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Acura TL
"Classic" Mesh Grille

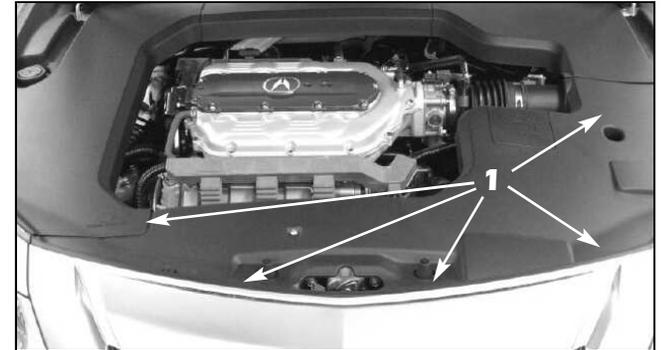


Part #1402-0104-09

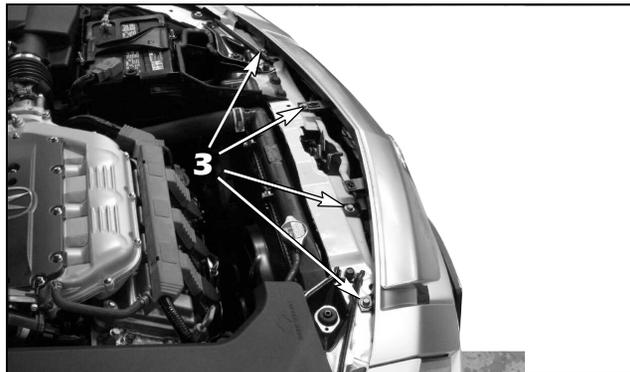
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1	Classic Mesh Grille Complete - Upper	*****
	Includes: Classic Grille Frame	1402-0141-09
	Classic "Heavy" Mesh Insert	1402-0040-09
	(1) Top Mounting Plate	1402-0210-09
	(16) #8-32 ESNA Half Nuts	1999-0065-00
	(6) Rectangular Mesh Retainers	1099-0167-05
	(2) Black Rectangular Mesh Retainers	1099-0167-05B
1	Hardware Kit (components listed below)	1402-1902-09
	(1) Emblem Mounting Plate	1402-0158-09
	(3) #8-32 ESNA Half Nuts	1999-0065-00
	(2) Large Thin Black Plastic Washers	1999-9601-00
	(1) Outer Hole Location Template (see page 4)	1402-0069-09
	(1) Center Hole Location Template (see page 4)	1402-0039-09
	(1) Center Retaining Clip	1402-0151-09
	(2) Small Black Plastic Washers	1999-0256-00
	(1) Lower Stud Angle Gage (see page 4)	*****

"Black Ice" Part #1402-B104-09

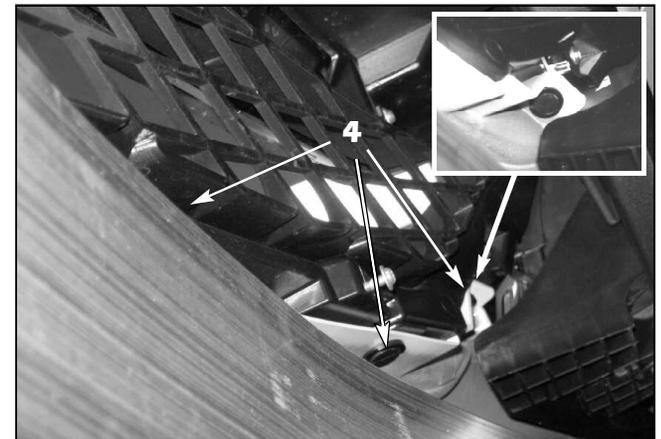
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	"Black Ice" Heavy Mesh Insert	1402-0040-09B
	(1) Top Mounting Plate	1402-0210-09
	(16) #8-32 ESNA Half Nuts	1999-0065-00
	(6) Rectangular Mesh Retainers	1099-0167-05
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1. Remove the radiator support cover by lifting straight up to release the clips and remove the cover (to be reinstalled).



