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Scorpion 10000 TMA

Introduction to Assembly and Mounting Instruction Guide

Important: These instructions pertain only to the assembly and mounting of the Scorpion 10000 Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA) Model C TL-3 and Model A TL-2. These instructions are only for the assembly of the models and/or accessories cited in each section. Any deviation from the models and accessories shown would require consultation with the appropriate highway authority engineer and/or certified TrafFix Devices, Inc. representatives. Contact information of these representatives can be found on the following page.

Proper Installation of the Scorpion Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA) is essential for proper performance of the system. For this reason, contacting a TrafFix Devices, Inc. Certified Attenuator Installer for assistance in mounting the system is recommended. Contact TrafFix Devices, Inc. to obtain a list of Certified Installers in the area. Please read this manual in its entirety before assembling, installing, or operating the Scorpion TMA. The information in this Manual supersedes all previous versions and manuals, with updated illustrations and other information available at time of printing; however; TrafFix Devices, Inc. reserves the right to make changes at any time. For any questions on proper Installation and Operation of the Scorpion, please contact us at (949) 361-5663.

Important: This manual applies to the Scorpion® Truck Mounted Attenuator by TrafFix Devices, Inc. It pertains only to the models referenced herein. It requires that all Assembly, Mounting, Service and Repair parts be Genuine Scorpion parts that have not been modified or repaired from the original in any way, unless with prior knowledge, consultation and approval by TrafFix Devices, Inc. Engineering.
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Limitation and Warnings

TrafFix Devices (TDI), in compliance with the National Cooperative Research Highway Program Report 350 (NCHRP Report 350), recommended procedures for the Safety Performance of Highway Features. TrafFix Devices contracts with ISO accredited testing facilities to conduct crash tests, evaluation of tests, and submittal of results to the Federal Highway Administration for Eligibility for Federal-aid Reimbursement. The Scorpion Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA) system was tested to meet the safety evaluation guidelines of NCHRP Report 350. The Scorpion has been tested at TL-2 (43.5 mph/ 70 km/hr) and TL-3 (62.1 mph/ 100 km/hr) speed impact conditions. These tests are intended to evaluate product performance by simulating those impacts outlined by NCHRP Report 350 involving a range of vehicles on the roadways, from cars with an approx. weight of 1807lb [820 kg] to trucks with an approx. weight of 4409 lb [2000 kg]. The Scorpion Model A is a TL-2 tested device capable of decelerating and stopping the light and heavy weight vehicles 1807lb [820 kg] and 4409 lb [2000 kg] in accordance with the criteria for Tests 2-50 and 2-51 for TL-2 (43.5 mph/ 70 km/hr) FHWA Eligibility. Reference FHWA Eligibility Letter CC-65. The Model C TMA is a TL-3 tested device capable of decelerating and stopping the light and heavy weight vehicles 1807lb [820 kg] and 4409 lb [2000 kg] in accordance with the criteria of Tests 3-50, 3-51, and optional tests 3-52 and 3-53 for TL-3 (62.1 mph/ 100 km/hr) FHWA Eligibility. Reference FHWA Eligibility letter CC-65. Additionally, the Scorpion TMA was tested to meet the requirements of TD 49/07. These tests are based on the Requirements for Lorry Mounted Crash Cushions from the Highways England Road Ministry. The Scorpion TMA is accepted for various speed levels as shown in TL3.UK: 110 km/h [68.3 mph]. These specified tests are not intended to represent the systems performance when impacted by every vehicle type or every impact condition existing on the roadway. This system is tested only to the test matrix criteria of NCHRP Report 350 and TD 49 UK. TrafFix Devices does not represent nor warrant that the results of these controlled tests show that vehicle impacts with the products in other conditions would necessarily avoid injury to person(s) or property. Impacts that exceed the systems specifications may not result in acceptable crash performance as outlined in NCHRP Report 350; relative to structural adequacy, occupant risk, and vehicle trajectory. TrafFix Devices expressly disclaims any warrant or liability for injury or damage to person(s) or property resulting from any impact, collision, or harmful contact with products, other vehicles, or nearby hazards or objects by any vehicle, object or person, whether or not the products were installed by third parties. The Scorpion TMA system is intended to be assembled, delineated, and maintained in accordance with specific State and Federal guidelines. TrafFix Devices offers a reflective delineator panel for its TMA line of products. However, the material is only intended to supplement delineation required by the Department of Transportation’s “Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices” (MUTCD). The appropriate highway authority approved engineer should be careful to properly select, assemble, and maintain the product. Careful evaluation of the speed, traffic direction, and visibility are some of the elements that require evaluation for the proper selection of a safety appurtenance by the appropriate specifying highway authority.
Operating Instructions

Proper Operation includes knowledge of TMA use in Work Zones, both Moving and Stationary, including the proper spacing, to allow for “roll-ahead”. Before use, the Operator should have prior knowledge/discussion of the Work Zone in which the TMA will be deployed and that the TMA model used meets or exceeds the posted speed for the work zone (Model A = Test Level 2 = 70 kph/45 mph; Model C = Test Level 3 = 100 kph/62 mph). TMA’s should only be operated by individuals properly trained in their use in work zones.

