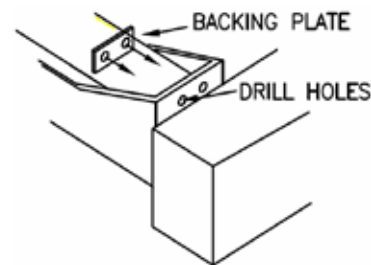




## Installation Instruction BX1942 Dodge Intrepid 1998-00

The bumper fascia and headlights need to be removed for installation of the baseplate. There are two pieces of plastic molding on the outside of the radiator which need to be trimmed and holes need to be drilled. The attachment tabs will extend through the grill opening four inches. **Some ES models may need to cut a plastic grill bar.**

1. Open the hood and remove the four push pins located near the latch release lever.
2. Locate the small screw connecting the bumper molding to each quarter panel, located in front of the tire in the fender well area. Use a 7mm socket to remove the screw. Do this for both the driver and passenger side of the vehicle.
3. Directly below from where the screw was removed are three screw nail clips (plastic push pins), drill out each clip. This will detach the bumper molding from the fender well moldings. Included in the baseplate kit are replacement screw clips.
4. Remove the 7mm Hex bolts that hold the headlight assemblies in place. Pull the head light assemblies out of their holding position and move them up out of the way. Notice the exposed main frame extended above the metal bumper. Use the backing plate as a template and drill the 3/8" holes. Use the 3/8 x 1" Hex bolts with 3/8 nuts and lock washer to fasten. The backing plate should be braced to the back side of the frame.
5. Remove the plastic air dam located underneath the vehicle below the radiator.
6. The bumper molding can now be removed, pull the outside of the molding away from the quarter panels and push forward. With the bumper molding detached from the quarter panels, remove the bumper and set aside.
7. Hold the baseplate (Item 1) up to the underside of the metal bumper so that it is centered. The outside holes need to line up to the bottom lip of the outside frames. Notice that the baseplate lays on part of the plastic molding. Trim off any plastic that restricts the baseplate from contacting the metal frame.
8. Clamp the baseplate to the frame and drill the 13/32" holes. Bolt the 3/8" bolts (Item 4), 3/8" whiz nuts and washers (Items 6 and 7). Tighten all four bolts, **be sure to use Loctite Blue on each bolt.** This will ensure that the bolts will not loosen while the car is being towed.
9. Now drill the two inside holes for the baseplate. Use a 17/32" drill bit.
10. Insert the nut plates (Item 2) into the slotted openings of the metal bumper and bolt (Using items 3 and 5) the baseplate to the metal bumper. **Use Loctite Blue with each bolt.**
12. Replace the bumper molding, lights, air dam and the fender well moldings. **NOTE: ES models have an extra horizontal plastic grill bar that extends from the fog lights to the center of the bumper molding. The piece can either be cut for clearance of the attachment tabs or it is possible to compress the piece up to allow attachment tabs to pass beneath it.**
13. Install the tow bar and safety cables according to the instructions included in their packages.
14. **DEALER OR INSTALLER: BE CERTAIN THE USER RECEIVES THE INSTRUCTION SHEET.**





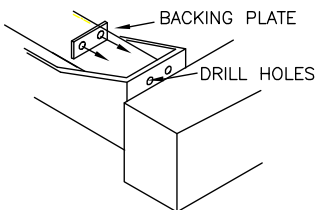
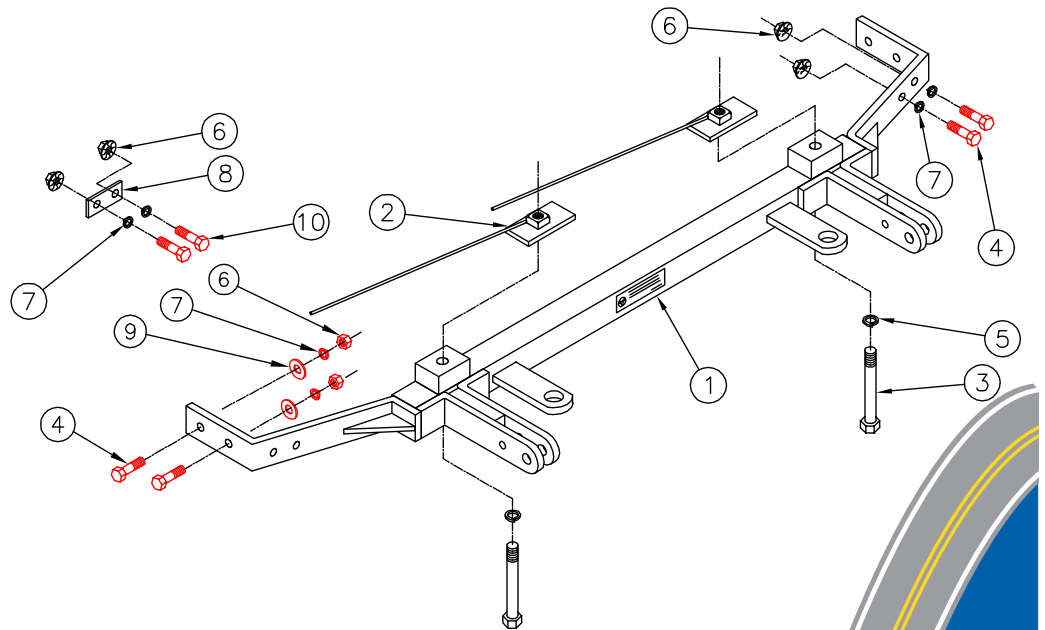
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## Tools Required

