



**BX2123 Installation Instructions
1993-96 Nissan Quest
1993-00 Mercury Villager**

These vehicles weigh over 3500 lbs and require a Class III (5000 lb) rated tow bar, hitch, and accessories. Utilization of Blue Ox baseplates with any tow bar not approved by Automatic Equipment Mfg. Company invalidates the limited warranty.

1. Read the General Instruction Sheet included with this baseplate.
2. The baseplate mounts to the front underside of the car using six bolts supplied with the kit.
3. Just behind the bumper on the outside of the frame are two tie down brackets used to secure the vehicle during shipping. Each bracket is mounted to the frame with three bolts. Remove both tie down brackets and set them and their bolts aside.
4. The side mounts of the baseplate mount where the tie down brackets were. Use the 10mm bolts, lock washers, and flat washers supplied to bolt the baseplate to the vehicle. Use Loctite on the bolts before starting them.
5. When all bolts are started, push the baseplate up as far as possible and tighten the bolts completely.
6. The dimensional variations between otherwise identical cars can be considerable. While the location and size of the holes in the baseplate were designed to allow for easy installation, it may be necessary to file a hole slightly to allow a bolt to clear.
7. Install the tow bar and safety cables according to the instructions included in their packages.
8. Do not substitute other devices if the tow bar pin and clip are lost.
9. DEALER OR INSTALLER: BE CERTAIN THE USER RECEIVES THE INSTRUCTION SHEET.

