

TRAILER HITCH MOUNTING INSTRUCTIONS

CATALOG NUMBER 217271
 APPLICATION Ford Escort sdn & wgn,
 Ford Tempo sdn & All W.D.,
 Mercury Lynx sdn & wgn,
 Mercury Topaz,
 HITCH CAPACITY 2000 pounds gross trailer weight 200 pounds maximum tongue load
 OR the maximum load specified by the vehicle manufacturer;
 WHICHEVER IS LESS.

PLEASE NOTE: This product complies with safety specifications and requirements for connecting devices and towing systems of the state of New York and regulation V.E.S.C. V-5.

1. Clear floor of car's tire well or luggage area for drilling for the hitch.
2. Assemble hitch sub-bumper A to hitch tongue at brackets A using fasteners ② . See diagram; over. Attach sub-bumper across under car's tubular bumper struts using fasteners ① . Sub-bumper and U-bolts fit to smaller diameter of struts. Do not final tighten U-bolts.
3. Support the hitch tongue against underside of floor pan: Check for enough hitch ball clearance with bumper and check for best fit with floor pan. Using hitch as a template, mark and drill for two holes at brackets B for 3/8" diameter screws.
4. Mount the hitch to floor pan at bracket B as shown including the backing plate (#594) inside car. Use fasteners ③ . Drill floor pan for 3/8" diameter screws ④ . Install fasteners ④ as shown with large fender washers outside opposite backing plate.
5. Final tighten fasteners as specified on reverse of these instructions. NOTE: DO NOT USE IMPACT WRENCH ON U-BOLTS. Recheck all fasteners occasionally for tightness.

FASTENERS:

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| ① (2) 3/8 x 2" U-bolt (# 116) | ③ (2) 3/8 x 1 1/2" screw |
| (4) 3/8" flat washer | (2) 3/8" flat washer |
| (4) 3/8" lock nut | (2) 3/8" lock washer |
| | (2) 3/8" hex nut |
| ② (2) 3/8 x 1 1/2" screw | |
| (2) 3/8" flat washer | ④ (2) 3/8 x 1 1/4" screw |
| (2) 3/8" lock washer | (2) 3/8" fender washer |
| (2) 3/8" hex nut | (2) 3/8" lock washer |
| | (2) 3/8" hex nut |

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CATALOG NUMBER.....(old # FD2T).....
 APPLICATION.....Ford Escort sdn & wgn, 1981-90
 Ford Tempo sdn & All W.D., 1987-94
 Mercury Lynx sdn & wgn, 1981-88
 Mercury Topaz, 1987-94

