

BMW R1200 GS SKID PLATE INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

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Package Contents:
- Skid Plate
- instructions
- hardware kit



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Kit:

- ① R 1200 GS skid plate
- ② Aluminum spacer
- ③ (1) M8 x 25 socket head cap screw
- ④ (1) M8 washer
- ⑤ (1) M6 x 12 socket head cap screw
- ⑥ (1) M6 washer



This installation was done on a 2008 R1200. We have found that different year models have different mounting hardware. All locations and sizes are the same.

Please see page #4 of this document **FIRST** for specific 2010 instructions.



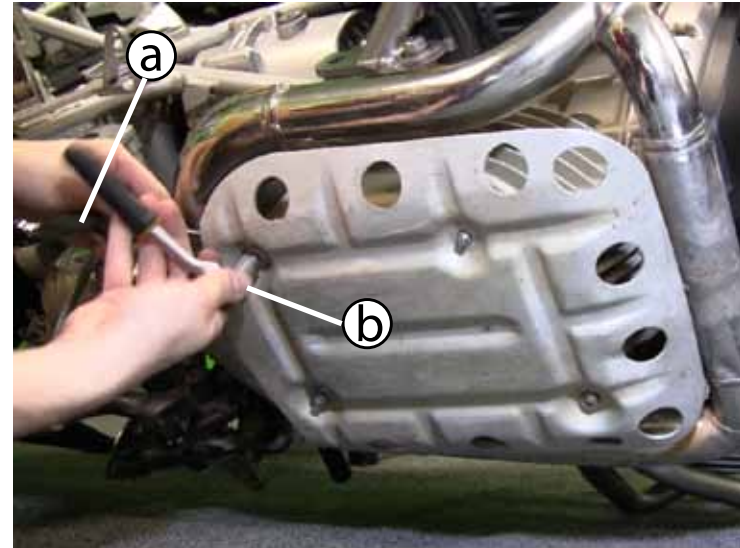
Tools necessary:

- ① 1/4" ratchet
- ② 18mm spanner
- ③ 5 and 6mm allen bit or wrench
- ④ 13mm socket
- ⑤ E8 torx socket
- ⑥ E10 torx socket
- ⑦ (1) .5 ml bottle of thread locker

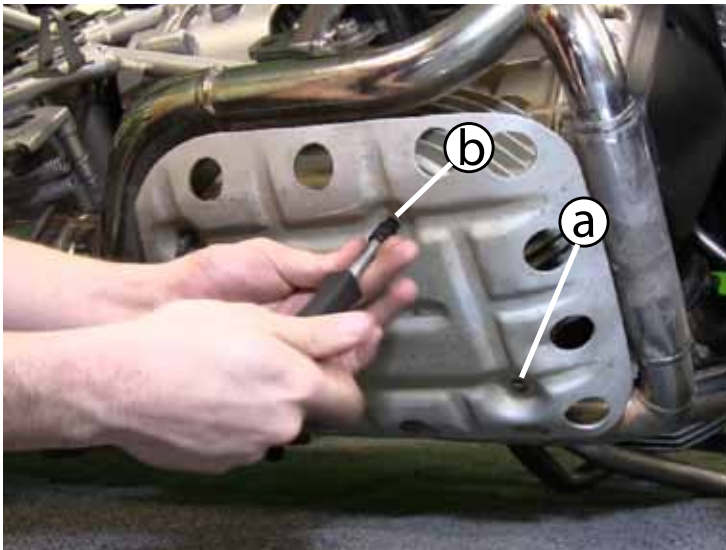


Do not use a traditional socket (internal hex) to remove the external torx! You will strip the teeth.

- ① For the sake of visibility, I laid our R12 down onto our AltRider Crash Bars. We recommend doing this installation on the side stand or center stand.

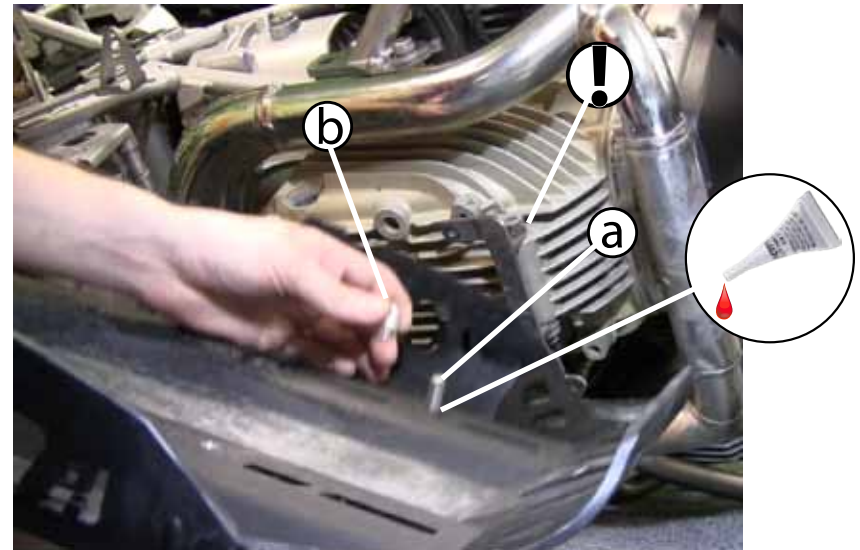


- ② (a) Using an 18mm spanner, hold the vibration isolation mounts while (b) using the 13mm socket and a ratchet to loosen and remove the 2 rear nuts. (your hardware may vary)



Make certain that your front bracket through bolt is tightened to the OEM spec!

