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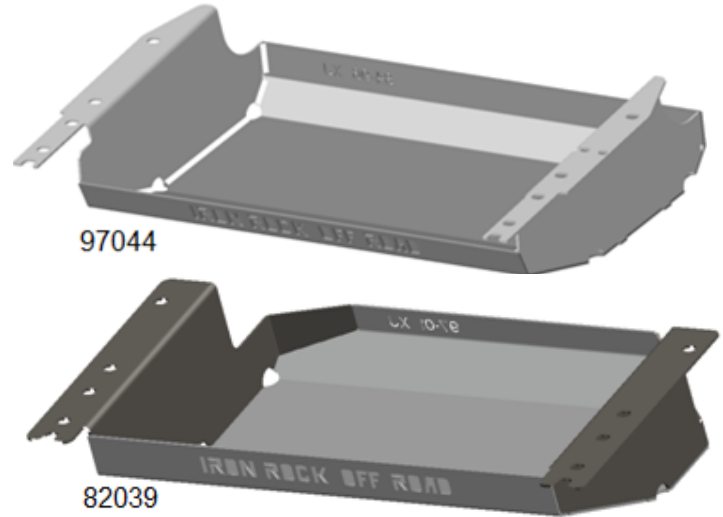
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Before you begin:

- Read all safety warnings and notes.
- Contact Iron Rock Off Road with any questions before, during, or after installation.
- Read and understand installation instructions.
- Ensure that all parts are present and in good condition using the included parts checklist.

Parts Checklist:

- Iron Rock Off Road Decal 10001 (Qty: 1)
- Optional:** 97044 84-96 XJ Fuel Tank Skid (1)
- Optional:** 82039 97-01 XJ Fuel Tank Skid (1)
- #178 - Hardware Kit XJ Fuel Tank Skid (1)**
 - M12 x 35mm hex bolt, class 10.9 (10)
 - 1/2" USS washer (10)
- Optional:** Sold Separately 52001174K - XJ Rear Uniframe Nut Plate, Pair (1)



Safety Warning:

Ensure vehicle is safely supported with jack stands prior to working underneath it.

Notes:

- The 97-01 Fuel Tank Skid (82039) has been designed to work with the **Drawtite** brand hitch (model no. 75054). Skid may or may not work with all receiver hitch models. Minor clearance modification to the skid is recommended if necessary.
- The 84-96 Fuel Tank Skid (97044) has been designed to work with most common receiver hitches. Skid may or may not work with all receiver hitch models. Minor clearance modification to the skid is recommended if necessary.
- Exhaust tailpipe modifications may be necessary with the use of this skid plate on 97-01 models only. 84-96 models do not need any exhaust modification, the skid has clearance holes for factory exhaust provided.
- Be sure you have the following tools and supplies:
 - Floor jack and jack stands
 - Basic hand tools (Sockets, Ratchet, Wrenches)
 - Anti-seize compound for bolt threads.

Fuel Tank Skid Installation:

1. Lift rear of vehicle and support with jack stands under the unibody frame.
2. Ensure that vehicle is safely supported.
3. Remove receiver hitch if equipped.
4. Remove factory fuel tank skid plate if equipped (**97-01 models only**). Retain plastic fuel tank skid (if equipped) on 84-96 models.
5. Remove factory exhaust heat shield if equipped.
6. Apply a light coating of anti-seize compound to bolt threads.
7. Install new skid plate using provided hardware or re-use original nuts if your Jeep is equipped with studs.
8. Install receiver hitch if removed previously. Torque M12 bolts to 79 lb.-ft.
9. Reinstall exhaust tail pipe mount if removed previously.
10. Verify adequate clearance around exhaust, wiring, suspension, and anything else.
11. Tighten any loose bolts.
12. Lower vehicle.
13. Enjoy your new found sense of security!