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INTRODUCTION

This manual provides comprehensive instructions for the installation, operation, and maintenance of the Putco 401011 Chrome Trim Door Handle Cover. This product is designed to enhance the exterior appearance of your vehicle's door handles with a durable chrome finish. Please read all instructions carefully before proceeding with installation.

SETUP AND INSTALLATION

The Putco 401011 Chrome Trim Door Handle Covers are designed for easy installation without the need for drilling or cutting. They feature pre-applied 3M adhesive tape for a simple peel-and-stick application.

Required Tools:

- Clean cloth
- Rubbing alcohol or automotive surface cleaner

Installation Steps:

1. **Prepare the Surface:** Thoroughly clean the surface of the vehicle's door handles where the chrome covers will be applied. Use rubbing alcohol or an automotive surface cleaner to remove any dirt, wax, grease, or residue. Ensure the surface is completely dry before proceeding. A clean, dry surface is crucial for proper adhesive bonding.
2. **Test Fit:** Before removing the adhesive backing, carefully place each chrome trim cover over the corresponding door handle to ensure a correct fit and alignment. This step allows you to visualize the final placement and make any necessary adjustments.
3. **Remove Adhesive Backing:** Once satisfied with the test fit, peel off the red protective backing from the pre-applied 3M adhesive tape on the back of the chrome trim cover. Avoid touching the adhesive

surface with your fingers to maintain its integrity.

4. **Apply the Cover:** Carefully align the chrome trim cover with the door handle. Once aligned, press the cover firmly onto the handle. Apply consistent pressure across the entire surface of the cover for at least 30 seconds to ensure the adhesive bonds securely.
5. **Final Check:** After installation, visually inspect each cover to ensure it is securely attached and properly aligned. Avoid washing the vehicle or exposing the covers to excessive moisture for at least 24-48 hours to allow the adhesive to fully cure.



Image 1: Front and back views of the Putco 401011 Chrome Trim Door Handle Covers, showcasing their design and adhesive backing.



Image 2: The Putco 401011 Chrome Trim Door Handle Cover installed on a red vehicle, demonstrating its appearance and fit.



Image 3: The Putco 401011 Chrome Trim Door Handle Cover installed on a white vehicle, illustrating its integration with the vehicle's exterior.

OPERATION

Once properly installed, the Putco 401011 Chrome Trim Door Handle Covers function as a passive aesthetic enhancement. They do not alter the mechanical operation of the vehicle's door handles. No specific operational steps are required beyond the normal use of your vehicle's door handles.

MAINTENANCE

To maintain the appearance and longevity of your chrome trim door handle covers, follow these guidelines:

- **Cleaning:** Clean the covers regularly with standard automotive cleaning products designed for chrome or exterior finishes. Use a soft cloth to avoid scratching the surface.
- **Avoid Abrasives:** Do not use abrasive cleaners, harsh chemicals, or scouring pads, as these can damage the chrome finish.
- **Waxing:** Applying a quality automotive wax periodically can help protect the chrome finish and maintain its shine.
- **Adhesive Check:** Periodically check the adhesion of the covers, especially after extreme weather conditions or car washes, to ensure they remain securely attached.

TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your Putco 401011 Chrome Trim Door Handle Covers, consider the following:

- **Poor Adhesion:** If a cover does not adhere properly or begins to lift, it is likely due to insufficient surface preparation (e.g., dirt, wax, or moisture on the handle during installation) or inadequate pressure during application. Ensure the surface is thoroughly cleaned and dry. Re-application with

new automotive-grade 3M adhesive tape may be necessary if the original tape fails.

- **Scratches/Dullness:** Minor scratches can sometimes be buffed out with a chrome polish. For significant damage, replacement may be the only option. Ensure proper cleaning techniques are used to prevent future damage.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	Putco
Model Number	401011
Material	Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene (ABS)
Color	Chrome
Exterior Finish	Smooth
Product Dimensions	1"L x 1"W (Note: This dimension may refer to a specific component or packaging, not the full cover size.)
Item Weight	0.8 Pounds (12.8 ounces)
Installation Method	Peel and Stick (3M Adhesive)
UPC	010536410112

WARRANTY INFORMATION

Specific warranty details for the Putco 401011 Chrome Trim Door Handle Cover are typically provided at the point of purchase or within the product packaging. Please refer to the documentation included with your product for the most accurate and up-to-date warranty information. Generally, Putco products are covered by a manufacturer's warranty against defects in materials and workmanship under normal use.

CUSTOMER SUPPORT

For further assistance, technical support, or inquiries regarding your Putco 401011 Chrome Trim Door Handle Cover, please contact Putco customer service. Contact information can usually be found on the official Putco website or on the product packaging. When contacting support, please have your product model number (401011) and purchase details readily available.