



# ASSEMBLY MANUAL

'73-'96 F SERIES SHORT BED

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## STEP 1

Be sure all of the parts are in the box:

- (1) Front Rail w/cover, corners and snaps
- (1) Rear Rail w/corners and snaps
- (2) Side Rails w/snaps
- (2) Bows
- (4) Large Brackets (w/rubber tipped legs)
- (4) Small Brackets (w/o rubber tipped legs)
- (8) Silver Spacers w/nuts and bolts
- (1) 5/16" Allen Wrench
- (4) Thumb Screws w/nuts
- (2) Extra Snaps
- (2) Extra Rubber Bumpers

FIG. 2



## STEP 4

Insert the thumb screws into the corner pieces of the end rails as shown in FIGURE 3.

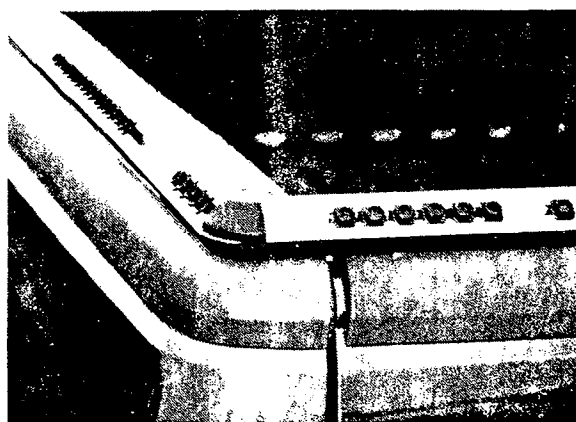
FIG. 3



## STEP 5

Insert the end rail into the side rails as shown in FIGURE 4. Tighten the thumb screws to fasten the side and rear rails together.

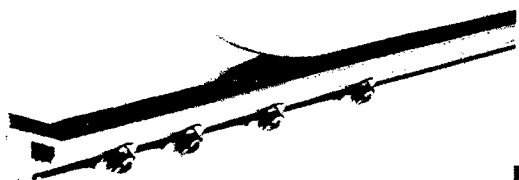
FIG. 4



## STEP 2

Remove the paper backing from the side rails as shown in FIGURE 1. (**VERY IMPORTANT: FAILURE TO REMOVE THE PAPER MAY CAUSE DAMAGE TO THE PICKUP'S BED SURFACE.**)

FIG. 1



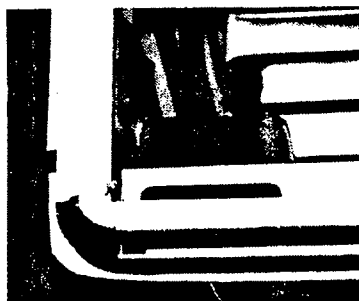
## STEP 3

Lay the side rails on the pickup bed. (NOTE: THE RAILS ARE MARKED DRIVER AND PASSENGER SIDE.) Disassemble the spacer assemblies as shown in FIGURE 2. Insert 4 nuts from the spacer assemblies in each side rail and slide to match "BRACKET \* PLACE-MENT" on the rails.

## STEP 6

To insure proper installation, adjust the rear rail so it most closely resembles FIGURE 5.

FIG. 5



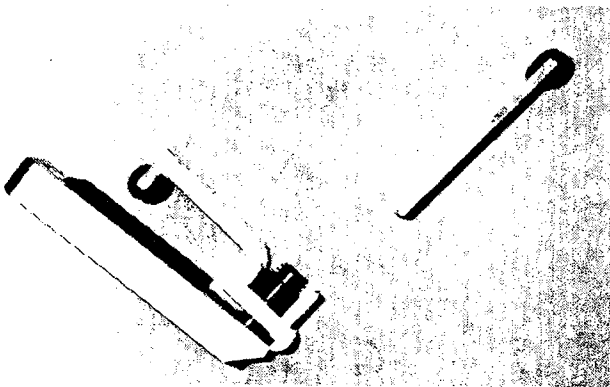
### STEP 7

Loosen the bolts on the brackets as shown in FIGURE 6. Attach the brackets to the bed where the side rails are

m a r k e d  
"BRACKET \*  
PLACEMENT."  
The small brackets attach at the front and rear marks. The large brackets attach at the two centermarks. ( N O T E :  
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FIG. 6 STALLING  
WITH A FORD

BEDLINER, THE LEGS ON THE LARGE BRACKETS WILL NEED TO BE REMOVED AT THE SCORE MARK AS SHOWN IN FIGURE 7.)



### STEP 8

Position the spacers between the side rails and brackets, foam tape down. Insert the bolts through the brackets and spacers and into the nuts. Once you have started all the bolts, check to see

that the rear rail is still in the proper position. Then tighten all of the bolts as shown in FIGURE 8.



FIG. 8

FIG. 7

### STEP 9

Slide the unnotched end of the bow over the head of the top bolt of one of the large brackets. Drop the notched end of the bow over the head of the top bolt on the opposite side as shown in FIGURE 9. Slide the lock located on the bottom side of the bow into place. Repeat the same process with the remaining bow.

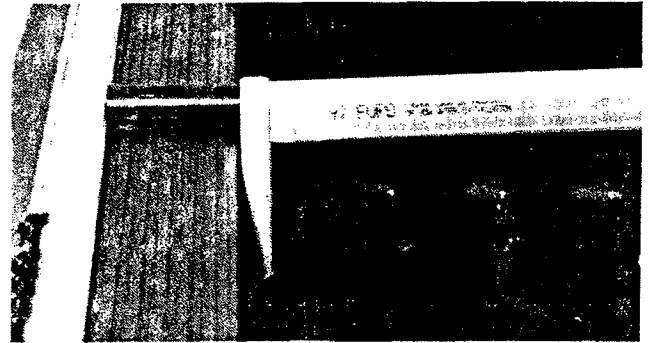


FIG. 9

### STEP 10

Unroll the cover from back to front. Insert the two remaining thumb screws into the corners as done in STEP 4. Insert the front rail into the side rails. (VERY IMPORTANT: SNAP THE TWO SNAPS AT ALL FOUR CORNERS FIRST.) Snap the sides then the rear last. Now your installation is complete. (NOTE: ANY WRINKLES IN THE COVER WILL BE GONE AFTER A FEW DAYS IN THE SUN.)

### STEP 11

When using the tie down straps, roll the cover forward.



FIG. 10

Then unsnap the tie downs from the front rail as shown in FIGURE 10. Loop the strap over the cover, then snap to the front rail as shown in FIGURE 11.

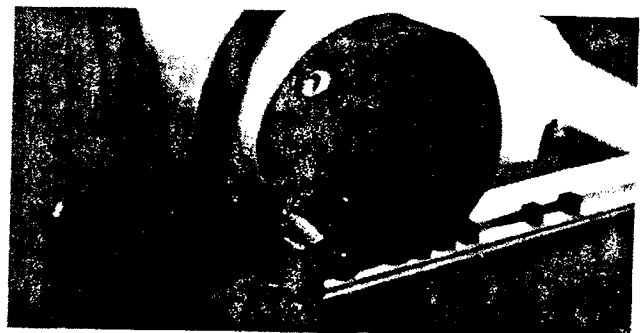


FIG. 11

## STEP 7a.

- SIDE RAILS SHOULD LOOK LIKE THIS WHEN INSTALLED.

