NOTE: An optional heavy-duty power steering cooler, ATF cooler and air duct are required before towing. Have the recommended parts available to be installed along with the trailer hitch kit.

PARTS LIST

Trailer Hitch (sold separately)
P/N 08L92-SHJ-100

- Trailer hitch
- Ball mount
- Hitch pin
- Hitch pin clip
- 6 Bolts, 12 x 40 mm
- 6 Lock washers, 12 mm
- 6 Plain washers, 12 mm
- Receiver cover
- Template

Trailer Hitch Harness (sold separately)
P/N 08L91-SHJ-100

- Trailer harness
- Control unit harness
- Control unit
- Control unit bracket
- Harness bracket
- Connector bracket
Flange nut, 6 mm

2 Flange bolts, 6 x 16 mm

18 Wire ties

Wire ties with clip

2 Cable clips

Connector clip

Fuse, 7.5A

Fuse label

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Heavy-Duty P/S Cooler Kit (sold separately)
P/N 53765-SHJ-315

Heavy-duty P/S cooler

Washer-bolt, 8 x 12 mm

Washer-bolt, 6 x 12 mm

ATF Cooler Kit (sold separately)
P/N 06255-RGR-315

ATF Cooler

Rubber hose

3 Washer-bolts, 6 x 15 mm

3 Hose clamps

Mirror "hang tag"

Air Duct (sold separately)
P/N 71105-SHJ-A00

Air duct

4 Clips
TOOLS AND SUPPLIES REQUIRED
Phillips screwdriver
Flat-tip screwdriver
Ratchet
5 mm, 6 mm, 10 mm, 12 mm, and 19 mm Sockets
Utility knife
Tape measure
Clip remover
Diagonal cutters
Sandpaper
Torque wrench
Drill
Blanket
Eye protection (safety goggles, face shield, etc.)
4 Pushpins
Isopropyl alcohol
Shop towel
Piece of stiff wire
Available through the Honda Tool and Equipment Program at 888-424-6857:
Hole saw 13/16 in. (20 mm) P/N: LHS26D
Arbor P/N: LHS1C

INSTALLATION

Customer Information: The information in this installation instruction is intended for use only by skilled technicians who have the proper tools, equipment, and training to correctly and safely add equipment to your vehicle. These procedures should not be attempted by “do-it-yourselfers.”

NOTE:
- Be careful not to damage the rear bumper or other finished surfaces of the body.
- Let the P/S fluid, the ATF, and the surrounding parts cool down before you install the coolers.

1. Make sure you have the anti-theft code for the radio, then write down the audio presets.
2. Disconnect the negative cable from the battery.
3. Remove the rear bumper.
   - If equipped, remove the two screws (one on each side) that secure the inner fender.
   - Remove the four self-tapping screws (two on each side) at the fenderwell.
   - Using a clip remover, pry out and remove the three clips along the bottom of the bumper.
   - Using a flat-tip screwdriver, pry out and remove the bumper bolt covers, then remove the four bumper bolts.
   - With the help of an assistant, release the bumper from the fenderwell, and slide the bumper away from the vehicle.
   - If equipped, unplug the backup sensor connectors.
   - Set the bumper on a blanket.

Illustration of the Trailer Hitch Installed on the Vehicle
4. On the inside of the rear bumper, place the template on the bumper with the hole in the template over the center clip hole.

5. Using a felt-tip pen, mark the bumper around the outside of the template. Using a pushpin, pierce a hole through the bumper at each of the four marked positions on the template. Remove the template.

6. Turn the bumper over. While wearing eye protection, drill a 20 mm hole through the bumper at the four marked locations.

7. Using a utility knife, cut along the marked area, and remove the center section of the bumper. Using a file, remove any burrs from the bumper.

8. Install the trailer hitch to the rear frame, using the six 12 x 40 mm bolts, lock washers, and plain washers, tighten the right side bolts first.

9. Torque the five trailer hitch bolts to 58 lb-ft (80 N·m).
Installing the Trailer Hitch Harness

10. Pull out the weatherstrip at the rear trim panel. Remove the rear trim panel (two screws, and lift to release the ten clips).

11. Remove the jack cover (2 tabs).

12. Lower the jack handle, then remove the jack.

13. Locate and remove the grommet from the left rear bumper area.

14. Tape the trailer harness to a piece of stiff wire. Route the trailer harness into the cargo area, and seat the rubber grommet into the body panel with the harness pointing down.
15. Route the trailer harness along the body panel. Using isopropanol on a clean towel, clean the body panel where the cable clips will attach. Attach the cable clips to the body panel, and secure the harness at the green tape using two wire ties attached to the cable clips.

16. Under the left side of the vehicle, remove the rear trailer hitch bolt. Reinstall the trailer hitch bolt with the harness bracket attached. Torque the trailer hitch bolt to 58 lb-ft (80 N·m).

17. Attach one wire tie with clip to the trailer harness at the green tape, then insert the clip into the hole in the harness bracket.