Tools Required

14mm Wrench

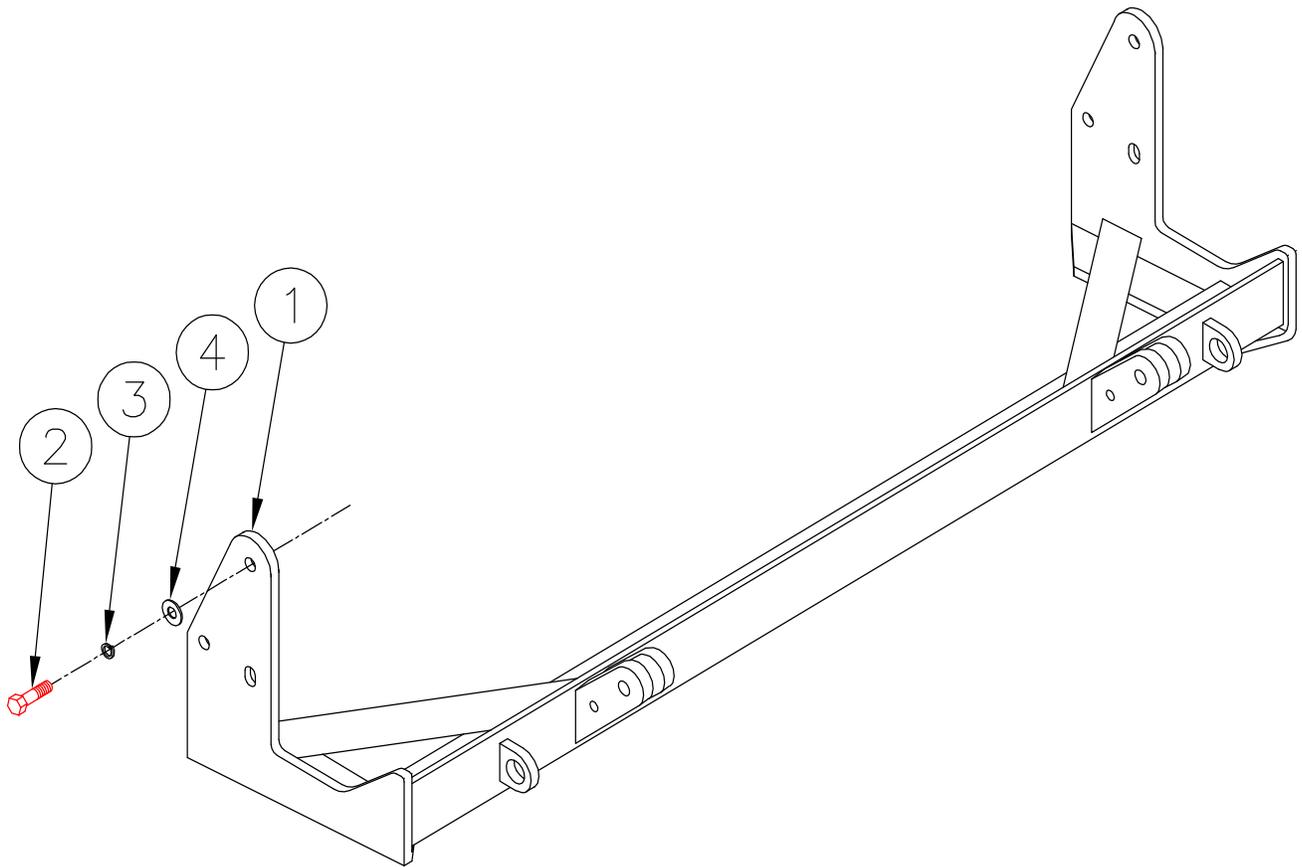
17mm Wrench

Loctite Blue

Automatic

Parts List

Ref. No.	Qty.	Part No.	Description
1	1	61-4782	Weldment, Baseplate, BX2123
2	6	201-0423	10mm-1.25 x 35mm Bolt, Grade 8.8
3	6	203-0104	10mm Lock Washer
4	6	203-0003	3/8" Flat Washer



General Information

1. Ensure that your product(s) are registered online at www.blueox.com. It is crucial to register your product(s) so that you may be alerted of product offerings, updates, upgrades, maintenance and safety bulletins, and/or recalls.
2. **It is the owner's responsibility to inspect all towing equipment for cracked welds, missing or worn parts and loose bolts before each towing trip.** Be sure to use Loctite® Red on all bolts and tighten to the recommended specifications.
3. **It is the owner's responsibility to hook up all towing equipment per manufacturer's instructions/recommendations.**
4. Remove the attachment tabs when not in use (if applicable).

Notice To Baseplate Installer

1. It is YOUR responsibility to watch for:

- Oil cooler and air conditioner lines
- Electrical wires and hoses
- Missing parts or attaching points on the frame

** If the baseplate is improperly installed and is against a wire or hose, it could cause fluid leaks or electrical shorts some time after the actual baseplate installation.

Permanent Baseplate Safety Cable Installation

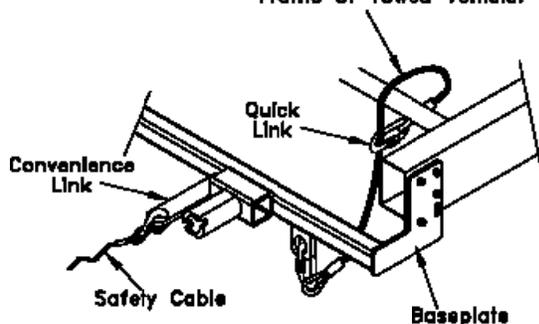
Permanent baseplate safety cables are strongly recommended when towing a vehicle with a tow bar. The principle function of the permanent baseplate safety cables is to prevent the towed vehicle from breaking loose in the event the connection between the frame of the towed vehicle and the baseplate fails or becomes disconnected. The cables must be connected from the baseplate to the frame rail or cross member of the vehicle's frame. The illustrations below show the possible arrangements recommended by Blue Ox®. Each permanent baseplate safety cable must have an adequate weight rating for the towing system. The weight rating of the two (2) cables together will not qualify.

Do not mount the permanent baseplate safety cables against wires, hoses or brake lines.

These permanent baseplate safety cables should remain installed as long as the baseplate is installed on the vehicle. Permanent baseplate safety cables are to be used in conjunction with, and NOT a replacement for legally required safety cables attaching the towed vehicle to the towing vehicle.

OPTION #1

Permanent Baseplate Safety Cables to Cross Member or Frame of Towed Vehicle.



OPTION #2

Permanent Baseplate Safety Cables to Cross Member or Frame of Towed Vehicle.

