



Product: JL Front Differential Cover & Skid Plate READ INSTRUCTIONS IN FULL BEFORE INSTALLATION. QUESTIONS? CALL 916-631-8071 M-F 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM PST

The MetalCloak experience includes the ease of installation of our products. We design for most contingencies, but installation may be different based on different Jeep condition, configuration and/or year.

We are continually trying to improve our products and instructions – please help us by providing feedback and pictures if you find any part of the instructions that do not match your particular Jeep or are not easily understandable.

If you have any difficulties at all, please give us a call. Thank you and enjoy your MetalCloak Products!

IMPORTANT NOTE: We use Stainless Steel Hardware where possible. Therefore, a tube of Silver Anti-seize is provided and should be used on all bolts—only a small amount is needed.

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Tools Required: This list is the recommended tools for ease of installation. Other versions of the same tool can be used. For example, Allen Wrenches instead of Allen Drive Sockets.



HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE: The installation guide contains ALL steps for installation. Please read and follow the instructions in order of each page top to bottom, and left to right.

Jeep Model: Instructions may apply to multiple Jeep models, but are labeled separately where appropriate (i.e. TJ vs. LJ). **Options:** Because of the number of component options we offer, these instructions may contain steps that will not match your particular configuration. You can skip these steps.

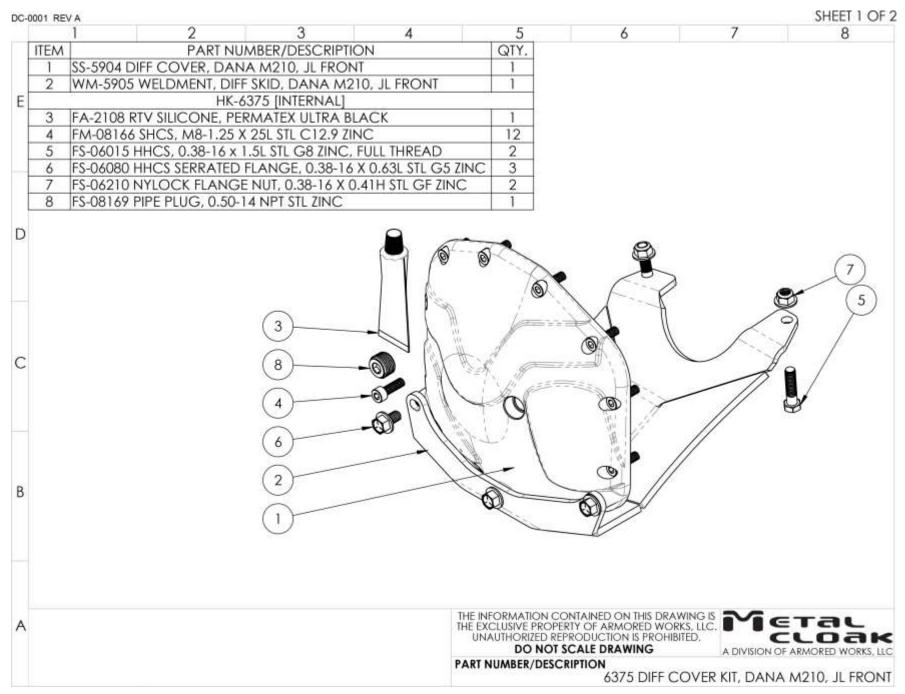
Images: Pictures are provided and parts are labeled throughout the instructions. Each text box contains guidance based on the pictures next to it. The text will refer to alphabetical labels (A, B, etc.) found in the images.

Installation Notes: Terms may be used in the body of the instructions that you may not be familiar with, if you have any questions feel free to contact us at the number below, or email techhelp@metalcloak.com

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Section 2: Product Components







Step 1: Remove Stock Diff Cover

- A. Place an oil catch under the diff cover to collect the gear oil.
- B. Using a 10mm socket and wrench remove the stock diff cover bolts.
- C. Using a gasket Scraper gently pry the diff cover off to allow the oil to drain.





