

## Towbar Fitting Instructions To Suit SUBARU FORESTER 9/97-ON ,2001 GT AND MY03 MODELS Part Number QTSB225 Rating 1800Kg

- 1. Ensure all hardware items have been included.
- 2. Remove carpet and spare wheel from boot.
- 3. Remove left and right hand side Styrofoam storage compartments.
- 4. Remove rear muffler hanger bracket from chassis.
- 5. Remove rear muffler, heat shield and centre bumper bracket.
- 6. Remove rear shipping hook bumper iron bolts.
- 7. <u>2001 GT MODEL AND MY03 only.</u> On driver's side remove charcoal box from it's mounting bracket
- 8. 2001 GT MODEL AND MY03 only. Remove rear most charcoal box mounting bracket.
- 9. Align towbar with captive nuts in chassis rails. Fit original bumper bolts to driver's side (four bolts), 2001 GT MODEL AND MY03 only. making sure to fit spacer plates and charcoal box mounting bracket inbetween towbar and chassis rail, as per drawing, and two most rearward bumper bolts on passenger side.
- 10. Fit angle iron brackets as shown in drawing using M10x25 1.25 bolts and spring washers (supplied in kit) fitted loosely.
- 11. Fit two M12x40 1.25 pitch bolts and spring washers (as supplied in kit) through angle iron bracket, passenger side towbar arm and then into the two forward most holes in the chassis rail.
- 12. Fit M10x35 bolt, square steel plate, spring washers and nut to drivers side towbar mounting arm and tow hook support bracket.
- 13. Bolt tail section to towbar using two M12x30 bolts 1.25 pitch and spring washers.
- 14. Tighten all bolts to torque listing below.
- 15. Using holes in towbar tail as a guide, drill through floor and wheel well of vehicle. **NOTE: Use long drill bit for driver's side.**
- 16. Remove body deadener from wheel well.
- 17. Fit boot plates using coach bolts, spring washers and nuts. **NOTE: Use M10x25 coach bolt on passenger's side above heat shield.** Tighten all bolts to torque listing below.
- 18. Cut out bottom face of Styrofoam storage compartments to allow a flush fitment.
- 19. Refit carpet, spare wheel and centre bumper bracket.
- 20. Refit heat shield and muffler.
- 21. Bolt muffler hanger to towbar side plate using original bolt and flat washer supplied.
- 22. <u>2001GT AND MY03 model only</u>: Refit the charcoal box removed in instruction 7.

## RECOMMENDED ASSEMBLY TORQUE LISTING

<u>Diameter</u>	Grade 8.8 Bolt
	Nm
M6	9.5
M8	21.7
M10	43.4
M12	77.3
M14	121.0
M16	189.8



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