## **BushTucker Kitchens Installation Guide**

This guide will help you fit your new BushTucker kitchen to your caravan, camper trailer, canopy, tray, or vehicle. If you are not confident in using power tools, measuring accurately, or lifting heavy objects, it is recommended to seek professional help from a caravan or 4WD accessory company.

## **Preparation:**

- Two persons are recommended for the job to help with maneuvering and measuring.
- Carefully remove the kitchen from its packaging and inspect it for any damage. If you find damage due to freight, contact BushTucker immediately.

## **Step-by-Step Installation**

## 1. Slide Out and Inspect the Kitchen

- Press down on the drawer slide tabs and pull the kitchen out slightly, using the grab handle to fully slide the kitchen out. Ensure the slides "lock out" so the kitchen stays extended.
- Make sure this is done on even ground or on a stable surface. Someone should hold down the rear of the housing to prevent tilting when fully extended.
- Slide out any cutlery drawers, storage drawers, or flip-over tables to ensure they function properly.

#### 2. Position the Kitchen

- If your kitchen has a full outer casing, it will have a small fold/return on the base at the rear, which acts as the rear mounting point. Alternatively, angle bracket mounts may be provided.
- The front base of the outer casing has a 6x50 mm plate for the front mounting point.
- If your kitchen is mounted on an angle bracket frame, it will have mounting plates at both the front and rear.

Place the kitchen in the area where it will be fitted (e.g., tunnel boot, canopy, camper) and ensure it does not interfere with door locks, door skins, or other nearby objects. Test the door/hatch to make sure it does not make contact with the kitchen.

#### 3. Drill the Holes and Bolt the Kitchen

- For the rear, drill 2x10 mm holes in the fold at the base of the housing or through the 6 mm plate at the back of the angle bracket frame. Use 10 mm bolts at the rear, with a large washer, spring washer, and 10 mm lock nut underneath.
- For the front, drill an 8 mm hole up from under the van into the 50x6 mm plate at the front base. You can also mark and drill the holes before positioning the kitchen. Remove the front cutlery drawer to access the base easily.

Ensure the bolt holes do not hit anything under the floor (fuel tank, gas/water lines, etc.). Tighten all bolts securely.

# **4. Alternate Mounting (Using Rivnuts)** If you cannot access underneath your canopy or vehicle:

- Use rivnuts (nutserts) to mount the kitchen. Unbolt the kitchen from its slides if necessary for easier access.
- Drill holes in the folded sheet metal under the kitchen casing or in the 50 mm flat bar at the front and rear.
- Mark the drilled holes, install nutserts, then bolt the kitchen into place using threadlocker for extra security on rough terrain.

## **Important Notes:**

- 1. The length of the bolts depends on the thickness of your floor. Adjust the bolt length accordingly.
- 2. If access is limited, remove the kitchen from its housing/angle bracket frame for easier installation.

If you have any questions or need assistance with a special application, please contact us via email office@diycaravans.com.au. We're happy to help.

Thank you again for your purchase of a quality Australian-made BushTucker Kitchens product.