Pre-Use Inspection

1. Walk around the unit inspecting for damaged, loose, or missing bolts, pins, cotter pins and safety snaps.
2. Inspect for damage to the energy absorbing modules and aluminum tubes, checking for deep gouges, deep scratches, warping, or cracking.
3. Inspect the steel structure for damage, looking for warping, cracks, breaks or other damage.
4. Inspect all lights for proper operation (including arrow/message board if applicable).
5. Cycle the unit from stowed to deployed and back to stowed position (see directions below), ensuring proper sequence and function (including arrow/message board lift system if attached) pay close attention for any binding or “slop” during operation and that the alarm is functioning properly.
6. Check road clearance of TMA in deployed mode, to ensure it is in specification (12 inches ±1 inch).
7. Ensure that retroreflective sheeting is in place and meets requirements for job.
8. When cycling the TMA up and down, check the lockout arm (between the cartridge and strut) for proper motion and alignment. When in the stowed position, the two pivoting sections of the lockout arm should form a straight line.
9. Check visually for hydraulic leaks.
10. Check to ensure that there are no loose items on truck that can become a missile during an impact.
11. Make sure items in the cab of the vehicle are secure and cannot come loose and become a missile should an impact occur.
12. Adjust the headrest properly for the driver of the vehicle.
13. Any deficiencies should be corrected before use.
To Raise (“Store”) the Unit for Transport

1. Ensure that both the truck bed and area above the rear of the host vehicle is clear.
2. Locate the desired control box, either the in-cab controller (if installed) or the plug-in. If using the plug-in, and it is not already plugged in, plug it into the socket on the TMA near the rear passenger side of the truck.
3. Push the “Up” button on the chosen controller and hold until the unit makes contact with the support posts. Be sure to avoid the pinch points around cartridge to strut hinge and the pivot point at the strut to truck connection. If an Arrow/Message Board Lift System is installed, be sure it cycles to the down position before the TMA raises.
4. Continue to hold the Up button until the Scorpion slides forward 1-2 inches on the support post(s) and for 4 seconds after it has stopped moving. This ensures the hydraulic system is at the proper pressure to hold the TMA tight against the cradle which will save wear and tear or possible damage to the unit.
5. If the unit is to be transported, ensure that the drop jacks are fully retracted and pinned and that the swivel jacks are fully retracted and rotated to the stored and locked position.
6. If using the plug-in controller unplug and store in the cab.

To Lower (“Deploy”) the Unit for removal or Use

1. Ensure that both the area above and to the rear of the host vehicle is clear.
2. Plug in the controller (see #2 above) or locate the in-cab controller (if installed).
3. If the unit is being removed, the swivel jacks should be rotated to the deployed position and the drop jacks lowered and pinned to the correct height. If the unit is being deployed for use, all jacks should remain in the stored position.
4. Being careful to avoid the pinch points, push the “Down” button until the TMA is fully unfolded and the rear box has stopped moving and the tail/ICC light covers have deployed.
5. Continue to hold the Down button for 4 more seconds after the Arrow/Message Board Lift System (if attached) or the TMA has stopped moving. This will ensure the TMA is fully deployed and the hydraulic system is at the proper pressure to hold it in position.
6. Make sure the Arrow/Message Board is displaying the proper message.

Note: TMA must be in the stowed position for travel to and from the Work Zone

Important: It is recommended that the unit not be deployed, used, or stowed for transport, while the host vehicle is travelling at speeds above 30 miles per hour. If your application makes this necessary, please see the “Severe Duty Note” in the “Maintenance Intervals and Pre-Use Inspection”. As described in the procedure above, always ensure the area above and to the rear of the bed of the truck is clear before deploying or stowing the Scorpion.
SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS & PRECAUTIONS

A. Before attempting to install or operate the Scorpion 10000 Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA) this manual should be read and understood. Those areas with warnings or cautions should be carefully followed.

B. Before raising or lowering the TMA the operator should check that the area around the TMA is clear and that personnel are not in or near the area.

C. Before operation on the roadway, check all 1” diameter pins and bolts at the back-up and hinge areas for tightness and excessive wear. Also, check that all cotter pins are in place.

D. Check that the two drop jacks are fully retracted and that the safety pins are in place. Also, check that the crank jacks are fully retracted and rotated to the up and locked position.

E. For correct operation of the TMA in the use mode (fully extended in the horizontal position), the TMA should be 12” ± 1” above the ground and horizontal to the roadway.

F. The responsible agency for the truck should check that the following specifications are met: The truck should weigh approximately 20,000 lbs. If the truck is ballasted, the ballast should be properly anchored to the truck frame to prevent movement during an impact. The truck should be equipped with proper operator safety equipment such as seat belts, headrest, etc.

