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Installation Instructions and Care guide

: 2000 – 2003 Honda S2000

: 2004 – 2005 Honda Civic

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 cable ties behind the grille for a cleaner more custom look.
- ? You may have to access the rear of the grille opening from beneath the hood or from beneath the car.
- ? Occasional use of an aluminum polish will give your grille a brilliant shine

Hardware list:

- 3 perforated aluminum grille inserts (1 for just the center grille)
- 3 rubberized trim gaskets (1 for just the center grille)
- 12 weather resistant nylon zip ties (4 for just the center grille)

Center Grille Installation Procedure (S2000 & Civic):

Step 1 – Place the grille inside the opening. The grille should conform to the center opening on the car and fit snugly. This will actually provide the support for the grille.

Step 2 - Use a pencil or magic marker to mark the holes where you want to route the zip ties. On the center grille, the cable ties will attach to the plastic OEM grille slats. An approximate location is shown in the picture below.



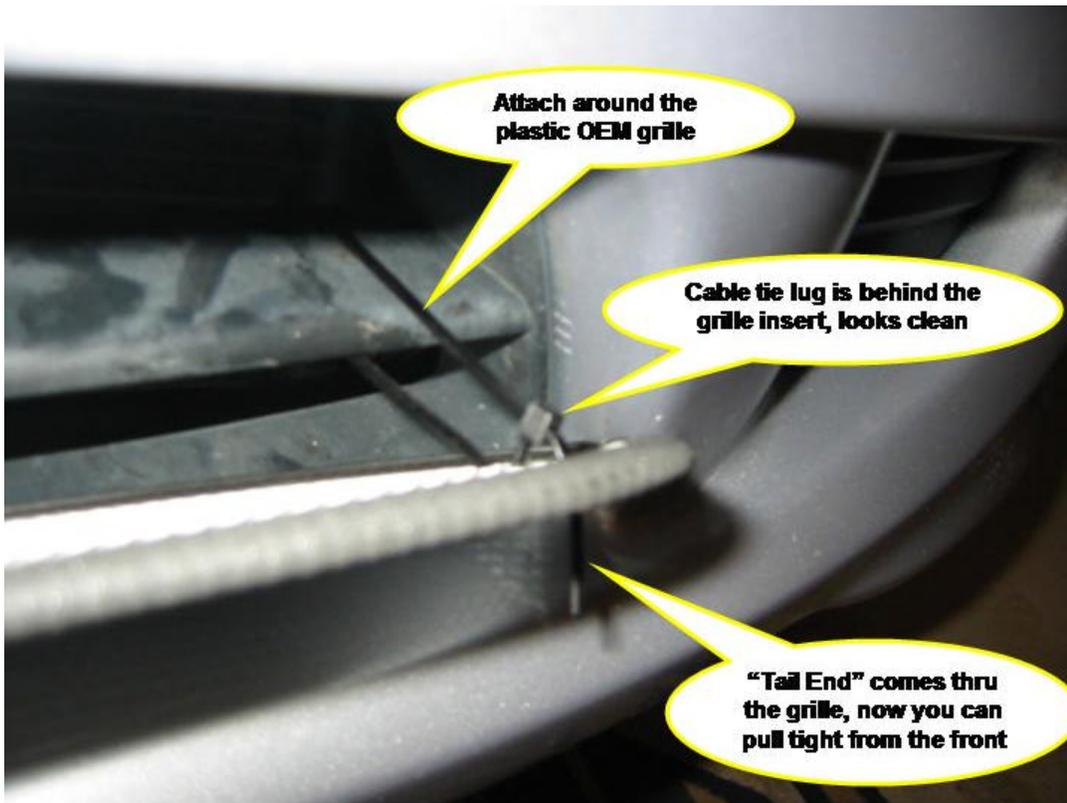


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Step 3 – Route a zip tie through an opening in the grille (from the back) and then through the front of the grille via an adjacent hole. Unless you have tiny hands, you may need to attach a second zip tie to the end of the first to add length. (See below)



Step 4 - Wrap the zip ties around or thru the OEM grille slates. Now, complete the zip tie loop, go ahead and push the zip tie “tail end” through the back of the grille and out the front. This way you will be able to pull tight from the front side. **Loosely fasten the zip tie, do not tighten at this point.** Repeat steps 3 & 4 for the other sides. You can add as many as you like but two cable ties should be plenty. Each cable tie has a 40 pound tensile strength rating, you grille only weighs a pound or so, don't over do it.





