



Tools and Windshield Channels



First thing's first, you need a Star socket set and/or a regular socket set or equivalent. The T30 Star socket head is only needed for the 2003-2004 TJ top/sound bar installation. The 1/2" socket head is needed for the 1997-2004 TJ NO-Drill header Channel. Pictured is a ratchet handle, a single 1/2" socket head and a set of Star socket heads. These items are extremely handy on any Jeep®, so if you don't have them already, then acquiring them isn't a bad idea. (You can get these individually, or a multi-faceted screw driver.)

Windshield Channels

You must have one of the following channels to use the tops.

If you have a 1976-1995 with a year-round soft top, you already have the channel on your windshield. If you already have one of these channels from another company, our tops will still work fine with those as well. (Stock Jeep®, Steel Horse® and Bestop® channels work fine.)

1997-2003 TJ Non-Drill Header Channel (2003-2004 looks the same, see below)



1976-1995 Drill type channel (stock channels work fine)



JCWhitney Windshield Channel Part Numbers

For 76-86 CJ7-CJ8/87-95 YJ- You need JCWhitney part #AKE135523A

For 1997-2002 TJ- You need JCWhitney part #AKE071945Y

For 2003-2004 TJ- You need JCWhitney part #AKE496805R



This is a drill in "tube" windshield channel for
1997-2002 Wranglers. Our tops will **not** work with this.
Close-up photo to the left.