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2013-14 Ford C-Max (Includes Hybrid & Energi) Installation Instructions

Attachment Tab Height: 12"

Attachment Tab Width: 20"

Serial Number

Please read BOTH these Installation Instructions and the General Instructions prior to installing or operating this equipment.

- 1. Blue Ox® towing products and accessories are intended to be installed by Blue Ox® Dealers who are familiar with our products and have the equipment and knowledge necessary to do "fit work". If needed, Blue Ox® Dealers can be found at www.blueox.com or by contacting our Customer Care Department at (402) 385-3051.
- 2. Many Blue Ox® baseplates are designed to use existing holes and hardware to mount the baseplate to the towed vehicle. Even though bolts are there, do not assume they are adequate for baseplate mounting. Always use the hardware supplied in the hardware kit and existing hardware as specified in the installation instructions.



If the front of your vehicle looks different than this, please contact us at (402)385-3051.

Reference your vehicle owner's manual for manufacturer's towing specifications.

Bolt Torque Specifications Torque in Foot-Pounds for Inch Bolts

Bolt Size	Grade 5	Grade 8
1/4"	10	14
5/16"	19	29
3/8"	33	47
7/16"	54	78
1/2"	78	119
5/8"	154	230
3/4"	257	380

Bolt Torque Specifications

Torque in Foot-Pounds for Metric Bolts

Bolt Size	Grade 8.8	Grade 10.9
6MM	B 6 E V	8
8MM	16	22
10MM	31	40
12MM	54	70
14MM	89	117
16MM	161	230
18MM	222	318

VARNING

Failure to read and follow these instructions could result in separation of the towed vehicle from the tow bar, causing property damage, loss of towed vehicle, personal injury or death.

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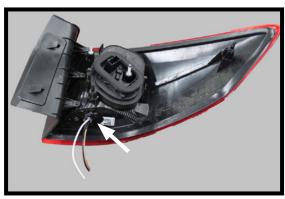
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Instruction Notes: The fascia, windshield washer fluid reservoir (Hybrid Only), headlights and horn are removed and reinstalled for the baseplate installation. Some drilling and trimming is required.

Place all components that are removed on a flat, sturdy surface. All items will be reinstalled unless otherwise noted after the baseplate is installed.

The dimensional variations between otherwise identical vehicles can be considerable. While the baseplate was designed for easy installation, it may be necessary to tailor the baseplate slightly to compensate for vehicle manufacturer's tolerances.

The BX8869 Tail Light Wiring Kit is recommended for this vehicle.



Drill a hole according to the tail light wiring kit instructions.

NOTICE

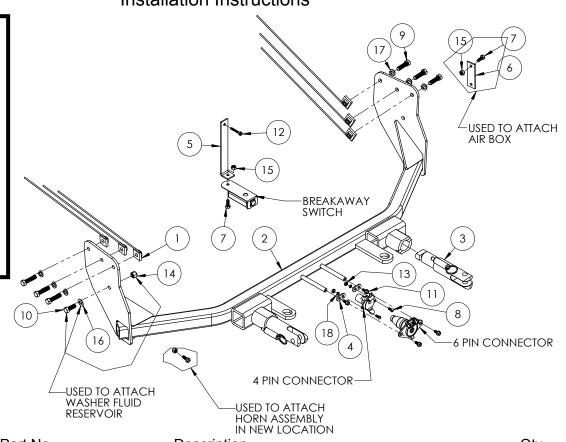
- Handling of some cosmetic parts when installing this product may require the use of protective covers, rags, specialty tools, etc. to prevent damage.
- When using power drills be aware of the dangers of torque and drill bit length.
- When using a reciprocating saw be aware of objects behind the cutting surface.
- Use a good quality paint to spray cut edges of frame to prevent rusting.
- Be sure that ALL electrical connections are plugged in and accessories are functioning properly before reinstalling the fascia.
- Do not use the towed vehicle for storing luggage, equipment, etc. This may cause you to exceed the towing capacity of the tow bar, baseplate and its accessories.
- Be sure to use Loctite® Red on all bolts before tightening. Tighten all bolts according to the torque chart provided.
- Dealer or installer be certain the user receives these instruction sheet.
- If the baseplate is in an accident, it must be replaced. **DO NOT** use it again! An accident can cause unseen damage and using it again could result in more damage or serious injury. **DO NOT** use the baseplate if it is damaged or missing parts.

