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# Installation Instructions for the Model ESB-TAH15 Speaker Mounting Kit on the 2015 Chevy Tahoe

### **▲** WARNING

# **Safety Message to Installers**

People's lives depend on your proper installation and servicing of Federal Signal products. It is important to read and follow all instructions shipped with this product and the original product. Listed below are some other important safety instructions and precautions you should follow:

#### **Before Installation**

#### Qualifications

• To properly install an electronic siren, you must have a good understanding of automotive electrical procedures and systems, along with proficiency in the installation and service of safety warning equipment. Always refer to the vehicle service manuals when installing equipment on a vehicle.

#### Sound Hazards

- Your hearing and the hearing of others, in or near your emergency vehicle, could be damaged by loud sounds.
  This can occur from short exposures to very loud sounds, or from longer exposures to moderately loud sounds. For hearing conservation guidance, refer to federal, state, or local recommendations. OSHA Standard 1910.95 offers guidance on "Permissible Noise Exposure."
- All effective sirens and horns produce loud sounds (120 dB) that may cause permanent hearing loss. Always minimize your exposure to siren sound and wear hearing protection. Do not sound the siren indoors or in enclosed areas where you and others will be exposed to the sound.
- Federal Signal siren amplifiers and speakers are designed to work together as a system. Combining a siren and speaker from different manufacturers may reduce the warning effectiveness of the siren system and may damage the components. You should verify or test your combination to make sure the system works together properly and meets federal, state, and local standards or guidelines.

#### **During Installation**

 DO NOT get metal shavings inside the speaker. Metal shavings can cause the system to fail. If drilling must be done near the speaker, place an ESD-approved cover over it to prevent metal shavings from entering it. Inspect the speaker after mounting to be sure there are no shavings present in or near it.

- DO NOT connect this system to the vehicle battery until ALL other electrical connections are made, mounting of all components is complete, and you have verified that no shorts exist. If wiring is shorted to vehicle frame, high current conductors can cause hazardous sparks resulting in electrical fires or flying molten metal.
- Be sure the siren amplifier and speaker(s) in your installation have compatible wattage ratings.
- In order for the electronic siren to function properly, the ground connection must be made to the NEGATIVE battery terminal.
- To avoid a battery explosion, disconnect the negative battery cable first and reconnect it last. Avoid causing a spark when connecting near or to the battery. The gases produced by a battery can cause a battery explosion that could result in vehicle damage and serious injury.
- Sound output will be severely reduced if any objects are in front of the speaker. If maximum sound output is required for your application, you should ensure that the front of the speaker is clear of any obstructions.
- Install the speaker(s) as far forward on the vehicle as possible, in a location that provides maximum signaling effectiveness while minimizing the sound reaching the vehicle's occupants. Refer to the National Institute of Justice Guide 500-00 for further information.
- Mounting the speakers behind the grille will reduce the sound output and warning effectiveness of the siren system.
  Before mounting speakers behind the grille, make sure the vehicle operators are trained and understand that this type of installation is less effective for warning others.
- Sound propagation and warning effectiveness will be severely reduced if the speaker is not facing forward. Carefully follow the installation instructions and always install the speaker with the projector facing forward.
- DO NOT install the speaker(s) or route the speaker wires where they may interfere with the operation of airbag sensors.
- Installation of two speakers requires that you wire the speakers in phase.
- Never attempt to install aftermarket equipment, which connects to the vehicle wiring, without reviewing a vehicle wiring diagram, which is available from the vehicle manufacturer. Insure that your installation will not affect vehicle operation and safety functions or circuits. Always check the vehicle for proper operation after the installation.

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- DO NOT install equipment or route wiring or cord in the deployment path of an airbag.
- Locate the control head so the vehicle, controls, and microphone can be operated safely.
- When drilling into a vehicle structure, be sure that both sides of the surface are clear of anything that could be damaged.

#### **After Installation**

- After installation, test the siren system and light system to ensure that they are operating properly.
- Test all vehicle functions, including horn operation, vehicle safety functions and vehicle light systems, to ensure proper operation. Ensure that installation has not affected vehicle operation or changed any vehicle safety function or circuit.
- The speaker gets hot enough to burn you. Always allow it to cool before handling it.
- After testing is complete, provide a copy of these instructions to the instructional staff and all operating personnel.
- File these instructions in a safe place and refer to them when maintaining and/or reinstalling the product.

