



**BX1916 Installation Instructions**  
**1987-92 Dodge D-50 2WD Pickup / 1987-91 Dodge D-50 4WD Pickup**  
**1987-91 Mitsubishi 2WD & 4WD Pickup**

Installation of this baseplate requires bending or notching the vehicle's skid plate.

1. Read the General Instruction Sheet included with this baseplate.
2. The baseplate mounts to the front underside of the truck using eight bolts for the 2WD and 6 bolts for the 4WD.
3. The baseplate has 3 principal components; the cross angle (same for the 2WD & 4WD) and the mount assemblies (different for the 2WD & 4WD).
4. The two slots at the front of the cross angle align to the lower bumper bracket bolts, just below the edge of the lower trim panel. The two horizontal holes at the sides align, on the inside, to the small holes on the tie down brackets (these holes are above and behind the holes).
5. Using a 14mm socket, remove the lower bolts from the two bumper brackets. Inspect and save these bolts for reuse.
- 6a. **2WD** Remove the 4 bolts, 2/side, which attach the front suspension strut mounts to the chassis. The strut mounts are set at an angle and the bolts point vertically up. A 14mm socket is required. Hold the 2WD mount assemblies in position "inside" the strut mounts and hand start the bolts just removed. Note the sketch for the correct part position. Do Not yet fully tighten.
- 6b. **4WD** Remove the two center forward bolts from the skid plate using a 14mm socket. The bolts are vertically "up" and parallel to the front of the truck. Hold the 4WD mount assemblies in position and hand start the bolts just removed. Note the sketch for the correct part position. Do not yet fully tighten.
7. Hold the cross angle in position in front of the truck and hand start the two bumper bracket bolts removed in step 5. Do Not yet fully tighten. On the 4WD model you will note some small interference with the rear side bolt tabs and the skid plate. The skid plate must be bent or notched.
8. Hand start the 7/16-14 x 1-1/2 bolts, nuts and lock washers through the two outside holes which attach the mount assemblies to the cross angle and the 1/2-13 x 1 bolts, nuts and lock washers on the 4WD model, there is a nut already welded to the mount assembly. In this location, place the lock washers on the bolt before beginning assembly. In all other cases the lock washer goes on just ahead of the nut.
9. The dimensional variations between otherwise identical cars can be considerable. While the location and size of the holes in the baseplate were designed to facilitate easy installation, it may be necessary to file or drill a hole slightly to allow a bolt to clear.
10. Tighten all bolts firmly.
11. Install the tow bar and safety cables according to the instructions included in their packages.
12. Do not substitute other devices if the pin and clip are lost.
13. DEALER OR INSTALLER: BE CERTAIN THE USER RECEIVES THE INSTRUCTION SHEET.

**Tools Required**

3/4" socket

14mm socket

3/4" open-end wrench

**Automatic**

## Parts List

Ref. No.	Qty.	Part No.	Description
1	1	61-3464	Baseplate, BX1916
2	1	61-3579	2WD Mount Plate Assembly. Left
	1	61-3580	2WD Mount Plate Assembly. Right
3	1	61-3581	4WD Mount Plate Assembly. Left
	1	61-3582	4WD Mount Plate Assembly. Right
4	2	201-0051	1/2-13 x 1-1/2 Bolt, Grade 5
5	2	201-0060	1/2-13 x 1 Bolt, Grade 5
6	2	201-0416	7/16-14 x 1-1/2 Bolt, Grade 5
7	4	202-0005	1/2-13 Nut
8	2	202-0004	7/16-14 Nut
9	4	203-0012	1/2 Lock Washer
10	2	203-0011	7/16 Lock Washer