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Step 5 – Go back and secure each zip tie by pulling slightly on each one. Use an alternating pattern. This will ensure the grille is pulled in evenly and has a secure even fit. Do not over tighten, it is possible to damage the grille insert during this step. Clip off excess cable material.



Side Grille Installation Procedure:

Step 1 – Place the grille insert inside the opening. You may need to push the trim out a little to get the best fit. We won't worry about fine tuning the fit until we get the side grilles attached.

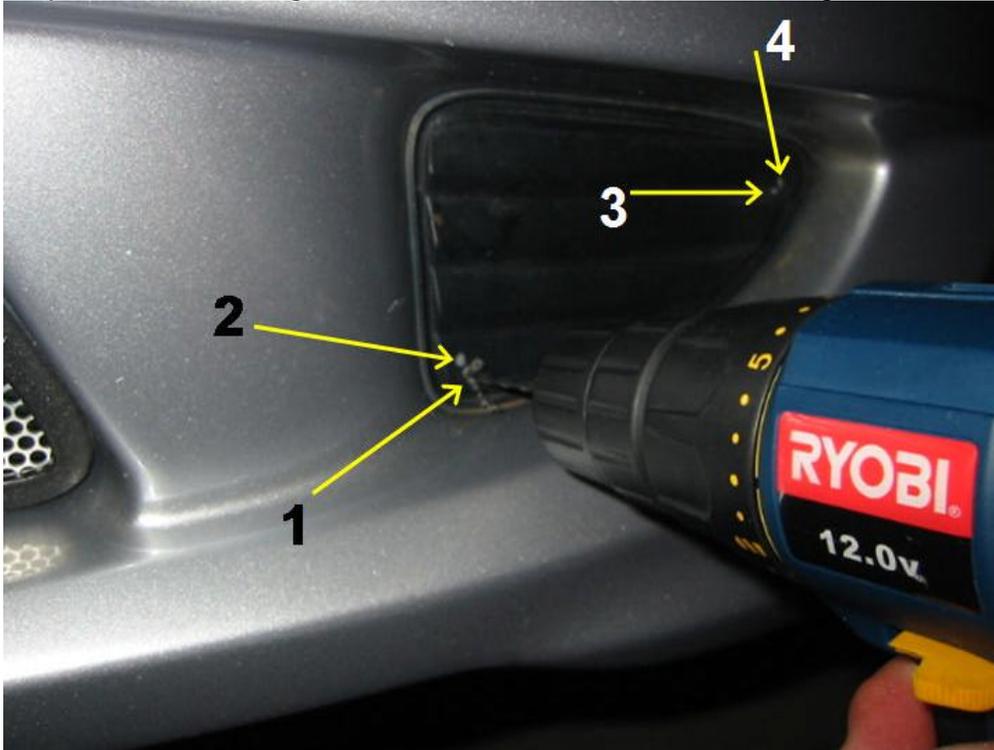
Step 2 - Use a pencil or magic marker to mark the holes where you want to route the zip ties (4 places). On the side grilles we will be drilling some small holes. A 5/32" drill bit works well but you may want to go up one size if you have large hands, this will make things easier. Approximate locations are shown in the picture below.