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Tools Required

Large Vise Grip Flat Screwdriver Utility Knife Torque Wrench Drill Tape Measure Loctite® RED 13/32" Drill Bit 1-1/4" Hole Saw T27 Torx 8MM Socket 10MM Socket 7/16" Socket 7/16" Wrench 9/16" Socket 9/16" Wrench



Item No.	Part No.	Description	Qty.
1	61-5208	3/8"-16 Nut Plate w/14" Wire	6
2	61-7104	BX2639 Baseplate	1
3	62-3468	Attachment Tab Assembly with Hole	2
4	101-5822	4-Way Adapter	2
5	102-7282	Breakaway Bracket	1
6	102-7419	1/8" Attachment Plate	1
8	201-0192	#10-32 x 1/2" Slot Round Head Screw	1
7	201-0050	1/4"-20 x 3/4" Hex Head Bolt, Grade 5, ZP	2
9	201-0440	3/8"-16 x 1-1/2" Hex Head Bolt, Grade 5, ZP	6
10	201-0443	3/8"-16 x 1" Hex Head Bolt, Grade 5, ZP	1
11	201-0553	1/4"-20 x 1/2" Hex Wshd Type F TCS, ZP	2
12	201-0654	#10-16 x 1" Self Drilling Screw	1
13	202-0047	#10-32 Hex Nut	2
14	202-0090	3/8"-16 Hex Nylon Lock Nut, ZP	1
15	202-0102	1/4"-20 Hex Nylon Nut, ZP	3
16	203-0003	3/8" Flat Washer, ZP	1
17	203-0010	3/8" Lock Washer, ZP	6
18		#10 Lock Washer	
19	226-0046(not shown)	Class III Safety Cables	2
20	229-0359(not shown)	3/8" Quicklink, ZP	2
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Important:

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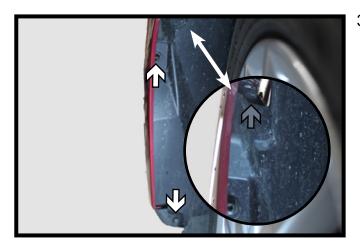
Use only genuine factory replacement parts on your baseplate. Do **NOT** substitute homemade or non-typical parts. If a bolt is lost or in need of replacement, for your safety and the preservation of your baseplate, be sure to use a replacement bolt of the same grade (In most cases it will be Grade 5, please reference the parts list above). Replacement parts may be ordered through your nearest Blue Ox® Dealer or Distributor. Failing to follow and/ or altering these installation instructions in either installation or required equipment will void the manufacturer's warranty. Towing behind a non-motorized vehicle will void the warranty.



 Remove the two (2) push pins from the top back edge of the fascia. Do this on both sides of vehicle.

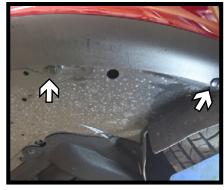


Using a T27 Torx, remove the inner screw behind the headlight from the fascia. Do this on both sides of the vehicle.



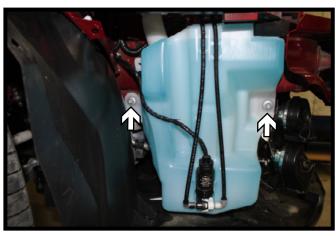
3. Using a T27 Torx, remove the two (2) screws from the outer edge of the wheel well (white). Above the screws where the fascia meets the fender remove the push pin (gray). Do this on both sides of the vehicle.







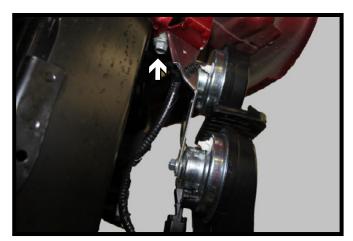
4. On the underside of the fascia, remove the two (2) push pins from the center (left). Then remove the four (4) remaining push pins, two (2) on either side of the center push pins (middle). Pull the corners of the fascia out and forward to unclip and remove from the vehicle (right).



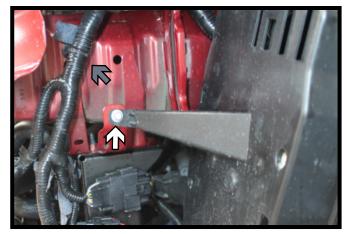
 On the passenger side, using a 10MM socket, remove the two (2) screws from the washer fluid reservoir. Disconnect lines and set reservoir aside.



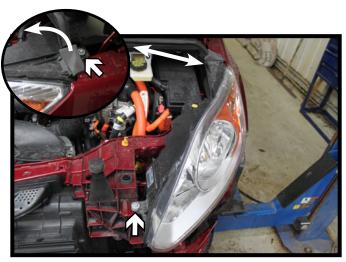
5. **Energi Only:** On the passenger side, using a 10MM socket, remove the screw from the bracket for baseplate installation clearance.



Using a 10MM socket, remove the screw from the backside of the horn bracket and set the horn assembly aside.



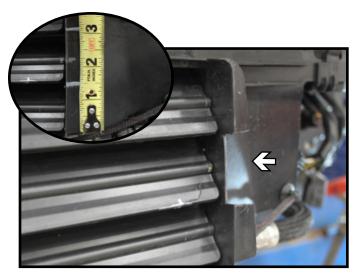
7. On the driver side of vehicle, using an 8MM socket, remove the screw from the air box. Then bend the metal tab away from the vehicle for baseplate clearance (white). Also remove the wire loom from the frame and push aside (gray).



