

# **VANCOMPASS 2007 Plus Front Lower Control Arm Skidplates Sprinter Instruction Manual**

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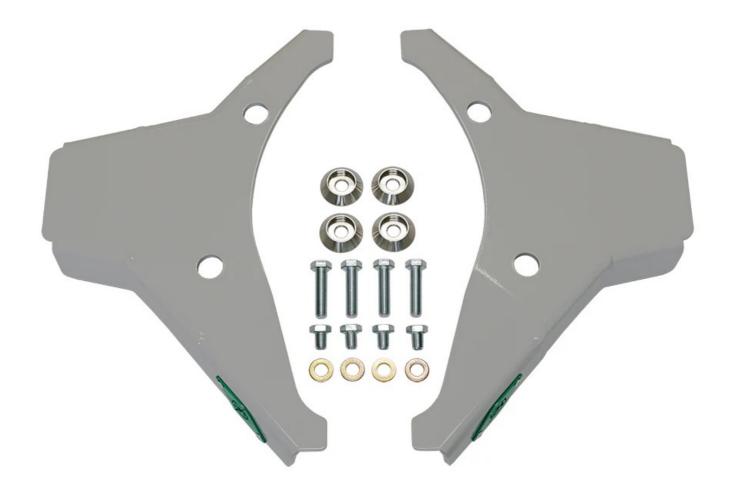
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VANCOMPASS 2007 Plus Front Lower Control Arm Skidplates Sprinter



# **Specifications:**

- Compatible with MERCEDES SPRINTER van models 2007-current
- No drilling is required for the installation
- · Includes skid plates for driver and passenger sides
- Includes necessary bolts, washers, and tools for installation
- Approximate Installation Time: 30 min 1 hour

# **Product Usage Instructions**

#### **Tools Needed:**

- Torque Wrench
- Basic wrench and socket set: Metric sizes 18mm, 19mm
- · Automobile lift or floor jack and jack stands

# **Installation Steps:**

- 1. Note: It is recommended to install with the front wheels removed for easier access.
- 2. Locate and remove the front upper leaf spring clamp bolt on the front lower control arm using an 18mm wrench.
- 3. Replace with the provided M12-1.50 x 50mm long bolt, ensuring a washer is placed under the bolt head. Torque to 80 ftlbs (109 Nm) with a 19mm socket.
- 4. Repeat the process for the rear upper spring clamp bolt on the front lower control arm.
- 5. Fit the lower control arm skid to the bottom of the control arm, ensuring proper orientation.

- 6. Repeat installation on the passenger side.
- 7. Re-install wheels and tires if removed, and torque to manufacturer's specifications.
- 8. Double-check all torque specs after 100 miles of driving.

#### **Installation is Complete:**

Van Compass LLC strongly recommends installation by a certified mechanic. Ensure all instructions and warnings are followed to prevent any safety hazards.

#### Release of Liability:

Do not modify the product or mix component brands beyond intended use height.

## FAQ:

- Q: Can I install this skid plate system without raising the vehicle?
  - A: Yes, it is possible to install the skid plate system with the vehicle on the ground, but it is easier with the front wheels removed.
- Q: How often should I check the torque specs after installation?

A: It is recommended to double-check all torque specs after driving 100 miles.

4112 - 2007-PRESENT, MERCEDES SPRINTER, FRONT LOWER CONTROL ARM SKIDPLATE

#### **General Notes**

- For the most up to date and current instructions, please visit our website at www.vancompass.com
- Please read all instructions thoroughly before starting installing Van Compass products.
- This skid plate can be installed with the vehicle on the ground, sitting under its own weight. However, installation is MUCH easier with the front wheels removed.
- This is a bolt on skid plate that can be installed with simple hand tools on all NCV3 and VS30 sprinter van models 2007-current. No drilling is required.
- This skid plate can be completely removed, allowing the vehicle to be returned back to stock configuration if desired.

### **Parts List**

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- (1) 411201-LH MERCEDES SPRINTER, FLCA SKIDPLATE, DRIVER SIDE
- (1) 411201-RH MERCEDES SPRINTER, FLCA SKIDPLATE, PASSENGER SIDE
- (4) HM12-1.50-50-10.9 M12-1.50 X 50MM LONG, HEX HEAD BOLT, GR 10.9
- (4) HM12-1.50-16-8.8 M12-1.50 X 16MM LONG, HEX HEAD BOLT, GR 8.8
- (4) 411202-01 STAINLESS CONTROL ARM SKIDPLATE BOLT WASHER
- (4) WFM-12 M12 FLAT WASHER

#### **Tools Needed**

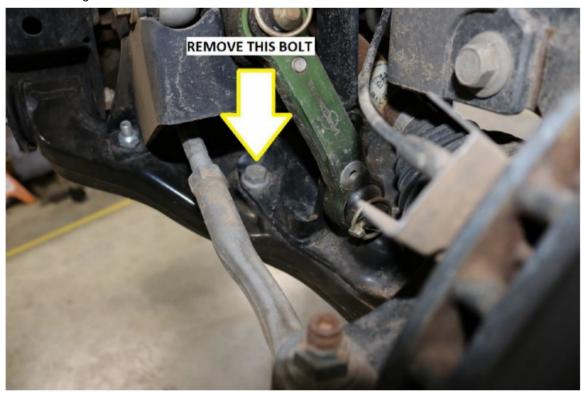
- · Simple hand tools:
  - Torque Wrench
  - Basic wrench and socket set:
- Metric sizes: 18mm, 19mm
- Recommended:
  - Automobile lift or floor jack and jack stands

