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Before you begin:

First, take a close look at how the previous TruckSkin was installed. Look at the gas cap and mud flaps, etc. to see how to reproduce the same look.

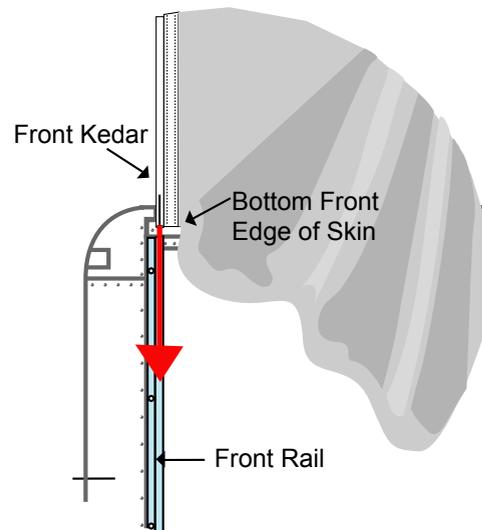
Make sure the skin you are installing matches the truck for which it is intended.

- 1 Remove the old skin:** First, release all bottom ratchets. Unhook from the conduit and let them hang from the body of the truck. Then remove the rear rail, slide off the skin and set the rail aside. Position the ladder or scaffolding at the front of the van body. Slide the old skin up and out of the front rail, then slide it out along the top rail.
- 2** Check how the TruckSkin is folded or rolled up to make sure it is the correct sign for that side of the truck. Check how the skin is folded or rolled to determine if you want to slide it in from the front or back of the truck.



- 3** Position the top kedar at the top rail and guide it in across the top. Have a helper on the ground pull the front section along as you feed the skin into the top rail. The skin should now be hanging across the entire truck from the top rail.

- 4** Lift the bottom of the TruckSkin® up to the top of the front rail. Insert the front kedar into the front vertical rail and guide the TruckSkin® down into the front rail as a helper pulls it down, until the front is taut.



- 5** Slide the rear kedar of the skin down through the back vertical rail, which you removed in step 1.

Use a spring gator clamp on the bottom to hold it in place.

- 6** Go to the passenger side of the van body and repeat steps 2 through 5.



How to tighten and attach back rails:

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Attach the three positioning ratchet straps across the rear of the van body, attaching the strap clips into the slots provided in the back rail.

Once all 3 straps are securely attached to both back rails take out the slack between them. Go to the front of the TruckSkin and tug the skin down to take out wrinkles at the top front and do the same at the rear corners. Once this is down you are ready to start tensioning the TruckSkin® panels.

Starting at the middle and by tightening the ratchet take up tension until the wrinkles are removed in the skin.

Then do the same with the top and bottom straps.

NOTE: Align the pre-existing fastener holes with the rail slots with an awl or screwdriver to hold in place before pulling tight.

Now the TruckSkin® will take on the appearance of a "skin".

Insert fasteners (rivets or self drilling screws) into the backrail and fasten down to the truck body using the pre-existing holes.

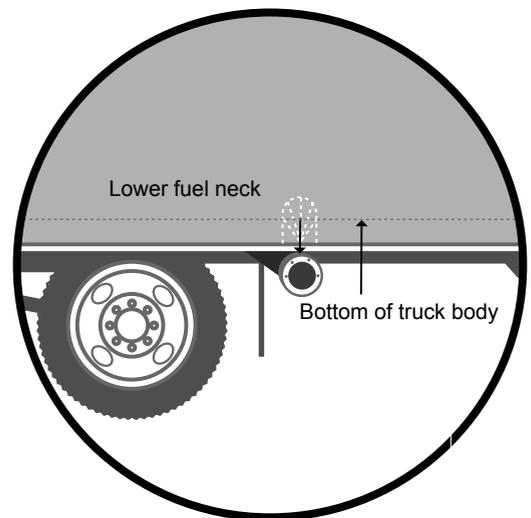
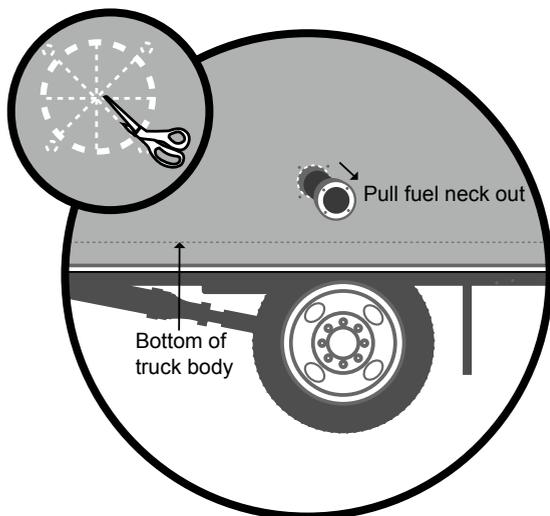
Remove straps when finished.



