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## Safety Message to Installers of Siren Speakers

### **⚠ WARNING**

People's lives depend on your proper installation and servicing of Federal Signal products. It is important to read and follow all instructions shipped with this product and the original product. Listed below are some other important safety instructions and precautions you should follow.

### **Before Installation**

#### *Qualifications*

- To properly install an electronic siren, you must have a good understanding of automotive electrical procedures and systems, along with proficiency in the installation and service of safety warning equipment. Always refer to the vehicle's service manuals when installing equipment on a vehicle.

#### *Sound Hazards*

- Your hearing and the hearing of others, in or near your emergency vehicle, could be damaged by loud sounds. This can occur from short exposures to very loud sounds, or from longer exposures to moderately loud sounds. For hearing conservation guidance, refer to federal, state, or local recommendations. OSHA Standard 1910.95 offers guidance on "Permissible Noise Exposure."
- All effective sirens and horns produce loud sounds (120 dB) that may cause permanent hearing loss. Always minimize your exposure to the sound of the siren or horn and wear hearing protection. Do not sound the siren or horn indoors or in enclosed areas where you and others will be exposed to the sound.
- Federal Signal siren amplifiers and speakers are designed to work together as a system. Combining a siren and speaker from different manufacturers may reduce the warning effectiveness of the siren system and may damage the components. You should verify or test your combination to make sure the system works together properly and meets federal, state, and local standards or guidelines.

### **During Installation**

- DO NOT get metal shavings inside the product. Metal shavings can cause the system to fail. If drilling must be done near the unit, place an ESD-approved cover over the unit to prevent metal shavings from entering the unit. Inspect the unit after mounting to be sure there are no shavings present in or near the unit.
- To avoid a battery explosion, always disconnect the negative battery cable first and reconnect it last. Avoid causing a spark when connecting near or to the battery. The gases produced by a battery can cause a battery explosion that could result in vehicle damage and serious injury.
- DO NOT connect this system to the vehicle battery until ALL other electrical connections are made, mounting of all components is complete, and you have verified that no shorts exist. If wiring is shorted to the vehicle frame, high current conductors can cause hazardous sparks resulting in electrical fires or flying molten metal.
- Ensure that the siren amplifier and speaker(s) in your installation have compatible wattage ratings.
- In order for the electronic siren to function properly, the ground connection must be made to the NEGATIVE battery terminal.

## ***Mounting Instructions for Rumbler® Solo/Compact Speaker in a 2021 Chevrolet® Tahoe®***

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- Sound output will be severely reduced if any objects are in front of the speaker. If maximum sound output is required for your application, ensure that the front of the speaker is clear of any obstructions.
- Install the speaker(s) as far forward on the vehicle as possible in a location that provides maximum signaling effectiveness while minimizing the sound reaching the vehicle's occupants. Refer to the National Institute of Justice guide 500-00 for further information.
- Sound propagation and warning effectiveness will be severely reduced if the speaker is not facing forward. Carefully follow the installation instructions and always install the speaker with the projector facing forward.
- DO NOT install the speaker(s) or route the speaker wires where they may interfere with the operation of airbag sensors.
- If a vehicle seat is temporarily removed, verify with the vehicle manufacturer if the seat needs to be recalibrated for proper airbag deployment.
- Installation of two speakers requires that you wire the speakers in phase.
- Never attempt to install aftermarket equipment that connects to the vehicle wiring without reviewing a vehicle wiring diagram, which is available from the vehicle manufacturer. Ensure that your installation will not affect vehicle operation and safety functions or circuits. Always check the vehicle for proper operation after installation.
- DO NOT install equipment or route wiring or cord in the deployment path of an airbag.
- Locate the control head so the vehicle, controls, and microphone can be operated safely.
- When drilling into a vehicle structure, ensure that both sides of the surface are clear of anything that could be damaged.