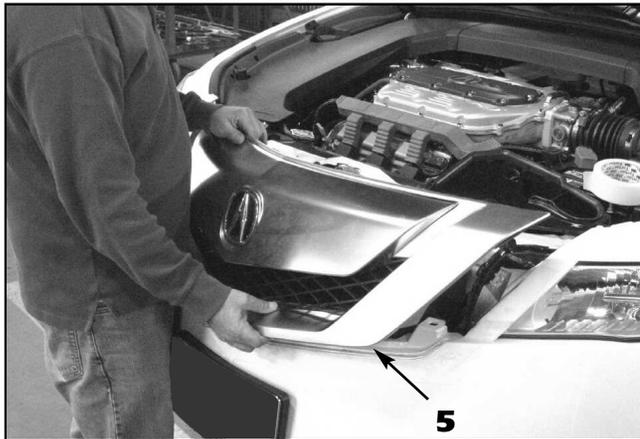
2. Carefully apply several layers of masking tape around the painted grille surround to protect the factory paint.
 3. Remove the top 10mm fasteners retaining the grille.



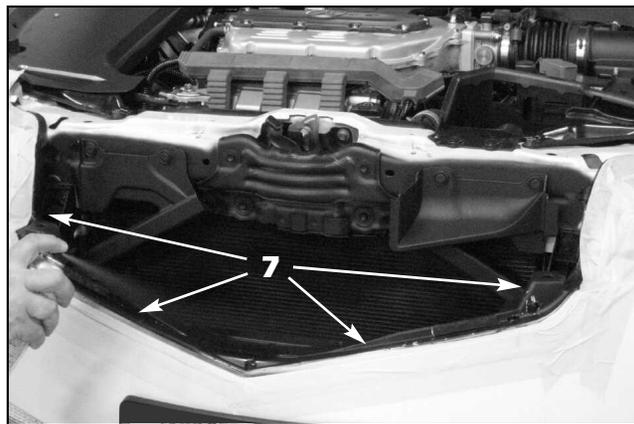
4. Use a small flat blade screwdriver to pry down on the center of the lower push pins, separating the grille from the bumper cover.

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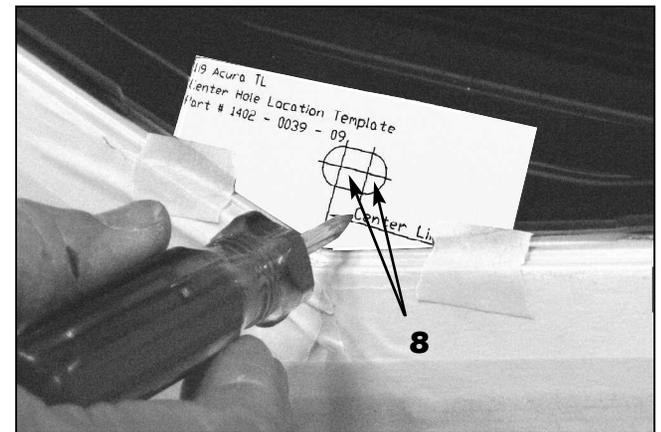
The lower tabs are close tolerance with the bumper cover slots and require effort on your part to release. Carefully unclip one tab at a time, working your way from one side to the other.



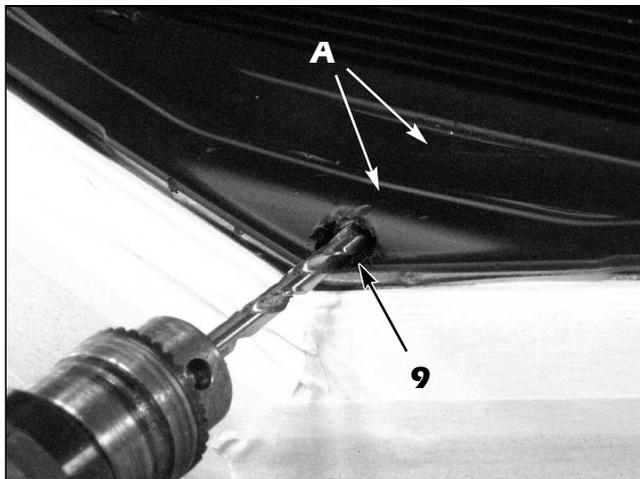
5. Once the lower push fasteners are removed, pull the grille forward and remove it from the bumper cover.



