



## **Installation Procedures**

**2018-2022 BMW X3 30i Non-M Sport**

**(Upper Mount)**

**SNS 157**

Warning: Please read directions completely before starting. If you have any questions, please contact STO N SHO LLC before beginning your installation. Also, please check our website ([www.stonsho.com](http://www.stonsho.com)) for any updates or changes. Thank You.

Parts Included: License Plate mounting bracket Assembly. Includes Base Plate and License Plate Holder

License Plate Mounting Screws: (4) 6mm X 10mm (Phillips head) and 6mm **Acorn** nuts (10mm wrench size)

Base plate mounting screws: (1) 6.3mm X 20mm with washer, alcohol pad & 3M tape

Tools Needed: 10mm sockets with ratchet Note: 1/4-inch drive preferred but 3/8 will work but extra caution will be needed when tightening screws

Phillips Screwdriver

10mm wrench

1/8-inch drill bit and drill

Step 1: Ensure all parts listed above are accounted for. Note: If at any time during the installation process you need assistance please call (408) 776-4080.

Step 2: Separate the license plate holder from the base by simply pulling the pull pin ring outward and sliding apart.

Step 3: The bracket will be centered under the front of bumper and even with the back edge of the painted surface as shown in figure 1. Note: 3m double sided tape is a one-shot tape. Meaning ensure bracket is properly aligned prior to removing protective film and placing base plate. Slide the front bracket into the tubes to verify alignment and mark using a China marker masking tape or another **non-permanent** marker. See figure 2. Remove when alignment is complete and clean mounting area with alcohol pad, continue to step 4.

Step 4: Carefully position mounting base using alignment marks. Once base plate is correctly positioned and while holding the plate in place, carefully drill a pilot hole for the center mounting screw. Bracket is secured using a combination of the 3M tape and 6.3mm screw. See figure 3.

Step 5: Using the 6.3mm X 20mm screw secure the base plate to the vehicle using the following method. Caution: When tightening the screws extreme care should be taken not to over tighten screws or the hole may become stripped and lose its ability to secure the base plate. Place the screw into the 10mm socket and begin to tighten. Once the screw is flush with the plate stop. Now tighten screw one half turn and stop.

Step 6: Secure the license plate and frame (optional) to the license plate bracket using the screws provided. **NOTE: Philips screws are inserted through the back of the front plate and acorn nuts are used on the front. Failure to follow this procedure will result in damage to the front bumper.** Requires the Phillips screwdriver and 10mm wrench (Not included).

Step 7: Slide the license plate rods into the two tubes located on the base plate. Slide the rods into the tubes until the rods hit the pull pin. Simply pull the ring on the pull pin and advance the rods. Release ring and continue to advance rods until the pull pin locks into place. **NOTE: The rods and spring-loaded pull pin are required to be sprayed periodically with WD-40 or any other silicone type spray lube. Failure to do so could result in either the failure of the pull pin or the rods becoming difficult to remove or reinsert. Note: In harsh environments, such as areas where roads are either salted or sanded in the winter, spraying of the rods and pull pin should be performed on a regular basis. Failure to provide this maintenance may void your warranty.** See figure 4. On some occasions the license plate may require a little adjustment to level. Simply grab frame at arrows (See figure 5) and rotate. If plate is high on left or right side, rotate high side down slightly and release. Repeat as necessary. Once leveled plate will remain level.

Congratulations! You have just installed the STO N SHO™ (Patented) front license plate mounting system. Thank You for your purchase.

**Caution: Bracket lowers ground clearance by approx. 1/2 inch**

**Remove prior to entering automated car wash**

**Exercise care when entering or exiting steep driveways or damage will occur**

**Parking Stops or high curbs: stop well before or damage will occur**

**Remove prior to running on track or racing**

Medium skill level required. If unsure, have bracket installed by your local Dealer or Body shop.

Limited Lifetime Warranty (Excluding Pull-pin). Pull pin will be warrantied for a period of 1 year (12 months) from the date of purchase.

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This warranty is not transferable.