### **After Installation**

- After installation, test the siren system and light system to ensure that they are operating properly.
- Test all vehicle functions, including horn operation, vehicle safety functions, and vehicle light systems, to ensure proper operation. Ensure that installation has not affected vehicle operation or changed any vehicle safety function or circuit.
- After testing is complete, provide a copy of these instructions to the instructional staff and all operating personnel.
- File these instructions in a safe place and refer to them when maintaining or reinstalling the product.

Failure to follow all safety precautions and instructions may result in property damage, serious injury, or death.

## Introduction

The RRBS-TAH21ND is a mounting kit for the Federal Signal Rumbler low-frequency signaling system. This kit mounts a single speaker behind the front fascia of the Chevrolet Tahoe.

## Unpacking the Kit

After unpacking the kit, inspect it for damage that may have occurred in transit. If it has been damaged, do not attempt to install or operate it. File a claim immediately with the carrier, stating the extent of the damage. Carefully check all envelopes, shipping labels, and tags before removing or destroying them. Ensure that the parts in Table 1 are included in the package. If you are missing any parts, contact Customer Support at 1-800-264-3578, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday (CT).

Table 1 Kit contents

Item No.	Qty.	Description	Part Number
1	1	Rumbler Solo/Compact 21 Tahoe Bracket	828303857A
2	2	1/4-inch Black Plastite Screw	70001307A-12
3	2	1/2 x 3-3/4-inch Hex Head Bolt	7002A014-60
4	4	1/2-inch Flat Washer	7072263A
5	2	1/2-inch Lock Washer	7074A059
6	2	1/2-inch Hex Nut	7057A056

## Installing the Brackets

### **⚠ WARNING**

**FIRE HAZARD:** Do not install the speaker near the fuel tank or fuel lines. Installing the speaker too close to fuel line/tank areas may cause fuel leakage or a fire during a vehicle collision, causing personal injury or death.

### **⚠ WARNING**

**USE ONLY WITH RUMBLER AMPLIFIER OR PATHFINDER® SIREN:** This speaker is designed to only be used with the Rumbler Amplifier or Pathfinder siren. Do not connect this speaker directly to a standard electronic siren. Connecting this speaker directly to a standard electronic siren will greatly reduce the effectiveness of the siren signal. When installing this speaker, always refer to the Rumbler low-frequency amplifier installation and operating instructions (part no. 2562420) for more detailed information about the siren system and how to install, service, and operate the system safely. Instruction manuals are available for viewing or download at [www.fedsig.com/resource-library](http://www.fedsig.com/resource-library).

### **⚠ WARNING**

**SOUND REDUCTION:** To avoid reduction of sound output and damage to the speaker, ensure that the speaker is mounted with the slots facing the ground and with the wires protruding from the bottom of the speaker. Failure to follow this warning may cause serious injury or death.

### **NOTICE**

**DRILLING PRECAUTIONS:** Before drilling holes, check the area you are drilling into to be sure you do not damage vehicle components while drilling. All drilled holes should be de-burred, and all sharp edges should be smoothed. All wire routings going through drilled holes should be protected by a grommet or convolute/split loom tubing.

## Installing the Speaker

To install the speaker:

1. Install the Rumbler Solo or Compact to the bracket using the 1/4-inch type B screws that are supplied with the Rumbler speaker and supplied with this kit. Ensure that the opening of the Rumbler is facing down. Using Figures 1 and 2 for reference, install the screws to the side of the speaker first, and then to the top. Tighten all screws.