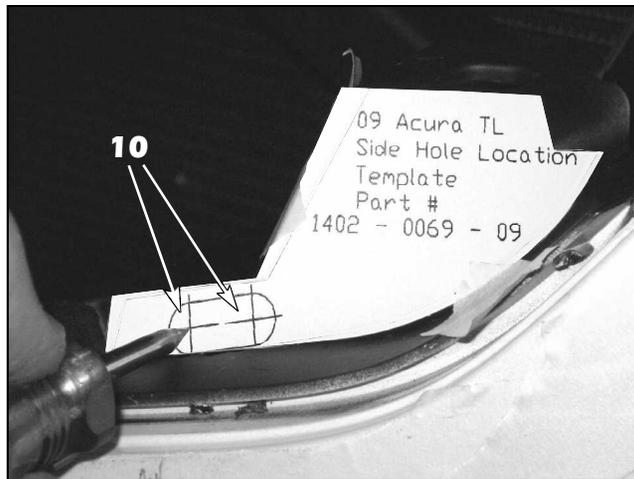
6. Remove the factory Acura emblem from the factory grille. The emblem is attached with screws. Save the emblem and screws for reinstallation on the mesh grille (not shown).
7. Apply masking tape to the painted bumper cover at the grille opening and paint everything inside the grille opening with flat or semi-gloss black paint that would be visible through the mesh grille.



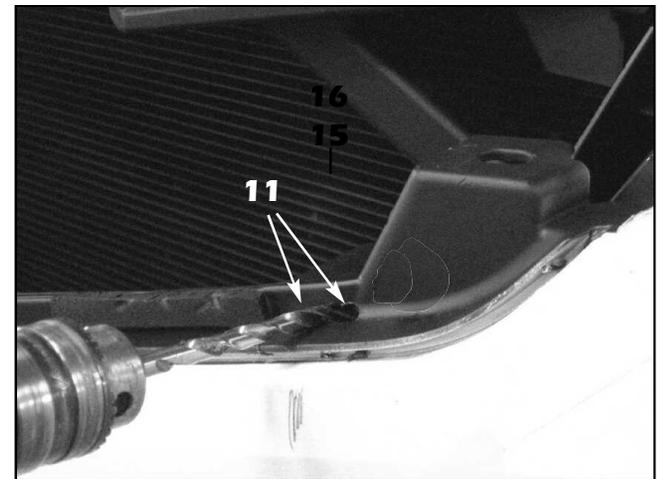
8. Once the paint is dry, cut out and align the center hole location template onto the center of the factory grille opening and tape it into place. Use an awl or similar pointed tool and mark the centers of the hole locations.



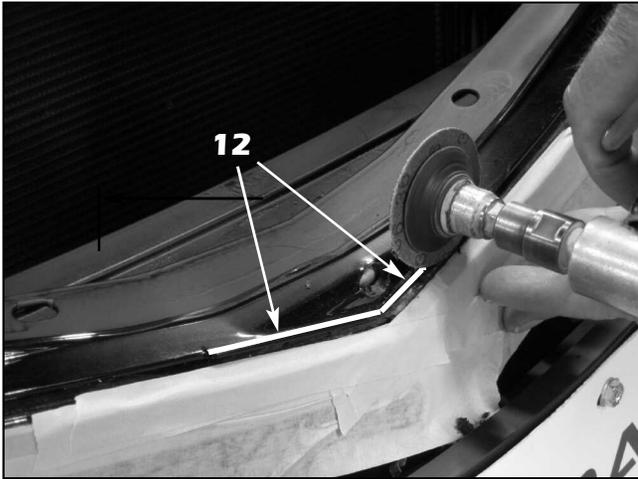
9. Use a 5/16" drill bit to drill holes through the bumper cover where marked in the previous step. Use the drill bit to connect the holes making a slot. Drill bit should be flush with the bottom surface of the bumper cover (A). It may be necessary to slot the hole to the opposite side as well, depending on the stud location.



