INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Be sure to inspect and test fit product before having it coated or painted. Ranch Hand will not be responsible for the cost of the coating if any problems with fit or finish are not noted and addressed beforehand.

2003-08 DODGE 1500 & 2003-2009 DODGE 2500/3500 PART # BBD030BLL

- * Bumpers will not fit on '03 1500 series built prior 12/02. Look on the tag on the driver side door jamb for date built *
- * This installation requires lifting the rear of the bed to remove the factory receiver hitch *
- 1. Unplug the license plate lights and trailer plug from the bumper. Remove the fasteners that hold the wire loom to the receiver hitch.
- 2. Long beds: Remove the back six bolts and leave the front two bolts tight.
- 3. Short beds: Remove the back four bolts and leave the front two bolts tight.
- 4. Remove the three 21mm bolts, on each side, that goes through the frame. Loosen the four 15mm bolts, on each side, for the side brackets on the bumper.
- 5. Raise the rear of the truck bed high enough to remove the factory bumper and receiver hitch.
- 6. When raising the rear of the truck bed, use caution so that the bed does not hit the rear of the
- 7. When removing the rear bumper, lift the bumper up high enough over the alignment pins then pull the bumper out.
- 8. Lower the truck bed onto the frame. Reinstall the bed bolts and then tighten.
- 9. Slide the mounting brackets of the Ranch Hand bumper on the inner side of the frame.
- 10. On the 2500/3500 trucks, use three ³/₄" x 4 ¹/₂" bolts, on each side, to install. Tighten to 260 ft. lbs. Dry.
- 11. On the 1500 trucks, use two ³/₄" x 4 ¹/₂", on each side. Then mount the angle iron brackets to the bumper brackets by using ½" x 1 ½" bolts. Place the spacers inside the bottom of the frame and the place the ½" x 1 ½" bolts through the frame and angle iron. Tighten ½" nuts to 110 ft. lbs. dry.
- 12. Level bumper and tighten all bolts.
- 13. MAKE SURE ALL NUTS AND BOLTS ARE TIGHT!

Special care should be exercised in the handling, storage and installation of Ranch Hand equipment.

The actual weight of each piece of equipment will vary depending on style and model. The weight of the equipment is sufficient in volume to warrant special care, assistance and in some instances, the use of mechanical equipment during the transfer and installation of the equipment. Do not assume a position directly under the equipment during installation. Be sure the equipment has been connected and stabilized during installation to prevent falling or shifting of positions.

Periodically check tightness of bolts to make sure they are tight, and unlikely to fail.