

Camco 48555

Camco 48555 Eaz-Lift B&W Bed Hole Adapter for 5th Wheel Rails

Instruction Manual

INTRODUCTION

The Camco 48555 Eaz-Lift B&W Bed Hole Adapter is designed to facilitate the connection of a standard base rail-style fifth wheel to a B&W-style underbed gooseneck hitch. This adapter provides a robust and secure interface, eliminating the need for additional drilling in your truck bed. Constructed from durable, powder-coated alloy steel, it is engineered for reliability and longevity.

This adapter is rated for a Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) of 22,000 lb., ensuring it can handle substantial towing requirements when properly installed and used within its specifications.

SETUP AND INSTALLATION

Proper installation of the Eaz-Lift B&W Bed Hole Adapter is crucial for safe operation. This adapter is specifically designed to be compatible with B&W gooseneck hitches and standard base rail-style fifth wheels.

Installation Steps:

1. **Review Vehicle and Hitch Manuals:** Before beginning, thoroughly read the instruction manuals for your truck, your B&W gooseneck hitch, and your fifth wheel hitch. Ensure all components are compatible and that you understand the specific requirements for your setup.
2. **Prepare the Truck Bed:** Ensure the truck bed and the B&W gooseneck hitch receiver are clean and free of debris.
3. **Position the Adapter:** Carefully lower the Camco 48555 adapter into the B&W gooseneck hitch bed hole. The adapter should align precisely with the existing gooseneck hitch mechanism.
4. **Secure the Adapter:** Follow the specific securing procedures outlined in your B&W gooseneck hitch manual for attaching accessories to the bed hole. Ensure all locking pins, bolts, or clamps are engaged and tightened according to manufacturer specifications.
5. **Attach Fifth Wheel Rails:** Once the adapter is securely in place, attach your standard base rail-style fifth wheel rails to the adapter. Ensure all connections are tight and secure, following the fifth wheel hitch manufacturer's

instructions.

6. **Final Inspection:** Before towing, perform a comprehensive inspection of all connections. Verify that the adapter is firmly seated, the fifth wheel rails are securely attached, and there is no excessive play or movement in any component.

Important: If you encounter any resistance or difficulty during installation, do not force components. Re-check alignment and consult the relevant manuals or a qualified professional.



Image: The Camco 48555 Eaz-Lift B&W Bed Hole Adapter, designed to connect a B&W gooseneck hitch to a 5th wheel rail system.

OPERATION

The Camco 48555 adapter functions as a permanent or semi-permanent interface between your B&W gooseneck hitch and your fifth wheel rails. Once installed, the operation of your fifth wheel hitch remains largely the same as if it were directly mounted to the truck bed rails.

Key Operational Considerations:

- **Pre-Towing Checks:** Always perform thorough pre-towing checks before each trip. Verify that the fifth wheel hitch is properly coupled to the trailer, and that all safety pins, clips, and locking mechanisms are engaged.
- **Weight Distribution:** Ensure your trailer's tongue weight and overall gross trailer weight (GTW) are within the limits of your truck, fifth wheel hitch, and the Camco 48555 adapter (22,000 lb. GVWR).
- **Driving:** Drive cautiously, especially when turning or maneuvering, as the adapter adds a slight increase in height to the hitch point.

MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and safe operation of your Camco 48555 Eaz-Lift B&W Bed Hole Adapter.

Maintenance Guidelines:

- **Regular Inspection:** Periodically inspect the adapter for any signs of wear, damage, cracks, or corrosion. Pay close attention to welds and connection points.
- **Cleaning:** Keep the adapter clean from dirt, road grime, and salt. Use mild soap and water, then rinse thoroughly and dry.
- **Lubrication:** While the adapter itself does not have moving parts requiring lubrication, ensure that the B&W gooseneck hitch mechanism and the fifth wheel hitch components are lubricated according to their respective manufacturer's instructions.
- **Powder Coat Integrity:** The powder-coated finish protects against rust. If the finish is chipped or scratched, touch it up with a rust-inhibiting paint to prevent corrosion.
- **Fastener Checks:** Regularly check all bolts and fasteners connecting the adapter to the gooseneck hitch and the fifth wheel rails. Tighten any that appear loose to the manufacturer's specified torque settings.

TROUBLESHOOTING

This section addresses common issues that may arise during the installation or use of the Camco 48555 adapter.

Common Issues and Solutions:

- **Adapter Does Not Fit or Is Too Tight:**
Possible Cause: Misalignment, debris in the gooseneck receiver, or incorrect adapter type.
Solution: Ensure the adapter is correctly oriented and aligned with the B&W gooseneck bed hole. Clean the receiver thoroughly. Verify that you have the correct Camco 48555 adapter for your specific B&W gooseneck hitch model. Do not force the adapter into place.
- **Gap Between Adapter and Truck Bed Liner:**
Possible Cause: Incompatible bed liner or improper seating of the adapter.
Solution: Ensure the adapter is fully seated and locked into the B&W gooseneck hitch. Some aftermarket bed liners may interfere with the adapter's fit; consult your bed liner manufacturer or consider modifications if necessary.
- **Adapter Cannot Be Removed:**
Possible Cause: Corrosion, binding, or improper locking mechanism engagement.
Solution: Ensure all locking pins or mechanisms are fully disengaged. Apply a penetrating lubricant to the contact points if corrosion is suspected. Gently attempt to rock the adapter while lifting. If the issue persists, professional assistance may be required.
- **Incompatibility with Sliding Fifth Wheel Hitch:**
Possible Cause: The adapter is designed for standard base rail-style fifth wheels.

Solution: The Camco 48555 adapter is generally intended for fixed-position fifth wheel hitches. It may not be suitable or compatible with certain sliding fifth wheel hitch designs. Always verify compatibility with your specific hitch model before purchase and installation.

If you encounter an issue not listed here or cannot resolve a problem, contact Camco customer support or a certified hitch technician.

SPECIFICATIONS

Brand	Camco
Model Number	48555
Material	Alloy Steel
Finish	Powder-coated (Brushed)
Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR)	22,000 lb.
Item Dimensions (L x W x H)	9 x 34 x 29 inches
Item Weight	16 ounces (1 pound)
Included Components	B&W Fifth Wheel Rail Adapter

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For information regarding product warranty, please refer to the documentation included with your purchase or visit the official Camco website. Camco stands behind the quality of its products.

If you require technical assistance, have questions about installation, or need to report a defect, please contact Camco customer support. Have your product model number (48555) and purchase information ready when contacting support.

Camco Customer Support: Please visit www.camco.net for contact information and further resources.

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