AUTOLATCH™ II REPLACEMENT INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

NOTICE TO INSTALLER: Even if familiar with product, read instructions prior to installation as improvements may be made without notice. Always handle components with care. When done, these special instructions must be given to the consumer.

NOTICE TO CONSUMER: Before using this product, read instructions. Save these instructions for future reference.

PREPARATION

COMPONENTS

- (2) 3/8” Phillips self-drilling screws
- Latch
- Adjustable latch
- (2) Spring latch plugs
- (2) Springs
- Cord
- (2) Cord Guides

TOOLS NEEDED

- Phillips screwdriver
- Protective eyewear
- Tape measure
- T-30 Torx wrench
- Cutting tool

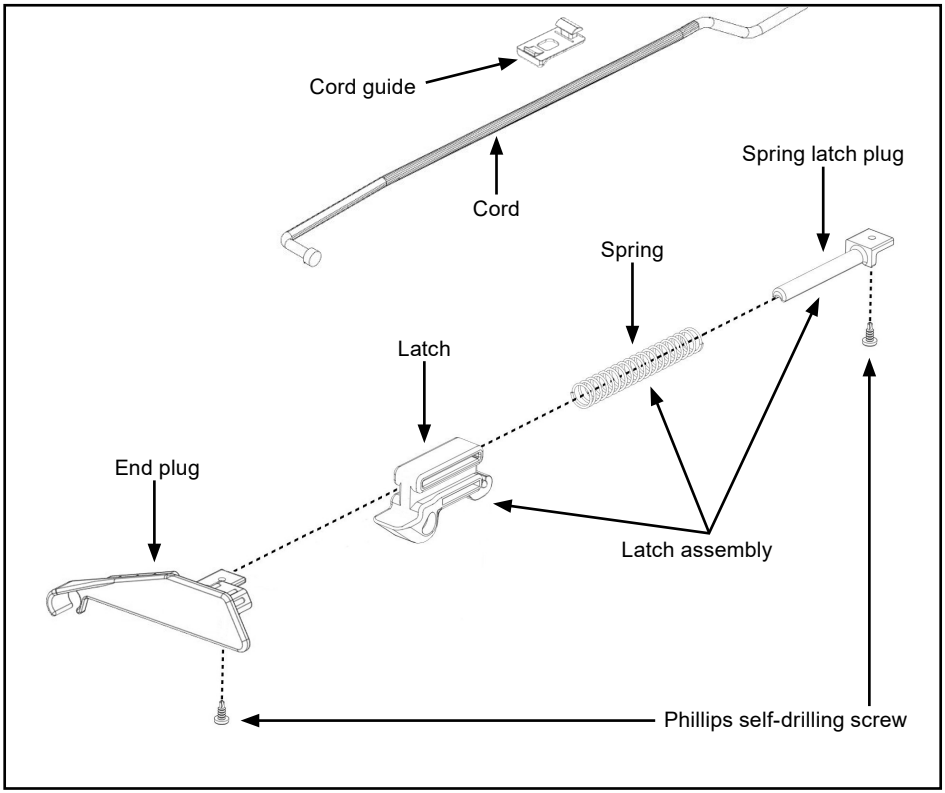
NOTE: Hardware appearance and components may vary.

⚠ **CAUTION: Always cut away from yourself and others.**

⚠ **CAUTION: Over tightening hardware may damage components.**

NOTE: Use dry lubricant spray on latches as needed.

PARTS DIAGRAM



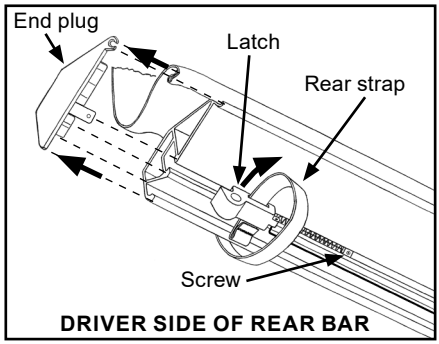
1: REMOVING EXISTING LATCH

A. Roll rear bar so bottom faces up. At one side, make note of how rear strap attaches to latch. Remove rear strap from latch. Set aside to reinstall later.

