Reese 65005

Reese 65005 Front Mount Receiver Instruction Manual

Brand: Reese | Model: 65005

1. Introduction

The Reese 65005 Front Mount Receiver is designed to allow a variety of accessories to be mounted on the front of trucks, vans, or SUVs. This versatile addition facilitates tasks for outdoor adventures and work vehicles by providing a secure and useful attachment point. It features a 2-inch square receiver tube opening and is J-Pin ready. This manual provides essential information for the safe and effective use of your front mount receiver.

2. Product Overview

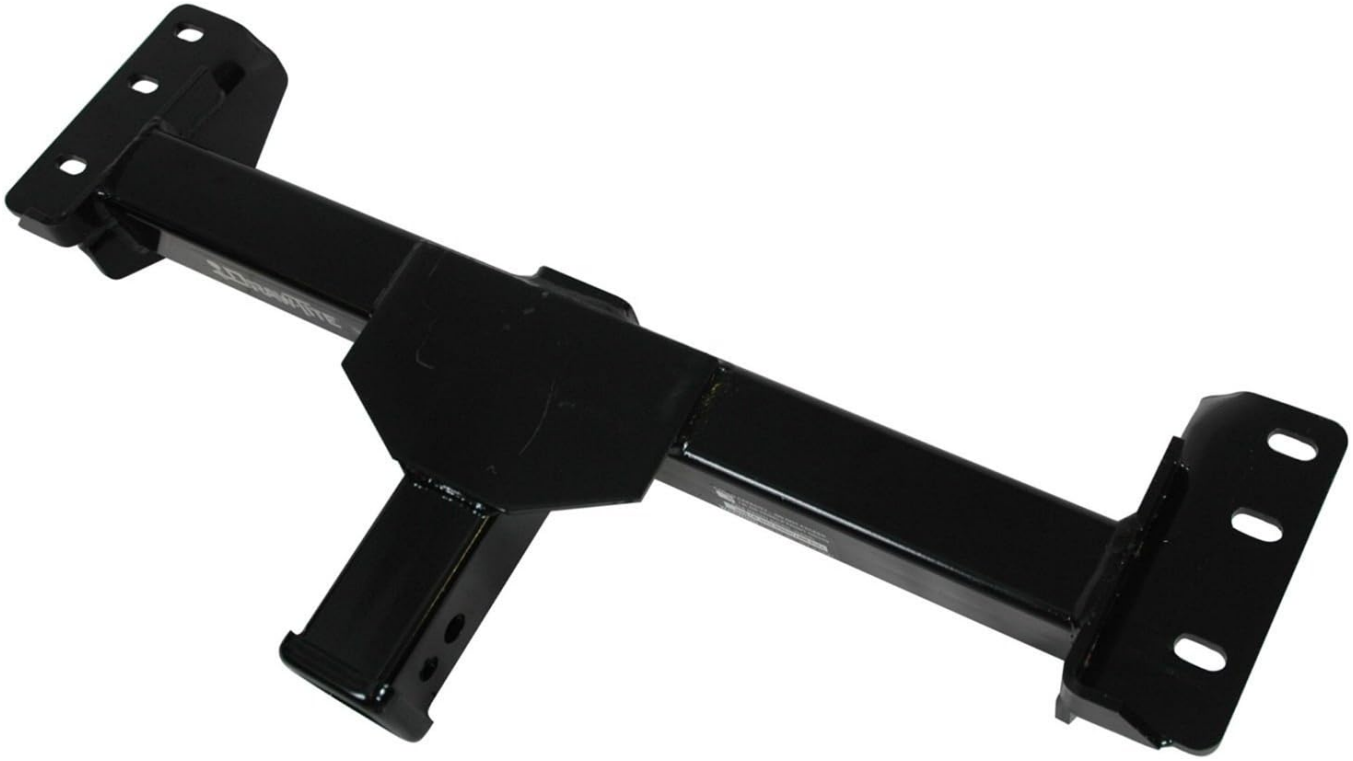
Key Features:

- Up to 9000 pounds of line pull and up to 500 pounds vertical load capacity.
- Allows a variety of accessories to be mounted on the front of trucks, vans, or SUVs.
- Accessories are easily interchanged, making it a practical and versatile addition.
- Features a 2-inch square receiver tube opening.
- All attachments are J-Pin ready.
- Equipped with METALSHIELD protective coating for superior corrosion protection.

What's in the Box:

- Draw-Tite 65005 Front Mount Receiver Hitch, 2 Inch Square Receiver
- Compatible with Select Year Chevrolet and GMC Vehicles (Note: Does not fit 2500/3500 2WD (C-Series) models with 8 lug wheels).