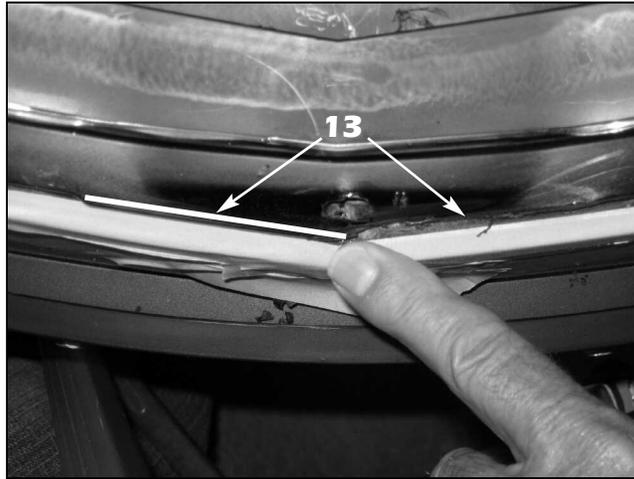
10. Cut out and align the outer hole location template onto the lower corners of the factory grille opening and tape it into place. Use an awl or similar pointed tool and mark the centers of the hole locations.



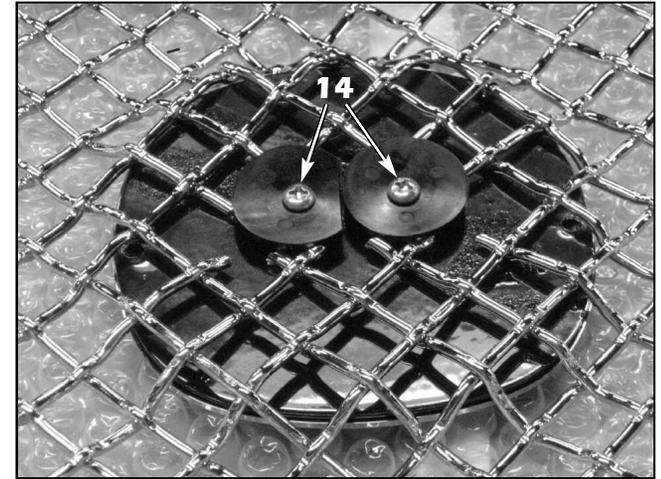
11. Use a 5/16" drill bit to drill holes through the bumper cover at the bottom corner where marked in the previous step. Once the holes are drilled, use the drill bit to carefully connect the holes making a mounting slot for the outer grille mounting studs.



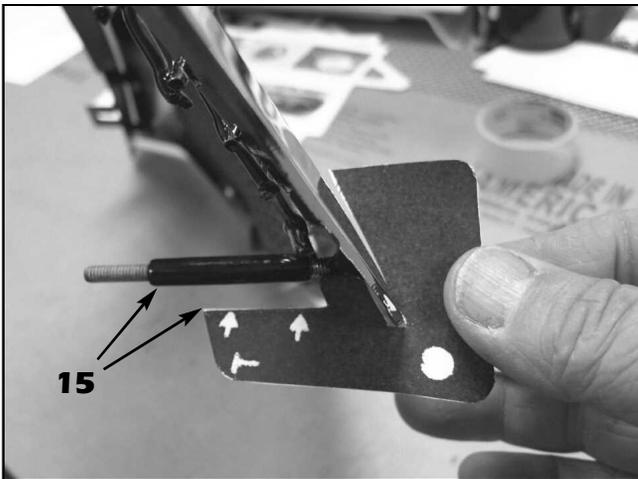
12. Use a grease pencil to highlight the protruding portion at the bottom center of the front bumper cover. Carefully use a disc grinder to grind down the protruding edge of the bumper cover at the bottom center of the factory grille opening to make sure that the mesh grille frame does not stick out too far. The frame must fit flush with the bumper cover for proper installation.