B. Compress spring and remove cord from latch.

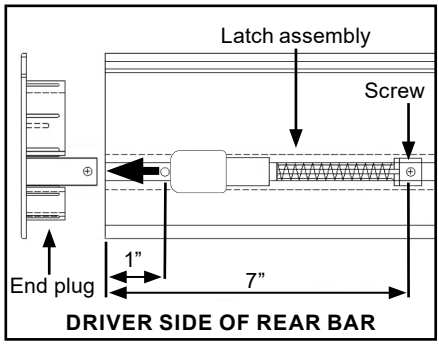
C. Remove (2) screws securing latch assembly. Save screws for installation of new latch.

NOTE: Kit contains (2) new screws, provided as extras.



D. Remove end plug and latch assembly. Save end plug for reinstallation.

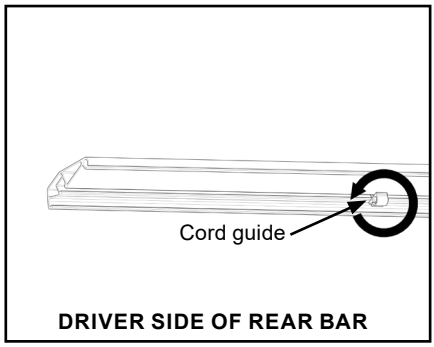
E. Remove cord from cord guides. Make note how cord is routed through cord guides. New cord will need to be routed the same way during installation.



F. Twist guide to remove from channel.

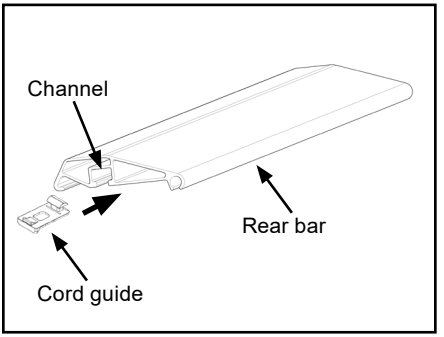
G. Clean channel of debris. If needed, deburr rough edges around screw holes to ensure new latch slides back and forth freely.

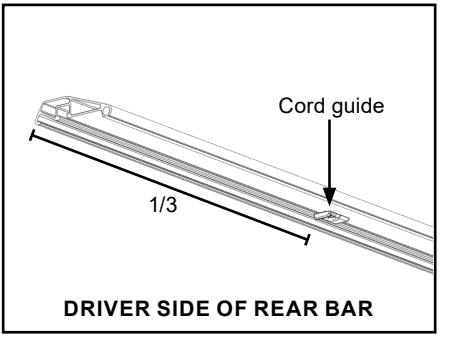
H. Repeat Steps 1A-G on opposite side.



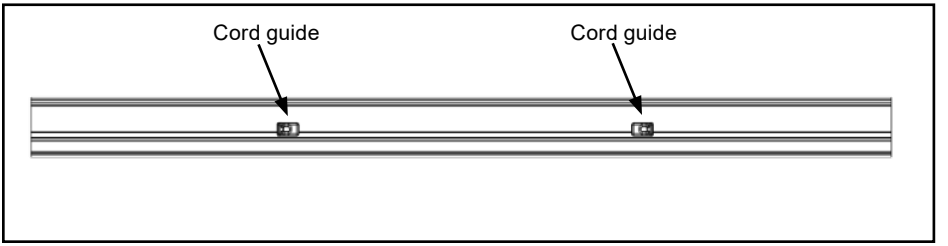
2: INSTALLING CORD GUIDE

A. On driver side, measure 1/3rd the length of rear bar. Twist cord guide to install in channel with clip opening facing inside.





