# BLUE OX®

#### **BX2169**

2004-08 Ford F150 (No Heritage/FX2) 2007 F150 XLT Super Cab 2007 Ford Lariat Super Crew Installation Instructions

installing or operating this equipment.

Attachment Tab Height: 14-1/2"

Attachment Tab Width: 29-1/4"

## Please read BOTH these Installation Instructions and the General Instructions prior to

- 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 Metric Bolts

Bolt Size	Grade 8.8	Grade 10.9
6MM	6	8
8MM	16	22
10MM	31	40
12MM	54	70
14MM	89	117

### Bolt Torque Specifications

Torque in Foot-Pounds for Inch Bolts

<b>Bolt Size</b>	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

## **WARNING**

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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**Instruction Notes:** The tow hooks are removed and are not 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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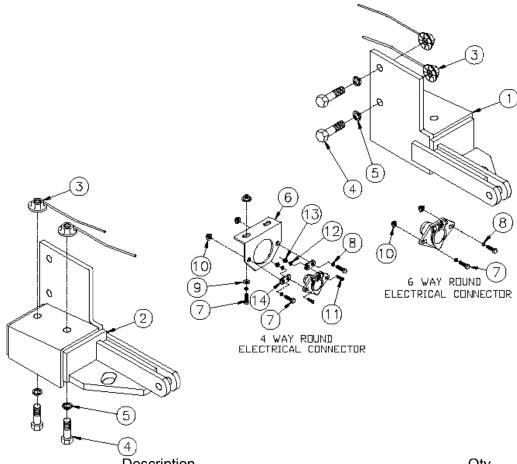
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#### **Tools Required**

Large Vise Grip Torque Wrench Drill Tape Measure Loctite® RED 17/32" Drill Bit 15MM Socket 3/4" Socket 3/4" Wrench



Item No.	Part No.	Description	Qty.
1	61-5979	BX2169, DS, Baseplate	1
2	61-5980	BX2129, PS, Baseplate	1
3	61-4029	1/2"-13 Nut w/ 10" Wire	8
4	201-0068	1/2"-13 x 1-3/4" Hex Head Bolt, Grade 5, ZP	8
5	203-0012	1/2" Lock Washer, ZP	8
6	101-6135	Electrical Bracket	1
7	201-0569	1/4"-20 x 3/4" Hex Head Bolt, Grade 5, ZP	1
8	203-0008	1/4" Lock Washer, ZP	4
9	203-0001	1/4" Flat Washer, ZP	2
		1/4"-20 Hex Whiz Lock Nut, ZP	
11	201-0192	#10-32 1/2" Round Slotted Head Screw	2
12	203-0054	#10 Lock Washer, ZP	2
		#10-32 Hex Nut	
14	101-5822	4 Way Connector Adapter	2
		Class IV Safety Cables	
		1/2" Quicklink, ZP	

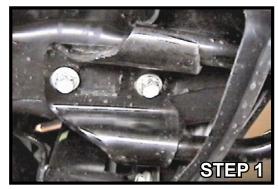
#### **Important:**

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.

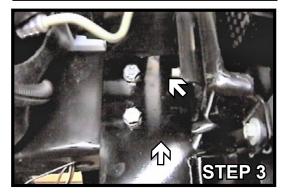
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- Remove the two (2) bolts from the bottom side of tow hooks using a 15MM socket, on both sides. Factory tow hooks will not be reinstalled. 2006 models without towhooks will be required to trim fascia covering the towhook openings.
- Align the baseplates with the holes for tow hooks and reinstall existing bolts using existing nut plate. If tow hooks were not available with your vehicle, insert wire nuts into the opening on frame to align with existing holes on bottom of frame, install 1/2" bolts and lock washers.
- 3. Using the baseplate as a template, drill the remaining holes with the 17/32" drill bit. Insert wire nuts into opening on frame to align with drilled holes and install 1/2"-13 x 1-3/4" bolts and lock washers.
- 4. Attach the permanent baseplate safety cables to the provided convenience link on the baseplate. 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.

#### **CUSTOMER SERVICE COMMITMENT**

Blue Ox® is committed to providing you with exceptional customer care throughout your lifetime with our products. Our team is here to assist you with any questions you may have regarding the performance of your product. Simply call (402) 385-3051 and you can speak with our customer care team.

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.

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