



# RUST BUSTER

**RB7609**  
**Fuel Tank Crossmember**  
**1994-2004 Chevy S10 &**  
**1994-2004 GMC Sonoma**



#### REQUIRED TOOLS

Jack Stands or Lift  
Paint/Primer  
Hand Grinder  
Cutting Wheel or Torch  
Welding Gloves  
Welding Hood/Shield  
Ear & Eye Protection  
Sockets & Ratchet  
Fire Extinguisher  
Punch  
Hammer

#### KIT CONTAINS

Fuel Tank Crossmember  
M10 Flanged Hex Head Bolt  
M10 Hex Nut

#### QTY

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## **1) PREPARING YOUR VEHICLE**

Begin by disconnecting your battery prior to starting your installation.

Inspect your vehicle for leaking fuel lines, fuel tank and engine components. If you have fuel leaks repair all leaks prior to starting your installation. If your fuel tank is near your welding area **remove your tank prior to welding.**

Remove all combustible items above the work area such as seats, carpets, padding, etc.

**Keep all flammable materials away from the vehicle work area.**

## **2) PREPARING YOUR WORKSTATION**

Keep a fire extinguisher close by in the case of fire and make sure you always have a designated "Fire Watch" to assist during the cutting or welding phases.

Abide by all apprenticed welding safety standards and practices.

Always use appropriate welding eye protection, ear protection, and work and fire safety gloves during the installation and within the work area.



### **WARNING!**

If you are unsure on how to perform the installation or how to operate any of the required tools listed above, it is **HIGHLY** advised that you enlist the work of a certified welder/installer.

Failure to follow proper safety precautions and instructions may result in serious injury. **The user assumes all liability when installing the product.**



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### **3) PREPARING FOR YOUR INSTALL**

Lift up your vehicle and remove your fuel tank.

With a 14mm socket, remove the center bolt and any lines in the surrounding work area.



### **4) CUT**

Burn and punch out the rivets on each end of the factory fuel tank crossmember.



Once the welds are released, remove your crossmember.



Grind the frame free of rust and debris, revealing bare metal.

Paint the part with a weldable primer to help prevent against rust development.

### **5) INSTALL**

Slide the crossmember into place, using a hammer if needed.







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Using a 15mm socket, install the included nuts and bolts located on each end of the crossmember.



Reinstall the center bolt with a 14mm socket.

### 6) **PAINT AND PROTECT**

Coat the part and work area with a primer or other rust inhibitor to help prevent or reduce the risk of rust formation.



### 7) **REINSTALL**

Reinstall your fuel tank.