Vehicle Model
Hyundai Elantra GT
Model Year
2018 - up
Part No.
HD 10M18
Accessory
Hood Protector
Difficulty
(B)

Accessory Installation

Note: Difficulty stated above reflects the minimum level of expertise required to install the accessory.
( A ) Customer      ( B ) Dealer Technician      ( C ) Master Technician

Instructional Symbols / Definitions

Denotes warnings that may lead to serious physical injury or vehicle damage.

Denotes quality processes to be checked prior to moving to the next step.

Denotes safety equipment required to be used such as a mask, safety glasses, gloves, and hearing protection.

Denotes cautions to be taken to avoid physical injury or electronic component damage.

Denotes specific tools that are necessary to complete the step.

Denotes instructional steps necessary to complete the process.

Basic Required Hand Tools

#2 Phillips Screwdriver with LONG SHANK
Clean Cloth
Masking tape

Notes to the Installer:

Read the entire installation manual prior to beginning the installation of the accessory.

To prevent vehicle damage, never place tools on top of painted surfaces, seats, dash pad, console or floor carpet / mat.

Always wear appropriate safety gear to include gloves and eye protection when required.

Make sure the vehicle is clean and completely dry before installation.

Make sure the vehicle is at room temperature or warmer: 15° to 43°C (60° to 110°F) before starting installation and that it remains at room temperature for 1 hour afterward to develop maximum adhesion of the 3M tape to the vehicle’s surface.
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**INSTALLATION**

- Make sure the vehicle is clean and completely dry before installation.
- This product uses a 3M adhesive that requires installation and curing temperatures of 15° to 43°C (60° to 110°F) for 1 hr to develop maximum adhesion to the hood surface. Failure to install this product at the proper temperature or allow adequate curing time before use is not covered under warranty.
- Proper installation of the adhesive pedestal system requires the use of a #2 Phillips screwdriver, preferably with a long shaft. The shaft of the screwdriver needs to fit through the hole in the pedestal. Use of the correct screw driver will facilitate a trouble free installation. Do not attempt to use #1 or smaller Phillips screwdriver or any type of electric screwdriver.

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**CARE**

Hand clean the protector using a mild soap and water solution or plastic cleaner only.

Avoid automatic car-wash equipment where a brush and/or soft cloth come in contact with the hood protector. Touch-less style automatic car-wash equipment is less likely to harm the hood protector.

**SERVICE**

Periodically check to confirm the protector is securely attached to the hood.

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**WARNING**

Do not pull/push on the protector when opening/closing the hood.

**NOTE**

On some vehicles it may be necessary to adjust the hood bumpers and/or latch for proper clearance.
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### Prepare tape measure

1. Insert a pin through the hole in the hood protector installation tape measure supplied and into one of the large adhesive pedestals and install a screw into the pedestal.

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### Locate the center pedestal

2. Use the installation tape measure to confirm the pedestal is centered by measuring to the two front corners of the hood. Move the pedestal left or right until it is perfectly centered. The measurement provided is an approximation and is provided as a starting position.

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### Outline center pedestal

3. Once the location of the center pedestal has been established, outline its position with the supplied tape strips or masking tape.

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### Clean the surface

4. Remove the pedestal and thoroughly clean the outlined area with the surface cleaner. Wipe dry with a clean cloth or paper towel. This will insure all wax, finger prints and oils are removed from the hood surface in the bonding area.

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### Important!

Proper marking and prepping of all pedestal locations is critical. Accurately installing them in the exact position is very important. Once attached, the pedestals are very difficult to remove - place them correctly the first time!
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**Permanently attach pedestal**

Remove the red backing from the adhesive and install on the hood surface. Tip: Hook the fingers on the pedestal over the hood edge and rotate the unit into position. After installation, remove the tape strips and "wet out" the pedestal base by applying pressure with your thumb around the surface of the pedestals.

**Temporarily fit remaining pedestals**

Dry fit the pedestals using tape strips supplied or masking tape to temporarily hold them in position. The positions of the pedestals are shown in the illustrations. Use the center line on the leading edge of the pedestals for accurate measuring. See illustration.

**Remove installation tape measure**

Remove the hood protector installation tape measure by loosening the screw and removing the pin.

**Test fit hood protector**

- Place the hood protector on the pedestals to confirm proper positioning.
- Ensure the holes in the protector align with those in the pedestals.
- If necessary, reposition the pedestals so all attachment positions are correct and the protector is well centered.

**Important: “wetting out” of the pedestal will ensure maximum adhesive bond.**
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Peel and fold the four (4) abrasion pads in half over the hood edge aligned with the outer holes of the protector in the area above the headlights.

NOTE: Only tighten screws a few turns so the pins are held in place but there is still some movement of the protector as this assists in final alignment of all attachment positions.
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**NOTE**  
Insert a pin through the protector into the clip body. |
| 18   | Attach outer clips Step 3  
**NOTE**  
Place an "L" bracket over the hood edge and against the clip body. |
| 19   | Attach outer clips Step 4  
**NOTE**  
Insert a screw through an "L"- bracket and into the clip body. |
| 20   | Attach outer clips Step 5  
**NOTE**  
Make sure all the components are well seated together and the hood protector is centered on the hood and then tighten the screw into the clip body.  

****Repeat steps 16-20 on the three remaining locations.****
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**NOTE:** Confirm protector is centered on hood. Starting at the center location tighten all the screws that were loosely installed in step 15.

**NOTE:** To allow adhesive to cure do not wash your vehicle for 24 hrs. Please inform the customer of this.