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2010 VintageVibrato™ Bridge Mounting Instructions

For Installation by Skilled & Authorized Technicians Only!
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Retrofit Installation: for direct installation on Fender® - Style Guitars :

1. It is suggested all work be performed on a clean, padded, non-marring work surface.
2. Remove strings, bridge and associated hardware.
3. Check mounting hole sizes to verify they match holes sizes & depths per template instructions below. This is very important! If the sizes are not correct, you will damage or break mounting screws during installation.
4. Place your new bridge into the guitar cavity, resting the bridge flat on the guitar top.
5. Using a #2 Phillips head screwdriver, install the six (6) mounting screws so that the underside of the screw head is approximately 3/16" above the saddle surface of the bridge.
6. Using the flat surfaces of the 2.5mm hex wrench (included) as feeler gage, adjust the six (6) mounting screws so that the hex wrench just fits between the underside of the screw head and the saddle surface. Double check this step so that all screws are adjusted exactly the same height. An incorrect adjustment could easily ruin your new bridge!
7. This process should position the bridge with the suggested float of 1/16" above guitar body
8. Place the face of guitar on a clean, padded, non-marring work surface.
9. Install new claw (if necessary).
10. Using a flat punch & hammer, gently tap in the return springs, so that they are firmly seated in the bridge block. Take precaution to support both the bridge & guitar before proceeding!
11. Hook the other end of the springs into the claw.
12. String up guitar, tune to pitch and test for smoothness and accuracy of return to "zero position".
13. Adjust claw in/out to obtain proper tension of bridge.
14. Repeat any of the above steps as necessary.
15. Adjust saddles for proper intonation & string height.
16. **DO NOT** adjust the mounting screws with strings at full tension!!! Detune guitar!!!

New Installation: For custom or un-routed guitars :

- Route cavity to standard Fender Strat® vibrato cavity
- Refer to template instructions below.
- Install bridge per "Retrofit Instructions" above.

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