

Assembly, Installation, Operation and Maintenance Instructions

P/N: 32999

16KS CROSSMEMBER KIT

Dealer / Installer: Provide a copy of these Instructions to the end user of this product. These Instructions provide important operating and safety information for proper usage of this product. Demonstrate the proper use of the product with the end user. Have the end user demonstrate that they understand the proper use of the product.

End User:

Read and follow all instructions included in this manual. Ask your Dealer / Installer for assistance if you do not understand the proper use of the product. Never remove any decals from the product.

WARNING! Never exceed the towing capacity of the tow vehicle.

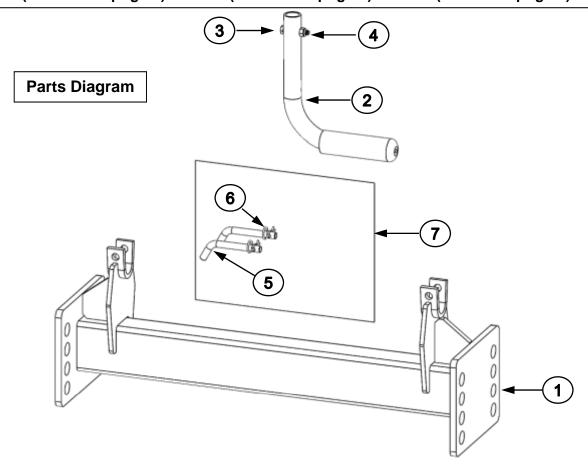
Use only the supplied bolts, nuts, and washers to install this kit. All nuts and bolts are Grade 5 unless specified otherwise.

APPLICATION:

Ford F250/350 years 2011 to Current – vehicle must have OEM 5th wheel/Gooseneck Hitch Prep Package Ram 2500 years 2014 to Current – vehicle must have OEM 5th wheel/Gooseneck Hitch Prep Package Ram 3500 years 2013 to Current – vehicle must have OEM 5th wheel/Gooseneck Hitch Prep Package

This kit REQUIRES the purchase of the Husky 16KS Head & Handle Kit (31453) SOLD SEPARATELY

This kit is to be used **ONLY** with Husky kits: 32997 (Ford OEM Uprights) & 33000 (Ram OEM Uprights) & 33054 (GM OEM Uprights)



TOOLS

7/16" Socket & Open End Wrench.

 The following instructions should be used to mount the fifth wheel. Care and attention to detail will ensure a quick quality installation. Check parts against parts list to become familiar with parts in kit.

PARTS LIST		
ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	OEM 16KS CROSSMEMBER	1
2	HANDLE KIT (33037)	1
3	1/4"-20 X 1.5 GRADE 5 HEX HEAD BOLT (33037)	2
4	1/4"-20 GRADE 5 NYLOCK NUT (33037)	2
5	3/8" L-PIN (33028)	1
6	3/8" HAIR PIN (33028)	1
7	INSTRUCTION SHEET	1

WARNING:

If the truck is raised, be sure that the truck is properly blocked and restrained to prevent the truck from falling. Failure to do so may result in the truck suddenly falling, causing death or serious injury.

CAUTION:

These instructions are guidelines only. Actual installation is the responsibility of the installer and the owner. Always measure truck and trailer before installing hitch to be sure that there is clearance at the cab and at the bumper to allow for turns.

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Failure to follow ALL of these instructions may result in death or serious injury

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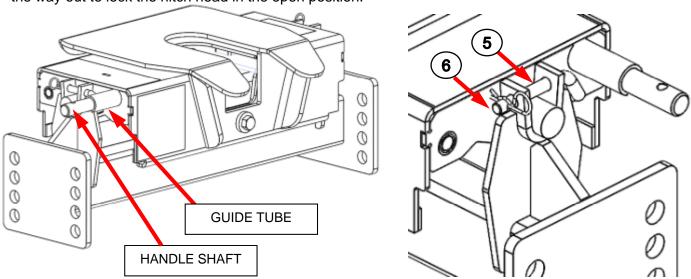
This product is <u>NOT</u> to be used with rotating pin boxes or pin boxes that require a "wedge"; such as the REESE Sidewinder, REESE Revolution, 5th Airborne Sidewinder. Use of these products may damage this product and will void the warranty.

NOTICE

Husky recommends to always drive the king pin into the hitch throat and not drop the king pin from above into the hitch head to avoid incorrect hook-ups. Please read Operating Instruction to understand how this important Safety Feature operates.

Before proceeding; you must install this cross member in this kit according to instructions listed in your upright instructions: 32997, 33000, or 33054.

