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Installation instructions and care guide : 1999 – 2004 Oldsmobile Alero

Thanks again for purchasing your custom grille insert from the GrilleGuy. The following are some general guidelines that will simplify the installation process and make owning your GrilleGuy grille an enjoyable experience.

- ? Always place the head of the zip ties behind the grille for a cleaner more custom look. A galvanized /stainless picture hanging wire (not included) can be substituted for the cable ties. This will require access from the rear of the grille and may complicate installation.
- ? You may have to access the rear of the grille opening from underneath the hood or from beneath the car.
- ? Occasional use of an aluminum polish will give your raw grille a brilliant shine

Hardware list:

- 3 perforated aluminum grille inserts
- 1 PVC trim gasket
- 9 weather resistant nylon zip ties

A 2000 Olds Alero 2 door is used to demonstrate the installation. These instructions are applicable to all the models listed above.

Tools required: A pair of wire cutters or snips to cut the wire or tie wraps used to mount the grill, and a 3/16" drill bit and drill.

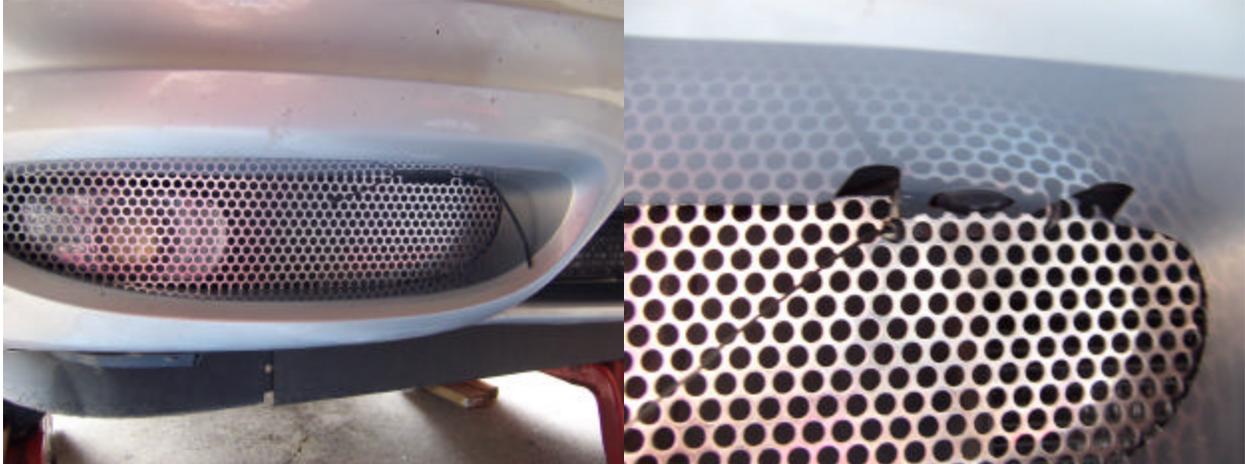
Start by installing the left and right side grilles first, the right (passenger) side is illustrated, but the driver side is just a mirror image as are the grille inserts themselves. Be sure to use the right insert on the right side so that the front on the grill is forward. Insert a wire tie around plastic trim piece tab as shown below.



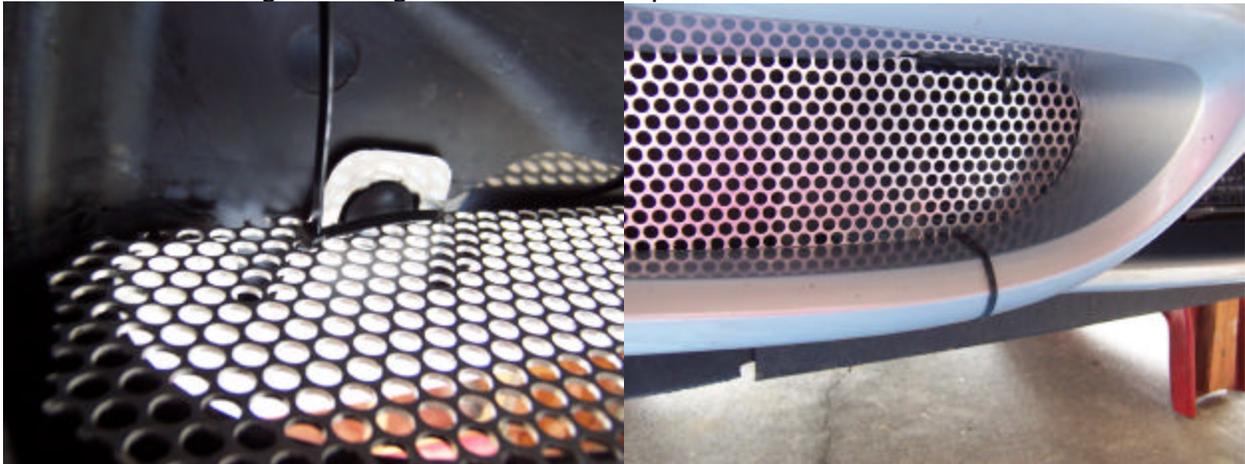


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Insert the grille through the center opening and slide it behind the plastic upright and in front of the fog light as shown above. Slide the grille all the way to the left until the small cut-out in the top of the grille lines up with the plastic trim piece tab. You may have to push back on the grille after it gets by the fog light to clear the opening in the plastic.



Once the grille is positioned as shown above left, thread the cable tie through the holes as shown above right and tighten as much as possible.



Above left shows the grill from below and behind, you can now trim the excess cable ties. This is sufficient to hold the grille securely, however if you feel you need additional support and, don't mind the look, you can add the tie shown above right. Repeat this procedure for the other side grille.

Now to install the center grille you must first drill (5) 3/16 holes in the plastic center section, two in the top and three in the bottom. Locate these holes approximately as shown below, the location is not critical side to side but the position of the holes will determine the fore and aft position of the grille so they should be located fairly close to the picture. Approximately 2.5 inches from the back edge on the bottom and .5 inches from the back edge on the top.



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Install the ties in the holes as shown below left. Insert the center grill and run the bottoms ties through the grill as shown below right. Note that these ties go out through the bottom row of holes and come back through the next hole up. Insert the end into the clasp and leave loose for now.





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Swing the top of the grille into place and attach the top two ties as shown below. Tighten all ties evenly at this time, do not over tighten or you can distort the plastic trim. Clip off all loose tie ends and you are done.



Installation complete

