

Tow-Trust Towbars

Fitting Instruction

Important: Please read General Notes overleaf before fitting Issue: 4

TM23VK MERCEDES GLE / GLS 2019> Including Hybrid	Models
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Item	Qty	Description	Item	Qty	Description
Α	1	TM23 Crossmember	E	1	TM23VK SOCKET PLATE
В	2	Side Arms	F	4	M12 x 35 (10.9) Bolts, 2 Nyloc Nuts & 2 S/P Washers
С	2	Handed Bolt Straps	G	3	M12 x 25 Bolts & S/P Washers
D	1	6217 Detachable Neck	Н	3	M12 x 25 Bolts & S/P Washers
			J	1	M8 x 40 Bolt & Nyloc Nut
			K	3	8 x 25 Flat Washers
			L	10	12 x 25 Flat Washers
			M	2	M12 Flange Nut
			N	1	M8 x 30 Bolt & Nyloc Nut
			Р	2	8 x 20 Flat Washers
			S	1	Neoprene Washer
			X	8	Original Mercedes M2 Nuts (120 Nm)
			X1	1	Original Mercedes M6 Nuts (5 Nm)

BUMPER REMOVAL:

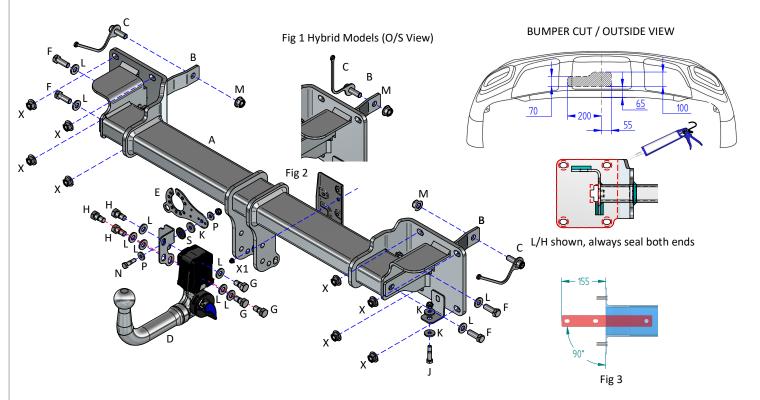
- 1. Remove eight fixings from the bumper lower edge, four fixings from each wheel arch, peel back wheel arch liners to reveal two more fixings to remove.
- 2. Pull bumper tips sideways to release from vehicle body then rearward disconnecting any necessary wiring looms.
- 3. Remove boot floor trim for access to mounting point.
- **4.** Remove the rearmost fixing securing the AdBlue Tank to the rear impact beam.
- 5. **Hybrid Models:** Remove the speaker bracket located to the inside of the right hand impact beam leg from body, three fixings. Unclip the wring loom retaining clip to allow the speaker to be relocated. (Speaker refitted using one fixing).
- 6. Remove the rear impact beam and retain fixings for fitting Item A. (Rear impact beam is not refitted with the Towbar assembly).

HYBRID MODEL ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Remove the two studs nearest to the chassis opening where the speaker bracket was attached, once removed coat any bare metal to prevent corrosion.
- 2. Using Item X1 and Fig 2 as a guide remount the bracket to the stud located just to the left of the plastic bracket for the bumper.
- 3. Insert Item **C** through the mounting point from inside the boot, securing Item **B** inside each chassis member using Item **M**. Fully tighten through the chassis opening, ensuring arm is square and in position. (See Fig 3).

TOWBAR INSTALLATION:

- 1. (Standard Models) Fix Items B using Items C with Items M.
- 2. Using Item X fix Item A to the rear panel. Always fully seal the rear panel and chassis openings with a suitable sealant to prevent water ingress.
- 3. Fix Items B to Item A using Item F and Item L.
- 4. Using Item J with Item K fix the AdBlue Tank to Item A.
- 5. Using Item G with Item L and Item H with Item L fix Item D and Item E to Item A.
- **6.** Fully tighten all fixings ensuring the Towbar is rigid, square and secure.
- 7. Cut the rear bumper as shown below and refit.



Notes:

- **1.** For Torque settings see general notes overleaf.
- 2. Nose load limits and vehicle manufacturer's trailer / caravan weight limits must be observed.