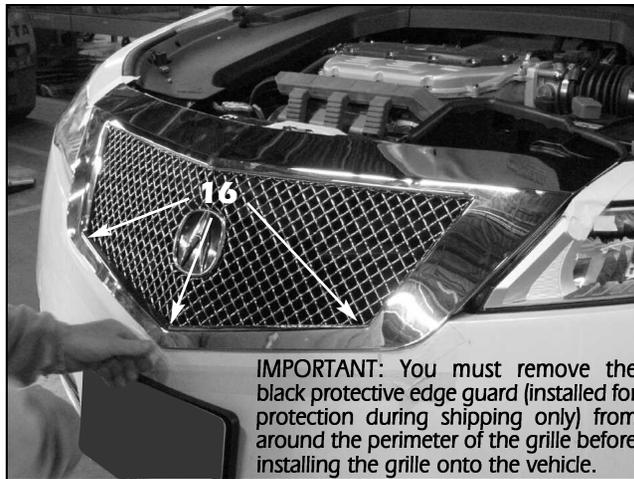
13. The above photo shows the difference between the ground side and the stock side. If you do not grind the protruding section flush with the remainder of the bumper cover, the grille will most likely protrude out from the bumper cover at the very front.



14. Install the supplied large thin black plastic washers and the factory screws to reinstall the factory emblem onto the mounting plate and mesh grille. It may be necessary to clip some of the mesh wires in order to perfectly center the emblem. Trim one or both of the washers so that they do not overlap. If the washers are too thick and the screws will not start, grind the washers thinner.

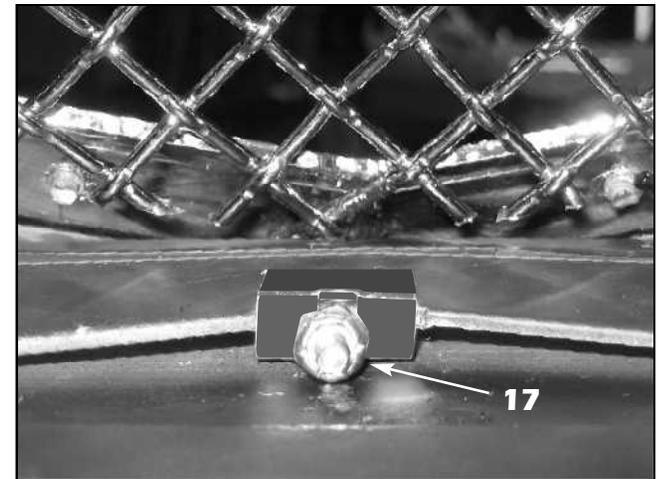


15. Before you align the grille, cut out the supplied gage located on the last page of this instruction manual and align it as shown to the bottom of the frame at the stud location. Make sure that the lower mounting stud is on the same angle as the gage or you will have problems fitting the grille. If the angle does not match, carefully bend the stud to match the gage.

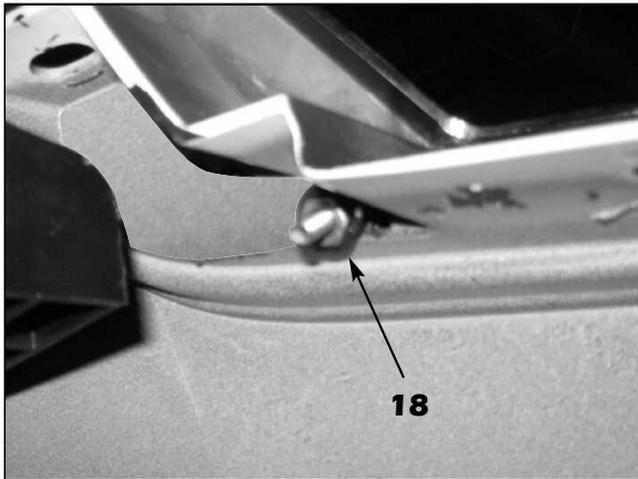


IMPORTANT: You must remove the black protective edge guard (installed for protection during shipping only) from around the perimeter of the grille before installing the grille onto the vehicle.