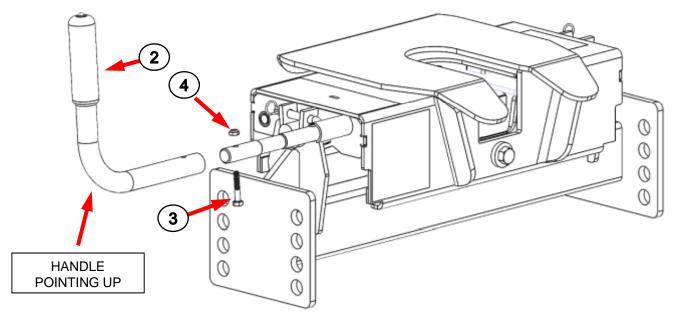
- 2. Place the hitch head onto the cross member and secure with the supplied 3/8" clevis pins (5) and hair pins (6). Check for freedom of movement.
- 3. Rotate the handle shaft while pulling it straight out, once the shaft starts sliding out of the guide tube pull it all the way out to lock the hitch head in the open position.



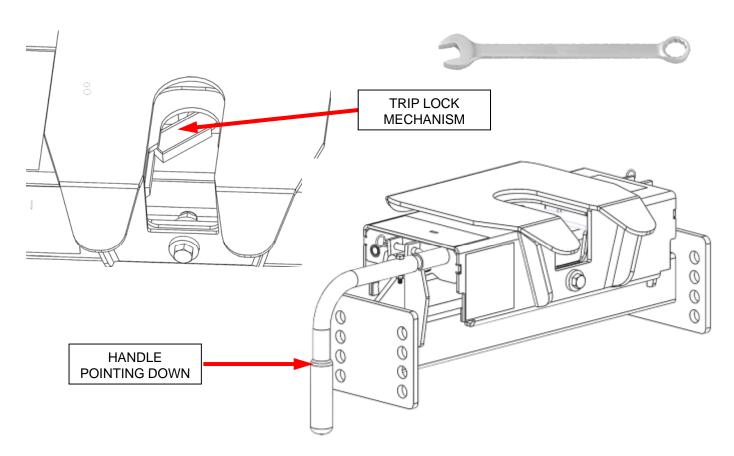
4. Hold the handle with the grip pointed upward and slide the handle (2) onto the handle shaft.

<u>WARNING:</u> 16KS Head & Handle Kit (31453) ships with a long handle. This kit (32999) ships with a short handle. If the intention is to install this kit with a 33000 Kit; you will need to install the SHORT handle from this kit (32999).

5. Fasten the hitch handle using the supplied 1/4-20 HEX HEAD BOLT (3) and 1/4-20 NYLON LOCK NUT (4). Tighten lock nut until it comes in contact with the tube.

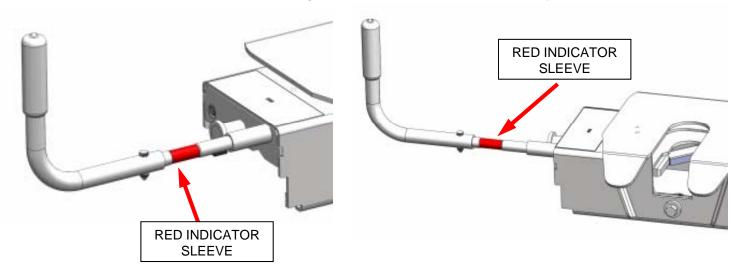


6. Use a wrench to trip the lock mechanism to close the hitch head. Be careful to keep your body away from any moving parts. The handle should rotate and point down towards the bed of the pickup truck.



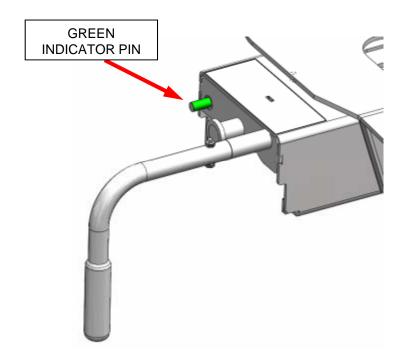
Understanding The Safety Features Of your New HUSKY 5th Wheel.

The HUSKY 16K S 5th wheel hitch comes standard with a visual aid to indicate what the current status is of the king pin locking mechanism. Note that the view shown directly below has a red indicator sleeve on the handle shaft. This is intended to give a quick visual aid as to whether the hitch head is closed or open, in the two pictures below it is open. Cross member, uprights and base rails removed for clarity.



There is another visual aid that indicates if the hitch head is closed and locked. This is shown in the picture below with a green shaft that protrudes from the side of the hitch head. If the king pin has been correctly installed into the mouth of the hitch head the slide bar will close, the red indicating sleeve will disappear and the green indicator pin will protrude out as shown below. Cross member, uprights and base rails removed for clarity.

