

PART #3338**97-04 DODGE DAKOTA SNIPER FRONT BUMPER**

Notice: Pre-fit before painting. Install new, unpainted parts according to these instructions. Then remove parts, paint them and re-install.

Painted or Altered Parts are Non-Refundable

Instructions for 1997-2000: Remove the 5 plastic push pins on the under side of the factory bumper. Disconnect factory fog light harness from fog lights and remove 2 bolts on each side that connect the bumper brackets to the frame. Open the hood and remove the 2 top bolts on each side that connect the bumper to the frame. Remove the factory bumper, then remove the lower plastic valance and fog light brackets from the upper steel bumper (the lower valance and fog lights will not be used). Remove the 4 torx bolts in the center of the upper back side of the steel bumper and save them for later use. Place the steel bumper into the Sniper bumper cover and secure with the 4 torx bolts. There are two 1/8" round provisions for screws in the wheelwell area on the Sniper bumper. Align the bumper cover with the steel bumper and drill a 1/8" hole through the 1/8" provisions in the Sniper bumper and the steel bumper at the same time, then install the 2 screws provided. Repeat this for the other side. **Do not drill the 1/4" provisions.** Pre-fit the PIAA fog lights at this time. Bolt the bumper on the truck and install lower support brackets as shown in **Fig. A**.

Fig. A



Instructions for 2001-2004: Remove the 4 plastic push pins on the underside of the factory bumper. Disconnect the factory fog light harness from the fog lights. Open the hood and remove the top 2 bolts on each side that attach the bumper to the frame. Remove the factory bumper, then remove the bumper cover from the steel reinforcement. Save the factory hardware for later use. There are six 1/4" round provisions in the wheelwell area on the Sniper bumper. Drill the 1/4" provisions using a 1/4" drill bit. Place the steel reinforcement into the Sniper bumper cover and reinstall the factory bolts. **Do not drill the 1/8" provisions.** Pre-fit the PIAA fog lights at this time. Bolt the bumper on the truck and install the lower support brackets as shown in **Fig. A**.

PAINTING INSTRUCTIONS

VERY IMPORTANT: The following painting procedures MUST be followed EXACTLY for PROPER ADHESION and to prevent fish eyes.

1. To remove any mold release contaminants, clean the back of the part first. Using 2 new clean rags, saturate the first rag with plastic prep cleaner* and begin cleaning. Then use the second rag to remove the prep cleaner. Continuously fold both rags to their clean sides during the process. Use 3 sets of new rags throughout the process. This prevents mold release contaminants from transferring to the painted surface.
2. Repeat step one on the front of the part.
3. Rinse the part with water. Apply a generous amount of Ajax® or sand fix* to a red scuff pad* (3M Scotch Brite Brand) and scrub the surface to be painted THOROUGHLY, especially on all the edges and hard to reach areas. Then rinse with water and dry. The scrubbed surface should be dull. If any shiny spots show, repeat the process on those areas.
4. Using another set of clean new rags, again clean the surface to be painted with plastic prep cleaner.
5. Spray the surface to be painted with adhesion promoter* (follow the instructions on the can for application and drying time).
6. Apply 3 to 4 coats of urethane primer* with flex additive* (follow the instructions on the can for application and drying time).
7. Wet sand primer with 600 grit sandpaper. Be careful not to sand through the primer. If you do, you MUST clean those areas with plastic prep cleaner, apply adhesion promoter and prime. Once the primer has dried, wet sand the areas that were touched up. Your surface is now ready for paint.

* These items can be purchased at any auto body supply store.



OPTIONAL FOR PART #3338

QTY	DESCRIPTION	HARDWARE #
1 BX	PIAA FOG LIGHTS	7020
1 KIT	SCREEN KIT	7012

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QTY	DESCRIPTION	HARDWARE #
2	Brackets	TEM-025
2	Tapping Screws	32144
2	Hex Cap Bolts	10947-01380
2	Hex Nuts	36102
4	Washers	33004
2	Screw Retainers	WE2548
18	Tapping Screws	10947-01704