Product Images:



Angled view of the Reese 65005 Front Mount Receiver, showcasing its robust black finish and receiver opening.



Frontal view of the Reese 65005 Front Mount Receiver, highlighting the 2-inch square receiver opening.



Top-down view of the Reese 65005 Front Mount Receiver, showing the overall structure and mounting points.



Side view of the Reese 65005 Front Mount Receiver, showing a product label with model number 65005.



Opposite side view of the Reese 65005 Front Mount Receiver, showing another angle of the product label.

3. Safety Information

Always prioritize safety when installing and using your front mount receiver. Ensure all components are securely fastened and regularly inspected for wear or damage. Do not exceed the stated weight capacities of the hitch or your vehicle's towing capacity, whichever is lower. Improper installation or overloading can lead to serious injury or property damage. **WARNING:** This product can expose you to chemicals including lead, which is known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. For more information go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov.

4. Setup and Installation

Installation of the Reese 65005 Front Mount Receiver is estimated to take approximately 40 minutes. Required tools include 10mm, 18mm, and 7/8" wrenches, and a 1/2" drill bit. Please note that license plate relocation may be required, and the rubber air deflector/facia must be removed or trimmed to install the hitch. This product does not fit 2500/3500 2WD (C-Series) models with 8 lug wheels.
For detailed, step-by-step installation instructions, please refer to the official Installation Manual PDF provided by the manufacturer: Installation Manual (PDF).

Understanding Hitch Weight-Bearing Capacity:

It is crucial to understand the weight-bearing capacity of hitches to ensure safe towing. The following video explains the different classes of hitches and their respective weight limits. Always ensure your hitch, vehicle, and accessories are appropriately matched for the load you intend to tow.

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Official video from Reese Towpower explaining the weight-bearing capacity of different hitch classes. This information is vital for selecting the correct hitch and ensuring safe towing operations.

5. Operating Instructions

Once installed, the front mount receiver allows for easy attachment of various accessories such as bike racks, cargo carriers, winches, or snow plows. Simply slide the accessory into the 2-inch square receiver tube opening and secure it with a J-Pin or appropriate hitch pin and clip. Always ensure the accessory is fully seated and securely pinned before operation. Regularly check connections during use, especially on extended trips or rough terrain.

6. Maintenance

To ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your Reese Front Mount Receiver, regular maintenance is recommended. The METALSHIELD protective coating provides excellent corrosion protection, but it is still advisable to clean the hitch periodically, especially after exposure to harsh weather conditions, road salt, or dirt. Inspect the receiver for any signs of rust, damage, or wear on the coating. Lubricate moving parts of any attached accessories as per their respective manuals. Ensure the receiver opening is clear of debris before inserting accessories.

7. Troubleshooting

If you encounter issues with your Reese 65005 Front Mount Receiver, consider the following:

- **Difficulty inserting accessories:** Check the receiver opening for obstructions or excessive rust. Clean as necessary. Ensure the accessory shank is the correct 2-inch size.
- **Loose fit of accessories:** Verify that the hitch pin is correctly inserted and secured with a clip. Some accessories may require anti-rattle devices (sold separately) for a tighter fit.
- **Unusual noises during use:** Re-check all connections and ensure the accessory is properly secured. Verify that the load does not exceed the hitch's or vehicle's capacity.
- **Visible damage or excessive wear:** Discontinue use immediately and inspect the hitch thoroughly. Contact Reese customer support or a qualified professional for assessment and repair/replacement if necessary.

8. Specifications

Specification	Detail
Brand	Reese
Model	65005
Item Weight	31 Pounds
Vehicle Service Type	Sport-Utility-Vehicles, Truck, Van
Material	Solid, all-welded steel
Finish Type	Powder Coated (METALSHIELD protective coating)
Automotive Fit Type	Universal Fit (Note: Does not fit 2500/3500 2WD (C-Series) models w/8 lug wheels)
OEM Part Number	BDTK65005
Manufacturer	Draw-Tite

Specification	Detail
UPC	742512650051, 742512000689
Line Pull Capacity	Up to 9000 lbs.
Vertical Load Capacity	Up to 500 lbs.
Receiver Opening	2" Square
First Available Date	December 26, 2005

9. Warranty and Support

For specific warranty information and customer support regarding your Reese 65005 Front Mount Receiver, please contact Reese directly or visit their official website. You can also explore more products and information on the Reese Store on Amazon.