



# LOCKING HOOD LATCH KIT

(2007-2018 WRANGLER JK)  
(2018-2024+ WRANGLER JL)  
(2020-2024+ GLADIATOR JT)

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## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

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(2) Hood Latches  
(2) Hood Mounted Hooks  
(2) Upper Fender Gaskets (JK)  
(2) Upper Fender Gaskets (JL/JT)  
(2) Lower Hood Gaskets (JK)  
(2) Lower Hood Gaskets (JL/JT)  
(2) Keys  
(2) M8x1.25 x 20mm Tapered Allen Bolts  
(2) M8 Lock Nuts  
(4) M6x1.00 x 20mm Tapered Allen Bolts  
(4) M6 Lock Nuts

### TOOLS REQUIRED

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10mm, 13mm Socket/Wrench  
Ratchet  
4mm, 5mm Allen Key

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## STEP 1

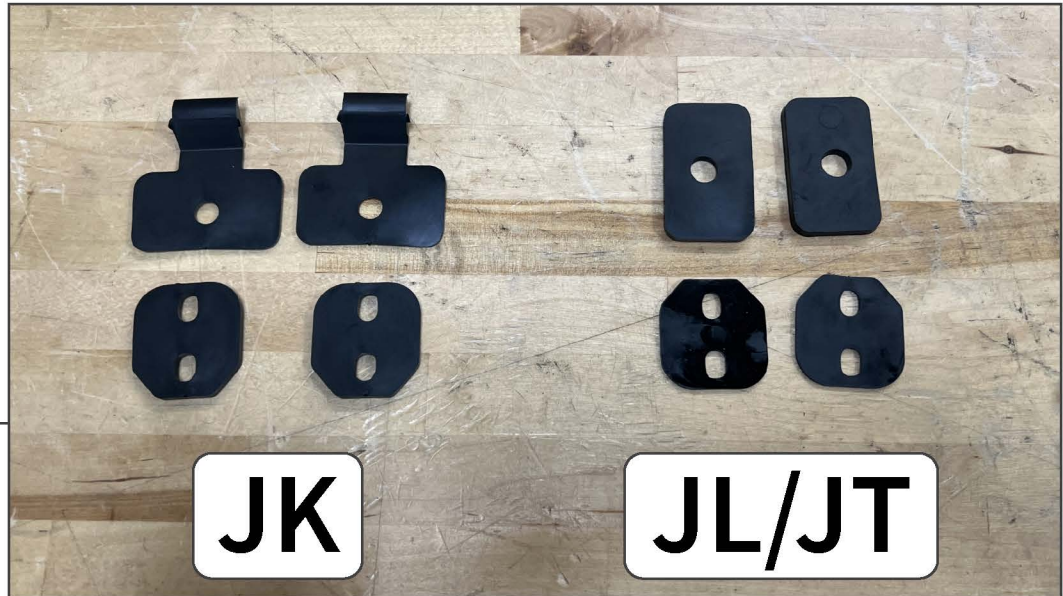


Open the vehicle hood. Remove (1) 13mm nut from the hood latch base. Remove the hood latch base from the vehicle.

## STEP 2



On the vehicle hood, remove (2) 10mm nuts. Then, remove the upper catch from the hood.

