

MP 4987 Secondary Coupling

This coupling cable is designed so that, in the event of separation of the main coupling, the trailer will remain attached to the towing vehicle and the draw bar should be prevented from touching the ground.

Fitting Instructions

The closed eye at one end of the cable should be bolted to the draw bar of the trailer using a BS3692 grade 8.8 bolt, washer and locknut. (Caution- Do not drill the draw bar of your trailer without consulting the hand book or manufacturer, as this may weaken the draw bar)

It is often possible to replace one of the coupling fixing bolts on the trailer with a longer bolt of the same specification. The Secondary coupling cable can then be attached to the protruding thread of the new bolt by clamping it between two large plain washers using a locking nut.

Do not attach the cable using the existing coupling fixing nuts, as the bolts are likely to be too short and any subsequent movement of the cable may loosen the coupling mounting bolts.

Operating Instructions

When coupling a trailer to a towing vehicle the snap hook of secondary coupling should be clipped to a suitable attachment point provided for this purpose. (MP4984B Secondary coupling fixing plate).

The attachment point should be within 100mm of the centre line of the vehicle.

Ensure that the cable is routed to allow full articulation of the trailer without becoming tight or fouling other fittings ie. Sockets, Stabilisers etc.