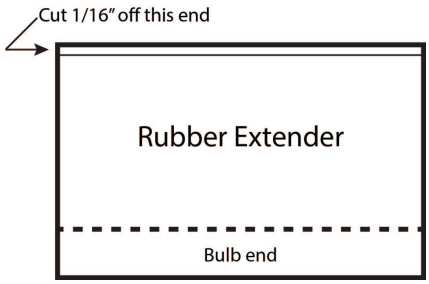
How to Customize Your Hookers for Use on Your Truck

The Hooker's universal shape is designed to fit most mid- to late-model trucks. However, you may want to customize your Hookers to more perfectly fit your particular truck. If you have a sprayed bed liner, for example, you may want to trim the rubber extender to account for the thickness of the liner. Or you may want to apply the enclosed foam rubber strips to your hooks to keep them from scratching your paint or sliding under a load. Or you may decide to leave The Hooker just the way it is. If you want to customize your hooks, here's how:

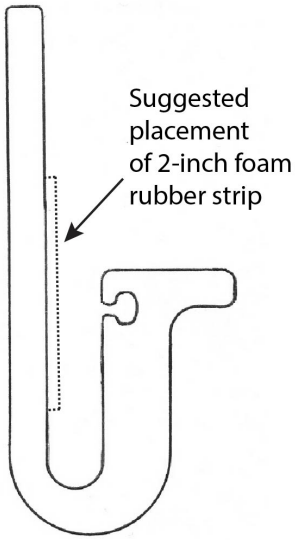
If the hooks are too snug, or difficult to snap under the bed rail of your truck, you may need to trim the rubber extender:

1. Using a pair of pliers, carefully remove a rubber extenders from ONE hook. Be careful not to tear or damage the rubber extender.
2. Using a straight edge and a utility knife, carefully cut 1/16" off the flat end of the rubber extender.
3. Apply a small amount of liquid soap to the bulb end of the extender and insert into the hook. Use pliers if needed.
4. Rinse off the excess soap with warm water.
5. Test fit the modified hook on your truck bed rail. If it fits, repeat steps 1 thru 4 for the remaining hooks. If it is still too tight, repeat steps 2 thru 4 until the desired fit is achieved.



If you are concerned about The Hooker scratching the paint of your truck bed rails, you can apply the enclosed foam rubber strips to the hooks for cushioning:

1. Carefully snap The Hooker into place on your truck bed rail and mark the points on the hook upright where the bed rail contacts the hook.
2. Carefully remove the hook from the bed rail and mark each hook the same.
3. Using a straight edge and utility knife, carefully cut the enclosed foam rubber strips in to two pieces, measuring 1 inch and 2 inches in length each.
4. Carefully peel the paper backing off of one of the two-inch foam rubber strips and apply it to the hook's upright being sure to cover the area you marked earlier (see diagram for suggested placement). Firmly press the rubber strip in to place with constant even pressure.
5. Repeat step 4 for all remaining hooks.



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The Hooker
Every Bed Needs One
Universal Truck Bed Hooks

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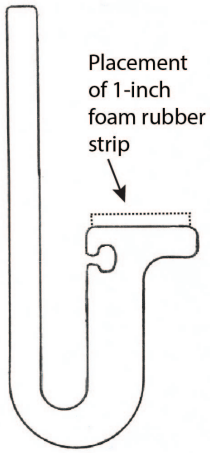
If you are concerned about The Hooker sliding underneath the bed rails of your truck, you can apply the enclosed foam rubber strips to the hooks for friction:

1. Using a straight edge and utility knife, carefully cut the enclosed foam rubber strips in to two pieces, measuring 1 inch and 2 inches in length each, or use the remaining one-inch pieces from the previous step.

2. Carefully peel the paper backing off of one one-inch foam rubber strip and apply it to the flat part of the hook that contacts the underside of your bed rail (see diagram for suggested placement). Firmly press the foam strip in to place with constant, even pressure.

3. Repeat step 2 on all remaining hooks.

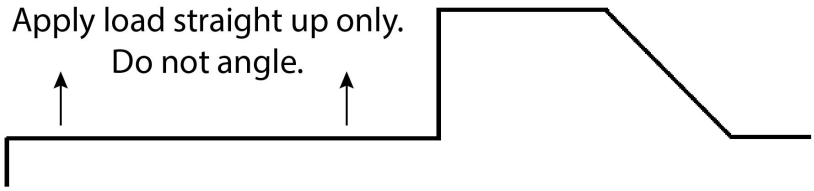


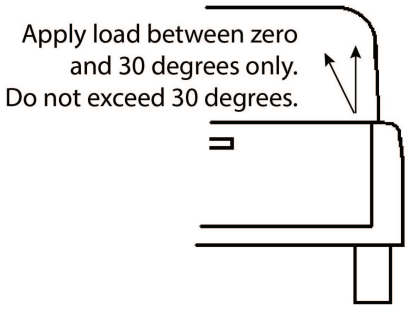
Important safety information:

Please be sure to properly secure all cargo before moving your vehicle. Be sure to use ropes, tie-downs, bungee cords, or other fastening equipment that is load-rated at or above the weight and load of your cargo.

We recommend that you thoroughly inspect all ropes, knots, tie-downs, bungee cords, straps, etc. before use. Check to make sure cargo is secure and all ropes, etc. are secure every 100 miles of travel. Do not use The Hooker if it is damaged or shows signs of fatigue or failure.

The Hooker is designed to be used only as instructed. The load should be applied perpendicular to the truck bed and at no more than 30 degrees from straight up and down. The Hooker is designed to safely carry loads up to 1,250 pounds when used properly. Loads exceeding 1,250 pounds or intentional misuse of The Hooker may result in damage to your truck, the contents, and possible serious injury to you or other motorists. The Hooker and Cardon, Inc. are not responsible for damage or injury caused by improper use of The Hooker tuck bed hooks.





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