

BX2210 Installation Instructions 1986-89 Honda Accord

Installation of this baseplate requires removing the plastic belly pan and the vehicle's tie down brackets. The belly pan must also be cut to clear the lower brackets.

1989 & Newer Honda Automatics

All Honda and Acura automatic transmission vehicles, any model, any year, can be towed without special pumps or drive shaft disconnects. Please note however that Honda and Acura automatic transmissions for 1989 & newer were modified so they cannot be shifted rapidly from reverse to drive. Rapid shifting from reverse to drive can damage any automatic transmission.

Honda advises that the modification leaves a portion of the automatic transmission in reverse when it is only shifted from reverse to neutral. This partial neutral condition cannot be detected by revving the engine, because the car will not move even though a portion of the transmission is still in reverse. If the car is towed on all four wheels in this false-neutral condition, the automatic transmission will be damaged.

To make sure that the automatic transmission is completely in neutral, it must be shifted to drive and then to neutral before turning the engine off and towing the car on all four wheels. In other words, a 1989 and newer model Honda or Acura car equipped with an automatic transmission can be towed on all four wheels without damaging the transmission, if the transmission lever is shifted from the drive position to the neutral position before the engine is turned off. If the transmission lever is shifted from the reverse position to the neutral position, the automatic transmission will be damaged when the car is towed on all four wheels.

- 1. Read the General Instruction Sheet included with this baseplate.
- 2. The baseplate mounts to the front underside of the car using ten existing bolts; five on each side.
- 3. Remove the plastic belly pan.
- 4. Remove the "tie down" bracket from each side of the car and inspect the bolts for reuse. These brackets are stamped metal plates with an oblong hole facing downward. Note that on the passenger side, the radiator overflow bottle must be lifted up and out of the bracket, for access to the "tie down" bracket bolts.
- 5. Loosely install the tie down plates supplied with the reinforcement bar toward the center of the car. Use Locktite on all bolts but do not tighten yet.
- 6. Place a jack under the center of the engine support cross brace and raise it enough to hold the cross brace in position when the four bolts securing it to the frame are removed.
- 7. Remove the cross brace bolts and inspect for reuse.
- 8. To determine right and left and lower brackets, note the location of the holes in the ends of the baseplate Tube and match the lower brackets to them.
- 9. Install the lower brackets on to the cross brace MAKING SURE the metal washers on the cross brace bushings are seated in the recesses of the lower brackets and the tie down plates are between the sides of the lower bracket. Do not tighten yet.
- 10. Loosely assemble the baseplate Tube to the lower brackets with four of the 1/2" bolts and lock washers supplied.
- 11. Attach the tie down plates to the lower brackets using the remaining four 1/2" bolts, lock washers and nuts supplied.
- 12. When all bolts align, tighten securely.
- 13. Remove jack.



- 14. Hold the plastic belly pan in place and mark where it must be cut away to clear the lower brackets.
- 15. Cut the belly pan and install it.
- 16. Included in the manual package is a dash decal for your car to remind you how to set up the transmission to tow. Place the decal on the dash of your Honda or on the tow bar or anywhere it will remind you to make sure your transmission will be properly shifted before you tow. Detailed instructions appear earlier in this instruction sheet.
- 17. The dimensional variations between otherwise identical cars can be considerable. While the location and size of the holes in the baseplate were designed to facilitate easy installation, it may be necessary to file a hole slightly to allow a bolt to clear.
- 18. Install the tow bar and safety cables according to the instructions included in their packages.
- 19. Do not substitute other devices if the pin and clip are lost.
- 20. DEALER OR INSTALLER: BE CERTAIN THE USER RECEIVES THE INSTRUCTION SHEET.

Tools Required

10mm Socket	14mm Socket	17mm Socket
3/4" Socket	Jack	14mm Open End Wrench
3/4" Open End Wrench		•

Parts List

Ref. No.	Qty.	Part No.	Description
1	1	61-3293	Baseplate, BX2210
2	8	201-0051	
3	4	202-0005	
4	8	203-0012	
5	1	61-3294	
6	1	61-3295	
7	1	61-3296	Weldment, Lower Bracket, Passenger Side
8	1	61-3297	Weldment, Lower Bracket, Driver Side
9	1	292-2127	(Not Shown) Decal, Honda Transmission Set-up