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**Fig 1.**

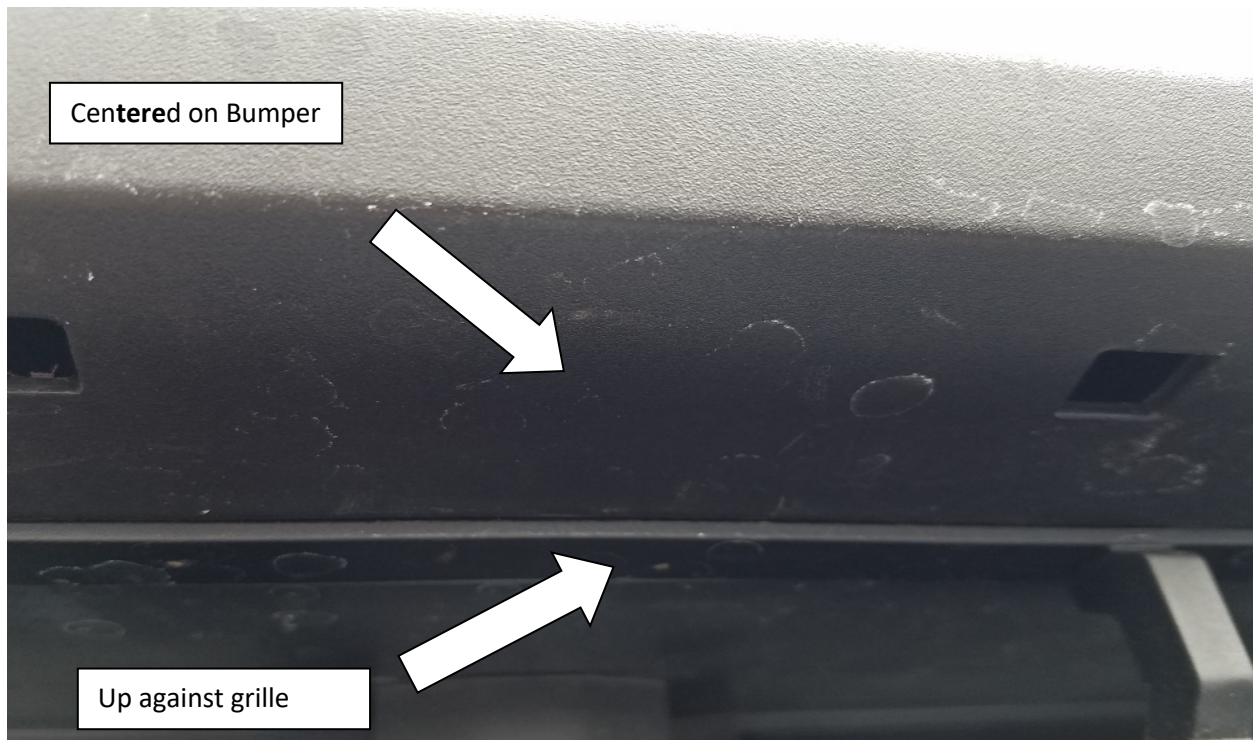


