

TAILGATE SEAL

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

IMPORTANT READ BEFORE INSTALLING: The following instructions are for domestic and import pickup trucks. However due to the variety of tailgate design, your application may differ slightly from these instructions. There are two methods of applying the tailgate seal on the side jambs of the box. Method A shown at the right is suitable for most applications. On occasion, method B must be substituted. You may wish to do a test on your pickup box. Cut a piece of tailgate seal about 2" long and apply it to the side jamb beginning with method A. Now close tailgate and inspect the compressed seal. The test piece can be removed and repositioned until you find the most suitable position.

NOTE: The location of the seal on the floor edge is the same for all applications.

FOR BEST RESULTS MOST APPLICATIONS OF THIS PRODUCT WILL REQUIRE THE FOLLOWING:

1. Clean Rags
2. Mild soap only, and warm water.
3. Hand roller.
4. Utility knife and scissors.
5. Temperature of 60° (33°C)
6. Lubricant (WD-40 or equal)

STEP 1:

When necessary remove tailgate from box. Refer to vehicle owners manual for proper procedure. Thoroughly clean surface area where tailgate seal will be applied on the edge of the floor and up the side jambs. If the box has a bedliner in it that interferes with this installation you can: a) try to position the seal behind the bedliner layer, or b) make trim cuts on liner where needed, or c) use method B shown in figure 3B. Wash surface with soap and water. Wipe dry and clean with rags. Then use alcohol pads to clean entire surface again. Let alcohol dry. Make sure clean surface does not become contaminated before applying tailgate seal. See figure 1.

STEP 2:

Begin applying tailgate seal across bottom edge of bed. Remove enough adhesive backing on leading end of the tailgate seal and align it flush with the box floor starting at a corner. See figure 2. Press firmly while guiding the tailgate seal in a straight line. Do a short section at a time, avoid touching the adhesive and stretching the tailgate seal while adhering.

STEP 3:

Method A If you chose method A, see figure 3A. Begin at the bottom of the side jambs and work up to the top. Position the tailgate seal so that the adhesion edge is aligned with the corner edge of the jamb. Do both side jambs.

Method B If you chose method B, see figure 3B. Begin at the bottom of the side jambs and work up to the top. Position the tailgate seal so that the adhesion edge is aligns with the corner edge of the jamb. On some application, you will need to make "v" cuts in tailgate seal to follow the curve of the jamb. Also on some applications you will need to remove OEM rubber stops. If so, store them in the glove compartment for safe keeping.

STEP 4:

Using hand roller apply approximately 10 lbs. of pressure while rolling roller back and forth over tailgate seal on edge of floor and both side jambs. See figure 4. Install tailgate and lubricate the latches. Now close tailgate. It should close tight. After several days the seal will conform to the shape of the tailgate allowing it to open and close with ease. If tailgate is too tight to close, you may have to readjust the hinges to allow closing. Refer to vehicle owner's manual for this procedure.



METHOD A



METHOD B

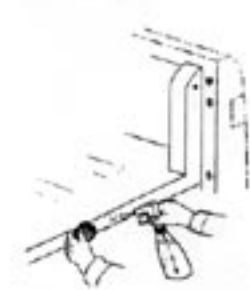
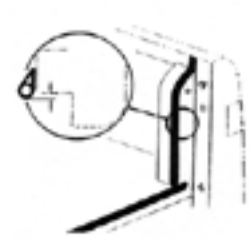


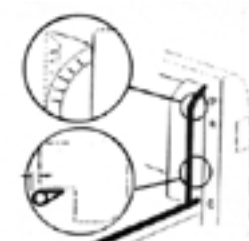
FIGURE 1



FIGURE 2



**METHOD A
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**METHOD B
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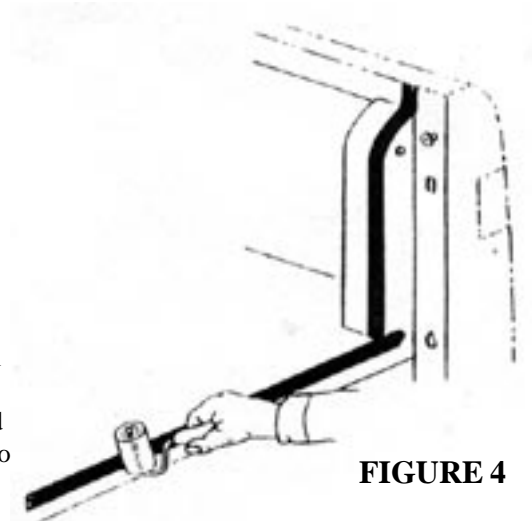


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