



PART# 101920

2019+ GM 1500 2WD/4WD

2021+ GM SUV 2WD/4WD

2" FRONT LOWERING SPINDLES



2 HOUR INSTALL TIME



Recommended Tire size
31x10.50

Components	Hardware
(1)DRIVE SIDE SPINDLE	(2) M16-2.0 JAM NUT
(1)PASS SIDE SPINDLE	(2) 5/8" INTERNAL LOCK WASHER

NOTE:

-THESE SPINDLES FEATURE A SLIGHTLY REDUCED TURNING RADIUS TO ALLOW FOR 18" WHEELS TO FIT. IF YOU PLAN ON RUNNING 20" OR BIGGER RIMS, SEE THE LAST PAGE FOR CLEARANCING TO ACHIEVE FULL TURN RADIUS.

-MAGNE-RIDE AND AIR RIDE MODELS REQUIRE PART # 1019AR.

-MODELS WITH A FACTORY BIG BRAKE KIT WILL NEED TO CUT DOWN STUDS TOWARDS THE BOTTOM OF THE FACTORY DUST SHIELD TO PREVENT THE DUST SHIELD FROM HITTING THE ROTOR

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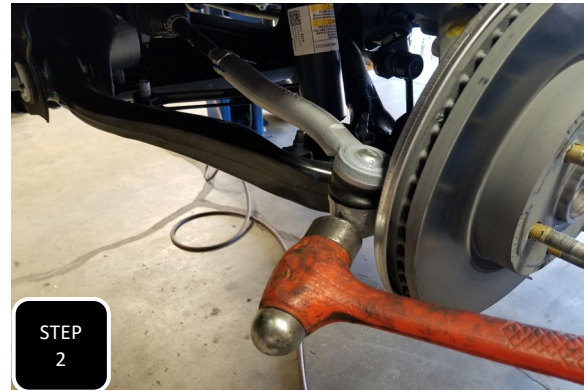
1. Factory service manual is recommended to have on hand.
2. Secure and properly block vehicle prior to beginning installation.
3. Always wear safety glasses when using power tools or working under the vehicle
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AFTER REMOVING PARTS FROM VEHICLE, SAVE HARDWARE FOR REINSTALLATION



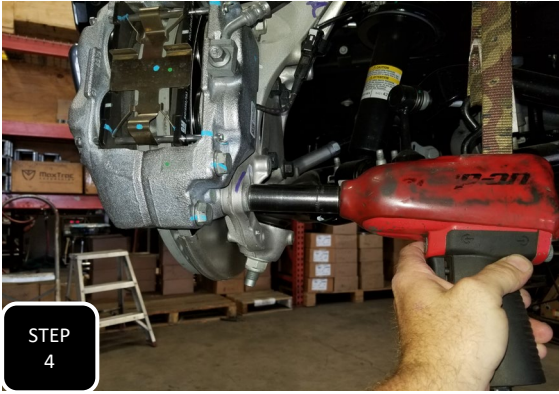
Step 1 Jack up the front of your vehicle and support under the frame with jack stands.



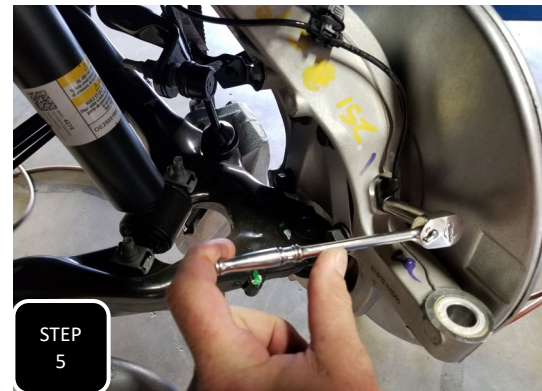
Step 2 Unbolt the nut attaching the outer tie rod to the spindle and break loose by hitting the side of the spindle with a hammer, right at the tie rod. **NOTE: NEVER HIT THE TIE ROD ON THE THREADS.**



