



RUST BUSTER

RB7053

**Forward Fuel Tank Crossmember
1980-1996 Ford F-150**



REQUIRED TOOLS

Jack Stands or Lift
Mig Welder
Paint/Primer
Hand Grinder
Cutting Wheel or Torch
Welding Gloves
Welding Hood/Shield
Ear & Eye Protection
Sockets & Wrench
Fire Extinguisher
Tape Measure
Paint Marker or Chalk
C-Clamps
Mallet

KIT CONTAINS

Forward Fuel Tank Crossmember
15mm M10 (35mm Long) Hex Screw
15mm M10 (25mm Long) Hex Screw
15mm M10 Flange Locknut

QTY

1
10
4
14



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1) PREPARING YOUR VEHICLE

Begin by disconnecting your battery prior to starting your installation.

Inspect your vehicle for leaking fuel lines, fuel tank and engine components. If you have fuel leaks repair all leaks prior to starting your installation. If your fuel tank is near your welding area **remove your tank prior to welding.**

Remove all combustible items above the work area such as seats, carpets, padding, etc.

Keep all flammable materials away from the vehicle work area.

2) PREPARING YOUR WORKSTATION

Keep a fire extinguisher close by in the case of fire and make sure you always have a designated "Fire Watch" to assist during the cutting or welding phases.

Abide by all apprenticed welding safety standards and practices.

Always use appropriate welding eye protection, ear protection, and work and fire safety gloves during the installation and within the work area.



WARNING!

If you are unsure on how to perform the installation or how to operate any of the required tools listed above, it is **HIGHLY** advised that you enlist the work of a certified welder/installer.

Failure to follow proper safety precautions and instructions may result in serious injury. **The user assumes all liability when installing the product.**



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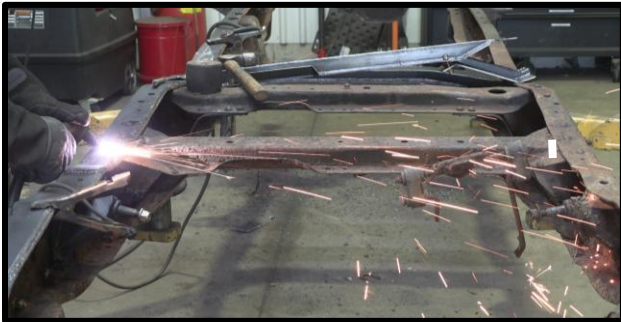
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3) PREPARING FOR YOUR INSTALL

Lift or remove your F-150's bed. Uninstall your **fuel lines and fuel tank**. This will **clear enough room** for this installation.

4) CUT



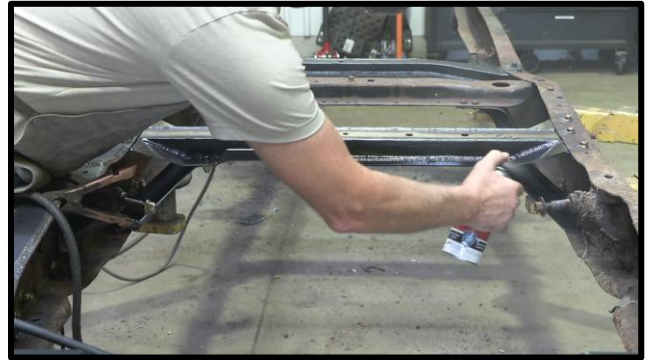
Cut off the **rivet heads** holding the **factory forward fuel tank crossmember** in place, and once completed, use a hammer and punch to knock the rivets out of the holes. You will need to **cut the rivets that secure the bottom brackets to the crossmember** as well.

5) BOLT-IN



Hold the **Rust Buster replacement forward fuel tank crossmember** in place **between the frame rails**, using the **rivet holes for alignment**. Using the included **M10 Hardware**, **bolt the crossmember into place**, then bolt in the **bottom support brackets**. Ensure the crossmember is bolted in **tight and secure** using a **wrench and impact/socket and ratchet**.

6) PAINT



Paint the part with **rust inhibitor**, such as our Rust Buster **Rust Converter Rust Converter and Primer Spray Paint (RB9917)**, to protect your frame from future rust issues.

7) RE-INSTALL

Re-install the fuel tank and fuel tank lines. Lower and re-install your F-150's bed to the frame.