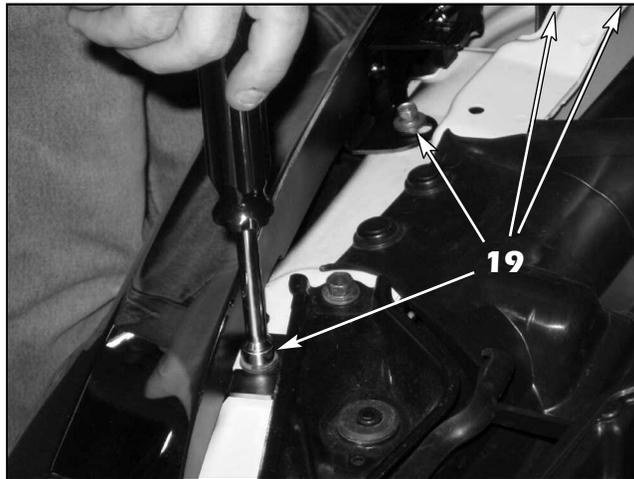
16. Carefully align the E&G grille into the grille opening, making sure the two outer studs and the center stud fit into the holes drilled in the bumper cover.
IMPORTANT: You must lift up on the bumper cover enough so that as the center stud passes through the hole drill in Step 9, the stud rests on top of the bumper.



17. Install the supplied center mounting tab and a #8-32 ESNA half nut onto the center stud and tighten until the grille frame is tight against the bumper cover.



18. Install a small black plastic washer and a #8-32 ESNA half nut onto each of the outer studs until the grille frame is tight against the bumper cover.



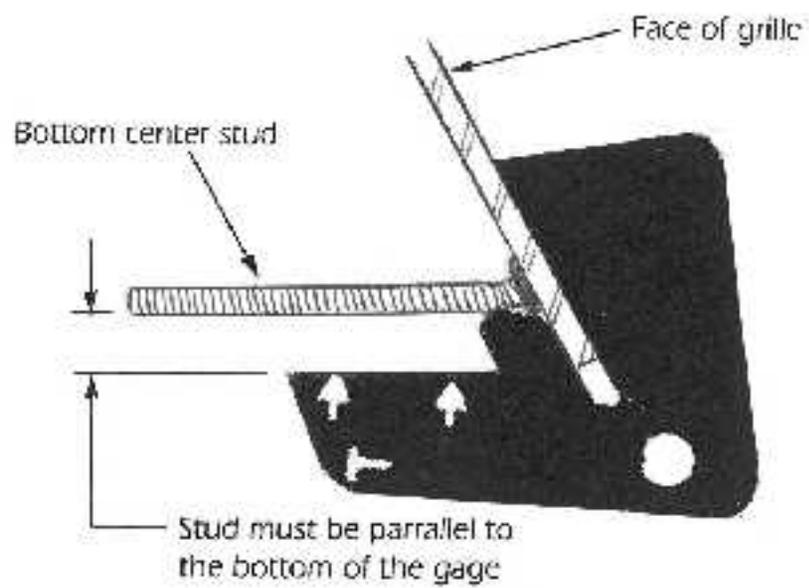
19. Reinstall the factory bolts removed in Step 3. Carefully lower the hood and check the gap. Open the hood and pull the grille out or push the grille in until the gap is even on both sides, then tighten the factory bolts.



20. Reinstall the radiator support panel cover using the factory push fasteners. Note: If the holes in the factory covers do not line up with the inserts pressed into the grille top plate, enlarge the hole in the panel just enough until it fits. Do not try and move the hole too far, the factory clip may not cover the enlarged hole.



21. Finished installation.



TL Lower stud angle gage

