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Basic Installation steps on How to Line a Truck bed

Step 1: Begin by removing the tailgate and placing it on a rack. Remove tie downs, plugs and other attachments. Be sure to protect the tailgate latch and rods when removing the tailgate access panel.

Step 2: Remove the bed bolts and other hardware from the truck bed. The bolt heads do not build good thickness and often are failure points.

Step 3: Clean the truck bed and tailgate. Wipe down both with acetone to remove any grease or dirt. Apply denatured alcohol to areas to be taped.

Step 4: Mask the truck and tailgate to protect non-liner areas from overspray. Use proper quality masking paper for automotive use or a plastic car cover to avoid bleed-through. Similarly, use 3M 233+ lime green tape.

Step 5: With SLC, since good primer is below good paint, only Scuff or sand if the paint's in poor condition. Scuff these areas with cup brush and a 5-in. dual action or 5-in. palm sander with 80-grit sandpaper. Apply our (or any) 1:1 high quality auto-grade epoxy primer to only those areas ... Check your work. No glossy areas should appear. This is similar if any rust is present, use a coarse 24 – 40 grit grinding disc to grind down to bare metal. Prime all bare metal areas before spraying.

Step 6: Final cleaning. Remove dust and grit either by vacuuming and/or by wiping down with acetone.

Step 7: Spray on the liner using SLC directions. SEE (INSTRUCTION LINK) Specific thickness of liner controls quality; more is better.

Step 8: Inspect the bed. Use a flashlight or bright light to ensure that the texture is consistent. Tailgate, fender wells and rear of bed are high stress zones. Spray thickets there. Use a thickness gauge to determine application depth across the truck bed. 63 mils will suffice, 125 mils is high quality height.

Step 9: Remove the tape. Pull the tape after the spray is gelled completed. Pull the tape up at a 45 degree angle towards the truck bed to create a smooth transition from the liner to the painted surface. Avoid lifting edges of freshly sprayed liner.

Step 10: Inspect to ensure that all masking tape / tarp / paper are removed. Wipe possible uncured overspray with lacquer thinner.

Step 11: Trim any drips, especially along rail edges.

Step 12: Reinstall the removed hardware on the tailgate and bed. Reinstall the tailgate on the truck.