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8B SIDE LOADER (YAKIMA KWIK RAILS)

Yakima Side Loaders are designed to be used on pickup truck camper shells or other vehicles that may lack rain gutters. This will permit the mounting of a Yakima carrier or other car-top carrier. All mounting hardware is included.

This package contains:

2 Side Loader brackets	2 backing plates	2 gaskets
4 carriage bolts	4 washers	4 nuts

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Spend some time selecting a location on the vehicle for the Side Loaders.
 - a.) If the Side Loaders are to be used in conjunction with rain gutters (over the cab of a pickup truck) mount the Side Loaders such that the rear carrier crossbar will be even with or slightly higher than the front crossbar.
 - b.) If 2 sets of Side Loaders are to be used on the corners of the pickup camper shell, again, keep the crossbars at the same height or elevate the rear crossbar slightly higher than the front crossbar.
 - c.) **IMPORTANT.** Remember that the vinyl coated clip projects from the rear of the Yakima Tower when in the clamped position. Keep the location of the Side Loader high enough to prevent contact between the coated clip and the sides or top of the vehicle. If insufficient clearance exists for the coated clip to clear the vehicle, check with your Yakima dealer for other brackets that may solve the problem.
2. Check to determine the location of any struts, braces, or other objects that may interfere with the installation of the brackets or backing plates.
3. Drill 2 5/16" diameter holes through the surface of the vehicle using the Side Loader as a template.

IMPORTANT: Some camper shells have insulation between the outer surface and an inner liner. Special precautions must be taken to avoid the crushing of this insulation and attendant deformation of the shell material.
4. Install the brackets using the hardware included. The gasket should be placed between the Side Loader and the side of the vehicle (the use of some type of caulking compound or sealant around the bolts will insure a water-tight installation).

WARNING!

When using the Side Loaders, remember that the weakest link in the system may be the strength of the material to which the bracket is attached. Use caution with regard to load weight and be sure to secure any long heavy loads securely to the crossbars **and** use a front tie down line to secure the load to the front bumper of the vehicle. Failure to do so will void any warranty of this product.

WARRANTY Since Yakima Products has no control over the attachment of its products to any vehicle, Yakima Products cannot assume responsibility for the attachment or use of its products to any vehicle, nor can Yakima Products assume responsibility for any damages resulting from the attachment or use of its products to any vehicle. Yakima Products assumes responsibility only for products produced by or for Yakima Products. The liability of Yakima Products is limited to the replacement or repair of merchandise which proves defective in materials and/or workmanship. This liability is further limited to one year from date of purchase. Additionally, any warranty from Yakima Products is applicable only if instructions are followed and the product is properly used. Normal wear and tear of merchandise or damage resulting from misuse, accidents, or alterations are not covered by this warranty. If an article is thought to be defective, the customer shall return it to an authorized Yakima dealer with proof of purchase. Yakima Products will then issue authorization to the dealer for the return of these articles. If an article is found to be defective upon inspection by Yakima Products, Yakima Products will repair or replace the article at its discretion without charge. Freight is not included. Unauthorized returns will not be accepted.

CAUTION

Since Yakima Products has no control over the installation of Nutserts or brackets on your vehicle, we cannot assume responsibility for the installation, nor can we assume responsibility for any damage to the sheetmetal of your automobile due to installation or use of our brackets. We cannot test all methods or locations of installation and therefore can only suggest that the basic rules of installation be followed. Specifically, we suggest the following:

- 1) That the brackets be installed as close to the junction of the roof and sides of a vehicle as possible.
- 2) That the bracket be bolted into a structural member under the sheetmetal of the autobody or that the bracket be placed over or straddle a structural member.
- 3) That Nutserts be installed properly.
- 4) That a large diameter washer be used on the underside of auto body sheetmetal when a nut and bolt are used to secure the bracket.
- 5) That a carrier and the brackets holding the carrier to the vehicle are loaded within the strength and rigidity limitations of the sheetmetal of the vehicle.
- 6) That the installation hardware be sealed sufficiently to prevent the entry of water inside the vehicle with attendant corrosion problems.

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