Step 2: Install MetalCloak Diff Cover

- D. Use the gasket scrapper to remove the remaining gasket from the differential.
- E. Apply your choice of gasket seal or a silicone gasket maker to the new diff cover.
- F. Install the new diff cover using a 6mm allen wrench and new hardware. Torque to 20-25ftlbs.
- G. If using a silicone gasket maker allow the diff cover cure for 5 minutes to allow the gasket maker to seal



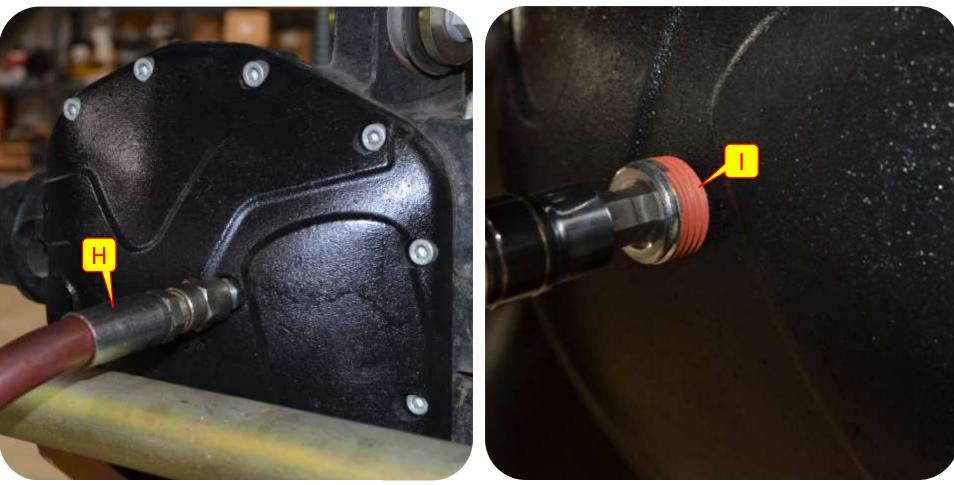
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Section 3: Installation Instructions



Step 3: Oil Differential

- H. Fill the differential with new gear oil. Make sure there is an oil pan under the differential to catch any oil spillage. *Be sure to fill oil to manufacture specifications.*
- I. Install fill plug using a 3/8" allen wrench.
- J. Clean off any remaining oil from the diff cover.



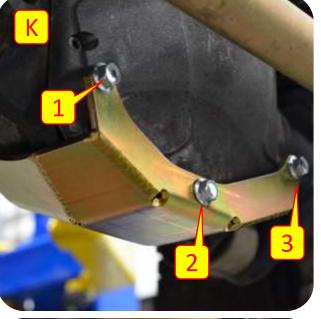
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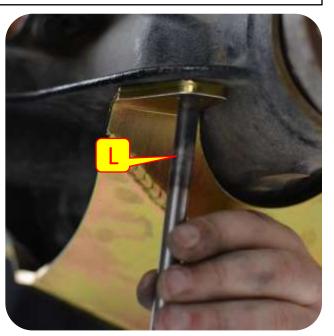
Step 4: Install Skid Plate



- K. Using a 9/16" socket align and install the provided skid plate to the front of the diff cover.
- L. Using a center punch mark the skid plate rear holes.
- M. Using a 9/16" socket remove the skid plate.
- N. Using a 3/8" drill bit drill out the marked holes. MetalCloak recommends using a 1/8" bit to drill a pilot hole and stepping up to a 3/8" bit.











Step 4: Install Skid Plate

- O. Using a 9/16" socket align and loosely reinstall the provided skid plate to the front of the diff cover.
- P. Using the provided hardware install the rear skid plate bolts.
- Q. Tighten the rear skid plate bolts using a 9/16" socket and wrench
- R. Fully tighten the skid plate front bolts using a 9/16 socket.