G. Before disconnecting the TMA from the truck, make sure the TMA is in the horizontal position with all jacks fully deployed

Special Warnings

1. After a vehicle impacts the TMA, do not drive the truck with the damaged TMA. Remove the TMA at the backup and have the TMA transported back to the maintenance yard.

2. Check the TMA model to make sure that the posted speed matches the TMA capacity.
   
   Model A = TL-2 = 70 kph. (45 mph)
   Model C = TL-3 = 100 kph. (62 mph)
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Assembly of TMA Model C
Pre-Assembly Checklist

Initial Inspection:
Compare the Packing List with the original order to ensure all items have been delivered. Should any damage be found, or any items missing, contact the freight company as well as a TrafFix Devices representative as soon as possible.

Scorpion Registration

1. Once unpacked, ensure that the TMA Serial Number matches with the number shown on the Packing List and the pallet. Once confirmed that they are the same, record the Serial Number below with all the serialized components to retain for personal records. TrafFix Devices, Inc. will require this Serial Number for any possible repairs, warranty claims, and maintenance records.

   Identify Serial Number for Scorpion Truck Mounted Attenuator: ________________

   All Serial Numbers must coincide with each other

   Module A Serial Number:______________
   Module B Serial Number:______________
   Module C Serial Number:______________
   Module D Serial Number:______________
Removing Packaging for Inspection

2. Observe the warning signs before unwrapping.

*Be careful not to cut any wires or parts.
Unwrap and Inspect: Tail Lighting and Side Marker Lights

3. Remove all cardboard from lights and inspect for damage.

BE CAREFUL

Side Marker:

Tail Lighting:

Cartridge

Strut
1. **IMPORTANT:** Before beginning Assembly, please read and review the Installation Section of this manual, paying close attention to the checklist at the beginning of the section.

2. Inspect the two pallets containing the Cartridge (right) and the Strut (left), shown in Figure 1, for shipping damage and completeness against the packing list. If there is anything missing or not complete, contact a TrafFix Devices representative as soon as possible.

3. **WARNING: TOP HEAVY**—Indicates to move pallets with extreme caution. The use of a forklift is preferred when handling pallets. All personnel should be kept clear when the pallets are being moved.

4. Remove the shrink-wrap from the pallets using a utility knife. **Caution: Be careful not to cut any wires or parts!**

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**Figure 1**

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**Recommended* Assembly Tools**

1. Hammer
2. Tapered Pry Bar
3. Tape Measure
4. 12” Crescent Wrench
5. 1/2” Drive Socket Wrench
6. 1/2” Drive Socket (1-7/16”)
7. Open End Wrenches (1-7/16”, 3/4”, 7/16”)
8. 1/4” Drive Socket Wrench
9. 1/4” Drive Socket (3/4”)
10. 1/8” Drive Socket Wrench
11. 1/8” Drive Socket (7/16”)
12. Allen Wrench
13. Wire Cutter/Crimper
14. Floor Jacks or Stands (2 Ea.)
15. Forklift

*More or less tools may be needed.
Strut Assembly Overview

1. Remove the steel bands holding the Strut to the pallet.

2. Lift the Strut off the pallet using a forklift.

3. Remove mounting brackets from the pallet.

4. Reposition the Strut on the edge of the pallet.

5. Lower drop jacks so that the yellow paint is not showing.

6. Move the lifting straps towards the Back-up of the Strut and lift, using a forklift, until the unit is level.

7. Lower the swivel jacks so the Strut is no longer supported by the forklift.

8. Remove the clevis and hair pins from the hydraulic cylinder.
Strut Assembly

1. Cut and remove the steel bands that hold the Strut to the pallet.

2. Attach two (2) lifting straps to the Strut Diaphragm. The lifting straps must be positioned at an equal distance from the center to maintain stability when lifted. The straps need to have a 1500lb or greater load capacity. **WARNING:** Do NOT tip the strut when attaching the lifting straps.

3. Using a forklift, lift the Strut off of the pallet. **CAUTION:** Be sure the drop jacks are facing the forklift before lifting the strut. Once the Strut is safely off of the pallet, remove the mounting brackets that are on the pallet.
4. Position the strut on the edge of the pallet then slowly start lowering the Strut.

5. Once the drop jacks can safely be reached, do not lower the Strut any further. Do not let the lift straps slide completely off the forklift blades. Extend the drop jacks so that the yellow painted edge is aligned with the bottom of the drop jack mounting bracket. Secure the drop jacks in place with the safety snap. Continue to lower the strut until the drop jacks are stable on the ground.
Strut Assembly

6. Remove the lifting straps from the Diaphragm and place them on the Back-up of the Strut. Lift the Strut until it is level.

7. Rotate and lower the swivel jacks so that the Strut is level. The Strut should no longer be supported by the forklift once the swivel jacks are deployed.
Strut Assembly

8. Cut and remove the zip ties that hold the hydraulic cylinders to the Strut. Remove the hair pins and clevis pins from both cylinders. **Clevis pins and hair pins are needed later on in assembly.** Once the hydraulic cylinders are free of the strut, grab the end of the cylinder and lift until the cylinder is fully extended.

