

Lightbar Mount Kit



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It is the sole responsibility of the owner to ensure the lightbar is mounted securely. <u>Check your light every time you enter the</u> <u>vehicle</u> to ensure that it is mounted securely. The manufacturer assumes no responsibility for the secure mounting of this light.

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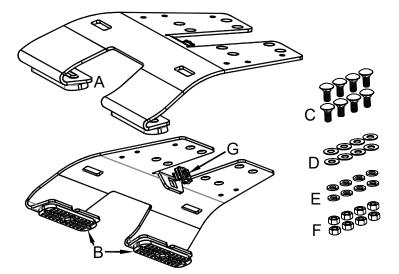


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## **Direct and Hook Mounting Instructions**

Please review this entire manual prior to mounting your lightbar.

	<u>QTY</u>	<u>Part #</u>	<u>Description</u>
Α	2	P30150-410P	Mounting Brackets
В	4	P30046-1	Rubber Feet (attached to bracket)
С	8	P30057-6	5/16" x 3/4" Carriage Bolt
D	8	P30077-1	5/16" Flat Washer
Е	8	P30077-2	5/16" Lock Washer
F	8	P30097-1	5/16"-18 Hex Nut
G	2	P30258-1	5/16"-18 Clip-On Nut (attached to bracket)



PLEASE NOTE: THE DIRECT MOUNT IS THE STANDARD MOUNT INCLUDED WITH THE LIGHTBAR. <u>THE HOOK MOUNTS MUST BE USED ON ALL POLICE AND/OR</u> OTHER EMERGENCY VEHICLES!!! THE HOOK MOUNTS ARE <u>SOLD SEPARATELY</u>. THEY ARE <u>NOT</u> INCLUDED WITH EACH LIGHTBAR. THEY MUST BE ORDERED SEPARATELY. SEE THE ACCOMPANYING HOOK MOUNT SHEET FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF AVAILABLE

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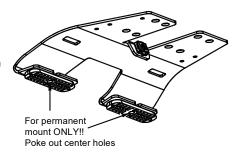
When mounting your lightbar, please be sure to keep any radio frequency sensitive equipment at least 20" from the bar and power cable(s). This is especially critical in lightbars utilizing strobes. Our strobe power supplies have been designed to limit RFI emissions, but certain very sensitive equipment may still be affected. Symptoms may include, but are not limited to, sporadic operation and degraded performance. Star Headlight & Lantern Co., Inc. cannot assume any responsibility for any radio frequency induced malfunction or damage to any radios, sirens, lightbars, or any other equipment mounted within 20" a strobe lightbar. Any antennae mounted in the proximity of the lightbar may cause your radio to suffer the aforementioned results.

 All lightbars come complete with the <u>direct</u> (permanent) roof mount kit included, for mounting through your rooftop (or other mounting surface).

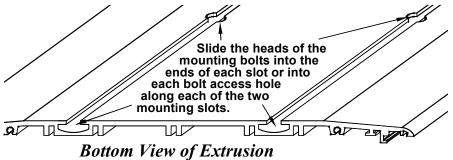
If you ordered an optional hook mount kit, it should also come packaged in the same box as the direct mount.

Carefully remove the lightbar <u>and the mounting kit</u> included with the bar from its shipping carton. Place it on a clean, flat surface while taking care not to damage the lightbar or wiring harnesses. Examine the unit for any possible damage during transit.

- Determine if you are going to be using the Direct Mount to bolt the mounting legs directly to your mounting surface, or if you will be using one of the optional Hook Mounts for gutter or gutterless mounting.
- If you are direct mounting (i.e. NOT using hook mounts), use a screwdriver to poke through the center holes of each leg on the mounting bracket, and knock out the center hole in each rubber foot.



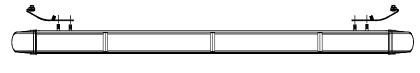
4. Turn the lightbar over to access the channels along the bottom of the lower extrusion, taking care not to scratch the lenses and or your vehicle. Install the eight carriage bolts into the channels running underneath the lightbar by inserting the heads in the center hole.



5. Slide two bolts in each channel towards both ends. You will use four bolts on each end (two in each channel) to secure each mounting bracket.

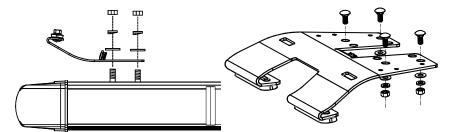


6. Position one bracket on the four bolts at each end of the lightbar in the approximate locations to match up with the roof area where you will mount your lightbar. Be aware of your wire access to the lightbar when choosing the location of these brackets.