Failure to follow all safety precautions and instructions may result in property damage, serious injury, or death.

# **Unpacking the Product**

After unpacking the mounting kit, inspect it for damage that may have occurred in transit. If it has been damaged, do not install it. File a claim immediately with the carrier, stating the extent of damage. Carefully check all envelopes, shipping labels, and tags before removing or destroying them. If you are missing any parts, contact Customer Support at 1-800-264-3578, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday (CT). Disposal of all shipping materials must be carried out in accordance with national and local codes and standards

The speaker includes two side-mounting bolts, 5/16"-18 x 5/8" long (P/N 7007010-10).

Table 1 ESB-TAH15 kit contents

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Qty.	Description	Part No.
2	Screw, Thread-Forming, Hex-Head,	7011165-10
	Type B, 1/4"	
2	Lockwasher, Split, 1/4"	7074A015
1	Bracket, Grille, Tahoe 15, ES100C	856700715
2	5/16" Hex Cap Screw	7002A005-14
2	5/16" Lockwasher	7074A020

# **Before You Begin**

**IMPORTANT:** The Model ES100C speaker complies with the requirements of SAE J1849 EVS3 and CCR Title 13 Class A when it is used with Federal Signal Corporation electronic sirens. The ES100C is a compact speaker intended to be mounted with the supplied mounting system. If the ES100C is installed with another mounting system, the safety and effectiveness of the installation must be carefully evaluated.

# **Mounting the Speaker**

#### **▲** WARNING

SOUND REDUCTION WARNING: To avoid reduction of sound output, ensure that the speaker is mounted with the sound opening facing directly in the direction intended to warn.

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WIRE ORIENTATION: To avoid reducing the sound output and damaging the speaker, ensure that the speaker is mounted with the wires protruding from the bottom of the speaker.

### NOTICE

DRILLING PRECAUTIONS: Before drilling holes, check the area into which you plan to drill to ensure you do not damage vehicle components while drilling. All drilled holes should be deburred and all sharp edges should be smoothed. All wires going through drilled holes should be protected by a grommet or convolute/split-loom tubing.

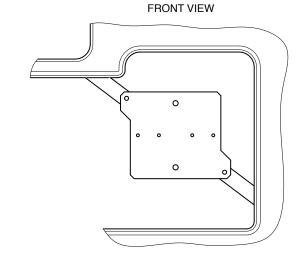
The speaker can be mounted on either the driver or passenger side. The driver side is shown in the figures.

**IMPORTANT:** Plan all cable routing before installation

To mount the speakers:

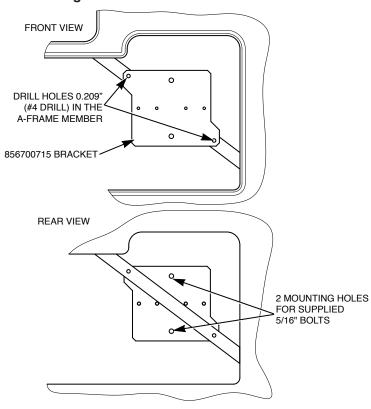
1. To access the area behind the grille, disassemble the vehicle per the manufacturer's service manual.

Figure 1 Location of 856700715 bracket on A-frame



- **2.** See Figure 2. Using the 856700715 speaker bracket as a template, scribe TWO drill-position marks on the A-frame member.
- **3.** Drill a 0.209" hole (#4 drill) in the A-frame member at each of the two drill-position marks.

Figure 2 856700715 bracket on A-frame



**4.** See Figures 3 and 4. Assemble the speaker to the bracket using two 5/16" bolts supplied with this kit.

Figure 3 Model ES100C with mounting bracket

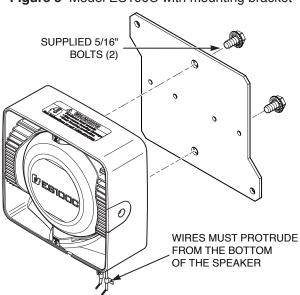
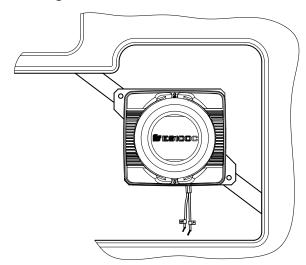


Figure 4 ES100C mounted on A-frame



# Wiring the Speaker

- To connect one speaker, connect the two leads from the speaker to the electronic siren's speaker cable.
- To connect two speakers, it is necessary to connect them in phase. Connect the two red speaker leads to one lead of the speaker cable from the siren. Connect the two black speaker leads to the other lead of the speaker cable from the siren.