B. Repeat on passenger side.

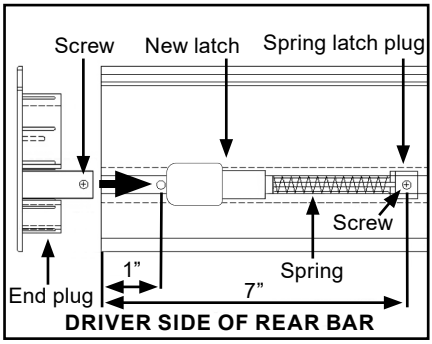


3: INSTALLING NEW LATCH

A. On driver side, slide spring latch plug into channel with shaft facing end plug.

B. Align hole in spring latch plug with hole in channel approximately 7” from end of bar, then secure with screw.

C. Slide spring into channel and onto shaft of spring latch plug.



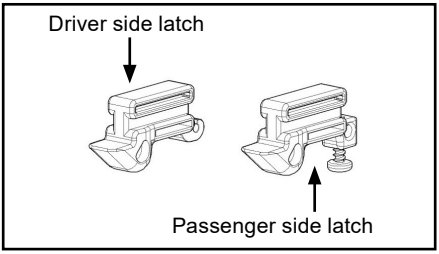
NOTE: Passenger side latch contains screw.

D. Insert new latch against spring.

NOTE: Ensure groove in end plug secures hem of vinyl.

E. Reinsert end plug by gently tapping into rear bar, then secure with screw.

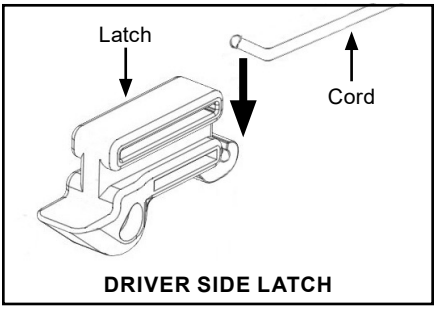
F. Repeat Steps 3 A-E on passenger side.



4: INSTALLING NEW LATCH CORD

A. On driver side, attach new cord to latch.

B. Route cord up through first cord guide, then down through second cord guide.



DRIVER SIDE LATCH

C. On passenger side, insert cord into latch.

D. Pull cord tight without compressing springs.

E. Tighten screw in passenger side latch with T-30 Torx wrench until flush.

F. Trim cord.

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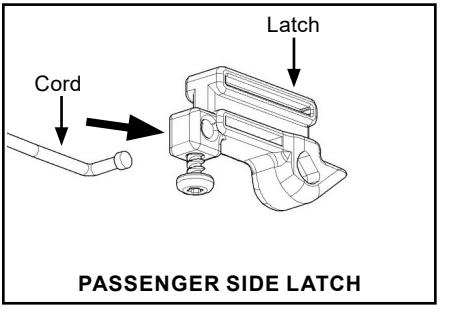
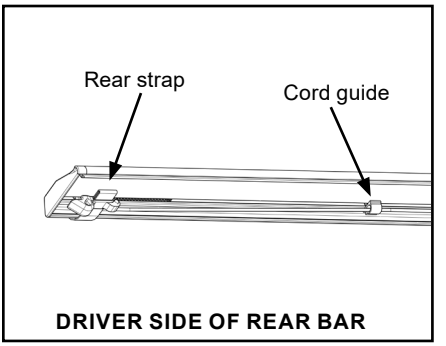


PASSENGER SIDE LATCH

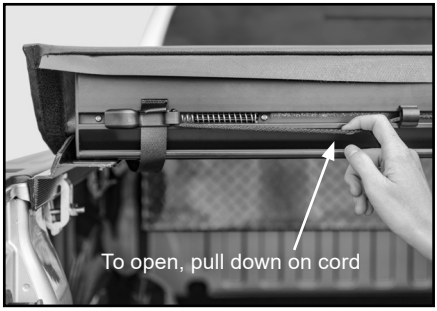
G. Reinsert rear straps.



DRIVER SIDE OF REAR BAR

5: OPERATING LATCH

A. Test latch operation by closing cover.

B. To open, lightly pull down on cord and rotate rear bar with other hand.

NOTE: If latch doesn't engage side rail, inspect location of screw. Make adjustments until latch functions properly.