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Putco 402671 Stainless Steel Pillar Posts

Installation and Care Manual for 2020-2020 Silverado/Sierra HD 2500/3500 Crew/Double Cab

1. Introduction

This manual provides detailed instructions for the proper installation, care, and maintenance of your Putco 402671 Stainless Steel Pillar Posts. These pillar posts are designed specifically for 2020-2020 Chevrolet Silverado and GMC Sierra HD 2500/3500 Crew Cab and Double Cab models. Please read this manual thoroughly before beginning installation to ensure correct procedure and optimal product performance.

2. Safety Information

Always observe the following safety precautions during installation and use:

- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment, such as gloves and eye protection, during installation.
- Ensure the vehicle is parked on a level surface with the engine off and parking brake engaged.
- Keep all cleaning agents and adhesives away from open flames and sources of ignition.
- Do not apply excessive force to the pillar posts during installation, as this may cause damage to the product or vehicle.
- Keep out of reach of children.

3. Package Contents

Verify that all components are present and undamaged before proceeding with installation. If any items are missing or damaged, contact Putco customer support.

- 6 x Putco Stainless Steel Pillar Posts (Model 402671)

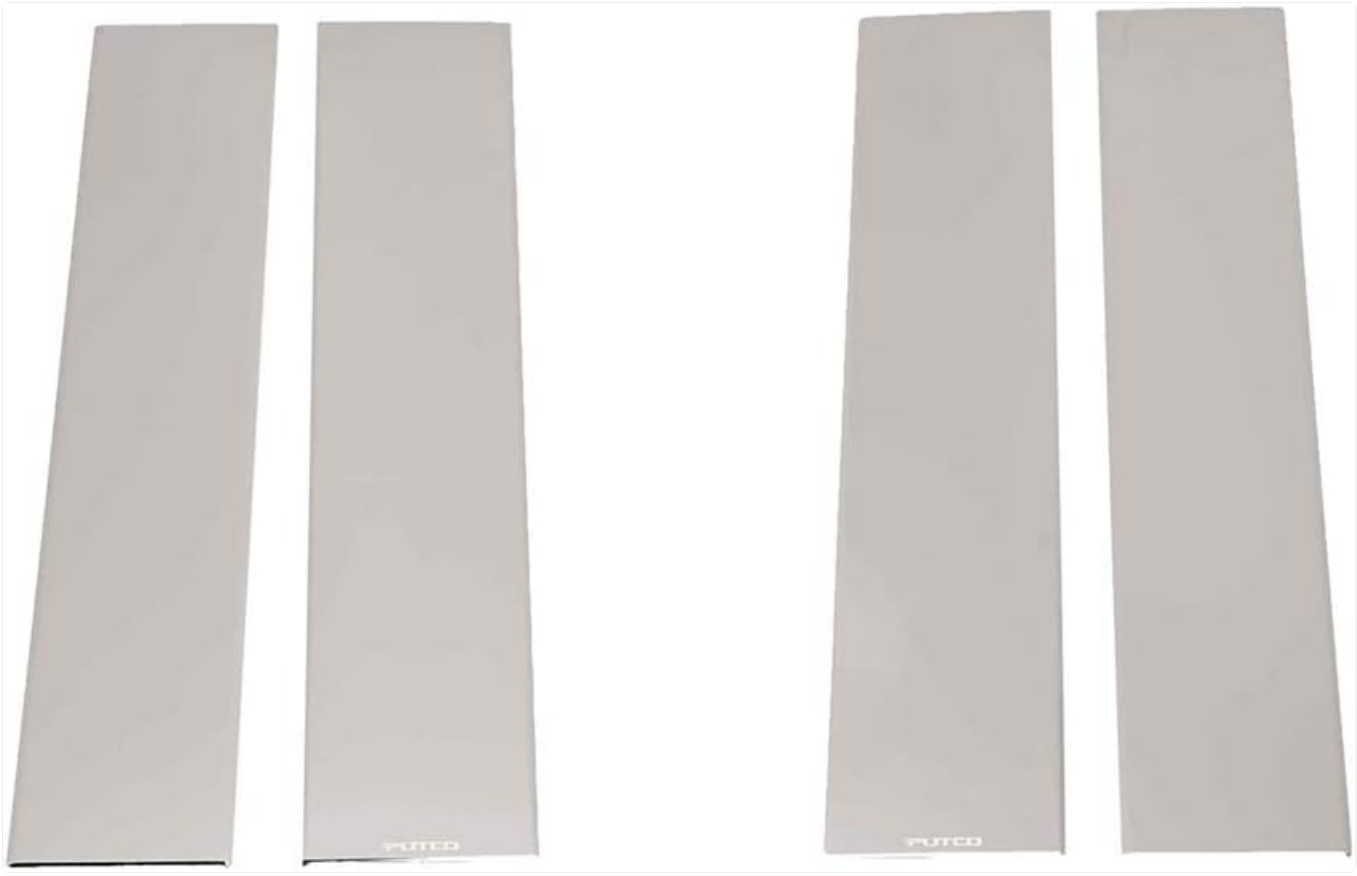


Image 1: Contents of the Putco 402671 package, showing six stainless steel pillar posts.

