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Storyteller L-track Cover Installation Process



This tutorial explains how to PERMANENTLY modify your new cargo area mat in order to gain access to the existing L-tracks located in the cargo area of your Storyteller without requiring removal of the mat.

Please note:

*If you choose to perform this modification, it should only be made AFTER you have completed the enclosed Storyteller Cargo Mat Installation Instructions that walk you through dealing with the two floor-mounted square bed leg receiver plates.

**Any damages incurred to the mat as a result of performing this modification are NOT covered under its warranty. Take your time and read through the entirety of these instructions before beginning. If you have questions, drop us a line at Info@InhabitDesignWorks.com

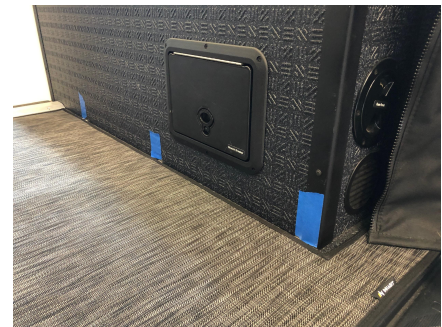
***We only recommend this modification for those who repeatedly use their L-tracks. If you rarely--if ever--use your L-tracks, we recommend that you do not perform this modification and instead, simply remove the cargo mat when you need to access the L-track(s).

Tools needed: A board (or something similar) that measures 3 ½” X 43 ⅞”, light-colored paint pen, 1 ¾” masking tape, 10 feet of plastic L-track cover (not included), and a utility knife.

Note: Plastic L-track cover can be purchased online by searching for “US-Cargo-Control-Airline-Filler.” At the time of publishing, a 10ft section retailed for \$25.

Step #1:

With the mat installed, place a piece of 1 ¾” masking tape on the side walls directly above the ends of the L-track (You will be able to see the ends of the L-track in the margins along the edges of the mat).



Step #2:

Lay the 3 ½” wide board lengthwise along one side of the mat and ensure that it is pushed up tight against the wall. Using a light-colored marker, make three separate 1” marks on the mat along the edge of the board where the masking tape indicates the L-tracks are.



Step #3:

Turn the reference board 90 degrees so that it lays across the cargo area in the same direction as the L-tracks. Line up the edge of the board with the edge of the L-track and position the board slightly over the edge of the aluminum (doing so will ensure that the plastic track cover completely covers the area that you are about to cut away). Ensure that both ends of the board are parallel to the track, and while holding the board firmly in place, draw a line on the mat along the edge of the board connecting the 1" lines on each side that you made in the previous step (Caution! Do not make any marks in the 3



$\frac{1}{2}$ " areas on each side of the mat. These areas do not get cut. See final installation photos as a reference). Move the board to the other side of the same L-track and repeat the marking procedure. You should now have a long skinny rectangular box drawn on the mat that will be used to indicate where to cut the mat.

Step #4:

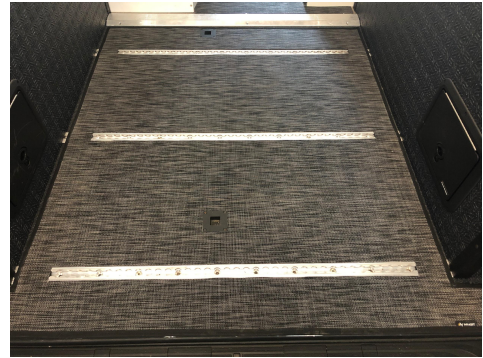
Repeat the marking process on the remaining L-track sections that you would like to make accessible with the mat in place. (Note: In our example, we have made the modification to all three sections of L-track, but you can perform this modification on just one track, a section of one track, or all three tracks).

Once you've completed marking the mat, remove the mat from the van and lay the mat on the ground. Insert the board underneath the mat below the skinny rectangle that you just marked. The board will protect whatever surface you are on from being damaged while cutting through the material. Using a utility knife, cut out the material within the marked rectangles.



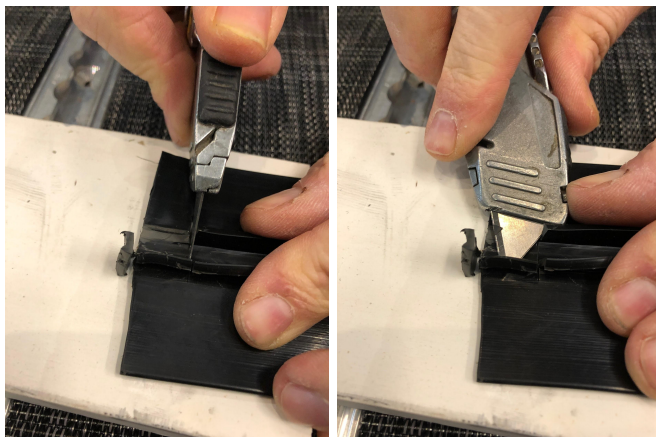
Step #5:

Reinstall the mat and inspect the cut-out areas for proper margins.



Step #6:

Measure the length of the exposed L-track and add 2" to that number. Using this total, cut a section of L-track cover. Next, remove 1" of the L-track "tongue" from each side of the cover to permit the ends of the cover to overhang the ends of the cutouts by 1".



Step #7:

Install the plastic L-track cover(s) into the L-track groove. The plastic L-track cover is fairly rigid. As such, you may need to use a tool such as a putty knife to help get the tongue inserted into the L-track. (Tip: You can soften the L-track cover by placing it in the sun for a while or heating it up using a hair drier, thus making it more pliable and easier to install.)



The installation is now complete. We hope that you have found this tutorial helpful and we welcome your feedback. Thank you for purchasing our mats!



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