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Model: 75403

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Dorman 75403 Anti-Theft Door Lock Knob Kit is designed as a direct replacement for missing or damaged door lock knobs in various vehicles. This kit aims to restore the vehicle's door lock functionality and interior appearance, offering a solution that fits and functions like original equipment. The design also incorporates features intended to deter common theft methods.

Key Features:

- **Ideal Replacement:** Designed to fit and function like the original equipment.
- **Authentic Appearance:** Blends with the vehicle's original interior finish.
- **Convenient Solution:** Provides original equipment quality.
- **Quality Tested:** Undergone try-on testing to ensure a quality fit.



Image: Two chrome-finished door lock knobs and a black rubber installation aid. These components are used to replace existing or missing door lock knobs in a vehicle's interior.

SETUP AND INSTALLATION

This kit is designed for straightforward installation. Ensure the vehicle's ignition is off and the doors are unlocked before beginning the installation process.

- 1. Identify Existing Knob:** Locate the door lock knob you intend to replace.
- 2. Remove Old Knob (if present):** If an old knob is present, carefully unscrew it from the lock rod. Some knobs may be threaded, while others might pull off. If it is difficult to remove, gentle twisting may help.
- 3. Prepare New Knob:** Take one of the Dorman 75403 lock knobs. The kit includes a rubber cap, which can be used to aid in gripping the knob during installation.
- 4. Thread New Knob:** Align the new knob with the lock rod. Carefully screw the knob onto the rod in a clockwise direction. Apply steady, gentle pressure.
- 5. Secure Fit:** Continue screwing until the knob is firmly seated. Avoid over-tightening, which could damage the threads on the lock rod or the knob itself. The knob should move freely up and down to lock and unlock the door.
- 6. Test Functionality:** After installation, test the lock and unlock function of the door from both inside and outside the vehicle to ensure proper operation.

Important Note on Fitment: While designed for universal fit, some vehicle models may have variations in lock rod

threading or length. If the knob does not thread easily or appears too short/long, consult a professional automotive technician or refer to your vehicle's specific service manual for compatibility.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The Dorman 75403 Anti-Theft Door Lock Knob functions identically to a standard vehicle door lock knob.

- **To Lock:** Push the knob downwards until it is fully depressed. This indicates the door is locked.
- **To Unlock:** Pull the knob upwards until it is fully extended. This indicates the door is unlocked.

Always ensure the knob is fully engaged in either the locked or unlocked position for proper security and function.

MAINTENANCE

The Dorman 75403 door lock knobs require minimal maintenance to ensure long-lasting performance and appearance.

- **Cleaning:** Wipe the knobs periodically with a soft, damp cloth to remove dust and grime. Avoid abrasive cleaners or solvents, which can damage the finish.
- **Inspection:** Occasionally check that the knobs remain securely threaded onto the lock rods. If a knob feels loose, gently re-tighten it by hand.
- **Lubrication:** If the lock mechanism feels stiff, a small amount of silicone-based lubricant can be applied to the lock rod, but avoid direct application to the knob itself.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Knob does not thread onto the lock rod.	Incompatible thread size or damaged lock rod threads.	Verify the lock rod threads are not stripped. Ensure the knob is aligned correctly before threading. If still incompatible, the product may not be suitable for your specific vehicle model.
Knob is too short or too long.	Vehicle-specific lock rod length variation.	This product is designed for universal fit, but some vehicles may have unique lock rod dimensions. If the length significantly impacts functionality, consider alternative solutions or professional modification.
Knob feels loose after installation.	Not fully tightened or worn lock rod threads.	Gently re-tighten the knob. If it continues to loosen, inspect the lock rod threads for wear or damage.
Door lock mechanism is stiff or difficult to operate.	Lack of lubrication in the lock mechanism or obstruction.	Apply a small amount of silicone-based lubricant to the lock rod. Check for any obstructions preventing smooth movement.

SPECIFICATIONS

- **Model Number:** 75403
- **Brand:** Dorman
- **Item Weight:** Approximately 0.48 ounces
- **Product Dimensions:** Approximately 5.5 x 1.75 x 0.9 inches (packaging/overall kit dimensions)

- **Material:** Not explicitly stated, but typically durable plastic with a chrome finish.
- **Special Features:** Easy to Install, Sturdy
- **Compatibility:** Universal fit, designed as a replacement for various vehicle door lock knobs.

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For information regarding product warranty, returns, or technical support, please contact Dorman Products directly. Dorman provides a wide range of automotive replacement parts and support resources. You can typically find contact information on the official Dorman website or through the retailer where the product was purchased.

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