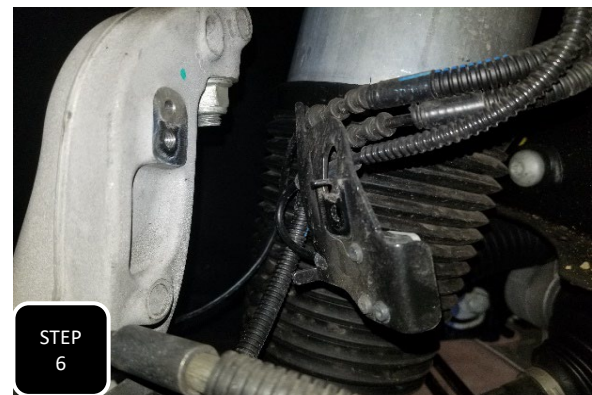
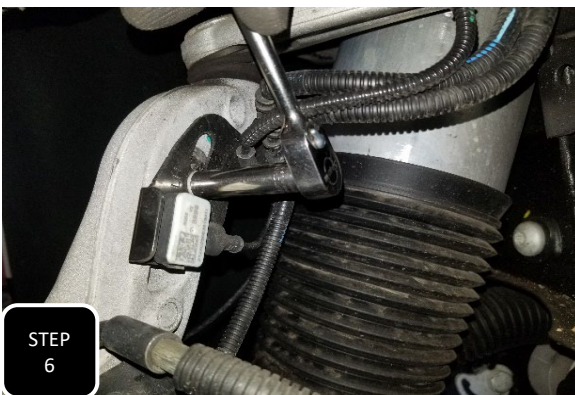
Step 3 Unbolt the brake line guide bracket from the side of the neck of the spindle and separate.



Step 4 Unbolt both brake caliper mounting bolts and support the brake caliper up out of the way. **NOTE: NEVER ALLOW THE BRAKE CALIPER TO HANG BY THE BRAKE LINE.**



Step 5 Unbolt the two ABS line brackets from the back of the neck of the spindle and the front of the spindle, then the ABS sensor itself. Next, separate the sensor and hang it safely out of the way.



Step 6 Air ride models will have a body position sensor attached to the upper ABS sensor bracket which gets removed just as step 5 shows. Unbolt this and the ABS sensor then move and hang safely out of the way.



Step 7 Unbolt the rotor retainer bolt and remove the rotor.



Step 8 Remove the 4 bolts attaching the wheel bearing to the spindle and discard the 4 bolt plate between the bolts and the bearing. **NOTE: ONLY 2WD MODELS WILL HAVE THIS PLATE.**



Step 9 On 4wd models you will need to remove the axle retainer nut on the outside of the wheel bearing.





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Step 10 It is common for the axle to be a tight fit in the wheel bearing, so using a pneumatic hammer to push the axle stub through the bearing may be necessary. **NOTE: NEVER DIRECTLY HIT THE AXLE WITH A HAMMER AS IT MAY DAMAGE THE THREADS.**



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Step 11 Separate the wheel bearing along with the dust shield from the spindle and set aside for re-installation.

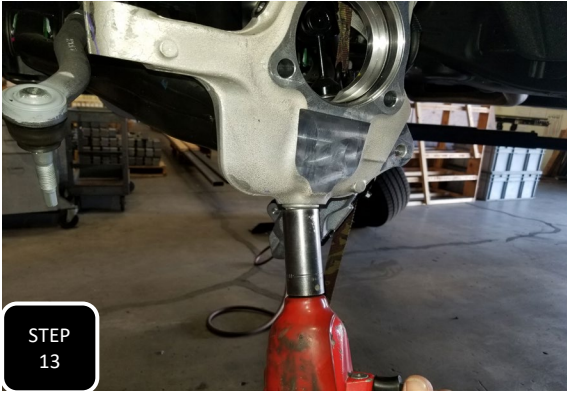


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Step 12 Loosen the nut attaching the upper ball joint to the spindle, but do not remove. Next, hit the side of the spindle, right at the ball joint, with a hammer, to break it loose and the nut will catch the spindle. **NOTE: NEVER HIT THE BALL JOINT ON THE THREADS.**



Step 13 Loosen the nut attaching the lower ball joint to the spindle, but do not remove. Next, hit the side of the spindle, right at the ball joint, with a hammer, to break it loose and the nut will catch the spindle. Then remove the spindle. **NOTE: NEVER HIT THE BALL JOINT ON THE THREADS.**