18. Secure the trailer harness to the trailer hitch with four wire ties.
19. Insert the trailer harness 4-pin connector into the connector bracket, then attach the connector bracket to the trailer hitch with the 6 x 16 mm bolt and flange nut.

20. Secure the trailer harness to the trailer hitch with two wire ties.

Installing the Control Unit

21. Attach the control unit to the control unit bracket.

22. Inside the left rear cargo area, insert the control unit bracket through the square hole in the vehicle panel, and secure the control unit assembly with one 6 x 16 mm flange bolt.
23. Slide the connector clip into the slot on the trailer harness 4-pin connector, then attach the trailer harness 4-pin connector to the control unit bracket.

24. Secure the trailer harness with one wire tie to the vehicle harness.

25. Get the control unit harness. Plug the control unit harness 4-pin connector into the trailer harness 4-pin connector. Plug the control unit harness 12-pin connector into the control unit 12-pin connector.

26. Attach the 7.5A fuse label to the fuse case on the control unit harness.

27. Route the control unit harness toward the right side of the vehicle, and secure the harness to the vehicle harness with three wire ties.

28. Continue routing the control unit harness along the rear of the vehicle and toward the right rear side trim panel. Secure the harness to the vehicle harness with four additional wire ties.
29. Pull out the weatherstrip at the right rear side trim panel. Remove the anchor bolt near the top of the side panel, and gently pull out on the right rear side trim panel to release the two clips.

30. With an assistant gently pulling out on the right rear side trim panel, plug the control unit harness 8-pin connector into the rear junction box. Secure the control unit harness to the vehicle harness with two wire ties.

31. Reattach the right rear side trim panel, and reinstall the anchor bolt.

32. Remove the fuse cover from the right kick panel (two retaining tabs and one hook).

33. Install the 7.5A fuse.
34. Attach the fuse label (7.5A) to the fuse cover as shown.

35. Reinstall the rear bumper.

36. Slide the ball mount into the trailer hitch, and insert the retaining pin. Secure the retaining pin with the retaining clip.

37. Reinstall all removed parts.

**Installing the P/S and ATF Coolers**

38. Remove the front bumper:

   - Remove the six clips and the two bolts along the bottom of the bumper.
   - Remove the two clips from the top of the bumper (one on each side).
   - Remove one screw from the inside of each fenderwell.
   - Lift the bumper off of the hooks, and set the bumper on a blanket while you install the P/S and ATF coolers.
39. Remove the bumper beam (6 bolts).

40. Under the vehicle, remove the front splash shield (17 clips).

41. With a drain pan under the vehicle, remove the two bolts and two hose clamps that secure the existing P/S cooler. Disconnect the P/S fluid lines, and remove the power steering cooler. Set the P/S cooler aside; it will not be reused.

42. Install the new hose to the upper pipe of the ATF cooler, and secure the hose with one new hose clamp from the kit.
43. Locate and remove the old power steering cooler clip. Discard the clip.

44. Position the ATF cooler on the front bulkhead, and align the bolt holes in the cooler with the threaded holes in the bulkhead. Install the three 6 x 12 mm bolts (supplied) into the threaded holes to secure the ATF cooler.

45. Remove the ATF return line from the radiator return pipe, and attach it to the lower ATF cooler pipe using one new hose clamp from the kit.
46. Position the heavy-duty P/S cooler on the radiator bulkhead, and attach the vehicle P/S lines the cooler using the new hose clamps from the kit. Attach the P/S cooler to the radiator bulkhead using the one 6 x 12 mm bolt and the 8 x 12 mm bolt from the kit.

47. Position the air duct on the radiator bulkhead, and install the 4 clips to secure the air duct.

48. Reinstall the front bumper beam, and torque the bumper beam bolts to 22 lb-ft (26 N·m).

49. Reinstall the front bumper and the splash shield.

50. Reconnect the negative cable to the battery.

51. Enter the customer’s radio anti-theft code, and reset the audio presets.

52. Reset the clock.

53. Reinstall all removed parts.

NOTE: Whenever the battery is disconnected, the driver’s window AUTO function is disabled.

54. Start the engine. Push down on the driver’s window switch until the window is fully open.

55. Pull up on the driver’s window switch to close the window completely, then hold the switch for 2 seconds or more.

56. Lower and raise the window to check the operation of the driver’s window AUTO function.

57. Start the vehicle and check for leaks; repair as necessary.

58. Check the ATF and the P/S fluid levels and adjust them as necessary.

59. Attach the hang tag around the rear view mirror.

NOTE: After about 620 miles (1,000 km), recheck the torque of the trailer hitch bolts.
Installing the Receiver Cover

Whenever you remove the hitch pin clip, the hitch pin, and the ball mount, store them securely in the cargo area. Install the receiver cover into the opening at the end of the trailer hitch. When you reinstall the ball mount, store the receiver cover in the cargo area. After the first 620 miles (1,000 km) of towing, have your Honda Dealer recheck the tightness of the trailer hitch bolts.