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Standard Motor Products DL-53B

Standard Motor Products Door Lock Kit

MODEL: DL-53B

1. Introduction and Overview

The Standard Motor Products DL-53B Door Lock Kit is a replacement component designed for specific Ford vehicle models. This kit provides a functional and secure locking mechanism for your vehicle's door, ensuring proper operation and security. It is engineered to meet or exceed original equipment specifications for fit, form, and function.

This product is compatible with the following vehicles:

- 1995 - 1992 Ford Bronco
- 1995 - 1992 Ford F Super Duty
- 1995 - 1992 Ford F-150
- 1995 - 1992 Ford F-250
- 1995 - 1992 Ford F-350

2. Safety Information

Always observe the following safety precautions when installing or servicing automotive components:

- Ensure the vehicle is parked on a level surface with the parking brake engaged.
- Turn off the vehicle's ignition and remove the key before beginning any work.
- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment, such as safety glasses and gloves.
- Refer to your vehicle's service manual for specific instructions and torque specifications.
- If you are unsure about any step, seek assistance from a qualified automotive technician.
- Keep small parts away from children.

3. Package Contents

Upon opening the package, verify that all components are present and undamaged. The Standard Motor Products DL-53B

Door Lock Kit typically includes:

- One (1) DL-53B Door Lock Cylinder Assembly
- Associated keys (if applicable, usually two)

Note: Contents may vary slightly based on specific packaging.

4. Setup and Installation

Installation of the DL-53B Door Lock Kit requires basic automotive tools and mechanical aptitude. The following steps provide a general guide; consult your vehicle's specific service manual for detailed instructions.

Tools Required:

- Screwdrivers (Phillips and flathead)
- Socket set and ratchet
- Trim panel removal tools (plastic pry tools recommended)
- Work light

Installation Steps:

1. **Prepare the Vehicle:** Ensure the vehicle is off and the door you are working on is open.
2. **Remove Door Panel:** Carefully remove the interior door panel. This typically involves removing screws hidden behind trim pieces, door handles, and window switches. Use trim panel removal tools to avoid damaging the panel or clips.
3. **Access the Lock Mechanism:** Once the door panel is removed, you will gain access to the internal door components, including the existing lock cylinder.
4. **Disconnect Linkages:** Identify and disconnect any rods or linkages connected to the back of the old lock cylinder. Note their positions for reassembly.
5. **Remove Old Lock Cylinder:** The lock cylinder is usually held in place by a retaining clip or screw. Carefully remove this fastener and slide the old cylinder out from the exterior of the door.
6. **Install New Lock Cylinder:** Insert the new DL-53B lock cylinder into the door from the exterior. Ensure it seats correctly.
7. **Secure New Lock Cylinder:** Reinstall the retaining clip or screw to secure the new cylinder in place.
8. **Reconnect Linkages:** Reattach all rods and linkages to the new lock cylinder in their original positions. Test the lock mechanism manually to ensure smooth operation before reassembling the door panel.
9. **Reinstall Door Panel:** Carefully reattach the interior door panel, ensuring all clips align and screws are tightened. Test the window and door handle functions.

