



# RUST BUSTER

**RB7375**  
**Center Frame Crossmember**  
**1981-1987 Chevy C/K10 – Standard Cab 8 ft. Bed**



#### REQUIRED TOOLS

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

#### KIT CONTAINS

Center Frame Crossmember  
Support Plates  
M10 30mm Flanged Hex Screw  
M10 25mm Flanged Hex Screw  
M10 Flange Locknut

#### QTY

1  
2  
16  
8  
24



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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

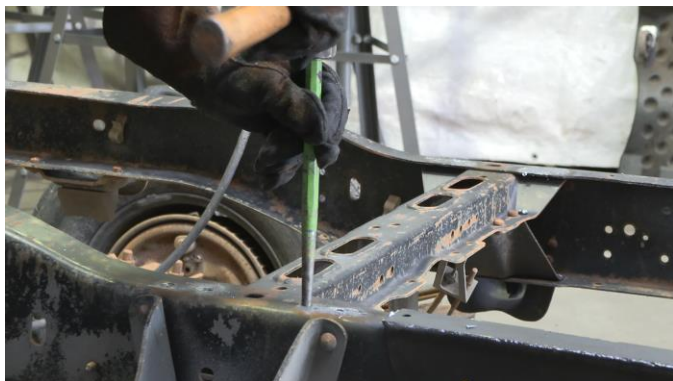
Lift up your vehicle. Remove any lines or power harnesses in your work area.

### 4) CUT

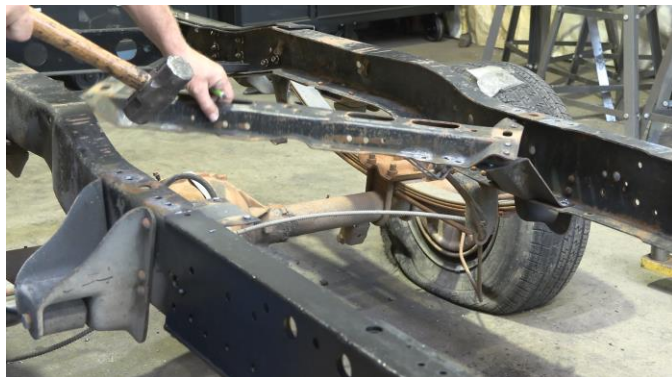
Begin by removing the eight rivets located on the top and bottom of your frame rail retaining the factory center crossmember.



After cutting out the rivets, punch them out with a hole punch. Repeat on both sides.



Remove your factory crossmember and its support plates.



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

### 5) INSTALL

Start by holding your support plate up to the inner-bottom part of your frame rail making sure the holes align. Screw in four of the included 30mm screws and tighten them with a 15mm socket and 14mm wrench. Repeat on both sides.







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Once you have your support plates secured, slide your replacement crossmember into place, one side at a time. Line it up with the holes on your support plates.



Once you have them aligned, screw in the eight included 25mm screws where the support plate and crossmember meet.



Then, screw in the eight remaining 30mm screws on the top of your frame rail. Tighten them with a 15mm socket and 14mm wrench.



### 6) **PAINT**

Paint the part with primer or other rust inhibitor to help prevent or reduce the risk of rust formation.

We recommend our Rust Buster Rust Converter & Primer Spray Paint (RB9917).