AWD AIR RIDE MODELS CONTINUE WITH STEP 14. ALL OTHER MODELS SKIP TO STEP 17

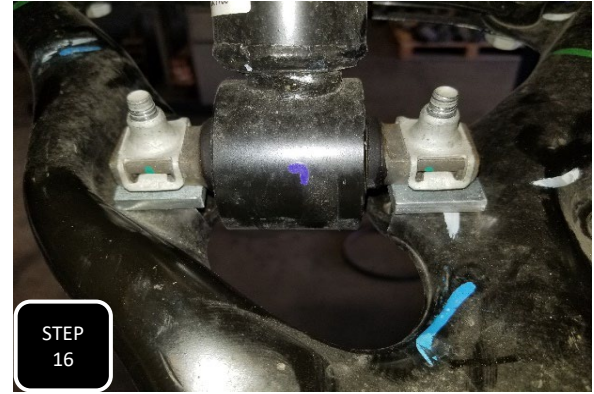


**MAGE-RIDE AND AIR RIDE MODELS
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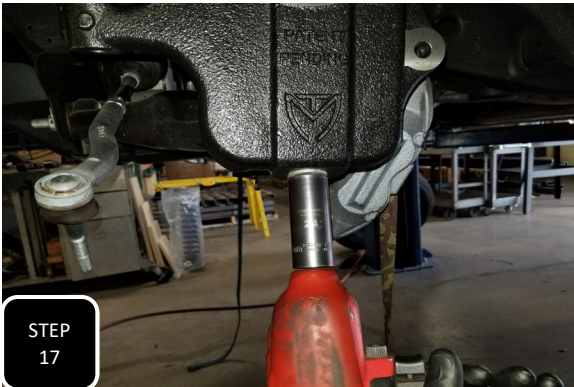
Step 14 Unbolt the sway bar end link from the control arm on both sides.



Step 15 Unbolt the two bolts attaching the strut to the lower control arm and then insert the provided 1019AR-1 spacer plates between the strut's barpin and the control arm.



Step 16 Once both spacers are in place then re-install the factory bolts and tighten to 40 ft/lbs.

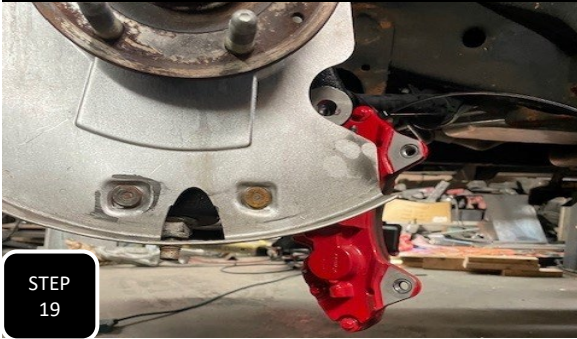


Step 17 Install the new spindle using the factory upper and lower ball joint nuts and tighten. The upper balljoint will get torqued to 60 ft/lbs and the lower ball joint to 100 ft/lbs.



Step 18 Install the wheel bearing along with the factory dust shield using the factory bolts and tighten to 40 ft/lbs. **NOTE: THE SECONDARY "O" RING INSIDE THE HUB BORE OF THE FACTORY SPINDLE WILL NOT GET TRANSFERED TO THE NEW SPINDLES.**

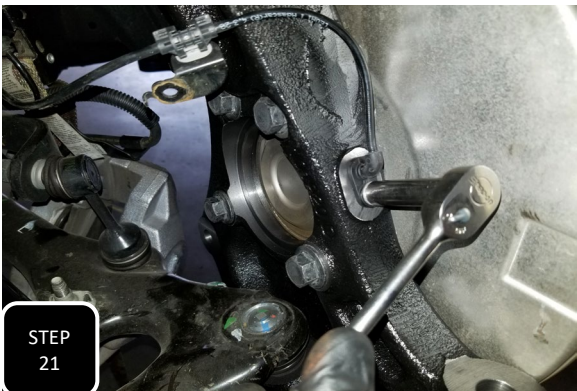
FOR MODELS EQUIPPED WITH A FACTORY BIG BRAKE KIT



Step 19 If your truck has a factory big brake kit then the factory dust shield will have an opening at the bottom and two studs sticking through the back side. The studs will need to be cut down flush on the back side of the dust shield or they will contact the face of the lowering spindle, pushing the dust shield outward, and causing the dust shield to rub against the rotor.



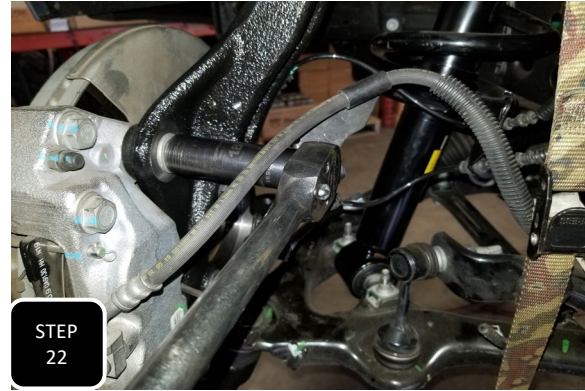
Step 20 4wd models will need to re-attach the axle to the wheel bearing using the factory nut and tighten to factory specs.