*Strut Assembly is complete. Move on to Cartridge Assembly*
Cartridge Assembly Overview

1. Cut and remove Steel bands and cardboard from the Cartridge.

2. Remove Module A.

3. Unbolt the junction box from Module C.

4. Remove Module C from the Cartridge frame.

5. Open parts box and confirm contents.

6. Place a piece of cardboard on the forklift to prevent damage to Module B.
Cartridge Assembly

1. Cut the Steel bands that are holding the components to the Cartridge. One person should be holding the components in place, while another person cuts the bands. **WARNING: Watch for falling components when cutting the Steel Bands.** Remove the components and the cardboard from the Cartridge.

2. Remove Module A from the Cartridge.

3. Unbolt the junction box and cables from Module C.
Cartridge Assembly

4. Remove Module C from the Cartridge frame and set it aside for later use. Cut and remove the Steel bands that hold the Cartridge frame to the pallet.

5. Open the parts box and confirm the contents. (If there are any parts missing, document it and inform a TrafFix Devices Representative immediately.) Take out the two clevis pins and set them aside for later use.

6. To prevent paint on Module B from getting damaged, place a piece of cardboard on the blades of the forklift. Use the forklift to raise the Cartridge frame off of the pallet.
TMA Model C: Strut to Cartridge Assembly Overview

1. With a forklift, align the hinges of the Cartridge to the hinges of the Strut.
2. Connect the Strut and Cartridge using hinge pins, with washers.

3. Attach the lockout arm.

4. Lower the Cartridge.

5. Secure hydraulic cylinders.

6. Install Module C.

7. Secure junction box, clamp, and connecting power cable.

8. Install Module A.

9. Install the ICC Bar Light Cable.
1. With the forklift, align hinges of the Cartridge to the hinges of the Strut. Align the hinges as close as possible using a pry bar to align the holes, if necessary. **WARNING:** Keep arms, hands, and fingers clear from the interlocking section of the Strut and Cartridge while moving either unit. The hinges on the backup of the strut create a pinch point when the Cartridge is raised into the vertical position.

![Image of forklift aligning hinges]

2. Insert the clevis pin, with a washer, into the hinges connecting the Strut to the Cartridge. Tap the pin into position if necessary. Secure the clevis pin with a cotter pin.

![Image of clevis pin installation]
3. Bolt the lockout arm on the Strut, with washers, to the Cartridge. Use Threadlock adhesive on all bolt threads for secure fastening. Using an “impact gun”, fasten the bolts to the Diaphragm up to 95 ft-lbs. To ensure the proper orientation of the bolts, the bolt heads must be visible on the Cartridge side.

*Or equivalent Threadlocker

Lock out Arm Bolted Onto Cartridge
TMA Model C: Strut to Cartridge Assembly

4. Cut zip tie holding the power cable that is attached to the Strut. Set the power cable aside for later use.

5. Slowly lower the Cartridge with the forklift until the TMA is level.

6. Secure the hydraulic cylinders to the Cartridge frame using the clevis pins. Secure the clevis pins with hair pins.
Module C Installation

6. Install Module C.
   A. Lift Module C into position on the Cartridge and secure with washers and Allen head bolts.
   B. Use Threadlock adhesive on all bolts and tighten to a minimum of 20 ft-lbs.

7. Secure the junction box and bolt the clamp on top of Module C. Once secure, connect the power cable to the junction box.
Module A Installation

8. Install Module A.

A.  Lift Module A into position on the Cartridge and secure with bolts and washers.

B.  Use Threadlock adhesive on all bolts and tighten to a minimum of 20 ft-lbs.

9.  Cut the zip tie that is holding the electrical cable and attach it to the cable that is located in the back of Module A. Secure the cables to the top of Module A using zip ties.
Complete Assembly of Model C

Module D
Module C
Module B
Module A

STRUT
CARTRIDGE
1. Fill the reservoir on the hydraulic pump with three gallons of Automatic Transmission Fluid (ATF) and attach the electrical wires (minimum gauge size of #1 battery cable for both the positive and negative hydraulic motor connections) to the motor cables. Push the “up” button on the yellow controller to raise the TMA to its stored position.

2. Fill the reservoir a second time with two more quarts. Cycle the system two times waiting 3 minutes between cycles to remove the air bubbles from the system. Fill the rest of the reservoir with two quarts of hydraulic fluid.

3. Roll the TMA back to the host vehicle and bolt the four hydraulic angle brackets to the backing plate first, before installing the TMA onto the host vehicle. Use full manual torque with a breaker bar and a wrench to fasten the brackets to the backing plate.