9/16" Wrench	9/16" Socket	Loctite Blue
13/32" Drill Bit	17/32" Drill Bit	Vise Grip
1/4" Drill Bit	Utility Knife	

## Parts List

Ref. No.	Qty.	Part No.	Description
1	1	61-5414	Weldment Baseplate, BX1942
2	2	61-5249	Wire Nut Plate, D-Side, BX3511
3	2	201-0581	1/2-13 X 4 Hex HD Bolt, Grade 5, ZP
4	8	201-0440	3/8-16 X 1 1/2 Hex Bolt, Grade 5, ZP
5	2	203-0012	1/2 Lock Washer
6	12	202-0071	3/8 Whiz Nut
7	12	203-0010	3/8 Lock Washer
8	2	102-5844	Backing Plate, BX1942
9	4	203-0003	3/8 Flat Washer
10	4	201-0443	3/8-16 x 1 Hex Bolt, Grade 5
	2	226-0046	Baseplate Safety Cable, 36" CL III (Not Shown)
	2	229-0359	Quicklink, 3/8, ZP (Not Shown)
	6	229-0536	6.3MM, Plastic Rivets (Not Shown)



# General Information

1. Ensure that your product(s) are registered online at [www.blueox.com](http://www.blueox.com). It is crucial to register your product(s) so that you may be alerted of product offerings, updates, upgrades, maintenance and safety bulletins, and/or recalls.
2. **It is the owner's responsibility to inspect all towing equipment for cracked welds, missing or worn parts and loose bolts before each towing trip.** Be sure to use Loctite® Red on all bolts and tighten to the recommended specifications.
3. **It is the owner's responsibility to hook up all towing equipment per manufacturer's instructions/recommendations.**
4. Remove the attachment tabs when not in use (if applicable).

## Notice To Baseplate Installer

### 1. It is YOUR responsibility to watch for:

- Oil cooler and air conditioner lines
- Electrical wires and hoses
- Missing parts or attaching points on the frame

\*\* If the baseplate is improperly installed and is against a wire or hose, it could cause fluid leaks or electrical shorts some time after the actual baseplate installation.

## Permanent Baseplate Safety Cable Installation

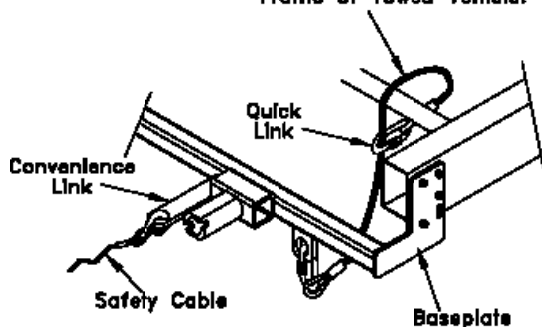
Permanent baseplate safety cables are strongly recommended when towing a vehicle with a tow bar. The principle function of the permanent baseplate safety cables is to prevent the towed vehicle from breaking loose in the event the connection between the frame of the towed vehicle and the baseplate fails or becomes disconnected. The cables must be connected from the baseplate to the frame rail or cross member of the vehicle's frame. The illustrations below show the possible arrangements recommended by Blue Ox®. Each permanent baseplate safety cable must have an adequate weight rating for the towing system. The weight rating of the two (2) cables together will not qualify.

***Do not mount the permanent baseplate safety cables against wires, hoses or brake lines.***

These permanent baseplate safety cables should remain installed as long as the baseplate is installed on the vehicle. Permanent baseplate safety cables are to be used in conjunction with, and NOT a replacement for legally required safety cables attaching the towed vehicle to the towing vehicle.

### OPTION #1

Permanent Baseplate Safety Cables to Cross Member or Frame of Towed Vehicle.



### OPTION #2

Permanent Baseplate Safety Cables to Cross Member or Frame of Towed Vehicle.