Refer to the instructions provided with the electronic siren for additional details.

# **Safety Message to Operators**

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People's lives depend on your safe operation of Federal products. It is important to read and follow all instructions shipped with the products. In addition, listed below are some other important safety instructions and precautions you should follow:

#### Qualifications

• To properly use an electronic siren and speaker(s), you must have a good understanding of general vehicle operation, a high proficiency in the use of safety warning equipment, and thorough knowledge of state and federal UNIFORM TRAFFIC CODES.

#### Sound Hazard

• Your hearing and the hearing of others, in or close to your emergency vehicle, could be damaged by loud sounds. This can occur from short exposures to very loud sounds, or from longer exposures to moderately loud sounds. For hearing conservation guidance, refer to federal, state, or local recommendations. OSHA Standard 1910.95 offers guidance on "Permissible Noise Exposure."

• All effective sirens and horns produce loud sounds (120 dB) that may cause permanent hearing loss. Always minimize your exposure to siren sound, roll up your windows and wear hearing protection. Do not sound the siren indoors or in enclosed areas where you and others will be exposed to the sound. Only use the siren for emergency response situations.

#### Sound Limitations

- Before using the vehicle, check to see if the siren speakers are concealed from view. If the siren speaker is not in clear view on the front of the vehicle, use extra caution when operating the vehicle. A concealed siren speaker installation is less effective at warning others.
- Maximum sound output will be severely reduced if any objects are in front of the speaker. If your installation has obstructions in front of the speaker, drive even more cautiously. Make sure you allow enough time for the speaker to cool.
- Frequently inspect the speaker to ensure that it is clear of any obstruction, such as mud or snow, which will reduce maximum sound output.

#### Signaling Limitations

- Be aware that the use of your visual and audible signaling devices does not give you the right to force your way through traffic. Your emergency lights, siren, and actions are REQUESTING the right-of-way.
- Although your warning system is operating properly, it may not alert everyone. People may not hear, see, or heed your warning signal. You must recognize this fact and continue driving cautiously.
- Situations may occur which obstruct your warning signal when natural or man-made objects are between your vehicle and others. This can also occur when you raise your hood or trunk lid. If these situations occur, be especially careful.

#### Driving Limitations

- At the start of your shift, you should ensure that the light/ sound system is securely attached to the vehicle and operating properly.
- If the unique combination of emergency vehicle equipment installed in your vehicle has resulted in the siren controls being installed in a position that does not allow you to operate them by touch only, OPERATE CONTROLS ONLY WHILE YOUR VEHICLE IS STOPPED.

• If driving conditions require your full attention, you should avoid operating the siren controls while the vehicle is in motion.

## Continuing Education

 File these instructions in a safe place and refer to them periodically. Give a copy of these instructions to new recruits and trainees.

Failure to follow these safety precautions may result in property damage, serious injury, or death.

# **Getting Technical Support**

If you are experiencing problems with the speaker, contact:

Service Department

Federal Signal Corporation

Phone: 1-800-433-9132, Fax: 1-800-343-9706

Email: empserviceinfo@fedsig.com

# **Returning a Product to Federal Signal**

Before returning a product to Federal Signal, call 800-264-3578, 800-433-9132, or 800-824-0254 to obtain a Returned Merchandise Authorization number (RMA number). To expedite the process please be prepared with the following information:

- · Your Federal Signal customer or account number.
- The purchase order number under which the items were purchased.
- The shipping method.
- The model or part number of the product being returned.
- The quantity of products being returned.
- Drop ship information as needed.
- Any estimate required.

When you receive your RMA Number:

- Write the RMA number on the outside of the box of returned items.
- Reference the RMA number on your paperwork inside of the box.
- Write the RMA number down, so that you can easily check on status of the returned equipment.

Send all material with the issued RMA Number to:

Public Safety Systems 2645 Federal Signal Drive University Park, IL 60484-3167 Attn: Service Department RMA: #