



Detroit Speed
Billet Tailgate Handle
1973-79 Ford F-Series Truck
P/N: 012004DS

Detroit Speed's Billet Tailgate Handle will update the look and function of your classic truck tailgate. It is a direct factory replacement made with anodized aluminum/stainless steel construction. Nylon pivot bushings will give your tailgate handle a smooth, quiet operation.



Kit Contents

Item	012004DS - 73-79 Ford F Series Truck	Part #	Quantity
1	Tailgate Handle	9301069	1
2	Tailgate Handle Hardware Bag - Ford Truck	200193DS	1

Item	200193DS - Tailgate Handle Hdw Bag Ford Truck	Part #	Quantity
1	Ford Truck Tailgate Rod Clip	99010232	2
2	BHCS, 5/16-18 X 3/4 Stainless	950162FS	3
3	Washer, 5/16 AN Flat Stainless	970010FS	3

Installation Instructions:

1. For trucks equipped with a handle opening trim, remove the 2 retaining screws from outside the tailgate and remove trim panel.
2. Remove the 3 bolts from inside the tailgate to remove the factory handle. Lower the handle through the tailgate opening, disconnecting the tailgate latch rods while removing. Remove the tailgate handle.



Remove Tailgate Handle

3. Insert the rod clips provided in the hardware bag into the tailgate handle.
NOTE: A gentle squeeze with pliers will help insert rod clips
4. Place the DSE tailgate handle into the tailgate, inserting the tailgate rods into the clips as the handle is installed. Rotate the clip over the rod to retain in place.

NOTE: Passenger Side rod inserts at top of handle, Driver side to bottom.
A flat screw driver can be used to assist clipping the rod retainer in place.



Insert Tailgate Rods and Install Tailgate Handle

5. Secure the handle to the tailgate using the provided button head fasteners and washers.
NOTE: Use anti-seize on the threads of the fasteners

6. Align the handle in the tailgate opening and tighten the fasteners.



Align the handle

7. Operate the handle to ensure proper function.
8. Reinstall any trim that was removed



Reinstall Trim

Installation is complete

If you have any questions before or during the installation of this product, please contact Detroit Speed at tech@detroitsspeed.com or 704.662.3272

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