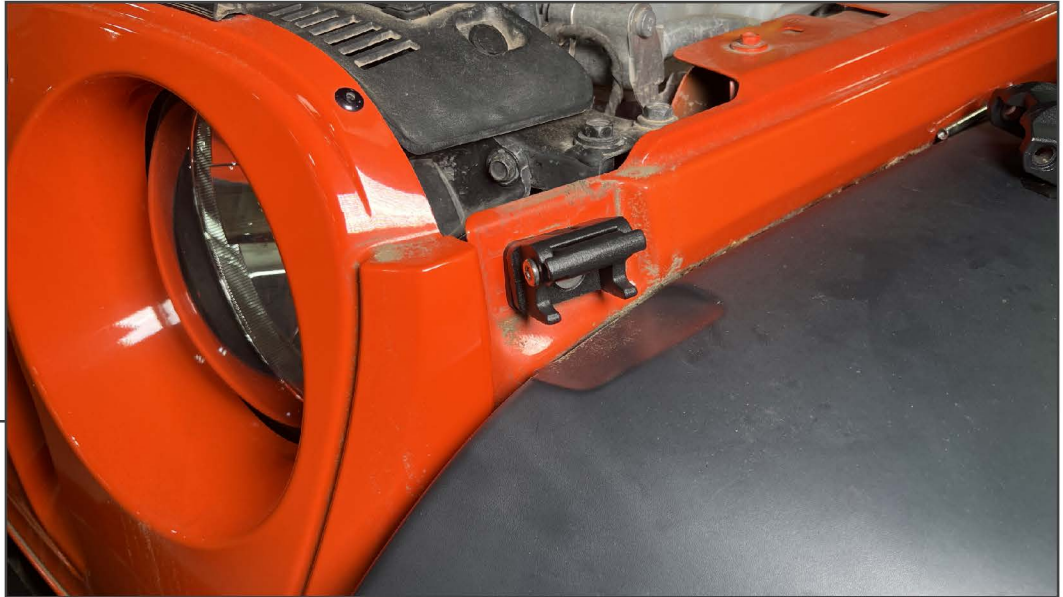
**STEP 3**

Lay out and identify the included rubber gaskets. Depending on the vehicle, the appropriate gaskets will be used.

**STEP 4**

Using (2) 5mm Allen keys, remove the hinge bolt from the latch assembly. The base of the latch will be installed to the vehicle independently of the latch.





## STEP 5

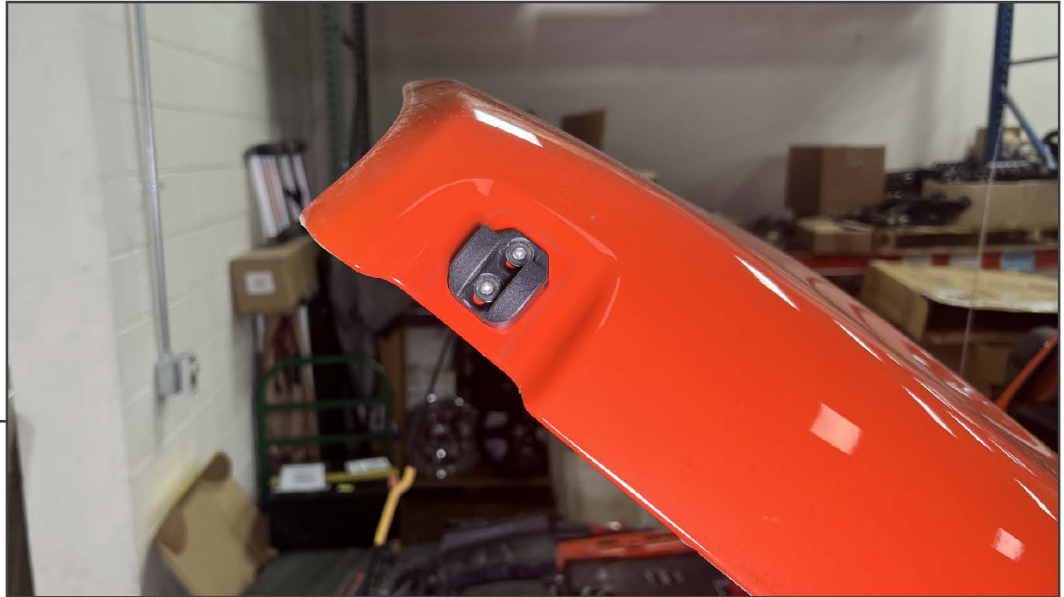
Using (1) M8 x 20mm tapered Allen bolt, (1) M8 flat washer, and (1) M8 lock nut, secure the hood latch base to the vehicle fender. Ensure the included appropriate gasket is between the fender and the hood latch base.



## STEP 6

Re-install the latch to the base using the previously removed hinge bolt.

## STEP 7



Using (2) M6 x 20mm tapered Allen bolts, (2) M6 flat washer, and (2) M6 lock nuts, secure the hood catch to the vehicle hood. Ensure the included appropriate gasket is between the hood and the catch.

The catch can be vertically adjusted for more/less hood tension. Adjust as necessary.

## STEP 8 FUNCTIONALITY



Functionality: Ensure the lock button can be pressed inwards, this is the release mechanism. Close the vehicle hood, and lift the latch over the hood catch. Once hooked, press the hood latch downwards to engage the base to secure the hood downwards. Use the included key to lock the latch (the button cannot be pressed with the hood locked).

To open, unlock the lock, then press the button while hinging the bottom away from the vehicle to release the latch. Moving the hood up/down may be necessary.



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## STEP 9

Repeat steps 1-8 for the remaining hood latch.

Installation is now complete.