

## Bed Stiffeners - 2024-25 4th Gen Toyota Tacoma

## **Tools Required:**

- T55 Torx Bit
- 5/32" or 4mm Hex Bit
- 1/4" & 23/64" drill bit
- Rivnut installation tool

## Parts Included:

- Bed Stiffeners, LS & RS
- M6x20mm Button Head Cap Screws, qty 6
- M6 Flat Washers, qty 6
- M6 rivnuts, qty 6

## Parts Removed and Reinstalled:

- Rear bed bolts, qty 2
- 1. Remove rear bed bolts using a T55 Torx bit.
  - \*If you have a spray-in bedliner, cut around the washer with a knife, then remove the bedliner from inside the Torx using a small screwdriver or pick. Alternatively, you can use a small torch to melt the bedliner inside the Torx, being careful not to expose yourself to fumes. Use a hammer to lightly seat the T55 Torx bit into the bed bolt head, then remove bolts.
- 2. Position Bed Stiffener and re-install bed bolt. Check that the three bolt holes align with the factory dimples in the bed. Close tailgate to confirm clearance.
  - \*Note These beds vary from truck to truck and Bed Stiffener may not align perfectly with dimples. Take care to align and install Bed Stiffeners properly.
- 3. Using Bed Stiffener as a guide, drill **ONE** 1/4" hole. Use a drill stop to avoid drilling into anything inside the bed.
- 4. Remove Bed Stiffener and use a 23/64" drill bit to carefully drill the first hole to its final size.
- 5. Using a rivnut installation tool, install the first M6 rivnut.
- 6. Re-install Bed Stiffener using bed bolt and one M6 Button Head Cap Screw. Tighten until snug, using care not to strip or spin rivnut.
- 7. Using Bed Stiffener as a guide, drill the remaining two holes using a ¼" drill bit.
- 8. Remove Bed Stiffener, drill remaining two holes to final size using a 23/64" drill bit and install remaining two M6 rivnuts.
- 9. Install Bed Stiffener using factory bed bolt and three M6 Button Head Cap Screws with Flat Washers. Torque bed bolts to 60 ft/lbs. Tighten M6 Button Head Cap Screws securely, being careful not to cross-thread, strip, or spin rivnuts.
- 10. Repeat these steps on opposite side.