

## STREET SCENE EQUIPMENT, INC.

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950-61127 2002 - 2006 DODGE RAM TAILGATE HANDLE RELOCATOR

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

**VERY IMPORTANT !** Read and understand all directions and check the following parts list before starting installation.

| PARTS LIST                                                                                                                                                                               |                   |   |                    |   |                             |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---|--------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| 1                                                                                                                                                                                        | Filler Plate      | 1 | Street Scene Decal | 1 | Handle Relocator Plate      |
| 1                                                                                                                                                                                        | Instruction Sheet |   |                    | 7 | Phillips Washer Head Screws |
|                                                                                                                                                                                          |                   |   |                    | 1 | Handle Relocator Back Plate |
| TOOL LIST                                                                                                                                                                                |                   |   |                    |   |                             |
| Drill Motor, 1/8", 3/16", 3/8" Drill Bits, Tape Measure, Flat Blade Screwdriver, Phillips Screwdriver<br>Socket Set, Saber Saw Or Die Grinder, Center Punch, Mig Welder, #30 Torx Socket |                   |   |                    |   |                             |

- 1. Remove the tailgate from the truck, this is achieved by open the gate, lifting the limiting straps so the knee action goes up instaed of down. Close the gate slightly and slide the larger opening in the limiting straps over the retaining pin.
- 2. At this point close th gate to about 85% of its closed position. **CAUTION:** Be sure you have a good hold on the gate. The hinge on the passenger side of the vehicle has a slot so the gate will slide up and out in this position. Then move the gate away from the vehicle and out of the left hinge. Place the gate on a flat surface, with inside facing down.
- **3.** Remove inside inspection panel by removing the eight #30 torx bolts. Save hardware. Disconnect rods from handle then remove the two mounting nuts and remove handle from tailgate. See photo 1,2,3 NOTE location of rod to handle before removing. (You will want to adjust the rods and handle in the same position when assembling.

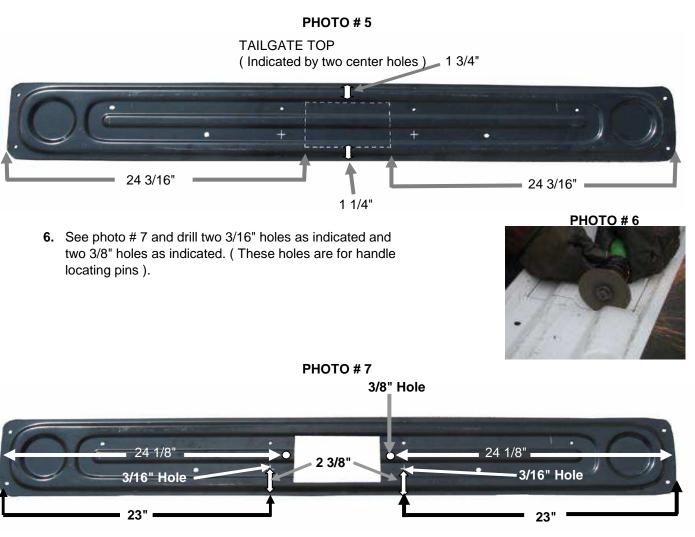


**4.** Mark the tailgate as shown in photo # 4 and cut the center hole as marked. Use a die grinder with a cut off wheel.

## **PHOTO # 4**



5. Set the inspection panel on a work bench. See photo 5 & 6 and cut panel as indicated. There is a top and bottom to the panel. This is indicated by the location of the two center mounting holes.



**7.** Install the tailgate handle into the Stree Scene handle relocator. See photo # 8. Install the back plate and latch. See photo # 8 Install nuts and tighten. Set aside.



PHOTO # 8

- 8. Turn tailgate over face up.
- 9. Remove all paint from original handle hole and aproimately 2" around hole. See photo # 9
- **10.** Place supplied handle filler plate over existing hole and tack weld into place. We recommend a mig (Wire Feed) welder. NOTE: Welding one continuous line will cause tailgate to warp. Tack a small area then let cool and repeat until complete.
- **11.** Grind down the welds and finish off with body filler. Block sand primer and then paint. NOTE: If you do not have a mig welder we recommend using a professional welder.



12. Set the tailgate face down. Install the inspection panel to tailgate using fasteners removed in step # 3. Make sure the panel is facing in the proper direction (two center holes facing top) Drill two 1/8" holes through the two 3/16" holes frilled in step # 6 into tailgate. Use two of the screws provided and fasten. See photo # 9



13. Place the tailgate handle with relocator onto the inspection panel. See photo # 10 for direction of handle. Lift rods and attach to handle in the same approximate location as removed in step # 3. If relocator and handle does not drop into the two 3/8" holes drilled in step # 6 into inspection panel re-adjust rods to cente handle. Drill five 1/8" holes through relocator and into tailgate. Install screws provided. TEST operation of latches. If latches do not release properly, remove handle assemble and re-adjust rods. Make sure rods are releaseing properly before installing tailgate.

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## **PHOTO # 9**



**14.** Install tailgate to truck.