4. Finish with the TMA in the deployed position to mount onto the host vehicle. Terminology for the hydraulic pump and the motor are illustrated below:

**List of Acceptable Hydraulic Fluids**
- Automatic Transmission Fluid (ATF)
- Cold Weather Hydraulic Fluid
## Hydraulic Pump Parts List

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Assembly of TMA Model A (TL-2)

1. Inspect the pallet containing the cartridge for completeness against the packing list.

2. **WARNING: TOP HEAVY**—Indicates to move pallet with extreme caution. The use of a forklift is preferred when handling the pallet. All personnel should be kept clear while the pallet is being moved.

3. Remove the shrink-wrap from the pallet. **Caution: When the steel bands are cut, the steel bracket on top of the two containers will fall.**
4. Deploy the drop jacks by slipping the retainer off from the lock pin and remove the lock pin to reposition the drop jack. With the lock pin removed, extend the drop jacks and secure the lock pin as shown in this figure (right).

5. Use the forklift to lower the pallet to the horizontal position as shown in the figures below. Verify that the pallet is tipped in the correct orientation with the junction box on top, which can also be seen in the following figure. **Caution—Keep personnel away from the TMA when the steel bands are cut.** Keep clear from pallet when pallet is pulled free of the cartridge for it will drop a few inches. Steel band locations are identified in the figures below.
6. Use the forklift to lift the backup end of the cartridge to a sufficient height to deploy the swivel jacks located on the backup as shown in following figure. Crank the swivel jacks and rotate the wheels to the deployed position.

7. Attach the Module A energy absorber to the rear of the TMA as shown in Figure 5. Position the box with the ICC bar light on top. Use eight ¼” x 1 ¼” bolts with washers to attach Module A. Use one small washer and back the small washer with a larger washer before installing. Torque the Allen head bolts until the large washers just start to dish inward. Bolt assembly can be also be seen in the figure below:

8. The rear ICC bar light (on top of Module A) has two wires extending from it with plugs. Connect the plugs into the electrical wire plugs at the side of the light. Once connected, strap the wire portion of the ICC harness on top of the Module A as shown in the next figure.
9. Fill the reservoir in the hydraulic pump (the figure below) with two gallons of Automatic Transmission Fluid (ATF) and attach the electrical wires (minimum gauge size of #1 battery cable for both the positive and negative hydraulic motor connections) from the truck battery to the motor cables. Push the “up” button on the yellow controller and raise the backup to the stored position. Fill the reservoir a final time with 2 more quarts of hydraulic fluid. Cycle through the system twice, waiting 15 minutes between cycles to remove the air bubbles from the system. Finish with the TMA in the deployed position to attach to the host vehicle.

**List of Acceptable Hydraulic Fluids**

- Automatic Transmission Fluid (ATF)
- Cold Weather Hydraulic Fluid
10. Bolt the four hydraulic angle brackets to the backing plate.

11. Once installed onto the host vehicle, raise the swivel jacks on the sides of the backup to their stored position. Remove the pins and rotate the jacks with the wheels facing inward. The pins will spring lock the swivel jacks in place.

12. Plug the main power cable into the electrical junction box on the cartridge. Snap the wire retainers in place on the electrical junction box and use wire ties to tie the retainers together. Verify that all the lights function correctly. An illustration of the wire connection is shown in the following figure below.

13. Push the “up” button on the two-button controller and raise the cartridge to a height where the drop jacks can be safely adjusted. Release the lock pins on the drop jacks and raise the jacks up to their stored position. Secure the jacks in the stored position with the lock pins.
14. **Warning:** Keep clear of pinch points located at the two hinges of the backup when the TMA is in the stored position (See the figure below). All personnel must be kept clear from this area while the TMA is raised. Also, check that the control cable is clear of the hinge area. Using the two-button controller, push the “up” button and raise the unit to its stored position.
Standard Truck Mounting Installation

Flat Bed Mount

Dump Truck Mount

Fast Trak Swift Connect Mount
Standard Flatbed Truck Mounting Installation

Truck Installation Models A and C

Before attempting to install the TMA to a host vehicle truck, ensure that the truck meets the following criteria: Truck weight specifications vary from state to state; however, it is recommended that the truck weighs approximately 20,000 lbs.

Adding ballast can affect the truck bed height, so it is preferred to **ballast the truck before attaching the TMA.** Check the truck frame to ensure that it is structurally sound and rust-free. Also, check the amount of frame extension in back of the spring brackets – a minimum of 10” is needed. Check that the bed of the truck does not extend beyond the back of the frame more than 4”. This is necessary for vertical clearance of the TMA. Check the frame for a cross tie plate connecting one side to the other if the frame extends to the rear more than expected. It is preferred to keep the frame from extending more than 24” from the back of the spring support bracket. Also check the height of the truck side gates. These should be less than 8’ 6” from the ground to allow clearance if the double 90° tilt is used.

1. The truck frame consists of two C-channels spaced approximately 34” apart. Grind the inside and outside of the ends of the frame, as shown in this figure (right), in preparation for tack welding process. The frame should be square from side to side. Use a carpenter’s square tool or any other square device to verify that the frame is indeed level and straight. Also measure the distance from the frame ends to the back of the spring brackets.