At no time should both the green and red indicator be showing, if this is the case there is damage to the hitch head and it should not be used. Carefully inspect the hitch for any damage, also confirm that the handle is installed correctly according to the assembly instructions in this manual.



TOWING TIPS

Driving Tow Vehicle

Good habits for normal driving need extra emphasis when towing a trailer. The additional weight of the trailer affects acceleration and braking. Extra time should be allowed for passing, stopping and changing lanes. Signal well in advance of a maneuver to let other drivers know your intentions. Severe bumps and badly undulating roads can damage your towing vehicle, hitch and trailer, and should be negotiated at a slow, steady speed. If any part of your towing system "bottoms out" or if you suspect damage may have occurred in any other way, pull over and make a thorough inspection. Correct any problems before resuming travel.

Turning and backing up present new problems-plan ahead. It is highly recommended that a spotter be used when backing up to alert the driver of possible obstacles and prevent jack knifing the trailer.

Towing a trailer will change your turning radius, the longer the trailer the larger radius turn.

Driving Conditions

When driving in conditions where the pavement is wet, icy, snowy, loose gravel, grass and dirt, reduce speed and do not make any sudden maneuvers. Allow ample distance/time for stopping and changing lanes. If possible, wait for road conditions to improve before driving.

Follow all state, local and provincial driving and towing laws in the location you are driving in.

Not following your tow vehicle, trailer, and Husky instructions/manuals can result in a fatal accident.

Check Your Equipment

Please refer to the MAINTENANCE section. Periodically check the condition of all your towing equipment and keep it in top condition.

Tire Inflation

Unless specified otherwise by the towing vehicle or trailer manufacturer, tires should be inflated to their manufacturer's towing recommendations.

Towing Vehicle and Trailer Manufacturers Recommendations

Review the owner's manual for your towing vehicle and trailer for specific recommendations, capacities and requirements.

Passengers in Trailers

Trailers should not be occupied while being towed. Most states enforce this regulation.

Trailer Lights, Turn Signals, Electric Brakes

Always hook up all of the trailer lights, electric brakes and break-away switch connection whenever trailer is being towed. Also periodically check functionality of all lights before towing and repair any problems as needed.

Remove Hitch When Not Towing

Remove hitch from receiver on towing vehicle when not towing a trailer to reduce chances of striking hitch on driveway or other objects, and reduce the chance of parts being stolen

Maintenance

Keep gooseneck ball lubricated when used.

Remove gooseneck ball from gooseneck receiver and store in clean, dry place when not in use.

Keep gooseneck receiver clean and lubricated.

At The Beginning of Every Towing Day:

Clean ball coat ball lightly with grease.

If electric brakes are used ensure the emergency break away cable is attached to the tow vehicle.

Check to see that all electrical hook-ups are in working order and that the safety chains are securely connected.

Towing safely is the responsibility of the driver of the vehicle. Failure to tow safely can result in vehicle damage, bodily injury or death.

Warranty Terms:

10 Year Limited Warranty:

This warranty applies solely to Husky 5th Wheel products manufactured by DTS Mfg. for Husky Towing Products.

Husky Towing Products and DTS Mfg. make no guarantees or warranties for products not manufactured by DTS Mfg. Such products are covered solely under any applicable warranty of the manufacturer. It is always recommended that the operating instructions and guarantee instructions provided by the manufacturer are followed.

DTS Mfg. warrants its products to be free from manufacturing and material defects to the original purchaser for the length of warranty stated above from the date of retail purchase. If any products are found to have a manufacturing or material defect, the product will be replaced or repaired at the option of Husky Towing Products and DTS Mfg. with proof of purchase by the original purchaser. The original purchaser shall pay all transportation and shipping costs associated with the return of the defective product and the defective product shall become the property of DTS Mfg.

The Warranty applies to DTS Mfg. products used for individual and recreational purposes. Commercial usage of the DTS Mfg. products limits the warranty to 90-days from date of purchase.

The Warranty applies only to DTS Mfg. products which are found to be defective in manufacturing or material. This warranty does not apply to normal wear and tear of the finished placed on DTS Mfg. products.

Husky Towing Products and DTS Mfg. are not responsible for any labor costs incurred for removal or replacement of the defective product.

Husky Towing Products and DTS Mfg. are not responsible for repair or replacement of any product under the limited warranty where the product was improperly installed, misapplied, altered, abused, neglected, overloaded, misused or damaged as a result of an accident, including any use of the product not in accordance with all product operating and safety instructions.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Husky Towing Products and DTS Mfg. shall under no circumstances be liable for any incidental or consequential loss or damage whatsoever arising out of, or in any way relating to any such breach of warranty or claimed defect in, or non-performance of the products. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above exclusion or limitation may not apply to you.

This limited warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights that vary from state to state.