4. Setup and Installation

4.1. Tools and Materials Required

- Rubbing alcohol or automotive-grade surface cleaner
- Clean microfiber cloths
- Masking tape (optional, for test fitting)

4.2. Installation Steps

1. **Clean the Installation Area:** Thoroughly clean the vehicle's pillar surfaces where the new posts will be applied. Use rubbing alcohol or an automotive-grade surface cleaner to remove all dirt, wax, grease, and debris. Allow the surface to dry completely. A clean surface is critical for proper adhesion.
2. **Test Fit Each Pillar Post:** Before removing the adhesive backing, carefully test fit each stainless steel pillar post to its corresponding vehicle pillar. Ensure a precise fit and proper alignment. Use masking tape to temporarily hold the posts in place during this step if desired. Note the correct orientation for each piece.
3. **Prepare for Adhesion:** Once you are satisfied with the fit, peel back a small portion of the red protective film from the adhesive backing on one pillar post. Do not remove the entire film yet.
4. **Apply the Pillar Post:** Carefully align the pillar post with the vehicle's surface. Once aligned, press the exposed adhesive portion firmly onto the vehicle. Gradually peel off the remaining protective film while continuously pressing the pillar post firmly into place along its entire length.
5. **Ensure Firm Contact:** Apply consistent, firm pressure across the entire surface of the installed pillar post for at least 30 seconds to ensure maximum adhesion. Pay special attention to the edges.
6. **Repeat for Remaining Posts:** Repeat steps 3-5 for each of the remaining five pillar posts.
7. **Allow for Curing:** Avoid washing the vehicle or exposing the newly installed pillar posts to excessive moisture for

at least 24-48 hours to allow the adhesive to fully cure.

5. Maintenance

To maintain the appearance and longevity of your Putco Stainless Steel Pillar Posts, follow these guidelines:

- **Cleaning:** Clean the pillar posts regularly with mild automotive soap and water. Use a soft cloth or sponge. Avoid abrasive cleaners, harsh chemicals, or stiff brushes, as these can scratch the stainless steel finish.
- **Drying:** After cleaning, dry the pillar posts immediately with a clean, soft microfiber towel to prevent water spots and maintain shine.
- **Polishing (Optional):** For an enhanced shine, a non-abrasive stainless steel polish designed for automotive use can be applied periodically. Follow the polish manufacturer's instructions.
- **Avoid Automatic Car Washes:** Some automatic car washes, particularly those with harsh brushes, may damage the finish or dislodge the pillar posts. Hand washing is recommended.

6. Troubleshooting

6.1. Pillar Post Not Adhering Properly

- **Issue:** Pillar post lifts or peels off after installation.
- **Possible Cause:** Insufficient surface cleaning, low ambient temperature during installation, or inadequate pressure applied during adhesion.
- **Solution:** Ensure the installation surface is completely clean and dry. Install in temperatures above 60°F (15°C) for optimal adhesive performance. Apply firm, consistent pressure across the entire surface of the pillar post during installation. If the issue persists, contact Putco customer support for assistance.

6.2. Misalignment

- **Issue:** Pillar post does not align correctly with the vehicle's contours.
- **Possible Cause:** Improper test fitting or incorrect orientation of the pillar post.
- **Solution:** Always test fit each piece before removing the adhesive backing. Ensure the correct pillar post is being applied to the correct vehicle pillar and in the proper orientation. Once the adhesive makes contact, it is difficult to reposition without damaging the adhesive.

7. Specifications

Feature	Detail
Model Number	402671
Material	Stainless Steel
Compatibility	2020-2020 Chevrolet Silverado HD 2500/3500 Crew Cab / Double Cab, 2020-2020 GMC Sierra HD 2500/3500 Crew Cab / Double Cab
Quantity	6 Pieces
Installation Type	Adhesive-backed

Item Weight	3.24 pounds
Product Dimensions	24 x 14 x 4 inches
Manufacturer	Putco
Country of Origin	Made in the USA (as per product features)

8. Warranty and Support

Putco products are manufactured to high-quality standards. For specific warranty information regarding your Putco 402671 Stainless Steel Pillar Posts, please refer to the warranty documentation included with your purchase or visit the official Putco website. For technical support, installation assistance, or to report missing/damaged parts, please contact Putco customer service directly.

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