



Decorative Base Cover Installation Guide

Installing the Decorative Base Cover

Follow these steps to install the Decorative Base Cover around your existing pole.

1. Remove any existing base cover.
 - a. Remove any debris from the pole base, anchor bolts, and footing.
 - b. Ensure water can drain from inside the pole.
 - i. Check under the base plate for dry packed concrete, and remove as much of it as you can.
 - c. We recommend removing any rust and paint the existing pole base with a rust encapsulating paint like [The Rust Doctor](#).
 - d. We offer a rust preventing spray paint with a long applicator for inside the pole.
2. Test fit your DBC on your pole
 - a. Check to ensure that the DBC is cut correctly to fit your light pole.
 - b. Ensure that the two halves of the DBC are fully engaged.
 - i. To do this check that the predrilled screw holes line up in both halves of the covers.
 - c. Because all poles are different, some poles might fit tight into the DBC.
 - d. On square poles, the corners of the pole might be tight.
 - i. If this is the case, make the top opening in the DBC larger to fit your pole.
 - ii. Start slow as it usually only requires fractions of an inch.
 - e. On round poles, sheers work best to make a smooth cut.
3. Using [ABS Glue](#) or [Christy's Red Hot Blue Glue](#), put a line of glue along the outside of the recessed tab on both halves of the DBC
4. Install the DBC on the pole and screw in the 6 provided screws into the predrilled holes.
 - a. Only tighten the screws until the two DBC halves make contact. They strip out if overtightened.
5. For a watertight seal, use a paintable or color match caulking along the seams in the DBC and around the top seam between the DBC and the pole.
6. We recommend painting the DBC
 - a. Paint will increase the UV rating and increase the cover's lifespan.
 - b. Painting can be done before or after installation.
 - i. If painting before installation, screw the cover together before painting.
 - ii. This prevents painting the section that will later have glue applied.

Getting into the hand hole with a Decorative Base Cover

1. Using a razor blade, cut the caulking around the seam between the DBC and the pole.
2. Slide the DBC up the pole and secure it with a bar clamp or magnet.
3. When done, slide the DBC down the pole and reseal with caulking.