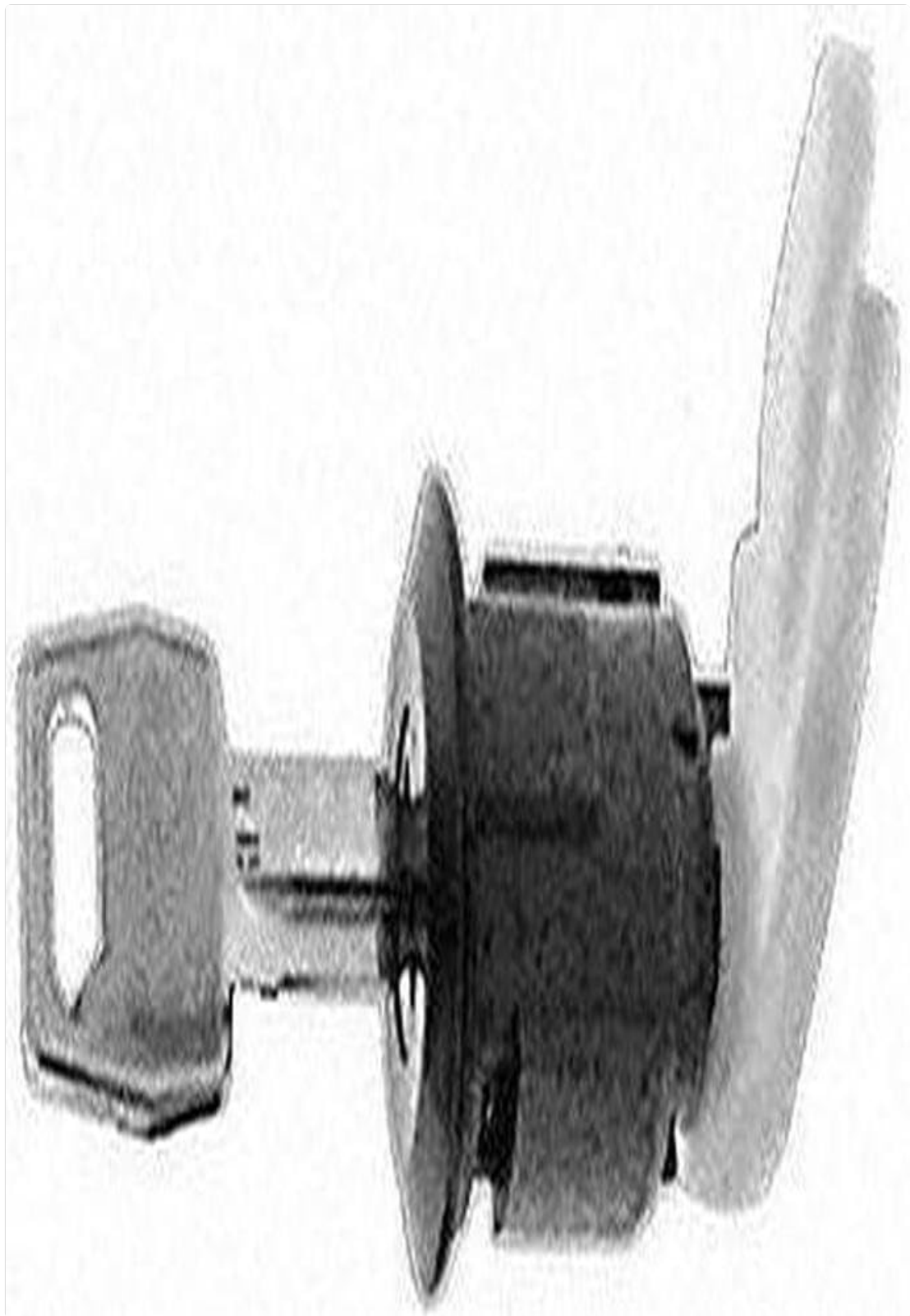


Figure 1: Standard Motor Products DL-53B Door Lock Kit with key inserted. This image displays the Standard Motor Products DL-53B Door Lock Kit, featuring the lock cylinder with a key inserted. The key is shown fully engaged in the cylinder, ready for operation. The lock mechanism is visible, indicating its design for vehicle door applications.

5. Operation

Once installed, the DL-53B Door Lock Kit operates like the original equipment. Insert the provided key into the lock cylinder and turn it clockwise or counter-clockwise to lock or unlock the vehicle door. Ensure the key is fully inserted before turning to prevent damage to the key or cylinder.

6. Maintenance

The DL-53B Door Lock Kit is designed for long-lasting performance with minimal maintenance. However, to ensure optimal function:

- **Lubrication:** Periodically apply a small amount of graphite lubricant or a silicone-based spray lubricant into the keyway to keep the internal mechanisms moving smoothly. Avoid oil-based lubricants as they can attract dirt.
- **Cleaning:** Keep the exterior of the lock cylinder clean from dirt and debris.
- **Key Care:** Avoid using bent or damaged keys, as this can damage the lock cylinder.

7. Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Key does not turn or is stiff.	Lack of lubrication, debris in keyway, bent key.	Apply graphite lubricant to keyway. Clean keyway with compressed air. Try a different key if available. Ensure key is fully inserted.
Lock mechanism feels loose after installation.	Retaining clip/screw not fully secured, linkages not properly connected.	Recheck the retaining clip or screw for proper seating. Verify all linkages are securely attached to the lock cylinder.
Door does not lock/unlock with key.	Linkages disconnected or misaligned, incorrect cylinder installation.	Re-examine the connection of all rods and linkages to the lock cylinder. Ensure the cylinder is correctly oriented and fully seated in the door.

If troubleshooting steps do not resolve the issue, it is recommended to consult a professional automotive technician.

8. Specifications

Attribute	Detail
Manufacturer	Standard Motor Products
Model Number	DL-53B
Item Weight	2.4 ounces
Product Dimensions	2.16 x 1.94 x 4.13 inches
Product Type	AUTO PART
Compatible Vehicles	1995-1992 Ford Bronco, 1995-1992 Ford F Super Duty, 1995-1992 Ford F-150, 1995-1992 Ford F-250, 1995-1992 Ford F-350

9. Warranty and Support

For specific warranty information regarding the Standard Motor Products DL-53B Door Lock Kit, please refer to the documentation included with your purchase or visit the official Standard Motor Products website. For technical support or further assistance, contact Standard Motor Products customer service directly.

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