2. Mount the Backing Plate (P/N: 10353) onto the backup of the TMA as shown in this figure (right). Mounting the backing plate onto the TMA will simplify the alignment process when mounting the backing plate onto the truck frame of the host vehicle.
3. With the assembled TMA in the deployed position, deploy and adjust all four jacks on a flat-leveled surface (shown in the figure below) to a height that measures approximately 14 1/2”-15” from the underside of the TMA to the flat surface. This height is to account for the settling of about 2” that the truck will experience after the TMA is mounted onto the frame when the jacks are raised in their stored position. It is essential to measure and verify the recommended height of 14 1/2”-15” on both sides of each diaphragm. The figure below also illustrates the locations of where that specified height should be measured.

![Diagram of TMA deployment and height measurement](image)

4. With the jacks deployed, roll the deployed TMA to the rear of the host vehicle and align the TMA centerline with the vehicle, as shown in the following figure. The backing plate that is bolted onto the TMA (See step 2) should be flush with the ends of the truck frame.

![Diagram of TMA alignment and backing plate](image)
5. After proper confirmation of the backing plate being level and 90° to the horizontal surface, deploy the drops jacks and unbolt the TMA from the backing plate that is already tacked onto the host vehicle. Fully weld the backing plate on both the inside and outside of the frame rails. Proper welding locations are specified in the figure below:

6. Position the 9” x 4” vertical angles with C-clamps on to the side of the frame as shown in first figure (bottom left). Notice there is a left and right side vertical angle and the flanges should be positioned toward the rear of the truck. Four holes are located in the angle for bolting to the frame (refer to middle figure). **Center the holes vertically on the frame** and drill/burn 4 holes in the frame on both sides. Also, drill/burn 2 holes on the angle to align with the outermost holes of the backing plate as shown in the middle figure as well. Bolt the vertical angles onto the frame with the 1” bolts as shown in the last figure (bottom right).
7. Weld the angles in place at the rear of the angle. Refer to the figure below for proper welding locations.

![Weld Outside Edges](image1)

7. Weld the angles in place at the rear of the angle. Refer to the figure below for proper welding locations.

8. Install the lower bottom angle (P/N: 10356) and fully weld the angle in place. Refer to the following figure for proper welding locations.

![Full Weld](image2)

8. Install the lower bottom angle (P/N: 10356) and fully weld the angle in place. Refer to the following figure for proper welding locations.

9. Proceed to the Section titled “Support Installation” and follow the Installation that matches the type of Supports you ordered.
Dump Truck Mounting Installation

Installation of Extension Frame

Before attempting to install the TMA to a host vehicle truck, ensure that the truck meets the following criteria: Truck weight specifications vary from state to state; however, it is recommended that the truck weighs approximately 20,000 lbs.

Adding ballast can affect the truck bed height, so it is recommended to ballast the truck before attaching the TMA. Check the truck frame to ensure it is structurally sound and rust-free. Also, check the amount of frame extension in back of the spring brackets – a minimum of 4” is needed. Verify that the bed of the truck does not extend beyond the back of the frame more than 15”. This is necessary for vertical clearance of the TMA when in the stored position. Ensure that the truck side gates are measured at a maximum height of 8’ 6” from the ground to allow clearance if a Model C TMA is being used and is in the stored position.

1. The truck frame consists of two C-channels spaced approximately 34” apart. Dump trucks often have a ½” thick plate welded across the back of the frame. A plate must first be installed before the extension frame can be mounted if a plate is not present. Grind the inside and outside edges of the frame, as shown in this figure (right), to prepare for a weld. Verify that the frame is square from side to side, using a carpenter’s square tool or any other square device. Also measure the distance from the frame ends to the back of the spring brackets.

2. A backing plate (33” x 10”) should be centered on the back of the truck frame. Note where the frame will be welded to the plate and grind the plate in this location. Tack weld the rear plate into position and make sure that the rear plate is positioned vertically at 90° to horizontal. Continue by welding the inside of the frame end to the plate.
3. The extension frame comes with the right and left vertical tubes bolted in place in the right and left frame sections as shown in the first figure below. For ease of attachment to the truck, mount the extension frame to the TMA, as seen in the below second figure, and roll the TMA with the extension frame to the back of the truck. Make sure the TMA is at 14 ½” - 15” in height, measured from the underside of the TMA to the ground. This height is to account for the settling of about 2” that the truck will experience after the TMA is mounted onto the frame when the jacks are raised in their stored position.
4. Once the TMA is rolled towards the back of the host vehicle, tack weld the tubes in place at the outermost and innermost four corners where the tubes touch the frame. This image below illustrates ideal tack welding locations to hold the tubes in place.

![Diagram of Tack Weld](image1)

5. Remove the four 1” bolts from the vertical tubes and roll the TMA rearward to pull the extension frame free from the vertical tubes. Fully weld the tubes in place on all four sides where the tubes touch the frame and the back plate. Refer to following figure for details.

