



PART CR4403
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INSTALLATION GUIDE

TAILGATE THEFT PROTECTOR

2024+ TOYOTA TACOMA · 4TH GEN · ALL TRIMS

Helps deter tailgate theft by shielding access to the passenger-side hinge and adding tamper-resistant hardware.



INSTALL TIME

UNDER 10 MIN

TOOLS

10 MM SOCKET

DIFFICULTY

EASY

DRILLING

NONE



**WATCH THE
INSTALL VIDEO**

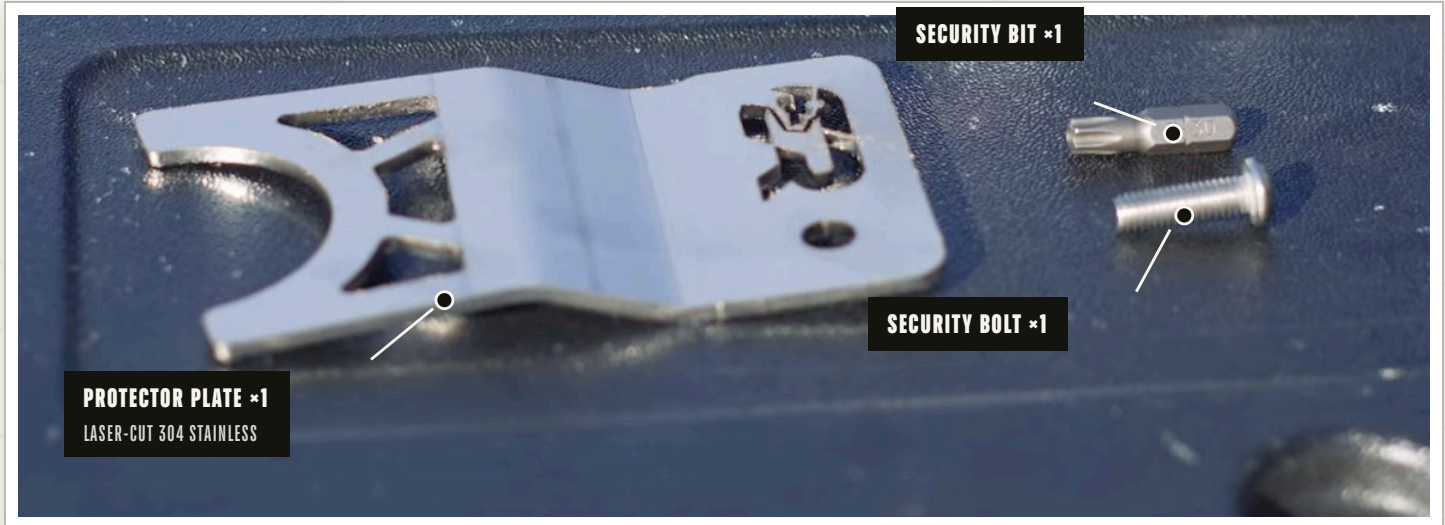
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PARTS, TOOLS, FITMENT

THE KIT



About the photos. Installation photos show an earlier version with the CR logo cutout. The current version does not have the logo cutout. Installation is unchanged. The ratchet and socket seen in the video are not part of the kit; you supply those.

TOOLS YOU SUPPLY



3/8" RATCHET + 10 MM SOCKET

To remove the factory bolt.



1/4" BIT DRIVER OR RATCHET

Anything that accepts the included security bit.

GOOD TO KNOW

- **Fits 2024–2027 Toyota Tacoma (4th Gen), all trims.** It does not fit earlier Tacomas.
- **100% bolt-on.** It uses a factory mounting point — no drilling, cutting or modification.
- **Uncoated 304 stainless on purpose.** No paint or powder coat to chip or peel. Paint it yourself if you want it hidden.
- **Your tailgate keeps working normally.** It opens, closes and latches the way it did before.

BEFORE YOU TOUCH A BOLT

Park on level ground and drop the tailgate. The whole install happens from the passenger side with the tailgate down.

