13331 INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

YEARS: 2018-PRESENT  MAKE: AUDI  MODEL: Q5  STYLE: SUV

WARNING: NEVER EXCEED YOUR VEHICLE MANUFACTURER’S RECOMMENDED TOWING CAPACITY
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WEIGHT CARRYING: TRAILER WEIGHT: 5,000 LBS.
TONGUE WEIGHT: 750 LBS.

PRO INSTALL TIME: 60 MIN.
NOVICE INSTALL TIME: 120 MIN.

IF YOU ARE HESITANT TO UNDERTAKE THIS TASK ON YOUR OWN, CONTACT AN AUTHORIZED CURT INSTALLER FOR ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE.

INSTALLATION REQUIRES:

- Ratchet
- Torque Wrench
- 6" Socket Extension
- 10mm 16mm Socket
- T20 Torx Bit Socket
- T25 Torx Bit Socket
- Panel Removal Tool
- Masking Tape
- Aviation Shears
- Safety Glasses

INSTALLATION TIPS:
1. BEFORE YOU BEGIN INSTALLATION, READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY.
2. TO EASE INSTALLATION, 2 PEOPLE MAY BE REQUIRED.
3. USING PROPER TOOLS WILL GREATLY IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF THE INSTALL AND REDUCE THE TIME REQUIRED.
4. NEED HELP OR HAVE SOME QUESTIONS? CALL TECHNICAL SUPPORT AT 800.798.0813

LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY: CHALLENGING

EASY MODERATE CHALLENGING

NO DRILLING REQUIRED

TEMPORARILY REMOVE BUMPER FASCIA AND BUMPER BEAM

TRIMMING REQUIRED

PERIODICALLY CHECK THIS RECEIVER HITCH TO ENSURE ALL FASTENERS ARE TIGHT AND ALL STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS ARE SOUND

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INSTALLATION WALKTHROUGH:

1. Remove (4) screws from the bottom of the bumper fascia and (2) screws from the bottom inside of the wheel well, (1) in each wheel well, using a T25 torxbit socket.

2. Pull away wheel well lining to reveal (6) screws, (3) on each side, and remove using a T25 torxbit socket.

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3. Pull away wheel well trim to reveal screw and remove using a T25 torxbit socket. Open liftgate to reveal (2) screws. Remove using T20 torxbit socket.

4. Remove trunk floor and use plastic pry tool to remove trunk edge trim starting from the side.

5. On the inside of the trunk locate (2) rubber plugs, (1) on either side, and use the pry tool to remove plugs to access (2) nuts, (1) on either side, and remove using 10mm socket.

6. Remove access panel on either side of trunk and locate (2) nuts, (1) on either side, and remove using a 10mm socket.

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7. Gentley remove bumper fascia starting from the sides and working towards rear of car. Set aside for later reinstallation. Locate (8) M10 bolts on the bumper beam and remove using a 16mm socket. Remove bumper beam and bumper beam bracket.

8. Raise hitch into position along with the bumper beam and bumper beam bracket and secure with hardware removed from step 7. Torque M10 hardware to 45 ft-lbs.

9. Temporarily unhook the kick sensor wire from the clips. Using masking tape, mark out the 3.25” section in-between the center sensor clips and trim using aviation shears. Reinstall bumper fascia to vehicle following step 7 in reverse order and reattach the kick sensor wire. Follow steps 1-6 in reverse order to complete installation.

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TOWING SAFETY INFORMATION

Gross Trailer Weight / GTW
The Gross Trailer Weight is the weight of the trailer & cargo. Measure this by putting the fully loaded trailer on a vehicle scale.

Tongue Weight / TW
The downward force that is exerted on the hitch ball by the coupler. The tongue weight will vary depending on where the load is positioned in relation to the trailer axle(s). To measure the tongue weight, use either a commercial scale or a bathroom scale with the coupler at towing height. When using a bathroom scale with heavier tongue weights, use the method shown and multiply the scale reading by 3.

Weight Carrying / WC
The total weight of both the trailer and the cargo inside. Never exceed the weight capacity of your trailer hitch.

Weight Distribution / WD
Used to balance the weight of the cargo between the front and rear wheels throughout the trailer, allowing for better steering, braking, and level riding.

Sway Control
A device used to reduce the lateral movements of the trailer that are caused by the wind. This works in conjunction with a weight distribution hitch. Do not use this on a class 1 or 2 hitch, or with surge brakes.

How Much Can You Safely Tow?

Ball Mount
The ball mount is placed inside the opening of the receiver hitch which is mounted to the vehicle. Make sure a hitch pin and clip is properly securing the ball mount to the receiver hitch before you begin towing.

- A: Rise, B: Drop, C: Hole Size, D: Length.

Trailer Ball
The connection from the hitch to the trailer. There are many factors that determine the correct hitch ball.

- Number one is the hitch ball's gross trailer weight rating.
- The mounting platform must be at least 3/8" thick.
- The hole diameter must not be more than 1/16" larger than the threaded shank.
- Every time you tow, check the nut and lock washer to make sure they are fastened securely.

- A: Ball Dia, B: Shank Length, C: Shank Dia, D: Shank Rise.

Coupler
The component that is placed over the trailer ball to connect the vehicle to the trailer. Be sure that the coupler size matches the size of the hitch ball and that the coupler handle is securely fastened. To determine what size hitch ball you need for your application you will need to know the size of coupler that is on the trailer. Be sure your coupler is properly adjusted to the ball you are using.

NOTE: For added security the use of safety devices such as Coupler Safety Pins and Locks is strongly recommended.

Safety Chains
Safety chains are a requirement and should be crossed under the tongue of the trailer so that the tongue will not drop to the ground if it becomes separated from the hitch. Always leave enough slack so you can turn. Never allow the safety chains to drag on the ground and never attach the chains to the bumper.

Trailer Classification: Safety Chain Breaking Force - Minimum

Class 1: 2,000 lbs. (8.9 kN)
Class 2: 3,500 lbs. (15.6 kN)
Class 3: 5,000 lbs. (22.2 kN)

The strength rating of each length of safety chain or its equivalent and its attachments shall be equal to or exceed in minimum breaking force the GVWR (Gross Vehicle Weight Rating) of the trailer.

Electrical
Trailer lights, Electric Brakes, Break-away systems - Every time you tow, be sure to check that all components are working properly.

Wiring Identification by color:

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HITCH WEIGHT: 36 LBS.
INSTALL TIME
- PROFESSIONAL: 60 MINUTES
- NOVICE (DIY): 120 MINUTES
INSTALL NOTES:
- NO DRILLING REQUIRED
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- TRIMMING REQUIRED

INSTALLATION STEPS

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