![Diagram of Full Weld](image2)
6. Position the splice plates, as shown here in this figure below, against the sides of the frame and the vertical tubes. Mark on the plate the position of two holes for ¾” bolts. Drill these holes in the plates and the frame. Weld the edge of the plate to the vertical tube. The truck frame weld areas should be spray painted to prevent rust.

7. After the splice plates have been welded on the tubes, Install the four ¾” bolts in the designated holes that were drilled into the plates to reinforce the splice plates as well as the tubes.

8. To reattach the TMA to the truck, either use the 1” bolts supplied or use the T-pins, if the T-pins were purchased as an option.

9. Proceed to the Section titled “Support Installation” and follow the Installation procedures that match the type of Supports that were ordered.
Installing the Fast-Trak SwiftConnect™ for the Scorpion Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA)

(Follow the Directions for the Configuration received)

Configuration 1

Configuration 2

Configuration 3
Fast-Trak SwiftConnect™ Configuration 1

(Configuration 1 is for trucks where the back end of the truck has no plate and only the truck frame rails are exposed.)

PN: 11140-06 used for illustration, other lengths are installed in the same way.

Adding ballast can affect the truck bed height, so it is advisable to ballast the truck before attaching the TMA. Check the truck frame to make sure that it is structurally sound and not rusted. Also check the amount of frame extension in back of the spring brackets – a minimum of 10” is needed. Check that the bed of the truck does not extend beyond the back of the frame more than 4” (see Fig. 3). This is necessary for vertical clearance of the TMA. Check the frame for a cross tie plate connecting one side to the other if the frame extends to the rear more than a few feet. It is preferred to keep the frame from extending more than 24” from the back of the spring support bracket. Also check the height of the truck side gates. These should be less than 8’ 6” from the ground to allow clearance if the double 90° tilt is used.

Part number 11141 truck mount comes with a plate to be welded to the truck frame rails. Before fully welding part number 11141 truck mount to the frame rails, tack in the part to ensure proper alignment and height recommendations from the ground. Refer to the Scorpion TMA Dump Truck Mount recommendations. Once fully welded, use Figure 1 below for installation and assembly for all of the components for Configuration 1.

1. The truck frame should be two c-channels spaced 34” apart. Start by grinding the inside and outside of the end of the frame to prepare for a weld. Make sure that the frame is square from side to side by measuring the same distance from the frame ends to the back of the spring shackles.

2. The rear plate (42” x 22”) (shipped with the strut) will be centered on the back of the truck frame and the bottom of the Truck Mount Frame will be 16-1/4” above the ground. The truck will settle about ½” after installation of the TMA and this is accounted for. REMEMBER THAT THE TRUCK MUST BE BALLASTED BEFORE WELDING THE REAR PLATE ON THE TRUCK FRAME. Note where the frame will be welded to the plate and grind the paint off the plate in this location.

*Figure 1: Exploded and assembled view of Configuration 1.*
3. Tack weld the rear plate into position and make sure that the Truck Mount Frame is at 16-1/4” above ground, is level across the top, and positioned vertically at 90° to horizontal. Continue by welding the inside and outside frame end to the plate. Note: If the rear plate cannot be positioned on the truck frame rails to allow the truck mount frame be at 16-1/4” above ground, then cut the welds between the Truck Mount Frame and the Rear Plate. Position and weld the Rear Plate first as mentioned above. Then position and weld the Truck Mount Frame to the Rear Plate as mentioned above.

Figure 2: General information on the Fast-Trak/SwiftConnect.

Figure 3: General information on the Fast-Trak/SwiftConnect.

Table 1: Configuration 1 components.

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Fast-Trak SwiftConnect™ Configuration 2
Plate already welded on truck
PN: 11145-06 used for illustration, other lengths are installed in the same way.

Configuration 2 is for trucks where the back end of the truck has a sturdy plate already welded to the truck frame rails. Before fully welding part number 11146 truck mount to the frame rails, tack in the part to ensure proper alignment and height recommendations from the ground. Refer to the Scorpion TMA Dump Truck Mount for recommendations. Once fully welded, use Figure 4 above for installation and assembly for all of the components for configuration 2. Additionally, refer to Step 3 of Configuration 1 for further instructions on positioning and welding PN 11146 to the Rear Plate.

Figure 4: Exploded and assembled view of Configuration 2.

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Fast-Trak SwiftConnect™ Configuration 3
Side mounts for truck side
PN: 11155-30 used for illustration, other lengths are installed in the same way.

Configuration 3 is used for applications where an extension is required such as a bed overhang. Before fully welding the truck mount to the frame rails, tack in the part to ensure proper alignment and height recommendations from the ground. Refer to the Scorpion TMA Dump Truck Mount for recommendations. Once fully welded, use Figure 5 above for installation and assembly for all of the components for Configuration 3.

Table 4: Configuration 3 components.

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Step 1
Be sure that the Hook on the TMA side is above the Pin on the Truck Side. Adjust accordingly if necessary. With the securing Pins and Clips removed from the Truck side, push the TMA up to the Truck Mount.