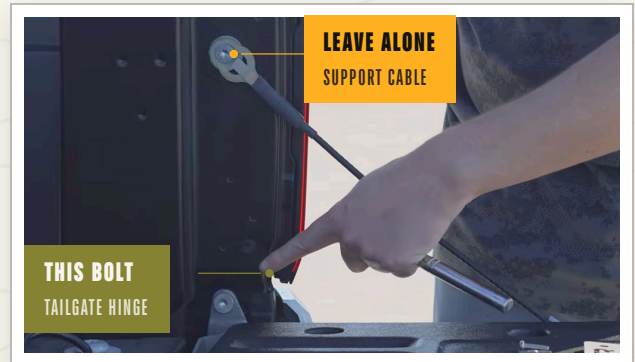
UNDER TEN MINUTES

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PASSENGER SIDE

LOCATE THE FACTORY BOLT

With the tailgate down, find the bolt at the bottom of the passenger-side bedside panel, at the tailgate hinge, just inboard of the taillight. That is the only bolt you touch. **Leave the latch striker and the support-cable anchor above it alone.**



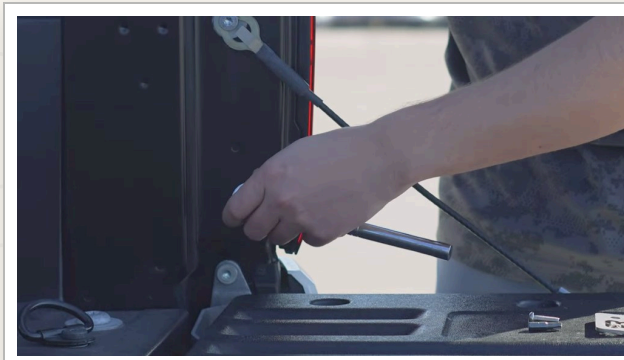
BLACK 2024+ TACOMA, PASSENGER SIDE, TAILGATE DOWN

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10 MM SOCKET

REMOVE THE FACTORY BOLT

Break the bolt loose with a 10 mm socket on your 3/8" ratchet, then spin it out with your fingers. **Keep the factory bolt with your truck.**



A – BREAK IT LOOSE WITH THE RATCHET



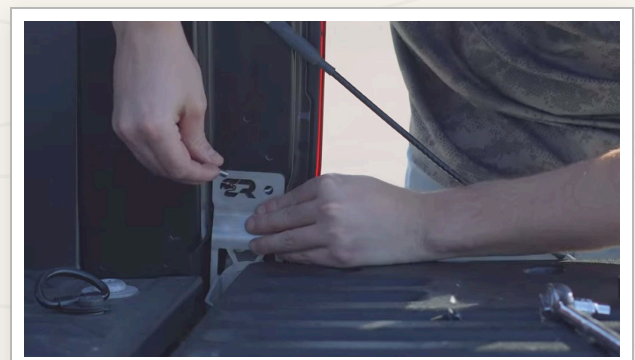
B – SPIN IT OUT BY HAND

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PLATE + SECURITY BOLT

LINE UP AND START THE BOLT

The plate has two flanges: a flat one with a single bolt hole, and one with an open half-round cutout. Hold the flat flange against the bedside panel so its hole lines up with the empty factory bolt hole, and let the cutout flange wrap around the hinge. Put the included security bolt through the plate and start it by hand.



BOLT-HOLE FLANGE AGAINST THE PANEL, CUTOUT AROUND THE HINGE

SNUG IT DOWN

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NO TOOL YET

RUN IT HAND TIGHT

Turn the security bolt down with your fingers until the protector pulls in flat against the body. It threads into the same factory hole the old bolt came out of.



HAND TIGHT BEFORE ANY TOOL TOUCHES IT

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INCLUDED SECURITY BIT

TIGHTEN IT DOWN

Put the included security bit in a 1/4" bit driver or ratchet and snug the bolt until the plate sits flat and does not move. **Do not over-tighten.** If the hardware will not seat the way it should, stop and email support before you force it.



SECURITY BIT IN A 1/4" DRIVER



THAT'S IT

**YOU'RE
DONE**

CHECK YOUR WORK

- Plate sits flat against the body, no gap.
- Plate does not move when you pull on it.
- Tailgate opens, closes and latches normally.

Keep the security bit safe — it takes the plate back off.

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