

## Can Am Defender Rear Chassis Stiffener

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#### **PARTS**

REF	QTY	DESCRIPTION
1	1	Rear Chassis Stiffener
		HARDWARE KIT
Α	2	M10-1.5x80mm Flange Head Bolt
В	2	M10-1.5x90mm Flange Head Bolt
С	4	M10-1.5 Flanged Nylon Lock Nut

#### TOOLS

- Drill
- 3/16" Drill Bit
- 15mm Socket
- 15mm Wrench



#### **BEFORE YOU BEGIN**

If you do not feel comfortable installing your **Thumper Fab** Rear Chassis Stiffener please see your nearest Can Am® Dealer for installation.

#### **Installation Preparation**

Jack up the unit and remove the wheels. Use the drill and a 3/16" drill bit to drill out the rivets fastening the factory rear chassis cover to the frame (**FIG 1**).



FIG 1 - Use 3/16" Drill bit to drill out rivets

Use the 15mm socket and the 15mm wrench to remove the factory hardware the bolts the rear most control arm bushing of the upper and lower control arm to the frame (**FIG 2**).



FIG 2 - Use 15mm Socket and 15mm Wrench to remove OEM bolts

#### Installation

Fasten the Rear Chassis Stiffener (1) to the rear of the frame using the  $2 \times M10-1.5\times80$ mm flange head bolts (**A**) in the top 2 holes and the  $2 \times M10-1.5\times90$ mm flange head bolts in the bottom 2 holes. Use the  $4 \times M10-1.5$  flanged nylon lock nuts (**D**) to tighten hardware to factory specifications (**FIG 3**).



FIG 3 - Use 15mm Socket and 15mm Wrench to fasten stiffener to frame.

Reinstall the tires and lower the Defender to the ground. Enjoy your new Thumper Fab Rear Chassis Stiffener!!

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