Step 2
Using the Swivel Jacks, lower the TMA until the hook is fully engaged on the top Pin of the Truck Mount.

Step 3
Momentarily push the “Up” button on the 2-Button Controller until the bottom of the TMA Side is against the bottom of the Truck Side.

Step 4
Once the TMA is fully loaded on the Truck Mount top Pin, store away the Swivel Jacks and secure the TMA with the Pins and Clips.

Step 5
Now that the TMA is fully secured on the Truck, use the controls to lift the TMA high enough to store the Drop Jacks. Once these Jacks are stored, the TMA is ready for the road.

Figure 6: Display of Fast-Trak Swift Connect mounted onto TMA

This is what the TMA should look like when it is not installed onto a Truck, see Figure 6. All Jacks should be deployed and secure prior to installing the TMA onto a Truck. The Truck mounting side of the TMA should be high enough such that the hooks can go over the pins on the Truck-side mount, but the Truck side should be lower than the rear of the TMA by a couple of degrees. This can be achieved by adjusting the Drop Jacks prior to removal of the TMA from the truck to expose one yellow hole below the black Drop Jack Bracket and then use the Swivel Jacks until an appropriate angle and height is achieved.

Figure 7: Step-by-Step Process on how to mount FTSC onto Traks
Support Post Installation
(Model C Only)

FLAT BED SIDE SUPPORT

FLAT BED CENTER SUPPORT

DUMP TRUCK SIDE SUPPORT
Flat Bed Side Support Installation
Flat Bed Side Support Installation

1. Mount the bottom support brackets (P/N 11123) on each side of the flat bed. Mark the position of the holes for the 1/2” bolts and drill these holes in the sides of the bed to fasten the bottom support bracket in to place. The outer lip portion of the bracket should rest on the topside of the bed, as shown in the figure below.

2. Insert the support post into the bottom support bracket. Adjust the post to the appropriate height, which will vary based on the host vehicle, to where the Cartridge tubes will be able to rest on the support post top saddle when the TMA is in the stored position. This figure below illustrates how the support posts can be adjusted upon installation.
3. To mount the front support angle, position the angle to where the inside surfaces of the angle face away from the flat bed. Align the hole on one end of the front support angle with the hole on the support post, which is the second hole down from the top of the post. Insert a 1/2” bolt to fasten one side of the front support angle, as shown in this image.

4. Pivot the front angle towards the cab of the truck. Mark and drill another hole into the flat bed and securely fasten the front support angle in place, as shown in the following figure.
5. Mount the rear support angle to the side support post, with the inside faces of the angle facing outward in the same direction as the front support angle. Pivot the rear support angle towards the rear of the truck, and mark the hole to drill and mount the rear support angle to the bed of the truck. The figure below specifies each location to mount the rear support angle.

6. When the TMA is raised to the stored position, the wear plates that are mounted onto the top half of the Cartridge tubes (already mounted onto TMA) should align and rest upon the top support post saddles (P/N 11040C) as shown in the figure below.
Center Support Installation
Center Support Installation

1. To mount the Center Support (P/N 10357) onto the flat bed of the truck, center the base along the width of the flat bed. Figure 1 illustrates the proper location of the center support in reference to the width of the truck. Parts that are used to assemble the center support together are illustrated in the following figure below:

2. Make sure the angle located on the rear cartridge diaphragm aligns with the center support top post angle when the TMA is in the stored position, as shown in this bottom figure.
Dump Truck Side Support Installation

1. Mount the support post brackets (P/N 11050) on each side of the dump truck. Mark the position of the holes for the 1/2” bolts and drill these holes in the sides of the dump truck to fasten the support bracket into place. The outer lip portion of the bracket should rest on the topside of the dump truck. The following figure shows how the bracket should be mounted onto the dump portion of the truck.

![Diagram showing bracket installation](image)

2. Insert the support post (P/N 11055NJ) into the support bracket. Adjust the post to the appropriate height, which will vary based on the height of the dump truck of the host vehicle, to where the cartridge tubes will be able to rest on the support post top saddle when the TMA is in the stored position. This figure below illustrates how the support posts can be adjusted upon installation.

![Diagram showing support post adjustment](image)
3. To mount the support brace (11057L/11057R), position the brace to where the inside surfaces of the brace face inwards to the truck. Align the hole on one end of the support brace with the hole on the support post. Insert a 1/2” bolt to fasten one side of the support brace, as shown in following figure:

*NOTE: Left Support Brace (11057L) Shown. Right Support Brace (11057R) opposite

4. Pivot the support brace towards the rear end of the truck. Mark and drill another hole into the dump truck and securely fasten the brace in place, as shown in the figure below.
5. When the TMA is raised to the stored position, the wear plates that are mounted onto the top half of the cartridge tubes (already mounted onto TMA) should align and rest upon the top support post saddles (P/N 11040C) as shown in this figure below.
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