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Subject: FW: Romik Running Board Identification / Replacement - 2021 Honda Ridgeline

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Sent: Monday, August 24, 2026 3:51 PM

To: Domenic DiStefano <domenic@theitalianpalace.com>

Subject: RE: Romik Running Board Identification / Replacement - 2021 Honda Ridgeline

Yes, harsh chemicals will also strip the finish on the running boards. You'll end up with white boards.

Thank you for your support.

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So just to confirm due to the heavy chemicals that would be required to remove the paint your recommendation is then to replace? Just want to be crystal clear when submitting to the insurer.

Thanks for the help.

On Aug 24, 2026, at 2:32 PM, info@romik.com wrote:

Mr. DiStefano

Thank you for the question. Unfortunately, highway paint is very damaging and will take a strong chemical to remove. Having said this the running boards probably kept the paint from damaging your vehicle.

The product that you currently have is our RAL-TB running boards. However, they only come in pairs.

Please use the link below. Let us know if you have any other questions.

<https://romik.com/side-steps-and-running-boards/honda/ridgeline/2017-2026/honda-ridgeline-2017-present-running-boards-ral-tb-series?find=2021-honda-ridgeline-18881>

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Hello,

I called Romik today and was advised to email with photos.

My 2021 Honda Ridgeline has Romik running boards that I purchased and installed when the truck was new in April 2021. Unfortunately, the passenger-side running board was recently sprayed with **white highway line-stripping paint during a State of Delaware road-painting incident.**

I have been unable to remove the paint even using a professional-grade automotive detailing pressure washer. I also noticed that Romik's website cautions against using harsh chemicals on the running

boards, so I do not want to attempt solvents or other aggressive products that could damage the original black finish.

I am therefore pursuing replacement as part of my property-damage claim with the State of Delaware.

I no longer have my original 2021 receipt or part number. The current **all-black RB2-TB running boards** shown on your website appear to be the closest match, but I am not certain they are the exact model I purchased in 2021.

I have attached photos of my existing boards. Could you please let me know:

1. If you can identify the model or its current equivalent;
2. Whether there is any safe method you recommend for removing highway striping paint without damaging the finish; and
3. If replacement is necessary, whether the passenger-side board can be purchased separately or whether the complete pair must be replaced, along with the current price.

A response by email would be very helpful for my claim documentation.

Thank you,

Domenic DiStefano

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