Figure 1 Rumbler Solo on Bracket

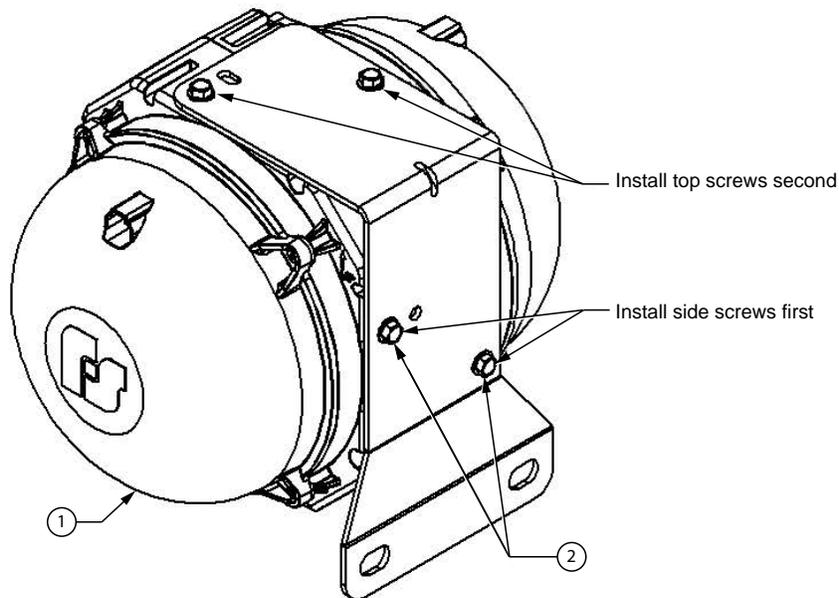
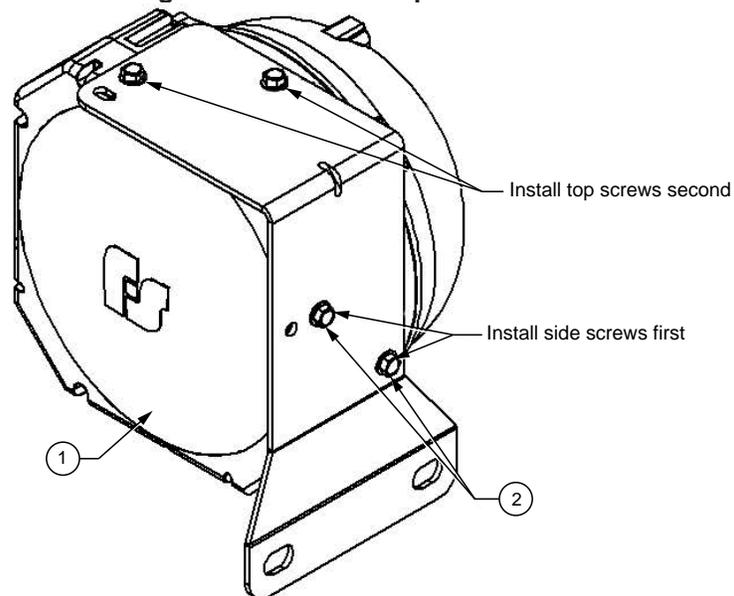
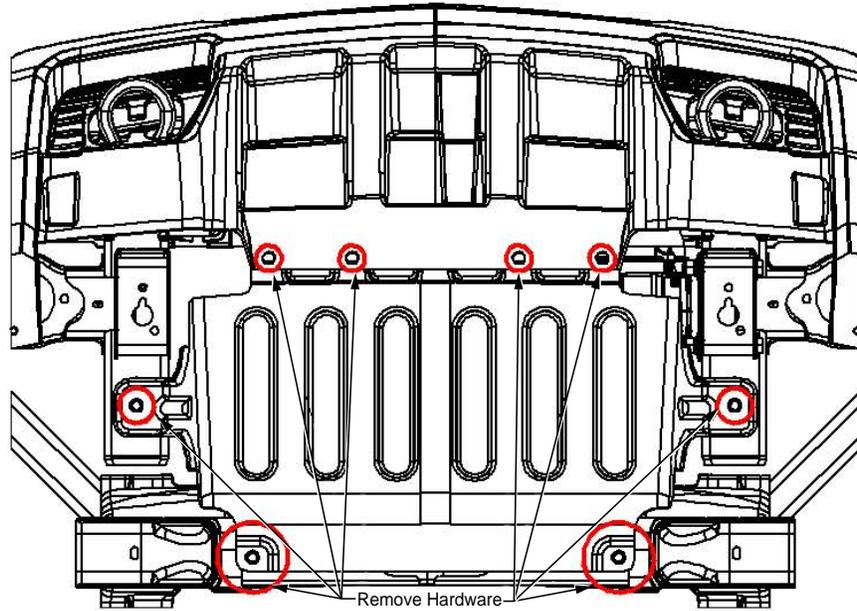


