

## 08-10 Nose Conversion Installation Instructions



### Necessary Conversion Parts (NOT included)

#### All Parts for 2008-2010 Nose can be OEM or Aftermarket

- Headlights (some years may need bulb socket from 08+)
- Hood
- Fenders (Left and Right)
- Grill and Bracket
  - If a non open grill or grill inserts are used you will need a 08-10 hood latch assembly with cable, some fabrication required.
- Front Bumper and Bracket (installation not shown)
- 08-10 Wiper cowl, Wiper motor, wiper transmission and linkage, wipers and possible wiring. (This kit Does not include instructions on 08-10 Cowl installation)

### Necessary Tools

- Metric Rivet Cert Gun (Astro 1427 Recommended)
- Drill
- Drill Bits: 3/16", 11/32", 9/32", 1/2"
- Cut off tool w/ 3" disk
- Sawzall or Grinder (cutting)
- Chalk or Marker

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### **Removing Old Nose**

1. Remove Hood, grill, left & right fenders, Headlights and headlight support. Be sure to remove hood first, then grill, then remove plastic wiper cowl.
  - a. Note: It is not necessary to separate and label factory hardware. Save factory hardware in a safe place/container for future use. Use factory bolts at your discretion to create the cleanest factory look. Placement and hardware length is not critical to the project.
2. Make sure to remove and save factory hood stops/Hood height adjusters from radiator support; be sure to include plastic clips.
3. Remove bolts from hood latch and hang from attached cable.

### **Preparing Truck for New Nose**

4. Trim 2" from the protruding lip off the factory upper fender support on cab, both left and right sides.
5. On each fender support left and right, Drill out the center hole of the three factory fender bolts.



6. Locate 3 threaded inserts on top of each fender that holds the fender on the cab. Using a 1/2" drill bit, Drill out center insert leaving a 1/2" open hole.

### **Hood Hinges**

7. Loosen up the two factory bolts that mount the hinges to the fender rails. Slide the hood as far forward as possible, retighten bolts.
8. Using Provided template. Notch hood Hinges where they bolt to the hood to match template (oblong holes approximately 1/4" – 1/2" Forward on most models). This allows you to move the hood forward towards the front of the truck.

### **Radiator Support Notching For Headlights**

9. Using template #3 (Drivers Side Headlight Template) and template #4 (Passengers Side Headlight Template) Line up template and insert 2 factory bolts in labeled holes, make sure template is pressed firmly against radiator support.



10. Trace out areas with chalk or white marker.
11. Remove templates and cut out marked areas using a cut off tool (wiz Wheel) or (Saw Zall). Be very careful not to damage any factory components or wiring, Especially ABS pump and windshield washer tank while making the Cut. A 3" Cut off wheel is strongly recommended for this reason.



12. Drill Pilot holes with 11/32" drill bit if inserting Rivet Certs (Nuts and Bolts can also be used with washers in no rivet gun in available. Regular Aluminum rivets also create a clean look. Rivet Certs are Strongly Recommended for ease of installation and removal).



## **Installation**

13. Using Brackets #1 and #2 (supplied fender brackets) install factory hood stop in front hole. Install the lower hood piston mount in center hole on top of the bracket. Passenger Side Pictured)



14. Place 2 supplied fender brackets on top of the radiator support/ Fender on each side as shown, lining up bolt holes over factory holes. Install factory bolt in rear factory hole, Install supplied 1 1/4" bolt in front fender hole and hand tighten.
15. Using a 3/16" drill bit; drill a pilot hole through the remaining forward hole next to hood adjuster through bracket into top layer of radiator support.



16. Remove both brackets by removing bolts that were hand tightened.
17. Drill pilot hole with 11/32" drill bit for Rivet Certs and install Certs, one on each side of vehicle (nuts and bolts can also be used with washers if no rivet gun is available. Regular Aluminum rivets also great a clean look. Rivet Certs are Strongly Recommended for ease of installation and removal).

18. Hood latch bracket installation (Bracket Pictured Below)



19. Remove two factory radiator support bolts on both sides of the hood latch, on the front of the radiator support that supports the two 45 degree angle braces. Place new hood latch bracket on front of radiator support, lining up holes where two bolts were just removed (pictured). Slide new hood latch bracket onto front of radiator support and place the two bolts you just removed through the inner two holes and thread through radiator support. (pictured)

20. Using a 9/32" drill bit, Drill two pilot holes through the front of the hood latch bracket and single layer



of radiator support.

21. Remove bracket by loosening bolts and removing

22. Re-Drill the two pilot holes through the front of the radiator support with an 11/32" drill bit and insert supplied rivet certs (nuts and bolts can also be used with washers if no rivet gun is available. Regular Aluminum rivets also great a clean look. Rivet Certs are Strongly Recommended for ease of installation and removal).

