



Installation Instructions

2.5" Basic Rear Adjuster Kit

1997-2003 JEEP TJ 4WD

PARTS AND HARDWARE LIST:

2	FT50065	RR Coil Adjuster
1	FT2301	Spanner Wrench
2	FT2300-1	Spanner Nut
2	FT2300-2	Thrust Washer
2	FT2300-4	Urethane Coil Isolator
2	10130151082	10mm-1.5mmX130mm Bolt Gr.8.8
2	43000005252	7/16" Split Washer
2	43000005052	7/16" SAE Flat Washer
1	FTLOCK	Thread Lock Compound
1	FT94008i	Instruction Sheet
1	FTREGCARD	Registration Card
1	FTAS12	Sticker

DO NOT ALTER THE FINISH OF THESE COMPONENTS, EXAMPLE- CHROMING, ZINC PLATING OR PAINTING. CHANGING THE FINISH CAN CAUSE STRUCTURAL FATIGUE OF COMPONENTS.

CHECK ALL PARTS INCLUDED IN THIS KIT TO THE PARTS LIST ABOVE BEFORE BEGINNING INSTALLATION OF THE KIT. IF ANY PIECES ARE MISSING, CONTACT FABTECH AT 909-597-7800

TOOL LIST: (NOT INCLUDED)

- **FLOOR JACK & JACK STANDS**
- **ASSORTED METRIC AND S.A.E SOCKETS, & WRENCHES**
- **TORQUE WRENCH**

VEHICLES THAT WILL RECEIVE OVERSIZED TIRES SHOULD CHECK BALL JOINTS, TIE RODS ENDS AND IDLER ARM EVERY 2500-5000 MILES FOR WEAR AND REPLACE AS NEEDED

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY FROM START TO FINISH BEFORE BEGINNING INSTALLATION! IF THESE INSTRUCTIONS ARE NOT PROPERLY FOLLOWED, SEVERE FRAME, DRIVELINE AND / OR SUSPENSION DAMAGE MAY RESULT.

NOTE- PRIOR TO THE INSTALLATION OF THIS SUSPENSION SYSTEM A FRONT END ALIGNMENT MUST BE PERFORMED AND RECORDED. DO NOT INSTALL THIS SYSTEM IF THE VEHICLE ALIGNMENT IS NOT WITHIN FACTORY SPECIFICATIONS. CHECK FOR FRAME AND SUSPENSION DAMAGE PRIOR TO INSTALLATION. THIS SUSPENSION SYSTEM DOES NOT REQUIRE WELDING FOR INSTALLATION. DO NOT WELD ANY OF THESE COMPONENTS.

THE INSTALLATION OF THIS SUSPENSION SYSTEM SHOULD BE PERFORMED BY A PROFESSIONAL MECHANICS.

REAR SUSPENSION INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Jack up the rear end of the vehicle and support the frame rails just in front of the rear bumper with jack stands. **NEVER WORK UNDER AN UNSUPPORTED VEHICLE!** Remove the rear tires. Support the rear axle, do not allow to hang freely.
2. Working from the driver side of the truck, remove the factory shock and discard, save lower mount hardware.
3. Remove the coil spring, and save, you will need to allow the axle to hang freely to remove the coil spring. Remove the factory upper coil isolator, and discard.
4. Remove the factory rubber bump stop, and save.
5. Remove the factory bolt securing the bump stop cup to the bump stop mount, discard bolt.
6. Locate the Fabtech adjuster sleeve FT50065. Slide the adjuster sleeve over the factory bump stop mount, than install the factory bump stop cup on to the end of the Fabtech adjuster sleeve with the supplied 10mm-1.5 X 130mm bolt, flat washer, and split washer. Use the supplied thread locking compound on this bolt to insure tightness.
7. Locate the factory bump stop and reinstall in to the factory location. SEE PHOTO BELOW.



8. Locate the Fabtech Spanner Nut FT2300-1. Thread the spanner nut on to the adjuster sleeve approx. 1" from the top. **Note: This is only a starting point for ride height adjustment. The final ride height will be adjusted when the installation of this kit is complete.**
9. Locate the Fabtech Thrust Washer FT2300-2 and Fabtech Coil Isolator FT2300-4. Slide these over the new adjuster sleeve with the thrust washer against the spanner nut and the coil isolator below the thrust washer.

10. Reinstall the coil spring. SEE PHOTO BELOW.



11. Install the Fabtech shock FTS7171. (Not included in the kit) Use the supplied factory upper hardware and the factory lower hardware.
12. Install rear tires and wheels. Torque lug nuts to wheel manufactures specifications.
13. With the truck on level ground locate you height measurements prior to the installation and adjust the spanner nuts with the supplied spanner wrench to the proper ride height. **DO NOT EXCEED 2.5" OF ADDITIONAL HEIGHT OVER STOCK.**
14. Recheck all nuts and bolts for proper torque specifications before driving. Realign truck to factory specifications and drive truck.

RETORQUE ALL NUTS, BOLTS AND LUGS AFTER 50 MILES AND PERIODICALLY THEREAFTER.

For technical assistance call: 909-597-7800

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Coil over take apart shocks are considered a serviceable shock with a one year warranty on leakage only. Service seal kits are available separately for future maintenance. All other shocks are covered under our Limited Lifetime Warranty.

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