Figure 2 Rumbler Compact on Bracket



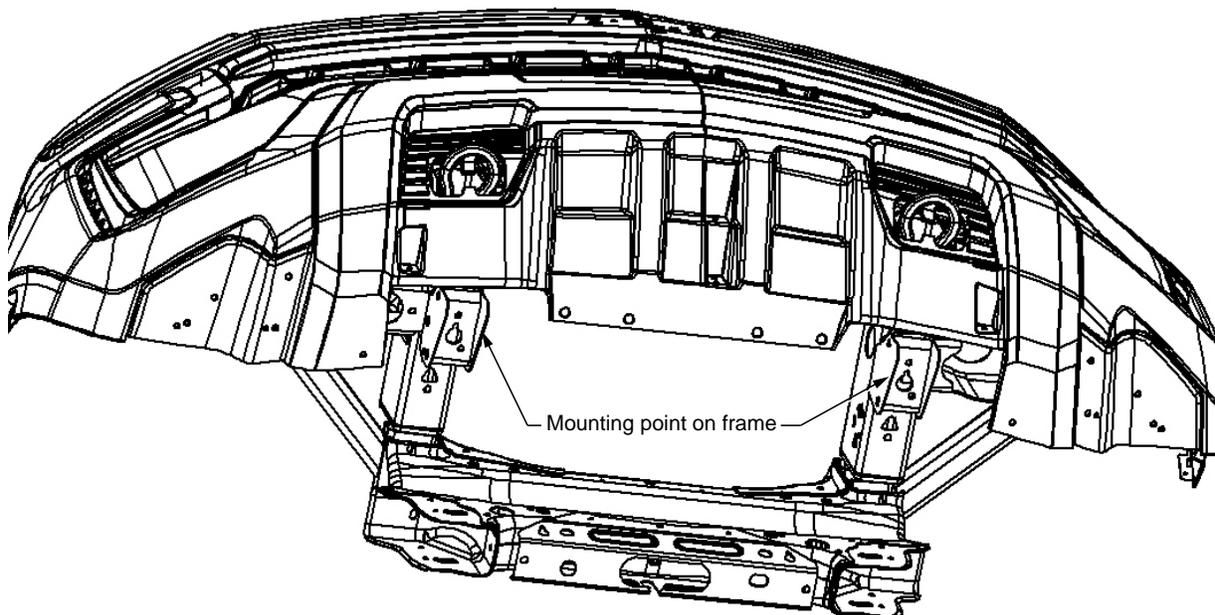
2. Locate and remove the four bolts and four screws that hold the skid plate onto the vehicle. See Figure 3. Remove the skid plate from the vehicle.

