clamps.



Step 5: Reinstall the fabric covers and reinstall the four bolts that hold the sound bar, if they were removed earlier.

Installing the Screws: The clamps can be removed and replaced by the sheet metal screws provided, if desired. However, it is not necessary to perform this step since the clamps will hold the Top Prop in place permanently. They will also allow you to remove your Top Prop easily using only a straight-blade screwdriver.

However, if you want to use the sheet metal screws instead of the hose clamps, the Jeep's top will need to be DOWN in order to permit drilling of the holes. Remove one clamp and using a 1/8" drill bit, drill a hole into the roll bar tube. Install the first screw and then remove the other hose clamp. Repeat the procedure for the other clamps making sure that all of the screws are tight. Also, be sure that the bow sockets don't move while drilling.

Both Top Props: Using a razor blade, make an opening through the fabric covers to allow the slats to slide into the bow sockets.

Put the top back up after all of the sockets and covers have been installed.

Note: Wear gloves while handling the fiberglass slat to prevent yourself from getting any splinters in your hands. If you do get a splinter, use a piece of duct tape to remove it by placing the sticky side over the splinter and then quickly pulling it away. Yet another use for duct tape!

Installing the Slats: The shorter 49" slat goes up front. The longer 51" slat fits in the rear. With the top UP, simply insert one end of the slat into one of the bow sockets, push the slat up in the middle, and insert the other end of the slat into the other bow socket. That's all there is to it!

We hope you enjoy your Skid Row Offroad Top Prop!

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