# **Approximate Installation Time**

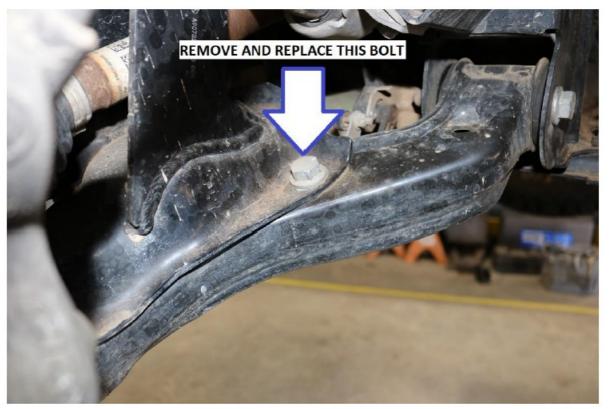
- Professional shop with automotive lift: 20 min 30 min
- Driveway install with floor jack: 30 min 1 hour

#### Installation

- 1. Note; this skid plate system can be installed with the vehicle on the ground. It does not need to be raised up for installation. However, it is a lot easier to perform installation with the vehicle raised and front tires removed.
  - 1. These instructions will document installation with the front tires removed.
- 2. Locate and remove the front upper leaf spring clamp bolt on the front lower control arm. Use an 18mm wrench for removal. See image below for reference.

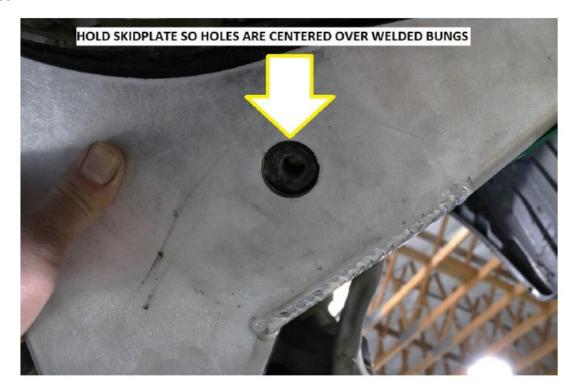


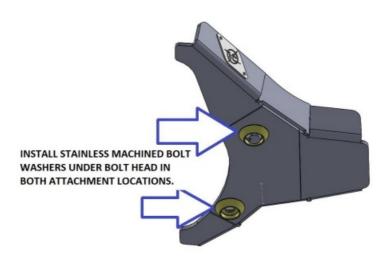
- 3. Replace the front upper spring clamp bolt with the M12-1.50 x 50mm long bolt provided. Be sure to use a washer under the bolt head. Install and tighten the bolt with a 19mm socket and torque to 80 ft-lbs (109 Nm)
- 4. Locate the rear upper spring clamp bolt on the front lower control arm. Again, remove and replace with the included M12-1.50 x 50mm long bolt provided. Use a washer under the bolt head and torque to 80 ft-lbs (109 Nm)

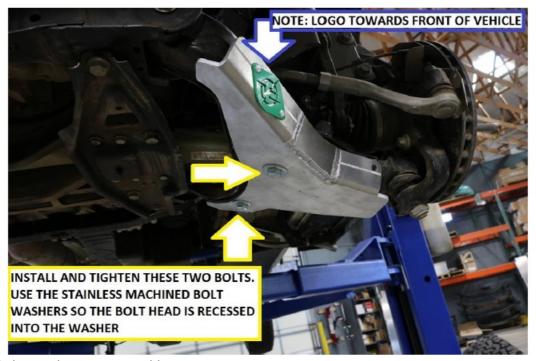


- 5. Fit the lower control arm skid to the bottom of the control arm. The large mounting holes should center over the welded threaded bungs on the bottom of the control arm.
  - 1. The skids are right and left-specific. The logo plate should be oriented toward the front of the vehicle.
- 6. Hold the skidplate to the bottom of the arm, centered over the threaded bungs and start one of the included M12-1.50 x 16mm long bolts with the stainless bolt washers. Snug this bolt so the control arm skidplate is secure using a 19mm socket / wrench.
  - 1. Install the second M12-1.50 x 16mm long bolt with a large oversized washer and torque both bolts to 45 ft-lbs

**NOTE**— The bolts will sit at a slight angle before fully tightening as the threaded bungs are on a different plane from each other. This is normal and the bolt will still torque properly with the skid plate forming into shape.







- 7. Repeat installation on the passenger side.
- 8. Re-install wheels and tires if removed and torque wheels to manufacturer's specifications.
- 9. Double-check all torque specs after 100 miles of driving.

Installation is Complete

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#### PRODUCT SAFETY WARNING:

- Van Compass LLC strongly recommends the installation of products be done by a certified mechanic. If this
  does not occur, be certain the person(s) installing the product read, understands and follow all instructions and
  warnings pertaining to the application before installation. Do not add, alter, or fabricate any factory or
  aftermarket parts to increase vehicle height over the intended height of the Van Compass LLC product
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  the height of the vehicle.
- Due to the installation of larger tires, the speedometer will read slower than the actual speed being traveled and more distance will be required to stop the vehicle. It is the owner's responsibility to caution and warn any potential driver of the vehicle about these driving and handling conditions. Van Compass LLC will not be held liable or responsible for damages or personal injuries resulting from the use of lifting devices and or related products. The tires and rims should be changed to sufficiently increase the vehicle's total overall width and stability to help accommodate lifting devices.
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   Obligation or liabilities will not be assumed concerning similar products previously advertised.
- This Release of Liability and Product Safety Warning has been read and fully understood by the undersigned and has been explained to me.

#### **Documents / Resources**



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