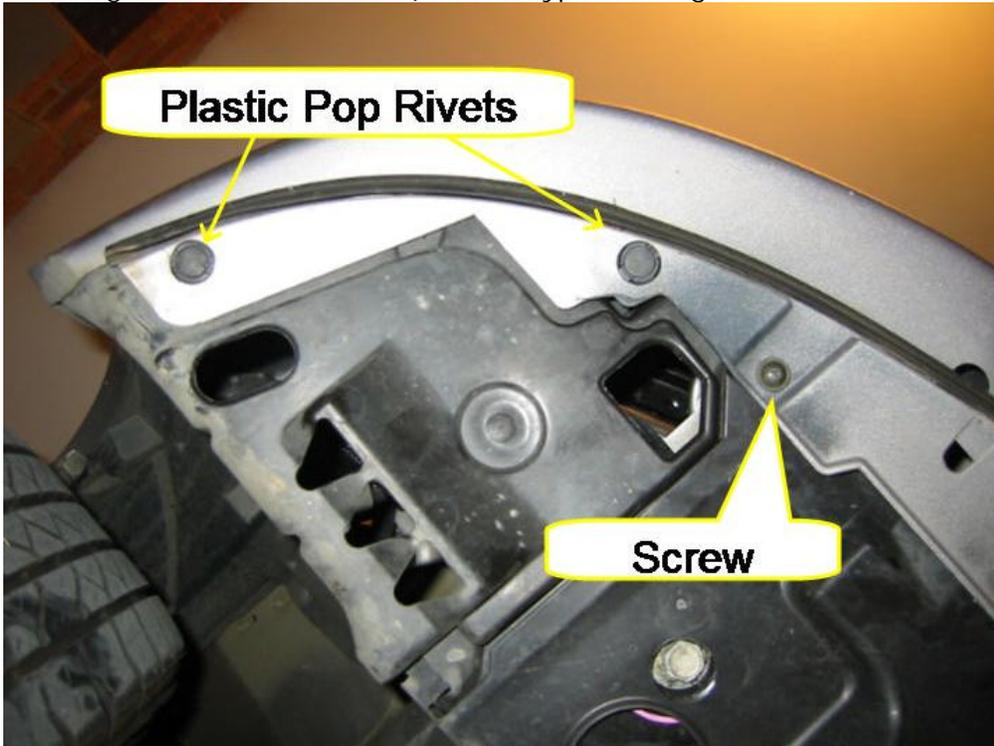


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Step 3 – Your markings should look similar to this, now let's go ahead and drill the holes.



step 4 – We will have to go beneath the car and remove a couple of pop rivets and some screws so we can get our hand behind the panel for the side vent. The view below is from underneath, use the tire as a reference point. Go ahead and remove these fasteners and drop the plastic panel down so we can get our hand behind. (this is a typical configuration for most late model Hondas)





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Step 5 – Almost there, preload two cable ties into the side grille insert just like we did for the center grille. Push the tail end of the cable tie thru the hole you just drilled. Put your hand behind the side grille panel and locate the cable tie. Then push it back thru the adjacent opening. This is actually a little more difficult than it sounds, just be patient and don't get frustrated. Now you should have something similar to the picture below. You will actually be a step further along with the tail of the cable tie back on the front side.



Step 6 - Now, complete the zip tie loop, go ahead and push the zip tie "tail end" thru the back of the grille and out the front. This way you will be able to pull tight from the front side. **Loosely fasten the zip tie, do not tighten at this point.** Now do the same for the second cable tie.

Step 7 – Go back and secure each zip tie by pulling slightly on each one. Use an alternating pattern. This will ensure the grille is pulled in evenly and has a secure even fit. Do not over tighten, it is possible to damage the grille insert during this step. Remember, each cable tie has a 40 pound tensile strength rating, your grille only weighs a pound or so, don't over do it. Clip off excess cable material.

Repeat step 1-7 for the opposite side, now is a good time to fine tune the fit. Do this by pushing the trim material outwards so that it closely conforms to the shape of the opening. You can do this for both the side grilles and the center grille, if your fingers don't work well, try a pencil with a big fat eraser.



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