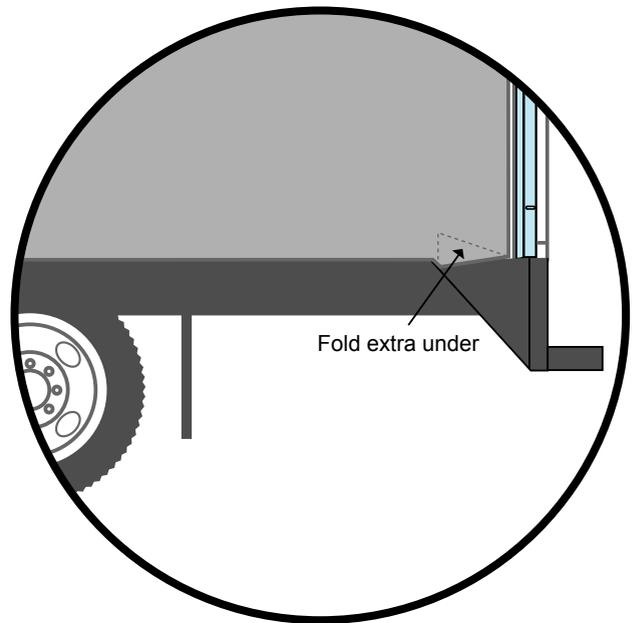
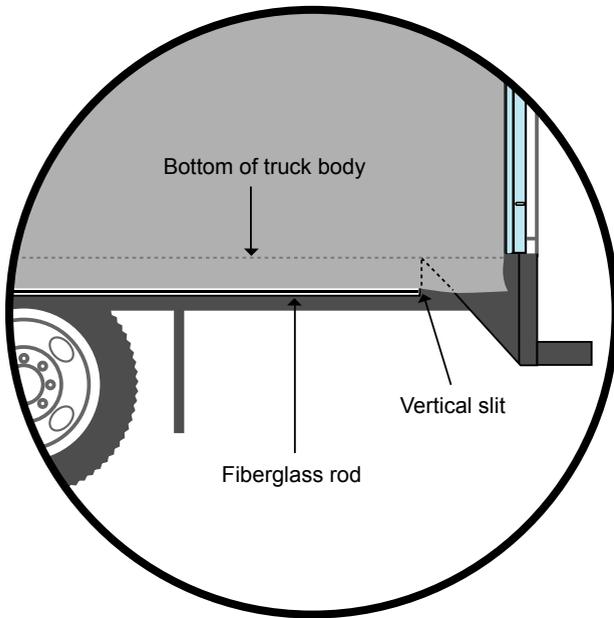
8 Slide the conduit rods into the bottom pole pocket of the TruckSkin. At this point, note all fuel filler necks, mud flaps and step bumpers which are in the way. These obstacles may need to be notched out on the TruckSkin, so mark them now.



If you have a fuel neck up in the body of the truck, remove it or pull it out a little ways, slide the skin behind it, slot the skin, then put the neck back on and reattach hoses right over the skin, folding the skin back behind the neck to create a smooth finish. If the fuel neck is at the bottom of the body, remove the fasteners, drop it, notch the skin, fold skin behind, and put the neck back in place. If the neck doesn't have a finished flange, use the 3/4" wire loom provided to create a finished edge around the flange.



If you have an angle step in the back, cut the rod so it ends right at the apex where the two angles meet. Make a vertical slit in the TruckSkin right at that point. Fold the skin underneath, using duct tape if necessary to hold skin in place. Using your hand, slide the skin up to make a finished angle. When you tighten down the skin, the folded skin should look like a finished edge.



If you have any mud flaps, make vertical slits in the skin on either side of the flap so that the skin will be tightened down around the mud flap.



- 9** Use three ratchet straps per conduit rod, approximately 6" from each end and one in the middle. cut a slit for each ratchet hook and slide the hook through the skin and attach to the conduit. Move to the front of the truck body and attach the front strap to the longitudinal van body frame beam and take up some tension on this ratchet. Moving back incrementally, do the same with all ratchet straps until you have reached the back of the truck.

Be careful at this point: there is no need to OVERTENSION the skin, you just want it taut. Overtightening can distort the graphic image. Repeat for the other side.



At this point, the sign should look very much like a part of the truck. It should not have any wrinkles or unsightly distortions.



- 10** Finally, using the provided reflectors, peel off the backing and apply under the area of any overhead clearance lights. Also reinstall any placard holders that might have been removed. Use riv nut fasteners so they can be removed for future TruckSkin® changes.

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**See the installation video at
TruckSkin.com - Installation Info page**

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