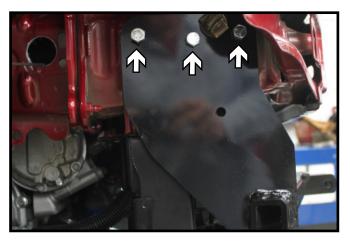
8. Using a T27 Torx, remove the two (2) screws from the front and back of the headlight. Lift up on the rear of headlight to release and unhook the wiring. Set the headlight aside. Do this on both sides of the vehicle.



 Behind the headlights, unclip the wiring loom to expose the existing hole. Using a 1-1/4" hole saw, drill the existing hole for access to install the baseplate nut plate. Do this on both sides of the vehicle.



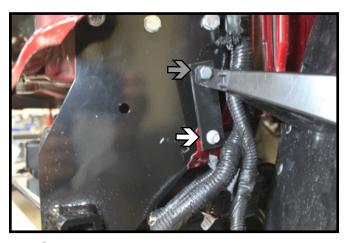
10. Hold up the baseplate to the vehicle and mark the shutter for cutting. The dimensions should be roughly 1-1/2" from the bottom and 3-1/4" to top of the cut. Trim both ends of the shutter to clear the baseplate.



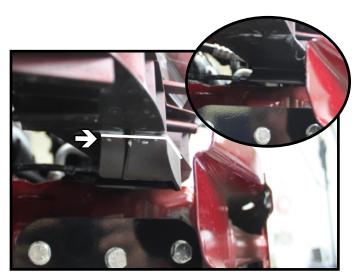
11. Using the existing holes in the frame, bolt the baseplate to the vehicle with the 3/8"-16 x 1-1/2" bolts and 3/8" nut plates. Ream out the holes if necessay for bolt clearance. Do this on both sides of the vehicle. Make sure baseplate is level before tightening down fasteners.



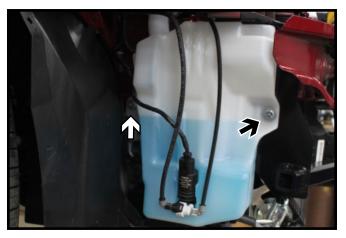
 Plug in and reinstall the headlights on both the driver and passenger sides. Secure any loose wiring.



13. On the driver side, install the attachment plate to the existing tab, using the existing bolt (white). Bend the tab back to it's original position, then connect the air box to the attachment plate with a 1/4"-20 x 3/4" bolt and 1/4" nylon nut (gray). Secure any loose wiring.



14. On the passenger side, trim the plastic flange above the baseplate for clearance of the washer fluid reservoir.



15. On the passenger side, reinstall the washer fluid reservoir. Reuse one (1) of the existing screws on left side (white). Then a 3/8"-16 x 1" bolt, 3/8" flat washer and 3/8" lock nut on the right side (black).

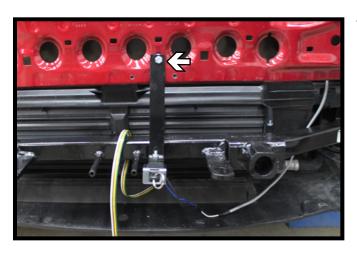


16. **Energi Only:** On the passenger side, reinstall the bracket bolt thru the existing hole in the baseplate.



17. On the passenger side, reinstall the horn assembly to the vehicle. Use one of the existing holes on the frame below the baseplate with a 1/4"-20 x 3/4" bolt and 1/4" nylon nut.

Attach the permanent baseplate safety cables to the provided convenience link on the baseplate. The photo shows the recommended installation of the cables to frame of vehicle. Additional options may interfere with suggested mounting; in this case, secure the cables to a solid piece of the frame as described in the instructions included with the permanent baseplate safety cables. Be sure the safety cables do not rub against any hoses or moving parts. Do this on **BOTH** sides of the vehicle.



18. Optional: Install the breakaway bracket to the metal bumper with a #10-16 x 1" Self Drilling screw (white). Attach the breakaway to the bracket with a 1/4"-20 x 3/4" bolt and 1/4" lock nut.



19. Hold the fascia up to the vehicle as close to it's original position. Mark and trim the fascia as needed to clear the baseplate.



20. Reinstall the fascia to the vehicle.

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Additionally, please visit our website to see which rallies our Destination America team will be attending. For a nominal fee, our service technician will service your towing system to ensure it's in proper working condition. Also, as a commitment to our customers, should you visit our factory, you can stay at our full service Blue Ox® campground at no charge along with enjoying a factory tour.

Again, thank you for being our customer and for the confidence you have shown in the performance of our products. It is because of customers like you we enjoy the success we have today.