Step 21 Attach the ABS sensor and the wire guide just above it to the new spindle using the factory M6 bolts.



Step 22 Attach the rotor by tightening the factory retainer bolt and then install the brake caliper using the factory bolts and tighten.

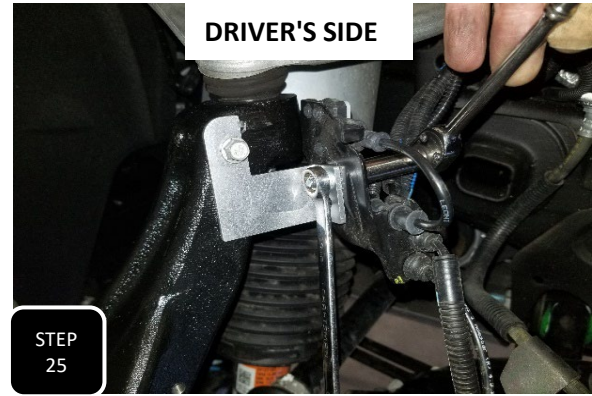
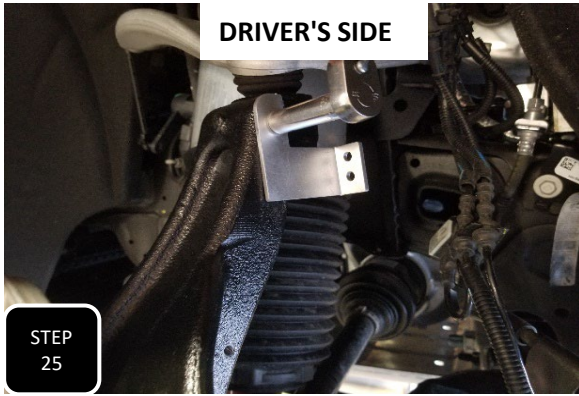


Step 23 Attach the brake pad sensor wire to the neck of the spindle using the factory M6 bolt and then do the same with brake line bracket using the factory M6 bolt and tighten.

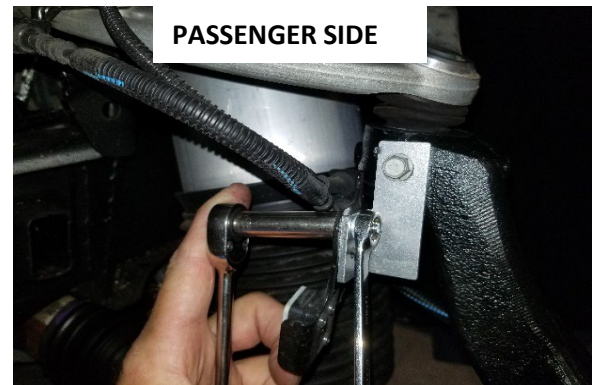


Step 24 Attach the last guide bracket for the ABS and brake pad wires to the back side of the upper ball joint boss on the spindle using the factory M6 bolt and tighten.

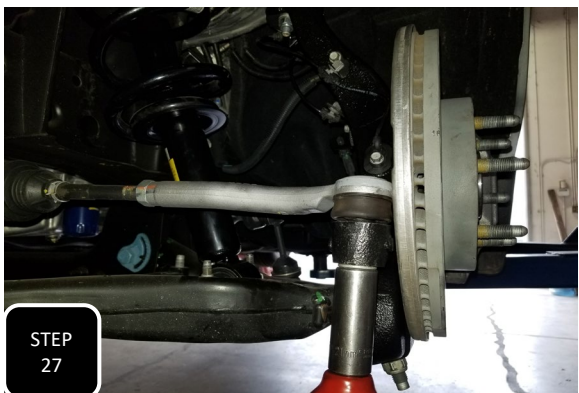




Step 25 Models with air ride will attach the provided 1019AR-D bracket to the neck of the spindle using the factory M6 bolt and tighten. Next, attach the factory body position sensor to the bracket using the provided M6 bolt, nut & washers, then tighten.



Step 26 Attach the provided 1019AR-P bracket to the neck of the spindle using the factory M6 bolt and tighten. Next, attach the factory body position sensor to the bracket using the provided M6 bolt, nut & washers, then tighten.