Fig 2

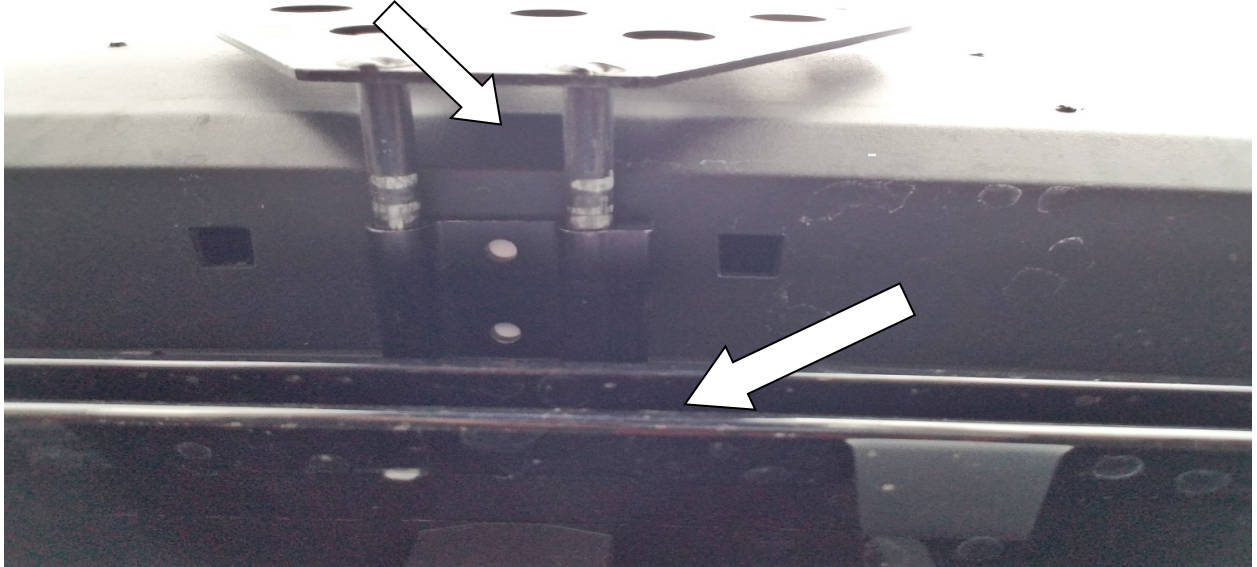


Fig3



Fig 4

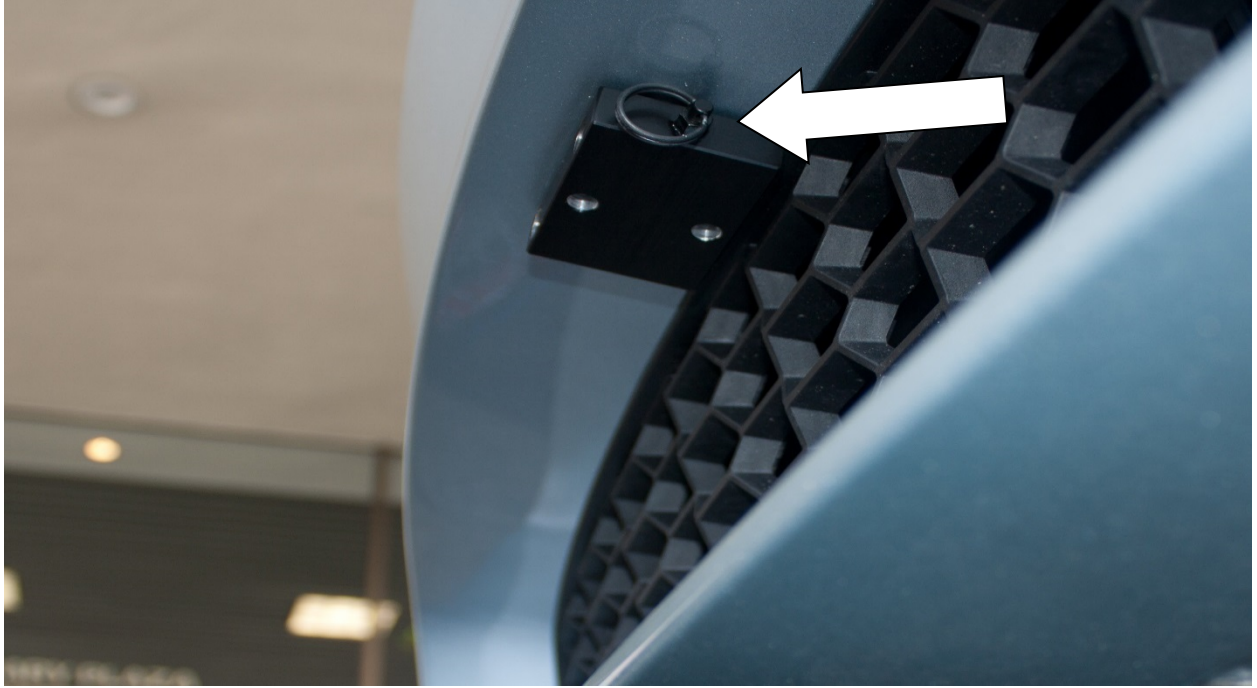


Fig 5

