

# TACOMA BED STIFFENERS INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

#### **TOOLS NEEDED**

- T-55 torx bit
- T-30 torx bit
- 5/8" socket
- pilot drill bit
- step bit or 7/16" drill bit
- spray paint

#### **HARDWARE**

- 7/16-14 flange nut qty. 6
- 7/16 flat washer qty. 6
- 7/16-14X1" hex cap qty. 6

1. There will be a left side and right side bracket when you open the kit. To determine which side the brackets mount to, make sure the bend is toward the inside of the truck. Using a T-55 torx, remove the body mount as shown in the picture below. Use a T-30 torx and remove the D ring.





2. Remove the tail light. Use a 10mm socket and remove the bottom bolt along with the second highest bolt. Pull straight back on the tail light once it's loose.





**3.** After you remove the bolt, put the bracket in place. Make sure it sits at a 90 degree angle and is flush with the side of the truck. Mark the bolt holes with a sharpie to determine where to drill.





4. Use a small drill bit and begin drilling the holes that you marked in step 3. Once you have the holes drilled, use a step bit to make the holes bigger. We are using 7/16" hardware so you will need to drill up to 7/16".

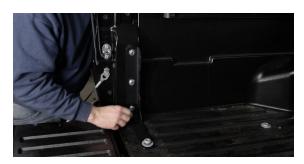




**5.** Use spray paint and cover any bare metal.



**6.** Put the bracket in place. Loosely install a 7/16" bolt and washer with a flange nut on the other end. For the bottom bolt you will need to reach under the truck and get the bolt started. We are using flange nuts so you will only need to tighten the bolt from one side. Remove the additional hardware on the D ring and reinstall it with a T-30 torx.





## **7.** Secure the body mount we removed earlier using a T-55 torx bit.





### **8.** Tighten the other 3 bolts using a 5/8" socket.





After you reinstall the tail light, repeat the same steps on the other side and you're finished with the install!