Step 27 Lastly, attach the tie rod and tighten using the factory nut. Rotate the hub and make sure the dust shield is not rubbing the rotor, if it is then you may need to cut a little opening in the dust shield right at the tie rod. Once good, then repeat steps 1-20 on the other side.

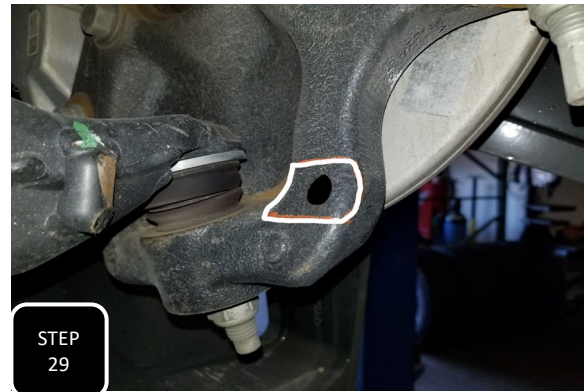


Step 28 If you plan on running 18" rims, install the provided M16 jam nut and internal lock washer on the lower ball joint and then using a suitable cutting device, cut the excess of the lower ball joint shank off. **NOTE: THIS WILL BE NEEDED SO THE SHANK DOES NOT CONTACT THE RIM.**

NOTE:

-If you plan on running 20" or larger wheels then you have the option of clearancing the steering strike zone of the spindle in order to retain full turn radius. Go to step 28.

- Some 4wd models will experience axle resistance while the suspension is at full droop, but this will go away when the suspension is at ride height and during normal driving conditions.



Step 29 Start first by driving the truck and cycling the steering a few times to full turn so that a contact mark is left in the strike zone. Next, put the truck up in the air and mark about a 1.5" vertical area around the impact mark. This will be the area to clearance.



Step 30 Using a 4.5" angle grinder with a flap disk or grind wheel, clearance this marked strike zone about 1/8" deep at the area of the contact point and smoothly transition your grind up and down.

AFTER MODIFYING YOUR SUSPENSION

HAVE THE VEHICLE'S ALIGNMENT CHECKED

PROPERLY ADJUST YOUR HEAD LIGHTS FOR THE NEW STANCE OF THE SUSPENSION

RE-TORQUE ALL BOLTS AFTER 500 MILES



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RIDE HEIGHT SHEET

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YEAR _____ MAKE _____ MODEL _____

4WD / 2WD / AWD

MEASUREMENTS

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LIMITED LIFETIME WARRANTY

Our limited lifetime warranty excludes the following items: bushings, bump stops, ball joints, tie rod ends, rod end/heim joints, and shock absorbers. These parts are subject to immediate wear and tear and are not considered defective when worn. They are warranted for twelve (12) months from the date of purchase only for defects in workmanship.

This Max Trac warranty is void if (1) the vehicle is not aligned after kit installation, (2) proper maintenance is not routinely performed, (3) the Max Trac products are misused or abused in any way in either installation or service, or (4) the products are used in a way that violates federal, state, or local law or regulation in any respect. Max Trac is not responsible for vehicle compatibility with other aftermarket products. Warranty coverage does not include consumer opinions regarding ride comfort, fitment and design after product installation.

Max Trac reserves the right to change, modify or cancel this warranty without prior notice.

WARRANTY RETURN

Contact Maxtrac by sending an email with a copy of the original purchase receipt, along with photographs clearly illustrating the failure mode.

1. Upon validating the information provided, Maxtrac will issue a Return Manufacturer Authorization number (RMA#).
2. Return your product to Max Trac Suspension at your expense in order to execute a claim under this warranty.
3. Include the RMA# on the outside of the box. Any returns without the RMA# will be refused.

NON-WARRANTY RETURN CREDIT POLICY

Your item must be in its original unused and resalable condition to be returned, unless there is a manufacturing defect. You must return the item within 30 days of your purchase. Otherwise, there will be an additional restocking fee.

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Return Receipt

Merchandise that has been installed, used, or altered may be subject to no credit.

Return Fee

All items are subject to a restocking fee based on the condition of the packaging and product.

Max Trac Suspension does not credit shipping and handling. Credit minus applicable restocking fee will be determined and issued within 10 business days of product receipt.

All returns will be credited to your Maxtrac account.



INSTALLATION WARNINGS

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F C e A t e t

Once the vehicle is lowered to the ground, check all parts which have rubber or urethane components to ensure proper torque. Torque lug nuts to the wheel manufacturer specs.