- ③ (a) Use an E10 socket to remove the large external torx fastener then (b) use an E8 socket to remove the smaller external torx fastener.



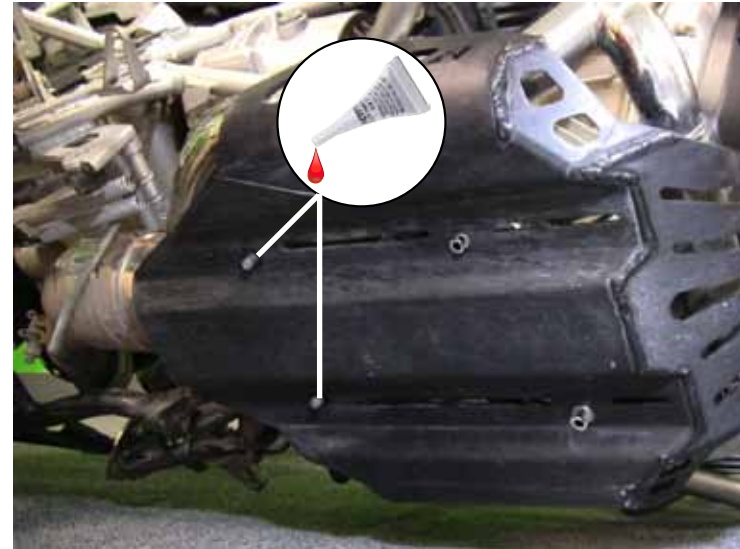
- ④ (a) hold the supplied M8 fastener (and washer) in place and (b) slide the aluminum spacer over it, then put the skid plate on and start the threads with your finger. (use thread locker!!)



- ⑤ Use a 5mm allen tool to tighten the M6 socket head cap fastener. (don't forget to use thread locker) Tighten to MFG torque specifications.



The skid plate depicted is our prototype. The fit and finish of your skid plate will be slightly different from ours.



- ⑥ Put one drop of thread locker (provided) on the last couple of threads of the vibration isolation mounts.



- ⑦ (a) Use a 21mm spanner to hold the vibration isolation mount while you, (b) tighten the 13mm nut. Tighten the M8 and the 13mm nuts to the MFG torque spec.



- ⑧ Your Skid Plate should look like this! Make certain your fasteners are all tightened to the MFG torque spec. After 100 miles of riding, check the fasteners again to make sure all is well.



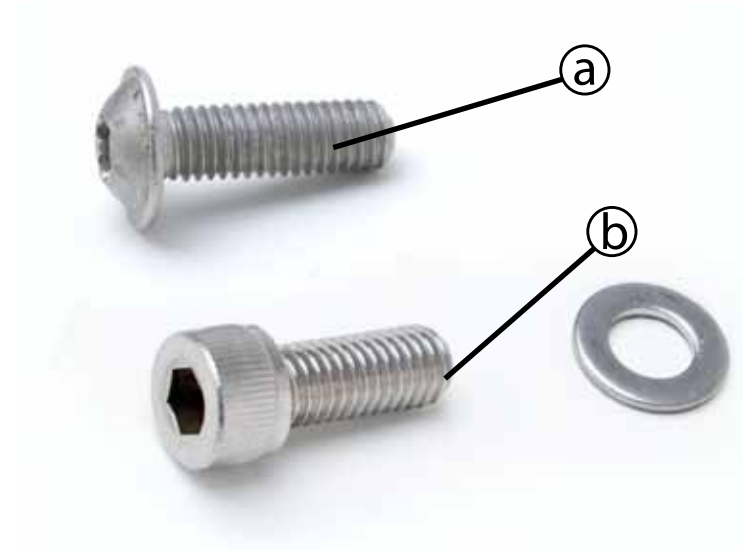
If you have a 2010 R 1200 GS, please follow these additional steps!



- ① The 2010 includes these (2) spacers. You will not be reusing these, so leave them in the OEM skid plate and store it in a safe place.



- ② The metal clip depicted is used to 'downsize' the hole in the mount bracket to fit a 6mm fastener. You will not need this clip, or the fastener.



- ③ The other OEM front fastener (a) is a 6 x 20mm torx head. This fastener is too long, and so we provide (b) a 6 x 12 cap head screw with a washer. You'll use a 5 allen key to tighten this.

CONGRATULATIONS!

You've completed your installation. If at any point you have questions about your installation or have any feed back for us, we'd love to hear it. A downloadable version of these instructions can be found at our web site. www.AltRider.com

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