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2005 + Xterra Gas Tank Skid - Installation Instructions:

Thank you for your purchase. We are confident you will enjoy it for many years and it will serve you good. If you have any questions about the installation, please let us know.

Prep Work

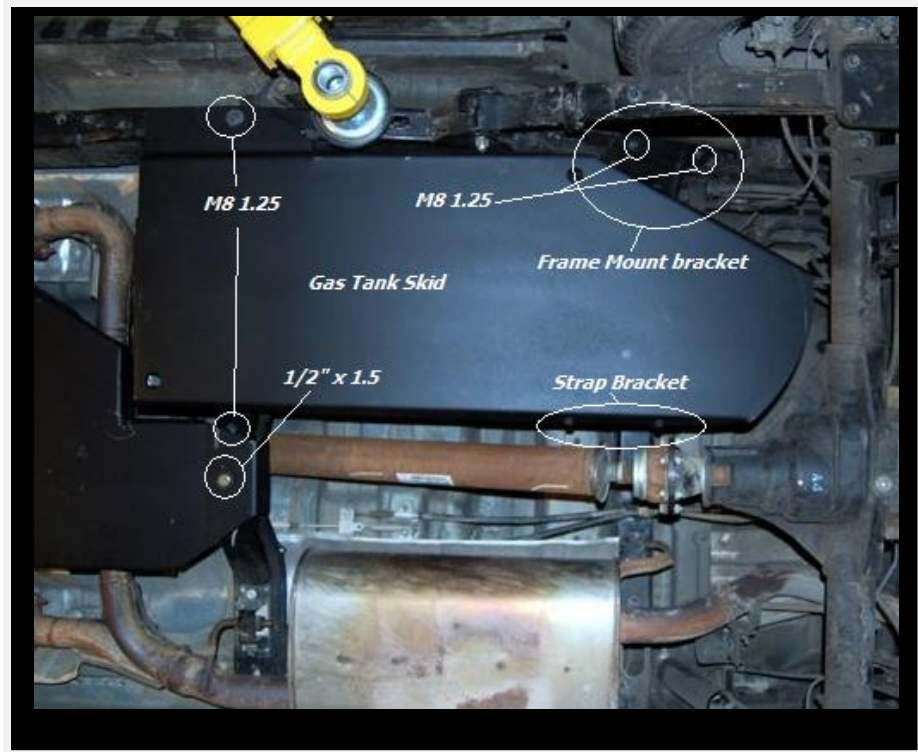
1. Paint or powder coat the skid plate before installing it. There is a coat of primer over the welds.
2. Clean them very well with a coarse/medium 80-100 sand paper and then with a light solvent.
3. Prime the skid – one light coat (but better follow the manufactures specs) – Dupli-Color or Rust Oleum works
4. Apply Paint or Bedliner
5. Let it dry overnight in a well ventilated area.

Included Parts:

- 1 - Skid Plate
- 4 - M8x1.25x30 Bolts
- 6 – 3/8" – 16 x 3/4" Bolts
- 1 - 1/2"-20x 1/2" Bolts
- 1 - Hex Nut 1/2"-20
- 1 - 1/2" lock washers
- 1 - 1/2" Washers

Tools Required:

- 19mm Socket
- 17mm Socket
- 13mm Socket
- 14mm Socket
- Socket extension



Installation:

It is recommended to start installing in this order: Gas Tank – T-case – Transmission – Engine – Radiator. If you have a chance – remove the rear driver side tire.

Place Floor Jack under the back side of the gas tank – right on the metal belt holding the tank

Do not force to lift the jack.

Unscrew the bolt that support the gas tank on the back and insert the support supplied with your skid plate



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SET IT LOOSE

Take the skid plate and add the small bracket using the 3/8 bolts. SET IT LOOSE

Center of the **Skid Plate**, roll it under the gas tank and lift it in place. Make sure that the long bracket goes **INSIDE** the tray – secure that with 3/8" screws

Secure the front bracket with the M8 (SET IT LOOSE) bolt and should look like this:



Secure the skid in place by adding the other M8 on the side of the skid driver side (SET IT LOOSE)
Install the last bracket – it works better if the rear driver tire is off – as shows in picture

Use M8's for the top and 3/8" for the bottom

Center the skid – look for parallel lines and start tightening the bolts.