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- All lifted vehicles may require additional driveline modifications and/or balancing.
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- Use of a vehicle hoist will greatly reduce installation time.
- Speedometer / computer calibration is required if changing /- from factory tire diameter.
- Vehicle must be in excellent operating condition. Repair or replace any and all worn or damaged components prior to installation.

FAILURE TO PERFORM POST INSTALLATION INSPECTION AND/OR CHECKS MAY RESULT IN VEHICLE COMPONENT DAMAGE AND/OR PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH.

RECHECK ALL HARDWARE FOR PROPER TORQUE VALUES AFTER 500 MILES AND THEN PERIODICALLY AT EACH SERVICE INTERVAL THERAFTER.

Vehicle Height

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Wheel Alignment

It is necessary after installation to have a wheel alignment performed by a certified alignment technician. Align the vehicle to factory specifications. It is recommended that your vehicle alignment be checked after any off-road driving. In addition to vehicle alignment, it is necessary to check and adjust vehicle head lamps for proper aim and alignment. If the vehicle is equipped with active or passive safety/collision monitoring and / or avoidance systems including, but not limited to, camera-or radar-based systems, check and adjust your vehicle's systems for proper aim and function.

Braking

Generally, braking performance and capabilities are decreased when significantly larger or heavier tires and wheels are used. Take this into consideration while driving. Also, changing axle gear ratios or using tires that are taller or shorter than factory height will cause an erroneous speedometer reading. On vehicles equipped with an electronic speedometer, the speed signal impacts other important functions as well. Speedometer recalibration for both mechanical and electronic types is highly recommended.



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MISUSE OF THIS PRODUCT COULD LEAD TO INJURY OR DEATH.

- Suspension systems or components that enhance the on and off-road performance of your vehicle may cause it to handle differently than it did from the factory. EXTREME CARE must be used to prevent loss of control or vehicle rollover during operation.
- ALWAYS operate your vehicle at reduced speeds and maintain distance between vehicles and obstacles to ensure your ability to control your vehicle under all driving conditions. Failure to drive safely may result in serious injury or death to the driver and passengers.
- Driver and passengers must ALWAYS wear seat belts, avoid rapid steering angles and rates and other sudden maneuvers.
- You should NEVER operate your vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Please check all factory components for excessive wear and tear. Please replace worn factory parts before installing any suspension kits. Failure to do so will void any Max Trac warranty.
- Please inspect all wheel bearings and hub bearings for excessive wear and replace worn components before installing suspension kits. These hub and wheel bearings may wear out sooner with installation of larger tires and wheels. MaxTrac does not warranty these factory parts at any time, also using any wheel that MaxTrac does not recommend will void any warranty of MaxTrac components.
- Constant maintenance is required to keep your vehicle safe. Thoroughly inspect your vehicle before and after every off-road use.
- It is the responsibility of the retailer and/or the installer to review all state and local laws with the end user of this product related to bumper height laws and the lifting of a vehicle before the purchase and installation of any Max Trac products.
- It is the responsibility of the driver to check the area around the vehicle for obstructions, people, and animals before moving the vehicle.
- All lifted vehicles have increased blind spots. Take note of these prior to operating the vehicle.

DAMAGE INJURY AND/OR DEATH CAN OCCUR IF ANY OF THE ABOVE WARNINGS ARE NOT FOLLOWED.



PART# 221903 (Single Strut)
371903 (Pair of Struts)

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(DOES NOT FIT ACTIVE-RIDE,
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0-3" FRONT LOWERING STRUTS



3 HOUR INSTALL TIME



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FOR A PAIR OF STRUTS



WARNING

***THESE TRUCKS WILL NOT HAVE THE ABILITY TO ALIGN TO FACTORY SPECS WHEN SET AT 2" OF DROP OR MORE. AFTER MARKET CAMS OR CONTROL ARMS WILL BE NEEDED.**

***SETTING STRUTS AT A 3 DROP MAY CAUSE FOR A STIFF RIDE QUALITY.**

***DOES NOT WORK WITH MAGNE-RIDE/ ADAPTIVE RIDE. MODELS WITH RIDE HEIGHT SENSORS ON THE SUSPENSION**

***STRUT GROOVES ARE DESIGNED FOR DROP AS A STAND ALONE COMPONENT. IF INSTALLING 2" DROP SPINDLES TOO, THEN THE STRUT SHOULD BE SET TO 1" OR 2" DROP FOR A TOTAL OF 3" OR 4" OF DROP**

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Components
(2) LOWERING STRUT
(2) LOWER COIL SEAT
(2) SNAP RING
(2) SNAP RING RETAINER
(2) M14-2.0 NYLOCK NUT

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Step 1 Jack up the front of your vehicle and support under the frame with jack stands.