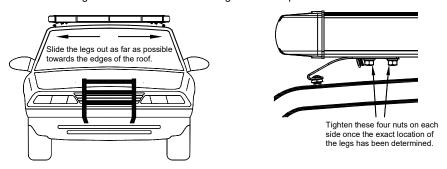




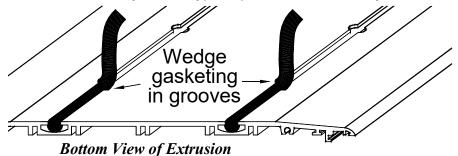
7. After the bracket has been placed on the four carriage bolts, install one flat washer, one lock washer, and one hex-nut on each carriage bolt. Tighten hex nuts until snug, but loose enough that the mounting bracket can still slide for accurate pre-positioning.



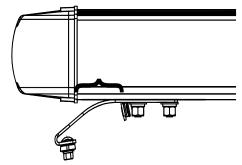
8. Using two people, carefully place the lightbar on the vehicle roof and locate it in a position which is level front to back, and is centered side to side. The area above the B-pillars is often used, since it is usually the strongest part of the roof. Slide the bracket outwards so that the rubber feet are as close to the edge of the roof as possible. Tighten the hex nuts on the carriage bolts to secure the mounting brackets in position.



- 9. OPTIONAL The aerodynamics of some vehicles may result in the creation of excessive "wind noise" at high speeds, as the air passes over one or both of the channels in the extrusion of the lightbar. If you are experiencing such a noise and your lightbar came with the optional gasketing included, please install the enclosed gasketing as described below.
  - A. Starting from one of the legs, wedge one gasket into each of the grooves on the underside of the lightbar working your way towards the center of the lightbar.



- B. If your bar utilizes Gortex<sup>™</sup> covered weep holes in the channel, once you reach one, cut the gasket short so that it does not cover it. Then start running the gasket again on the other side of the weep hole until you reach the next hole.
- C. Repeat this until both channels are filled.
- D. If you have more than a few inches of groove between the mounting bracket and the outer edge of the lightbar, you may wish to install gasket in this area as well.



10. Finish your installation following the appropriate section on either page 5 or page 6.

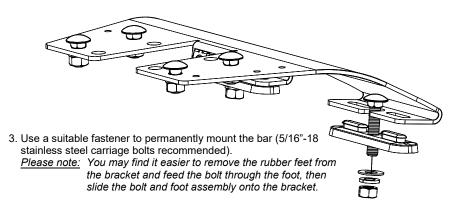


### **Direct or Permanent Mounting** Skip to the next page if you ordered the optional hook mounts.

 Using the center holes in each leg for templates, mark the four (4) locations (2 for each leg) on the mounting surface that you will be drilling your mounting holes through.



2. Carefully remove the bar and drill the appropriate holes in mounting surface, taking care not to drill through the headliner (if applicable).



4. If necessary, select a suitable location in the roof to drill a hole for the cable. DO NOT drill through any structural supports!! Select a drill size that will be sufficient to route the cable through (cable sizes may vary). After drilling the hole, be sure to remove any burrs and file down any sharp edges so that they do not damage the cable. Route the cable through the hole and seal it with RTV silicone.



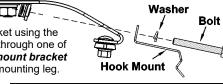
# **Hook Mounting**

Please note that the instruction below are a general guideline. The order the steps are performed in is not crucial, and you may find that changing the order may work better for your particular application. <u>Each installation is different.</u>

- For some applications it may be easier to attach the mounts to the lightbar prior to placing the bar on the vehicle.
- If you are using gutterless mounts that are attached to the door jambs, it may be easier to install the mounting bracket to the vehicle, then connect it to the mounting legs.

Please read through the entire procedure, then determine how you wish to approach your installation.

Attach the optional hook mount to each bracket using the bolt provided with the mounts. Slip the **bolt** through one of the split washers then the hole in the **hook mount bracket** and screw it into the **threaded insert** in the mounting leg.



<u>Please Note:</u> For some applications, the bolts we provide may not be long enough. If the mounting brackets are fully extended and the hook mounts still will not reach the edge of the vehicle, you may use a longer 5/16"-18 bolt obtained locally.

#### Vehicles with Gutters

- With the bar positioned on the roof and the legs tightened in place as far out as possible, tighten the hook mount bolt on one mounting bracket until the hook is just under the gutter.
- 2. Repeat this on the other side.
- Then alternate sides, tightening each bolt approximately 1/2 turn until the mount is secure.



Do not over-tighten either mount! It is not necessary to dimple the roof in order to achieve a secure, stable mount.

4. Once your mount is secure, install the nyloc nut to "lock" the bolt in place.





### **Gutterless Vehicles**

- 1. Tighten the bolt until the gutterless hook lip just touches the inside lip of door jamb.
- 2. Drill two or three holes and install the sheet metal screws through the enclosed rubber washers to secure the gutterless hook on the inside lip of the door jamb.
  3. Repeat this for the other side of the bar.
  4. Then alternate sides, tightening each bolt approximately 1/2 turn until the mount is secure.
  Do not over-tighten either mount! It is not necessary to dimple the roof in order to achieve a secure, stable mount.
  5. Once your mount is secure, install the Nylock Nut to "lock" the bolt in place.

