

Thank you for purchasing,

**The original Silent 'Gate as seen in Classic Truck Magazine & Hot Rod.
1981-1987 Chevy / GMC Truck Fleetside Removable Tailgate trunnion – The
Ultimate Trunnion hinge kit (4 Piece Set) Stainless Steel/Delrin
"Patent pending"**

Like Factory removable tailgate.

Remove the tailgate, then removing the old trunnion bracket on each side of the tailgate. Before installing the new stainless-steel trunnion. Inspect the tailgate female flanges where the trunnions are to be installed. Ensure that it is clean, or all debris is removed, paint buildup, dirt and heavy rust before installing the delrin bearing. After it is clean and ready for installation, size it up. There might be adjustments you need to make so it will fit properly. Any past damage to the tailgate or mounting area could alter the installation ease and would require additional attention and alterations. Every tailgate has a history and is different in their own way. You have to make it fit the best way you know how.



They should install like the originally installed, they were made from the reproduction models on the market today. Check to ensure proper installation. By test fitting the female delrin bearing on both sides. If it goes in tight it will be very difficult to remove the tailgate. You could sand the edges of the Delrin bearing (black parts) to make it fit better, tight but not too tight but not too loose.

You can then install both of the new stainless-steel trunnion hinge assembly on the bed and the tailgate as originally intended. Using your original hardware to mount them or you can purchase stainless steel hardware. Don't tighten the bolts to tight just for adjustments or until you get the fit just right. Once it's closes and adjusted tailgate correctly you can tighten the lower bolts. Open the tailgate and tighten the upper bolts. Enjoy!

For questions, please let me know at tmdenis@tdtrunniondesign.com.

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Installation <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5QkyHgoJ3FM&t=448s>