



Shock Kit Aftermarket Manual

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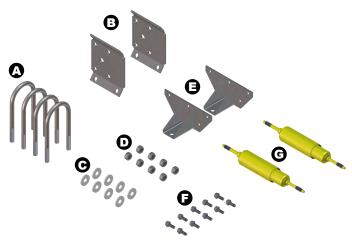
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Introduction

Instantly improve your ride with our complete shock mount kits. Shocks help to efficiently manage axle spring movement to provide a smoother, more comfortable ride.

Parts List



281281 - 3" Axle Beam Kit

| Letter | Part# | Description |
|--------|----------------|----------------------------------|
| Α | <u>2139541</u> | U-bolt |
| В | <u>2139531</u> | Shock Mounting Tie Plate |
| С | <u>170997</u> | 9/16" Washer |
| D | 182274 | 9/16" Nut |
| Е | 275046 | Shock Upper Mounting Bracket |
| F | 191021 | 3/8" - 16 x 1" Self Tapping Bolt |
| G | 177734 | Shock |
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281255 - 2 3/8" Axle Beam Kit

| Letter | Part# | Description |
|--------|---------------|----------------------------------|
| Α | <u>122073</u> | U-bolt |
| В | 1938281 | Shock Mounting Tie Plate |
| D | <u>122079</u> | 1/2" x 20 Nut |
| Е | 275047 | Shock Upper Mounting Bracket |
| F | 191021 | 3/8" - 16 x 1" Self Tapping Bolt |
| G | 177734 | Shock |

Preparation

Tools Required:

- Floor Jack
- Drill / Socket Wrench
- Torque Wrench
- •3/8" Socket
- •9/16" Socket
- •11/32" Drill Bit
- Tape Measure
- Marker
- 1. Check to make sure slide-out cross shafts are not in the way.
- 2. Measure clearance between inside of tire and I-beam flange. Minimum clearance is 2 1/2"

Installation

This process will need to be repeated on each end of the axle.

NOTE: Tires removed from images for clarity.

- 1. Raise trailer and jack up the axle to release pressure on the springs.
- 2. Remove old u-bolts and tie plate.
- 3. Install new tie plate with the longer side facing outward (Fig. 1A) and torque the u-bolts to 90 ft lbs.

NOTE: Do NOT use old components.

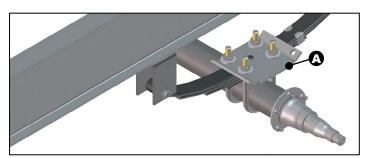


Fig. 1

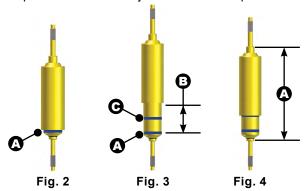
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- 4. Compress the shock (Fig.2) and make a mark on the inner shock where the outer shock stops (Fig. 2A and 3A).
- 5. Release compression (Fig. 3). Measure the stroke (Fig. 3B) and make a mark on the inner shock that is one half of the stroke length (Fig. 3C).
- 6. Measure the shock length (Fig. 4A) when the shock is compressed to the halfway mark made in Step 5.



- 7. Lower the trailer back down onto tires and level so the equalizer(s), if equipped, are parallel to the frame and there is a full load on the springs.
- 8. Make a measurement perpendicular to the shock mounting lip on the tie plate that is the same distance measured in Step 6 (Fig.4A) + 2" and make a mark on the I-beam parallel to the shock mounting lip on the tie plate (Fig. 5A).
- **NOTE:** Mount shocks pointing outwards (away from the shackle kit, equalizer and/or center point) to get the best performance from the shocks.
- **NOTE:** Dry fit the shock to be sure it does not exceed a 45 degree angle or it will not function.

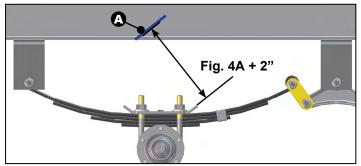


Fig. 5

- Align the bottom of the extended portion of the upper shock mounting bracket to the mark made on the I-beam in Step 8 and drill 11/32" pilot holes.
- 10. Use the 3/8" self-tapping bolts to secure the upper shock mounting bracket to the I-beam (Fig. 6).
- 11. Remove nut, washer and rubber grommet from both sides of the shock.
- 12. Place the shock into the shock mounting lip on the tie plate and compress it to fit into the upper mounting bracket.
- 13. Apply the rubber grommet (Fig. 7A), washer (Fig. 7B) and nut (Fig. 7C) (in that order) and tighten to secure the shock (Fig. 8).

NOTE: Do NOT over-tighten. Tighten until the rubber grommet (Fig. 7A) increases diameter equal to the washer (Fig. 7B).

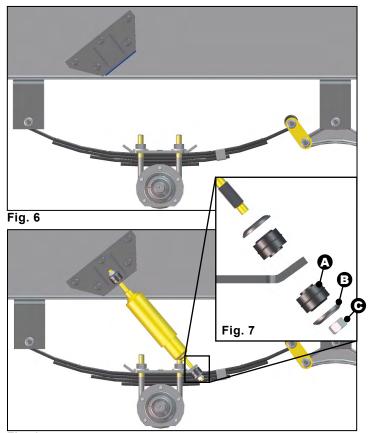


Fig. 8

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