**Figure 3 Skid Plate Hardware Location**  
View of Underside of Front End



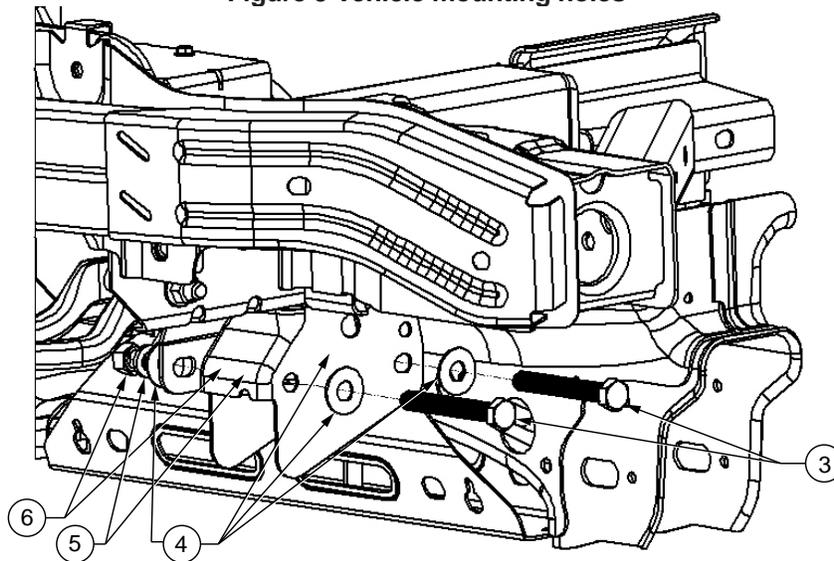
3. With the skid plate removed, locate the feature on the frame indicated in Figure 4.

**Figure 4 Mounting points on the vehicle**



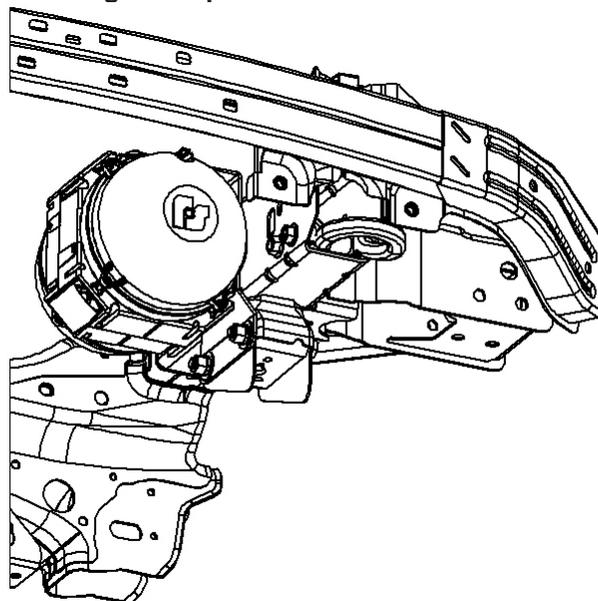
- Slide one flat washer onto each bolt, and then slide the bolts from the outside through the holes shown in Figure 5.

**Figure 5 Vehicle mounting holes**



- With the bolts in the proper locations, install the bracket with the speaker using the remaining flat washers, lock washers, and hex nuts.

**Figure 6 Speaker installed on vehicle**



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6. Complete the wiring according to the instructions included with the Rumbler speaker and test the speaker for proper operation.

### **Getting Technical Support**

For technical support, please contact:

Federal Signal Corporation  
Service Department  
Phone: 1-800-433-9132  
Email: empSERVICEinfo@fedSIG.com

### **Getting Repair Service**

The Federal Signal factory provides technical assistance with any problems that cannot be handled locally. Any product returned to Federal Signal for service, inspection, or repair must be accompanied by a Return Material Authorization (RMA). Obtain an RMA from a local Distributor or Manufacturer's Representative. Provide a brief explanation of the service requested or the nature of the malfunction.

Address all communications and shipments to the following:

Federal Signal Corporation  
Service Department  
2645 Federal Signal Dr.  
University Park, IL 60484-3167

### **Ordering Replacement Parts**

To order replacement parts, call Customer Support at 1-800-264-3578, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday (CT), or contact your nearest distributor.

### **Limited Warranty**

This product is subject to and covered by a limited warranty, a copy of which can be found at [www.fedSIG.com/SSG-Warranty](http://www.fedSIG.com/SSG-Warranty). A copy of this limited warranty can also be obtained by written request to Federal Signal Corporation, 2645 Federal Signal Drive, University Park, IL 60484, email to [info@fedSIG.com](mailto:info@fedSIG.com) or call +1 708-534-3400.

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