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1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides comprehensive instructions for the proper installation, care, and maintenance of your Bushwacker Cutout Pocket/Rivet Style Rear Fender Flares, Model 20074-02. Adherence to these guidelines will ensure optimal performance and longevity of the product. Please read all instructions thoroughly before beginning installation.

2. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Bushwacker Cutout Pocket/Rivet Style Rear Fender Flares are designed to provide maximum tire coverage and clearance for off-road applications. Constructed from durable Dura-Flex 2000 material, these flares are engineered to absorb impacts and resist warping. They feature a smooth, OE-style black matte finish and are equipped with surface-mounted steel bolts for a robust appearance.



Image 2.1: Ford F-150 with Bushwacker Cutout Fender Flares installed.

3. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Verify that all components are present before beginning installation. The package should contain:

- Two (2) Rear Fender Flares (Left and Right)
- All necessary mounting hardware (bolts, washers, nuts, seals)
- Detailed installation instructions (this manual)

If any parts are missing or damaged, please contact Bushwacker customer support before proceeding.

4. COMPATIBILITY

These Bushwacker Cutout Pocket/Rivet Style Rear Fender Flares (Model 20074-02) are specifically designed for the following vehicle applications:

- **1997-2003 Ford F-150 Styleside** with 6.5-foot or 8-foot bed
- **2004 Ford F-150 Heritage Styleside** with 6.5-foot or 8-foot bed

Ensure your vehicle matches these specifications for proper fitment.

5. SAFETY INFORMATION

Always prioritize safety during installation. Follow these general safety guidelines:

- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment, including safety glasses and gloves.
- Ensure the vehicle is parked on a level surface and the parking brake is engaged.
- If lifting the vehicle, use appropriate jack stands to secure it.
- Keep all tools and hardware organized to prevent loss or injury.
- Do not overtighten fasteners unless specified, as this can damage components.

6. INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

The following steps outline the general installation process. Specific details may vary slightly based on your vehicle's condition. Professional installation is recommended if you are unfamiliar with automotive modifications.

Required Tools:

- Drill
- Drill bits (sizes specified in hardware kit)
- Wrench/Socket Set
- Measuring Tape
- Marker or Pencil
- Protective Eyewear and Gloves

Installation Steps:

1. **Prepare the Vehicle:** Clean the fender well area thoroughly where the flares will be installed. Remove any existing mud flaps or debris.
2. **Test Fit Flares:** Carefully position each fender flare onto its corresponding wheel well to ensure proper alignment and fit. Mark any areas that require trimming or modification as per the detailed instructions included with the hardware kit.
3. **Prepare Flares for Mounting:** Attach any rubber seals or edge trim to the flares as instructed in the hardware kit. This typically involves pressing the trim onto the flare's edge.
4. **Drill Mounting Holes:** Using the provided templates or pre-marked locations on the flares, carefully drill pilot holes into the vehicle's fender lip. Ensure precise drilling to avoid damage to the vehicle body.
5. **Secure Flares:** Align the flares with the drilled holes. Install the provided hardware (bolts, washers, nuts) to secure the flares to the vehicle. Tighten fasteners evenly until snug, but do not overtighten.
6. **Final Inspection:** Once both flares are installed, visually inspect them to ensure they are securely mounted and properly aligned. Check for any gaps or loose connections.



Image 6.1: Detailed view of an installed rear fender flare.



Image 6.2: Detailed view of an installed front fender flare (for reference, this product is rear flares only).

For visual guidance, please refer to the official Bushwacker website or contact customer support for any available installation videos.

7. CARE AND MAINTENANCE

To maintain the appearance and integrity of your Bushwacker fender flares, follow these care instructions:

- **Cleaning:** Wash the flares regularly with mild automotive soap and water. Avoid abrasive cleaners or harsh chemicals that can damage the finish.
- **Protection:** The Dura-Flex 2000 material includes built-in UV protection to prevent chalking. However, periodic application of a non-abrasive UV protectant designed for automotive plastics can further extend their lifespan and maintain their appearance.
- **Inspection:** Periodically check all mounting hardware for tightness. Retighten if necessary to ensure the flares remain securely attached.

8. TROUBLESHOOTING

This section addresses common issues you might encounter.

- **Issue: Flares do not fit correctly.**
Solution: Double-check the compatibility section (Section 4) to ensure the flares are designed for your specific vehicle year, model, and bed length. Re-verify the installation steps, especially the test-fitting and drilling stages. Contact customer support if the issue persists.
- **Issue: Flares appear loose after installation.**
Solution: Ensure all mounting hardware is tightened securely. Avoid overtightening, but confirm a firm connection. Inspect for any missing hardware or improperly seated components.
- **Issue: Finish appears dull or chalky.**
Solution: While the material has UV protection, prolonged exposure to harsh elements can affect the finish. Clean the flares thoroughly and apply a high-quality UV protectant specifically designed for automotive plastics.

9. SPECIFICATIONS

Model Number	20074-02
Brand	Bushwacker
Style	Cutout Pocket/Rivet Style
Material	Dura-Flex 2000 ABS Plastic
Finish	Smooth Black
Auto Part Position	Rear
Vehicle Service Type	Truck
Item Weight	Approximately 13.45 pounds
Product Dimensions	Approximately 29 x 54 x 9 inches



Image 9.1: Product is proudly Made in the USA.

10. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Bushwacker Cutout Fender Flares are backed by a **Limited Lifetime Warranty**. This warranty covers defects in material and workmanship under normal use and service. For specific terms, conditions, and to register your product, please visit the official Bushwacker website or contact their customer support.

Customer Support:

For technical assistance, warranty claims, or to inquire about replacement parts, please refer to the contact information provided on the official Bushwacker website:

www.bushwacker.com

Related Documents - 20074-02



Bushwacker Ford Cut-Out™ Fender Flares Front Pair Installation Guide

Detailed installation instructions for Bushwacker Ford Cut-Out™ Fender Flares (Front Pair, Part #20073-02) for Ford F-150/F-250. Includes hardware list, tools, and step-by-step procedures.

	<p><u>Bushwacker OE-Style Fender Flares Installation Instructions for Dodge Ram</u></p> <p>Detailed installation guide for Bushwacker OE-Style Fender Flares (Part Numbers 50903 Set, 50011 Front, 50012 Rears) for Dodge Ram trucks, covering fit verification, painting, preparation, edge trim, and final installation.</p>
	<p><u>Bushwacker Ford Fender Flares Front Pair Installation Guide</u></p> <p>Step-by-step installation instructions for Bushwacker Ford Fender Flares (Front Pair). Includes hardware list, tools required, and detailed procedures for models #20131-02, #20135-02, #20137-02.</p>
	<p><u>Bushwacker RAM Extend-A-Fender Fender Flares Installation Guide</u></p> <p>Detailed installation instructions for Bushwacker RAM Extend-A-Fender Fender Flares (Set of 4, Part #50926-02). Includes pre-installation steps, edge trim installation, front and rear flare mounting procedures, and care instructions.</p>
	<p><u>Bushwacker RAM OE Style Fender Flares Installation Guide</u></p> <p>Step-by-step installation instructions for Bushwacker RAM OE Style Fender Flares (Set of 4), including hardware details, tools required, and important warnings from Lund International.</p>
	<p><u>Bushwacker Jeep Grand Cherokee WJ Cut-Out Fender Flares Installation Guide</u></p> <p>Comprehensive installation guide for Bushwacker Cut-Out Style Fender Flares (Part #10926-07) for the 1999-2004 Jeep Grand Cherokee WJ. Includes tools, hardware, step-by-step instructions, and important warnings.</p>