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MODEL: UC3088

Fits 2009 - 2022 Dodge Ram 1500 Classic Short Bed Crew Cab (does not fit RamBox) 5' 7" Bed (67.4")

1. Product Overview

The Elite Tonneau Cover is meticulously designed and engineered to provide a secure and durable solution for your truck bed. Its one-piece textured design offers enhanced protection and functionality.

Key Features:

- **Integrated Handle:** Equipped with a new handle for easy operation, designed to complement your truck's aesthetics.
- **Secure Storage:** Features an integrated locking mechanism to transform your truck bed into a secure vault.
- **Strong & Durable:** Patented X-Effect Infrastructure ensures strength with UV Protected ABS Composite Construction. A double seal system protects against rain, sleet, and snow.
- **Cargo Retriever:** Includes a Cargo Retriever to extend your reach across the entire length of the bed.
- **Removable LED Light:** An upgraded removable LED light provides versatile lighting.

2. What's in the Box

- Tonneau Cover
- Installation Guide
- Applicable Hardware

3. Setup & Installation

Follow these steps for proper installation of your UNDERCOVER Elite Tonneau Cover. It is recommended to have assistance due to the cover's weight.

Pre-Installation:

1. **Measure Your Truck Bed:** Before ordering or installing, accurately measure your truck bed length to ensure

compatibility. This is crucial for a proper fit.

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Video: How to Measure Your Truck Bed

This video demonstrates the correct method for measuring your truck bed to ensure you select the appropriate tonneau cover size.

Installation Steps:

2. **Unpack and Inspect:** Carefully remove all components from the packaging. Verify all parts are present according to the packing list. Note that some hardware may be in a separate box.
3. **Prepare Truck Bed:** Ensure the truck bed rails are clean and dry.
4. **Install Bulkhead Seal (if applicable):** Depending on your truck model, you may need to apply the provided bulkhead seal to the front bulkhead of your truck bed. Carefully apply the adhesive side to the end of your truck bed, ensuring a tight seal.
5. **Position the Cover:** With assistance, carefully place the folded tonneau cover onto the truck bed rails, ensuring the front edge aligns with the bulkhead. Make sure the clips on the cover are facing the rear window.
6. **Secure Front Clamps:** Pull out the screw on the front clamp, install the front clamp, then the triangle screw, and finally the fastening nut. Tighten securely.
7. **Unfold and Align:** Unfold the entire cover to ensure it is properly aligned and straight along both sides of the bed before proceeding with final anchoring. This prevents gaps and ensures a proper fit.
8. **Install Rear Clamps:** Pull down the rear clamp and attach it to the side of your truck bed. Depending on your truck, you may need to adjust the tightness. Ensure the clamp pulls the cover securely onto the truck bed. Repeat for both sides.

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Video: Tooty Hard Cover Installation Overview

This video provides a general overview of installing a hard tonneau cover, demonstrating key steps for securing the cover to the truck bed.



Image: Installed Tonneau Cover Side View

A side view of the UnderCover Elite Tonneau Cover securely installed on a truck bed, showcasing its low-profile design.

4. Operating Instructions

Opening the Cover:

1. **Unlock Tailgate:** Ensure your truck's tailgate is unlocked. The integrated locking mechanism of the tonneau cover relies on the tailgate being open to access the internal latches.
2. **Release Rear Latches:** Open the tailgate and locate the internal release cables/latches on the underside of the tonneau cover. Pull the cables to disengage the latches.
3. **Fold Panels:** Fold the rear panel towards the cab. Continue folding subsequent panels until the cover is fully open and secured against the cab.
4. **Secure in Open Position:** Use the integrated straps or clips to secure the folded cover against the truck's cab, preventing it from moving while driving.

Closing the Cover:

1. **Release Securing Straps:** Unfasten any straps or clips holding the cover in the open position.
2. **Unfold Panels:** Carefully unfold the panels one by one towards the tailgate.
3. **Engage Latches:** As each panel is unfolded, ensure the latches engage securely with the bed rails. The final panel should latch automatically or require a gentle push to secure.
4. **Lock Tailgate:** Close and lock your truck's tailgate to fully secure the tonneau cover.

Using the Cargo Retriever:

The Cargo Retriever extends your reach to retrieve items from the front of the truck bed without having to climb in. Simply extend the tool to hook and pull items towards the tailgate.

Using the Removable LED Light:

The upgraded removable LED light provides illumination inside your truck bed. Detach it for portable lighting as needed.



Image: Tonneau Cover Folded Open

The tonneau cover is shown folded open, providing full access to the truck bed for loading and unloading cargo.

5. Maintenance

To ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your UNDERCOVER Elite Tonneau Cover, regular maintenance is recommended:

- **Cleaning:** Wash the cover regularly with mild soap and water. Avoid abrasive cleaners or harsh chemicals that could damage the finish.
- **Seal Inspection:** Periodically inspect the rubber seals around the edges and between panels for any signs of wear or damage. Replace if necessary to maintain water resistance.
- **Hardware Check:** Ensure all clamps, bolts, and latches are secure and properly tightened. Re-tighten if any looseness is detected.

6. Troubleshooting

If you encounter any issues with your tonneau cover, consider the following:

- **Water Leaks:** Check the bulkhead seal and all rubber seals for proper placement and integrity. Ensure all clamps are tightened evenly.
- **Difficulty Latching/Unlatching:** Verify that the cover is correctly aligned on the bed rails. Inspect latches for any obstructions or damage. Adjust clamp tension if needed.
- **Cover Not Sitting Flush:** Re-check the alignment of the cover on the bed rails. Ensure all clamps are evenly tightened along the length of the bed.

7. Specifications

Attribute	Detail
Brand	UNDERCOVER
Model	Elite (UC3088)
Style	One-Piece
Exterior Finish	Black Textured
Material	Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene (ABS)
Lock Type	Tailgate (integrated with truck's tailgate lock)
Item Weight	86 pounds
Product Dimensions	78 x 86 x 5 inches
Weight Rating	500 pounds of evenly distributed weight

8. Warranty and Support

The UnderCover Elite Tonneau Cover is built with quality and customer satisfaction in mind.

- **Warranty:** Comes with a 3-year guarantee on the structure and a 1-year guarantee on parts & hardware.
- **Manufacturing:** Proudly made in the USA with globally sourced materials.
- **Customer Support:** Backed by a US-based customer support team for any assistance you may need.

For further information or support, please visit the official [UNDERCOVER Store](#).