Step 2 Unbolt the two mounting bolts at the bottom of the strut along with the three nuts at the top of the strut.



Step 3 Unbolt both of the bolts attaching the lower control arm cross brace to the lower control arm and remove. Next, remove the strut assembly through the opening in the lower control arm.



Step 4 Using an automotive coil/strut compressor, compress the coil so that the strut can be disassembled safely and then remove the nut at the center of the strut top. **NOTE: TAKE NOTE OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE STRUT TOP AND THE STRUT BOTTOM FOR PROPER CLOCKING DURING INSTALLATION.**



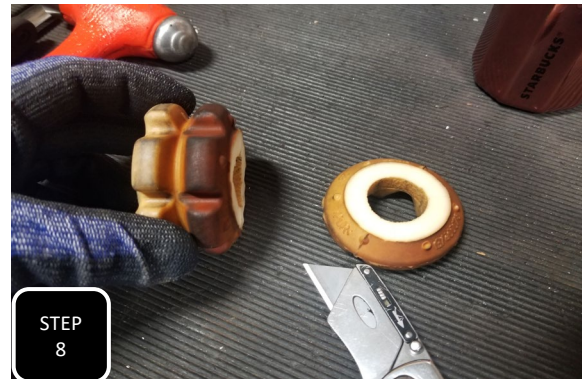
Step 5 Once the nut is removed, remove the strut out from the bottom of the coil and then remove the bump stop.



Step 6 Locate your new struts and set the ring to the proper groove according to the picture above. Make sure the snap ring fully engages into the groove.



Step 7 Slide the snap ring retainer over the snap ring. If the retainer does not slide over the ring, then tap the ring with a hammer to fully seat it and then install the retainer. **NOTE: THE RETAINER MUST GO COMPLETELY OVER THE SNAP RING AND SEAT OR YOUR SUSPENSION COULD FAIL.**



Step 8 Locate the factory bump stop and cut one rib off of the end of it.



Step 9 Slide the new coil seat onto the strut, then install the strut up through the bottom of the coil. **NOTE: MAKE SURE TO INSTALL THE BUMP STOP UP INTO THE CUP ON THE BOTTOM OF THE STRUT TOP BEFORE INSTALLING THE STRUT.**



Step 10 Re-install the strut top and tighten down using the provided M14 nylock nut. **NOTE: MAKE SURE TO PROPERLY CLOCK THE STRUT TOP WITH THE BOTTOM OF THE STRUT.**

Step 11 Reverse steps 2 and 3 for re-installation.

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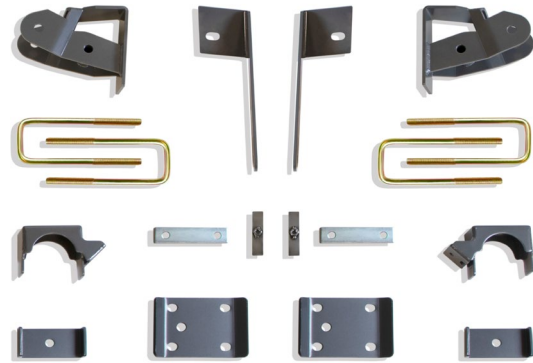


PART# 301950

2019+ GM 1500 2WD/4WD

Does not fit Trail boss or AT4 models

5" REAR LOWERING KIT



4 HOUR INSTALL TIME



Recommended Tire size 31x10.50

*DOES NOT FIT 2022+ MODELS EQUIPPED WITH A CAST STEEL SPRING PERCH, MONO-LEAF LEAF SPRING & ROUND U-BOLTS.

