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# INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR: RE9801 2018 & Up JEEP WRANGLER JL UPPER and LOWER CONTROL ARM MOUNTING BRACKETS

## **RE9801**:

1	86-RM24350 Geometry Correction Bracket Outer: Drvr
1	86-RM24351 Geometry Correction Bracket Inner: Drvr
1	86-RM24352 Geometry Correction Bracket Outer: Pass
1	86-RM24353 Geometry Correction Bracket Inner: Pass
2	86-RM20192 Large Sleeve
2	86-RM20197 Small Sleeve
1	HWC15063: Hardware Pack
4	16mm-2.0 x 110mm Hex Bolt 10.9
4	16mm-2.0 Nylock Nut
8	16mm Hardened Flat Washer Gr. 8
4	3/8"-16 Flanged Hex Nut Non-Locking Gr. 5
4	3/8"-16 x 1.0" Carriage Bolt Gr. 5
2	12mm Flat Washer
2	12mm-2.0 x 80mm Hex Bolt 10.9
2	12mm-2.0 Prevailing Torque Lock Nut

# **REQUIRED TOOLS:**

Basic mechanics' hand tools Jack Stands

## Installation with Rubicon Express JL 2.5"/3.5"/4.5" Suspension Kits:

1. The geometry correction brackets (Drvr: 86-RM24350 outer and 86-RM24351 inner, Pass: 86-RM24352 outer and 86-RM24353 inner) are designed to work with all Rubicon Express Jeep JL 2.5", 3.5", and 4.5" suspension kits. The geometry correction brackets are designed to correct suspension geometry after lift kit is installed. The geometry correction brackets lower the pivot points at the frame to compensate for lowering of the axle and will also bring front axle caster back into factory specifications for Jeep Rubicon, Sport, and Sahara models.

### NOTE: This installation is best performed with all four wheels on the ground.

- 2. Working on one side of the vehicle at a time, remove the OE upper and lower control arm bolts at the frame end. Save the OE upper control arm hardware for reinstallation.
- 3. Assemble the geometry correction brackets (Drvr: 86-RM24350 outer and 86-RM24351 inner, Pass:86-RM24352 outer and 86-RM24353 inner) as shown in the illustrations below using the **3/8" X 1"** carriage bolts and nuts.
- 4. Position the assembled geometry correction brackets in the upper and lower OE control arm mounts. Secure the assembled geometry correction brackets to the OE upper control arm bracket using the previously removed upper control arm OE bolt, hardware, and 35-RM20197 upper spacer. Secure the assembled geometry correction brackets to the OE lower control arm bracket using the provided **16mm X 110mm** bolt, hardware, and 35-RM20192 large sleeve. DO NOT tighten geometry correction bracket hardware at this time.
- Use the supplied hardware to mount the control arms into the new geometry correction brackets (12mm X 80mm bolts for the upper control arms and 16mm X 110mm bolts for the lower control arms).

NOTE: There are three upper control arm relocation holes in the geometry correction brackets. For Rubicon Express 2.5" Suspension Kits, use the upper hole. For Rubicon Express 3.5" Suspension Kits, use the middle hole. For Rubicon Express 4.5" Suspension Kits, use the bottom hole

NOTE: Depending on actual lift height, it may be necessary to use the alignment cams supplied with the lift kit or utilize different holes in the geometry correction brackets to be sure caster falls within factory specs when aligning.





Photo 1 Photo 2

- 6. Repeat steps 2 through 5 on the remaining side of the vehicle.
- 7. With the geometry correction bracket and control arm installations complete, Torque the mounting hardware as follows:
  - OE hardware to factory specifications
  - 16mm hardware to 165 ft./lbs.
  - 12mm hardware to 75 ft./lbs.
  - 3/8" hardware to 45 ft./lbs.

## **Installation review:**

- 1. Torque all the bolts to factory specifications. Be sure to double check your work.
- 2. Align the vehicle as soon as possible. Set to minimum factory caster angle (4.5-5.5 degrees positive) and factory toe-in specifications.
- 3. Recheck all bolts after 50 miles and again after every off road excursion.







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