23. Reinstall brackets using the two factory bolts for the inner 45 degree angle supports and any two factory bolts in the outer drilled holes.

24. Attach factory hood latch to the center section using bolts that are supplied on the bracket. (NOTE: when attaching hood latch to the hood latch bracket use a washer on each side of the hood latch)



25. Depending on what grill is used in your installation, there are two methods to install the hood safety latch.

- a. With any open grill (XL Models) all you have to do is bend the lever down as pictured above. This allows you to reach through the grill and release hood.
- b. Using a solid grill, or grill inserts, the 08-10 factory Ford uses a cable and latch mounted to a lower hood stop. If this is the grill style you are using you need to either custom make a cable release (rod release) or you need to adapt the 08-10 factory latch setup (factory 08-10 lower grill brackets where hood release lever is attached cannot be used on this conversion due to distance between radiator support and grill, custom fabrication required).

26. Reinstall left and right fender brackets starting with bolt closest to hood height adjuster (hand tighten to hold brackets in place).



27. Using brackets #4 and #5 insert  $\frac{3}{4}$ " – 1" factory bolt into face of insert. Attach bracket #4 to driver's side fender and bracket #5 to passenger side fender by placing brackets into fender mounts and hand tightening. (As pictured)



28. Hang each fender using a factory bolt (hand tighten) in rear hole and 1 1/4" bolt and washer in front hole (hand tighten).
29. Place two factory bolts on bottom rear of fender into rocker panel (hand tighten) repeat opposite side.
30. After both fenders are installed loosely you can begin installation of the hood.
31. Installer must use best judgment to shim hood and fenders. Shims may be placed under fenders and or brackets or behind the bolts, anywhere adjustments may be required to achieve desired look with body panel alignment. There are no for final fit shimming. Every truck is different. NOTE: supplied washers may be used in place of factory shims. Do not expect factory shims to remain in same locations or to be used at all. You may need more or less again every truck is different.
32. Once installer is satisfied with hood and fender alignment, brackets #4 and #5 can now be attached to cab. Open door, loosen each bracket slightly and push against cab. This bracket is in place to keep fender from being pushed in.

33. Bolting on the fender bracket:

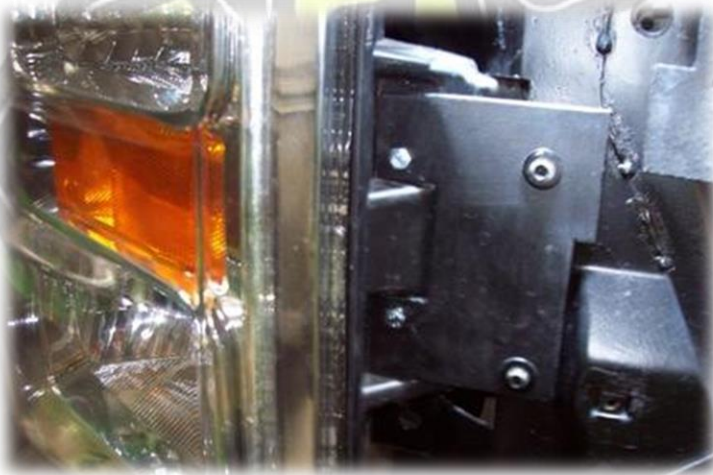
- a. Option A: with door fully opened installer can use a drill to install two supplied  $\frac{3}{4}$ " #8 self-tappers (5/16" head) attaching bracket to cab.
- b. Option B: with door fully opened, installer can scribe or mark holes, remove fender and bracket, then with a drill install self-tappers in marked areas. Reinstall bracket, then Reinstall fender.

### **Headlight Assembly**

The entire bracket needs to be trimmed off the side of the headlights where marked (see pictures) mark off with straight edge and remove.



34. Install the headlight into the front of fender. Place bracket over the headlight and radiator support like pictured below. Now you can line up the headlight to installers liking and drill the two holes into the radiator support then install rivet certs.(nuts and bolts can be used)



35. Tighten bolts snugly. Two remaining holes in bracket can be drilled through into plastic headlight with  $\frac{9}{32}$ " drill bit.



36. Using supplied nuts and bolts, install 1" bolts and washer from backside.

37. It is strongly recommended that installer recheck body lines and alignments of sheet metal. Everything should be fit how installer likes at this point. Once installer is content with fit, install hood pistons, grill, and inner fender wells. Once done this kit is completely installed

Bumper install is up to the installer. Frame can be notched like pic below or the inside of bumper can be notched to fit. This is up to the installer!

