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Billet Grilles

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2007-08 Cadillac Escalade UPPER CLASS SERIES MESH GRILLE

Tools Required:

Phillips & Slotted Screw Drivers
7mm, 8mm & 10mm Socket
Masking Tape
1/16" Punch or Drill Bit
Die Grinder or Jig-saw
Files and Sandpaper

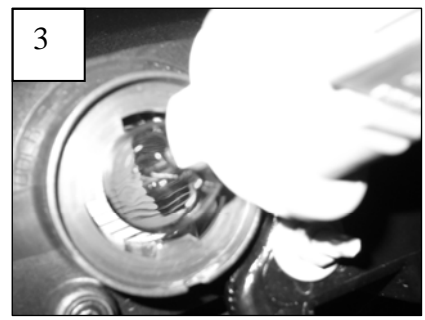
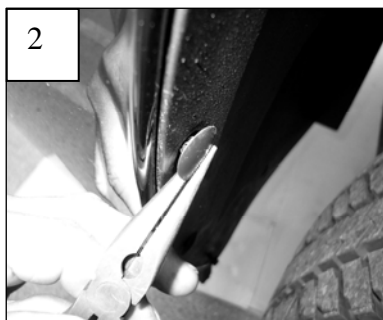
Parts List:

1	Upper Class Grille	1	Logo Mounting Plate
12	6-32 Nylon Lock Nuts	2	10-32 x 1" Countersink Cap Screw
12	#6 Flat Washers	2	10-32 Flange Nut
1	#8 X 3/4 Phillips Screws	7	Slotted T Brackets
1	#8 Flat Nuts	1	Top Plate

Read and understand instructions before attempting installation

Step 1

Unclip the plastic rivets and remove the plastic cover over the grille. Remove the six 10mm bolts along the top of the grille (1). Apply masking tape to the painted surfaces of the grille. Remove the bolts and factory fasteners attaching the bumper cover to the inner plastic wheel wells (2). There are two bolts along the bottom and one towards the top of the wheel well.

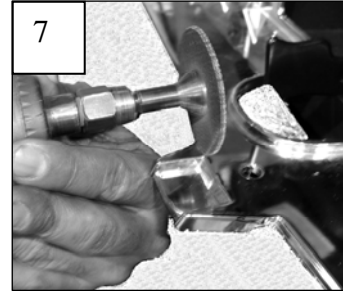
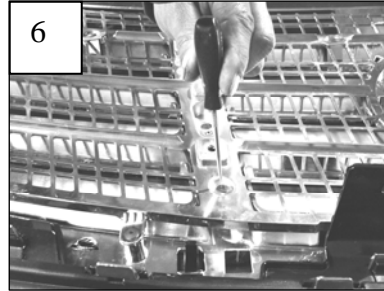
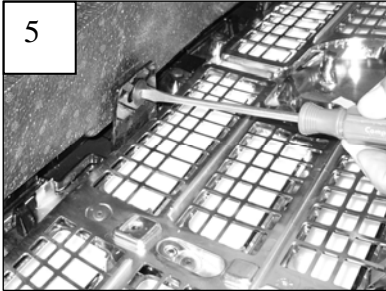


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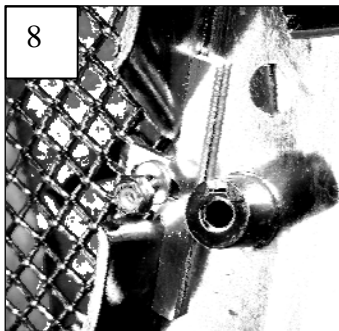
Pull the inner fender wells away from the bumper cover. This will gain access to disconnect the turn signals lights and fog lights. Use a slotted screw driver to unfasten the light covers; twist the lights from the sockets to disconnect them (3). Once the lights have been disconnected; remove the bumper cover assembly (4).

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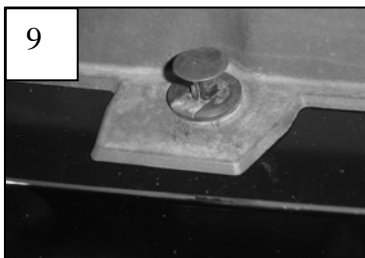
Place the bumper cover face down on a work surface. Use a slotted screwdriver to remove the fasteners securing the bumper pad to the bumper cover (5). Separate the plastic rivets holding the mesh inserts in place. These can be removed with a small 1/16" punch or drill bit (6).



It is necessary to cut the center bars from the painted grille surround. All of your cuts will be hidden from the mesh grille or hood; however it is better cut less material and then cut again if needed, rather than cutting too much material the first time. Make your first three cuts along the top; where the painted area meets the chrome (approximately 1/4" in front of the engine cover mounting hole) (7). Cut the three cross bars on each end (1/8" inside the painted surround). Make the final cuts along the bottom (1/8" above the painted surround). After you have made your cuts; there will be a chrome ring in the shape of a 'U'; this ring will have nine notches where the bars have been cut (on each end and along the bottom). Test fit the mesh grille in place. File or sand your cuts smooth to clear the mounting studs.

**Step 4**

Place the top plate on the new grille using the supplied nylon lock nuts and washers. Install the logo plate using the 10-32 socket cap screws, nuts and washers. Install the factory emblems onto the grille. The factory double sided tape may be re-used; however if the tape has lost tack, new tape or a small amount of super glue will help hold the logo. Center the grille in place. Install the T brackets, nuts and washers on each stud. Wrap the brackets around the chrome ring; into the notched openings (8). Use the factory engine cover clips to secure the top plate center holes. If a set of tow hook grilles are to be installed; install at this time.

**Step 5**

Re-install the bumper pad to the bumper cover; re-install the bumper cover assembly and the plastic engine cover back onto the vehicle. Use the factory engine cover holes and clips to secure the top plate (9).

Thank you for purchasing a T-Rex billet grille. 4/30/08