# 31030 INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

**YEARS:** 2010 & 2011  
**MAKE:** CHEVROLET  
**MODEL:** COLORADO Z71  
**STYLE:** TRUCK

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**WARNING:** NEVER EXCEED YOUR VEHICLE MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDED TOWING CAPACITY

**WEIGHT CARRYING:**  
- TRAILER WEIGHT: 5,000 LBS.  
- TONGUE WEIGHT: 500 LBS.  

**GROSS LOAD CAPACITY WHEN USED AS A STRAIGHT LINE PULL:** 9,000 LBS MAX.

**INSTALLATION TIME:** 20 MIN.

THE INSTALL TIME LISTED IS FOR PROFESSIONAL INSTALLERS. IF YOU ARE HESITANT TO UNDERTAKE THIS TASK ON YOUR OWN, CONTACT AN AUTHORIZED CURT INSTALLER FOR ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE.

**INSTALLATION TIPS:**

1. BEFORE YOU BEGIN INSTALLATION, READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY.
2. TO EASE INSTALLATION, 2 PEOPLE MAY BE REQUIRED.
3. USING PROPER TOOLS WILL GREATLY IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF THE INSTALL AND REDUCE THE TIME REQUIRED.
4. NEED HELP OR HAVE SOME QUESTIONS? CALL TECHNICAL SUPPORT AT 800.798.0813

**INSTALLATION REQUIRES:**

- RATCHET
- SOCKET
- 3/4" TORQUE WRENCH
- TAPE MEASURE
- MARKER
- UTILITY KNIFE
- MEASUREMENT
- TRIM
- OPTIONAL TRIMMING
- FISHWIRE HARDWARE
- REVERSE FISHWIRE HARDWARE
- NO DRILLING REQUIRED

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**PERIODICALLY CHECK THIS RECEIVER HITCH TO ENSURE ALL FASTENERS ARE TIGHT AND ALL STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS ARE SOUND**

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INSTALLATION WALKTHROUGH:

1. Mark and trim air dam or remove and return to vehicle owner. (See TRIM DIAGRAM below)

NOTE: Trim dimensions are approximate. Confirm fit prior to trimming.

2. Fishwire 1/2" carriage bolt and SP3 spacer into the bottom of the frame rail through access hole. (See FISHWIRE TECHNIQUE) NOTE: Leave fishwires attached to all hardware to prevent loosening in frame.

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3. Reverse fishwire 1/2" carriage bolt and SP3 spacer into the side of frame rail. Place a SP3 spacer on bolt outside of frame on driver and passenger side. (See REVERSE PULL FISHWIRE TECHNIQUE)

4. Thread fishwires through holes on hitch and raise hitch into position.

5. Remove fishwires and fasten hitch to vehicle with 1/2" flange nuts.

6. Torque all 1/2" hardware to 110 ft-lbs.

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FRONT MOUNTED ACCESSORIES
1) Do not exceed front axle Gross Weight Rating (GAWR). Consult owners manual or specification plate located on driver's door frame. Measure gross front axle weight by placing front wheels of loaded vehicle on a scale.  
WARNING: Exceeding GAWR may overload the front axle and/or suspension. This could result in accident, property damage and personal injury.

2) Reposition front mounted license plate if obstructed.
3) Do not obstruct vehicle lights.
4) Allow free air flow into grille opening.
5) Rear wheel traction may be reduced. This could effect handling. Reduce speed and drive with caution.
6) Accessories extend front of vehicle. This may reduce approach angle. Use caution when parking and maneuvering.
7) Do not obstruct driver view.

VEHICLE RECOVERY AND WINCHING TIPS
1) Use OEM tow hooks, recovery eyes or a clevis mount for attachment of a tow strap or winch cable.  
WARNING: NEVER use a ball and/or ball mount as an anchor point for tow strap or winch cable. Severe personal injury or death could result.

2) Observe winch manufacturer’s recommendations, cautions and warnings.
3) Attach return cable to tow hook or recovery eye when using a snatch block (See figure 1).

CAUTION: Do not attach return cable to winch mount. This may overload winch mount and/or front mounted receiver.

RATING
For Maximum line pull rating, winch cable must not exceed:
- 15 degree angle up or down from horizontal (See Figure 2).
- 45 degree angle left or right from straight ahead (See Figure 3).

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