

PART #4004**97-04 DODGE DAKOTA SNIPER GRILLE**

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

Warning: Do not close the hood without safety catch extension installed.

The Sniper grille bolts to all factory locations. Remove the 4 screws on the lower portion of the factory grille. Then remove the nuts from the grille where it bolts to the hood - save this hardware for later use. With the grille off the truck, remove threaded studs from the factory grille and install them on the Sniper grille. Be careful not to damage threads on these studs. In your hardware packet are 4 braces and 8 screws for mounting the lower portion of your grille to the tubular bar support on your hood. Install these braces with the higher end facing the center of the grille as shown in **Fig. A**. Remove the threaded clips on the lower portion of the grille and install them onto the Sniper grille. Then install the screens with the remaining screws provided in the hardware packet. We have supplied a safety catch extension to operate the safety catch. Remove the safety catch from the underside of the hood. Use the template to drill a 1/8" hole in your safety catch. Install the extension as shown in **Fig. B** and re-install the safety catch on the hood. Install the grille on the truck and insert the rod through the hole on the bottom of the grille.

Fig. A

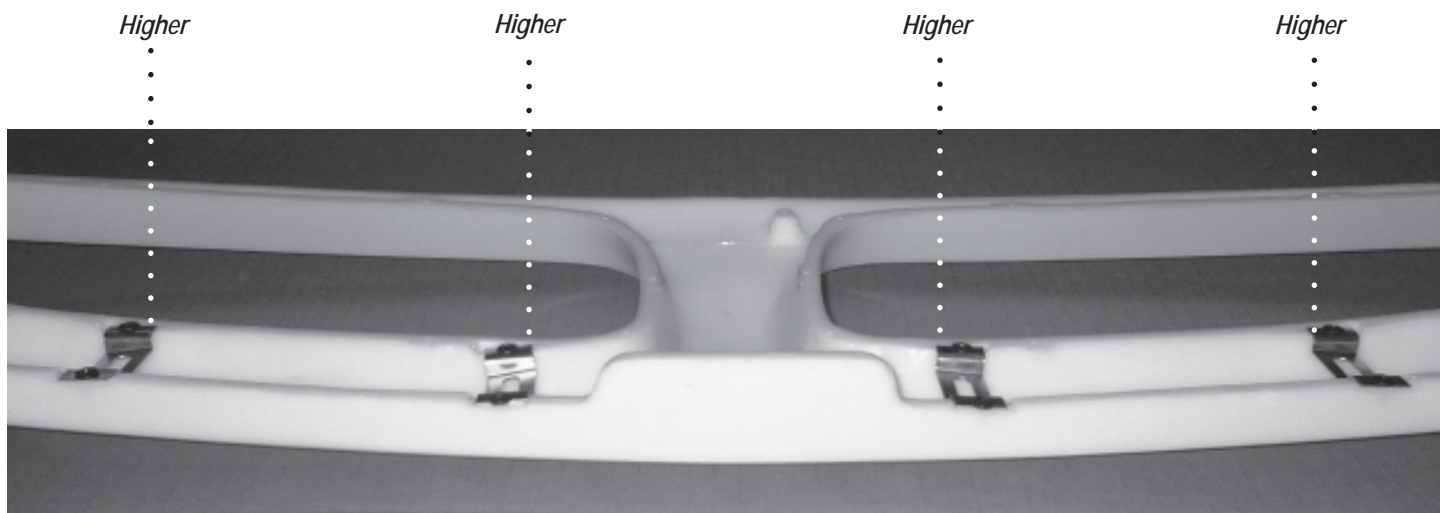


Fig. B



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.

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QTY	DESCRIPTION	HARDWARE #
24	WASHER HEAD SCREW	10947-01704
1	SAFETY CATCH EXT.	TEM-028
4	BRACES	TEM-031