



# CRE RockerFlares Installation Instructions

## PLEASE READ THOROUGHLY BEFORE BEGINNING INSTALLATION

Thank you for purchasing CRE RockerFlares, one of the most functional accessories on the market. This product is designed to reduce rock chip damage with style. Its patented design shields the many other forms of hazardous road debris like mud, tar, sand, road salt, etc... from clinging to the body of your vehicle.

RockerFlares mount to the lower rocker panel with double sided rubber adhesive tape that is incredibly strong. The tape allows flexibility in extreme temperatures to resist warping and breakage. After adhering the RockerFlare, it is then secured into position with automotive grade screws. RockerFlares are **not intended to be used as a step or to support weight**, they are paintable to match your vehicle.



Recommended items needed for the RockerFlares installation:

- Drill
- Phillips head bit
- 1/8" and 1/4" drill bit
- Creeper (optional)

Open the RockerFlare box and ensure the following are included: 2 cab pieces, 2 center pieces, 2 rear pieces, 4 splash guards (most models) and a hardware kit. **(NOTE: RockerFlare piece quantity may vary depending on model of vehicle.)**



**STEP-1:** Clean the rocker panel mounting area with alcohol wipes provided. The rocker panel condition and preparation is very important to get a good bond to the flares. The rocker panel area where the flare will mount should be free from dirt, rust, grease, and wax. Temperature must be at least 60 degrees.

**STEP-2:** Assemble splash guards to the tab on cab and rear flares using the #6 screws. (Smaller screws) **DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN!!** **(IMPORTANT NOTE: The hardware kit provided contains #6 and #10 screws. ONLY #6 screws should be used to attach the splashguards to the RockerFlare.)**



**STEP-3:** Before removing the tape cover, hold the assembled RockerFlare in the desired position. *(NOTE: C-clamps/soring clamps or vise grip pliers will hold flare in position on open rocker panels (center & rear). On closed rocker panels, you may need someone to help hold the flare in position.)* Determine if any obstacles are interfering with the installation, such as fender flares or nerf bars. The RockerFlares are easily trimmed with a jig saw. Depending on the make of your vehicle, RockerFlares are pre-notched for fender brace bolts. If the flares are not pre-notched, fender brace bolts should be removed while mounting the flares and then replaced by drilling a 7/16" hole through the plastic. *(NOTE: Vehicles with nerf bars or side steps should follow our nerf bar footplate cutout template instructions.)*



**STEP-4:** You should now be ready to install the RockerFlares. We suggest installing the rear set first. Remove tape cover then tack into position with very little pressure. If the position is correct, press firmly along mounting area. Make sure RockerFlares are NOT mounted on a bind; re-positioning of the RockerFlares can be made several times before firmly adhering the tape. Repeat this step on remaining flares. *(NOTE: lining up the cab and center flares is a key part of the installation. We recommend positioning the center piece (do not remove tape cover yet) with c-clamps or vice grips while mounting the cab piece. Use the center piece as a guide to determine how far out you want the RockerFlare. Mount the center piece last matching the position of the cab piece. (See the Additional Installation Instructions on page 4.)*



**STEP-5:** In most cases the RockerFlares will come with pre-drilled expansion holes, if this is the case, drill an 1/8" pilot hole (through the expansion hole in the plastic) into the sheet metal.



**STEP-6:** Apply a sealant (silicone adhesive) to the previously drilled pilot hole. This helps to seal the drilled hole.





**STEP-7:** Using a drill, with a Phillips head bit, run #10 screws into the 1/8" pilot holes previously drilled. **Do not over tighten.** **(NOTE: If the RockerFlares do not come with pre-drilled expansion holes, mount the flare and drill 1/8 inch holes spaced about 12 to 16 inches apart thru plastic and metal. Then follow with 1/4 inch holes just through the plastic to allow expansion and contraction. (This is very important).**

**INSTALLATION TIPS:** The center flares can be adjusted up and down to match the cab piece on most applications by simply using pliers to **GENTLY** flex the metal at the mounting area.



**STEP-8:** Mount the splash guards on the lip of the wheel well opening by drilling a 1/4 inch pilot hole through the plastic splash guard and metal. Apply sealant to holes and push a nylon retainer in firmly. **(NOTE: Rear tires may need to be removed to allow room for drill. It may also be possible to drill from the inside of the wheel well lip out (towards the tire). Front tires can simply be turned right or left to create more space for drill.)** **If you have factory or aftermarket mud flaps, the RockerFlares can easily be attached to them by drilling a 1/8 in pilot hole in the mud flap where the pre drilled screw hole is found on the RockerFlare tab. Run the #6 screw through the 1/8" pilot hole previously drilled in the mud flap, into the tab.**



Functional and good looks. "It's just not fished without a RockerFlare".

## **ADDITIONAL INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS**

**99-On Ford Superduty Pickups:** The cab set mounts to the pinch weld with ¼ inch bolts.

Mount the aluminum bracket to the pinch weld with ¼ inch bolts (there is just enough room for the bolts so the nuts will fit. It is helpful to C-clamp the aluminum bracket to the pinch weld during the installation. The bracket will hang down about ½ inch lower than the pinch weld). Mount the center and rear as per instructions; the RockerFlares will bow behind each wheel-well, which is normal.

**80-98 Ford Pickups:** Remove front wheel-well liner screw on the bottom and mount RockerFlares underneath it.

**73-79 Ford Pickups:** Mount the cab set to the inner frame flange with screws (provided) by drilling 1/8 inch holes thru the plastic and metal then follow with a ¼ inch hole just through the plastic to allow for expansion and contraction. There is a minimal mounting area. Mount the center and rear as per the instructions.

**88-On Chevy/GMC Pickups:** Mount the front set just to the outside of the front fender brace bolt, taper in at the rear to match the center.

**99-07 Classic Chevrolet/GMC:** Trimming or modifications of fender flares or RockerFlares are NOT required for use with Chevrolet/GMC factory fender flares.

**2007 Chevrolet/GMC new body style RockerFlares:** The 3 notched out sections of the RockerFlare on the cab pieces are for clearance around the factory drains. The notches are not intended to be used as a means of location/positioning of the flare. The notches may require additional trimming in depth and/or width to gain proper RockerFlare positioning on the truck. After the RockerFlare is attached to the truck with tape, before drilling, ensure that the flare is positioned properly. Open all doors to ensure that the flare is not positioned too far to the outside of the truck.

**89-On Toyota Pickups:** The RockerFlares will follow the rocker panels and the bow is normal. There is a minimal mounting area on the center pieces. Using the splash guards is optional. Most use the factory mud flaps and butt the RockerFlares up to them.

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