



The Self Closing BadAss Hinge Set by SHUT IT Gate Hardware

Installation Guide

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Proper Orientation of Hinge

The Self Closing BadAss Hinge uses a one-direction spring system (can only open one way) so it may be necessary to rotate the body of the hinge for your particular gate installation. For all installations, the yoke of the hinge (the outer "C" Channel) should always be welded to the gate post or door frame, and the body (the center piece) to the gate or door. Additionally, the bolt should always be installed with the head on the top and the locking nut on the bottom. The hinge is shipped in a left side, inward opening/right side, outward opening orientation. To change the orientation to a left side, outward opening/right side, inward opening orientation rotate the hinge 180 degrees so that the tension adjustment screw is now on the top of the hinge. When you rotate the hinge you will notice that the bolt head is now on the bottom so you will also need to remove the locking nut and bolt and reinstall so the bolt head is on the top.

Installing the Hinges

The following are the recommended steps for welding the Self Closing BadAss Hinge set to your gate/door and end post/door frame.

1. Weld both hinge bodies to the gate/door at your welding shop. **IMPORTANT.** It is very important that the hinges are lined up and welded so that they are level with each other on the gate frame. If the hinges are welded un-level, this may cause binding in the system, which will increase the torsion strength needed to shut the gate/door. Too much binding may cause the self closing mechanism to not function.
2. With the hinge bodies welded in your shop, the yokes can then be welded to the end post/door frame on the job site. To make sure the yokes are welded in proper alignment it is best to weld them to the end post/door frame while they are attached to the hinge bodies on the gate/door. It is useful to have a jake to hold the gate in place while welding the yokes to the end post/door frame
3. Once the yokes are welded, make sure the lock nuts are loosened and level the gate as necessary. Once the gate is level, tighten the lock nuts until fully secured to avoid slippage.

Setting/Adjusting the Spring Tension

The Self Closing BadAss Hinge is shipped at the lowest tension setting. This setting will be the most common setting for installations so we recommend that you install the hinge and test at this setting and then make adjustments if needed. Once installed, if additional tension is needed to fully close and latch your gate, use the following steps:

1. Using the provided hex socket wrench, remove the Tension Locking Screw located on the body of the Self Closing BadAss Hinge.
2. Once the screw is removed, insert the hex wrench into one of the three tension adjustment guide holes on the round spacer near the Tension Locking Screw and rotate toward the hinge yoke until the desired threaded hole is inline with the opening on the hinge body. (we recommend moving to the third threaded hole for our initial adjustment, which is the mid point of the tension span)
3. Once the threaded hole is lined up with the hole in the hinge body, re-insert the Tension Locking Screw and screw with fingers until it is seated in the threaded hole.
4. Using the hex wrench, tighten the Tension Locking Screw fully.
5. Retest the closing of the gate and repeat adjustments as needed.

Recommendation: We recommend using the minimum tension needed and this will help increase the longevity of your hinge.