

#### **B&W Trailer Hitches**

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NOTE: We recommend reading instructions before beginning the installation.

WARNING: The tow vehicle's towing capacities should under NO circumstances be exceeded.

### Turnoverball™ Gooseneck Hitch Installation Instructions

# Model 1300R

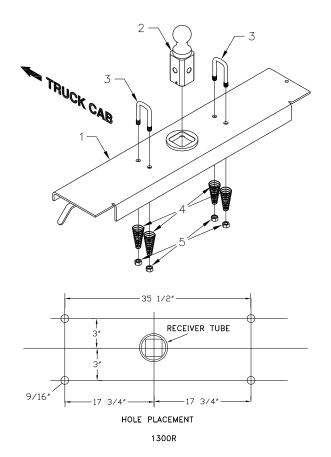
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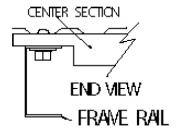
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# Dodge (1973-1993)

1/2 - 3/4 - 1 Ton Trucks



Mounting Kit Box (GNRK1300)		
ITEM	DESCRIPTION	QTY
1	Center Assembly	1
2	2-5/16" Ball	1
Mounting Kit Bolt Bag		
	1/2" X 1-1/2" Carriage Bolt	2
	1/2" X 2-1/2" Carriage Bolt	2
	1/2" Finish Nut	4
	1/2" Lock Washer	4
	1/2" Flat Washer	4
Safety Chain Kit Bolt Bag		
3	1/2" U-Bolt	2
4	Conical Springs	4
5	1/2" Lock Nut	4
	5/16" X 3/4" Carriage Bolt	1
	5/16" X 3/4" Cap Screw	1
	5/16" Flange Nut	1



**NOTICE:** This product was designed to fit vehicles in their original, "as manufactured" condition. Compatibility with vehicles having replacement parts, or other modifications is not guaranteed. Inspect vehicle for modifications before installation of this product.

#### **WARNING**

Most trucks have FUEL LINES and/or BRAKE LINES and/or ELECTRICAL WIRES located along the frame rails where B&W Turnoverball™ hitches install. Carefully examine the location of fuel lines, brake lines and electrical wires BEFORE INSTALLATION. Be certain you will not damage fuel lines, brake lines or electrical wires when positioning hitch components, drilling holes, tightening fasteners, and lifting and lowering the truck bed. The fuel tank vent, located on top of the gas tank, can be easily damaged during the installation of the hitch components. Care must be taken when positioning the front crossmember and center section components.

### Warning

On Short bed trucks, BEFORE INSTALLING THIS HITCH, check for adequate turning clearance between the front of all of your trailers and the truck cab.

#### Warning

**DO NOT invert** the ball in the socket when carrying heavy loads on 2 wheel drive trucks. The ball may hit the top of the differential. Remove the ball from the socket before loading. A plug for the socket is available from B&W.

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

#### **STEP ONE**

Begin by marking the location for the hole in the truck bed floor. Measure from the back end (tail gate end) of the truck bed floor by hooking a tape measure over the back of the truck box (**not including the tail gate**) and mark the floor at the correct location. Next mark the center between the wheel wells. This will be the center point for the 4" hole. This location is critical to the correct installation of the hitch, so measure, mark and saw carefully.

LONG BED LOCATION 48 1/2" SHORT BED LOCATION 43 1/2"

#### **STEP TWO**

Loosen, but do not remove, the passenger's side bed bolts. Remove all remaining bed bolts. (Loosen or remove running board or other equipment fasteners that would prevent lifting the truck bed off the frame.) Raise the driver's side of the truck bed approximately 4" by jacking against the truck bed floor in front of the wheel well. (Be cautious of fuel filler hoses and electrical wiring.)

#### WARNING

On some truck models the fuel tank may be elevated so that the hitch will come in contact with the fuel tank. Carefully examine your hitch during and after instalation to insure that no part of the hitch is touching the fuel tank. if contact with the fuel tank is unavoidable call customer support for further instruction.

#### STEP THREE

With the latch pin mechanism on the driver's side, position the hitch receiver assembly across the top of the frame rails. Slowly lower the truck bed, aligning the hitch receiver tube that protrudes from the hitch receiver assembly to fit through the round 4" hole in the truck bed floor. Replace the bed bolts. Square the hitch receiver assembly across the frame. Check truck bed alignment with the cab, and tighten the bed bolts.

#### STEP FOUR

Fastening the hitch receiver assembly to the truck frame requires drilling four 9/16" holes through the truck bed floor; hitch receiver assembly and truck frame rails. To locate the holes, mark a line, squared across the truck bed floor, through the center of the round hitch receiver tube. Mark the location on the line  $17\frac{3}{4}$ "from the center of the round hitch receiver tube on each side. (If these locations are in a raised corrugation in the truck bed floor, insert a metal shim of the correct thickness between the hitch receiver assembly and the truck bed floor in the raised corrugation.) Mark a hole location 3" above the line and 3" below the line at these locations. Verify that these locations are near the center of the frame rails, and carefully examine fuel lines, brake lines, and electrical wiring to assure adequate clearance. Mark, DOUBLE CHECK and center punch these hole locations. To maintain proper alignment use the following procedure, one hole at a time: First, drill a ¼" pilot hole, then drill a 9/16" hole through the pilot hole, and drop the bolt in the hole. When all holes have been drilled, use a flat washer, lock washer and tighten a nut on each bolt. Seat the square bolt shank of the bolts with several sharp hammer blows to the bolt heads. Finally, torque the fasteners to 90 ft. lbs.

#### **STEP FIVE**

To install the safety chain brackets it is necessary to drill four  $\frac{1}{2}$ " holes through the truck bed floor and the hitch receiver assembly. To locate the center of the safety chain holes measure out  $10 \frac{1}{2}$ " each way from the center of the round hitch receiver tube. Measure toward the rear of the truck from the center of the receiver socket at the  $10 \frac{1}{2}$ " mark 1" and 3" to find the centers of the four  $\frac{1}{2}$ " holes to be drilled. These marks are on 2" centers and should be in a low rib of the truck bed floor. Center punch these hole locations and drill  $\frac{1}{4}$ " pilot holes through the truck bed floor and hitch receiver assembly. Complete by drilling  $\frac{1}{2}$ " holes through the pilot holes. Drop a safety chain bracket (U-bolt) through each pair of holes from the topside of the truck bed floor. Place a spring and lock nut on each of the four legs. Tighten the lock nuts until  $\frac{1}{4}$ " of threads extends through the lock nut.

#### **STEP SIX**

Retract the latch pin by pulling the handle all the way out and sliding it to the left. Place the 2-5/16" ball in the hitch