*YOUR EXHAUST SYSTEM MAY HAVE TO BE MODIFIED FOR PROPER CLEARANCE AT THE NEW LOWER

Components	Hardware	Hardware Pack #
(2) AXLE RELOCATORS	(2) M16-2.0 X 120 HEX CAP SCREW	3019H-RH
(2) LEAF SPRING PLATES	(2) M16-2.0 NYLOCK NUT	
(2) U-BOLT RETAINER PLATES	(4) M16 FLAT WASHER	
(1) DS LIFT HANGER	(2) 1/2-13 X 1 1/2" HEX CAP SCREW	
(1) PS LIFT HANGER	(2) 1/2 FLAT WASHER	
(1) DS SPRING HANGER SUPPORT	(2) 1/2" SPLIT LOCK WASHER	
(1) PS SPRING HANGER SUPPORT	(2) 7/16-14 X 1 1/4" HEX CAP SCREW	
(1) 3019-D NUT PLATE	(2) 7/16-14 NYLOCK NUT	
(1) 3019-P NUT PLATE	(4) 7/16" FLAT WASHER	
(2) 3019BSP NUT PLATES	(5) M8-1.25 X 20	
(2) LOW PROFILE BUMP STOPS	(5) M8-1.25 FLANGE NUT	
(2) SHIM-02 AXLE SHIM	(5) M8 FLAT WASHER	
(3) BRAKE LINE BRACKETS		
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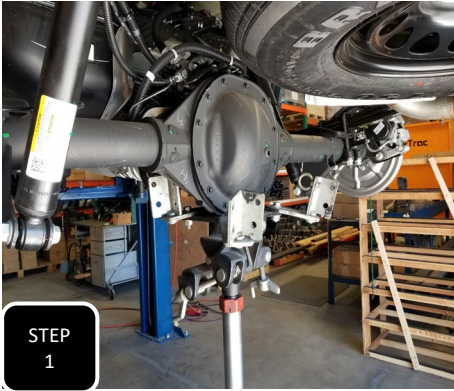
Please double check the parts list before beginning installation to ensure all parts are present. If there is something missing, please contact Maxtrac Suspension (714) 630-0363. Please have the boxes present if parts are missing or damaged

PRIOR TO INSTALLATION:

1. Factory service manual is recommended to have on hand.
2. Secure and properly block vehicle prior to beginning installation.
3. Always wear safety glasses when using power tools or working under the vehicle
- 4 Modification to any part will void the warranty associated with that product

AFTER REMOVING PARTS FROM VEHICLE, SAVE HARDWARE FOR REINSTALLATION

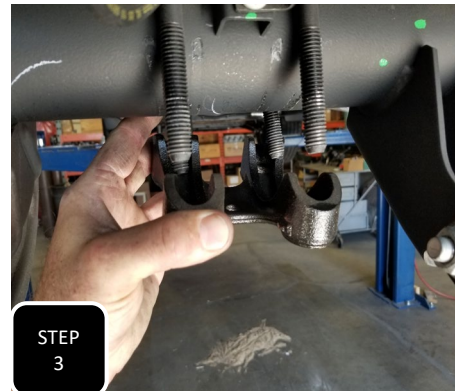
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Step 1 Jack up the rear of the vehicle and support under the frame rails with jack stands. Leave an adjustable jack under the differential for height adjustment.



Step 2 Jack up the adjustable jack slightly to apply pressure to the axle then unbolt both shocks at both ends and remove.



Step 3 Remove the U-bolts and spring plates on one side only.



Step 4 Loosen then remove the bolt attaching the shackle to the frame.



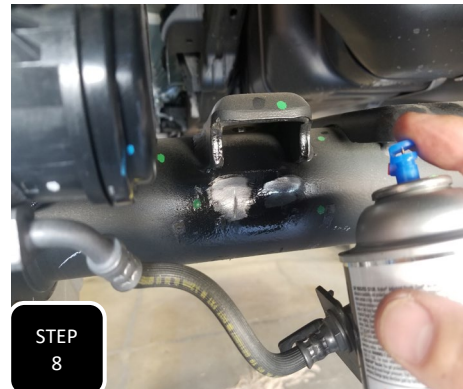
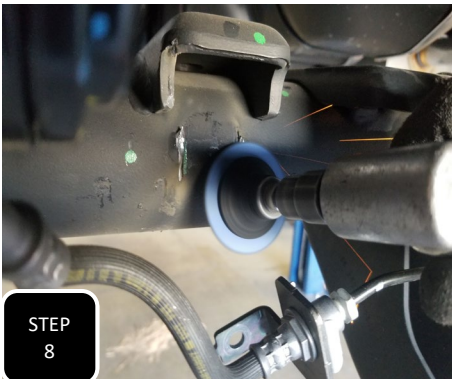
Step 5 Loosen then remove the bolt attaching the spring to the frame at the front of the leaf spring and then remove the leaf spring.



Step 6 Unbolt the brake line guide bracket from the mounting bracket just under the spring perch on the axle and pull the line clear of the area.



Step 7 Using a suitable cutting devise, cut the brake line guide bracket off of the axle and remove.



Step 8 Clean up any sharp edges and spray paint the area for rust prevention.



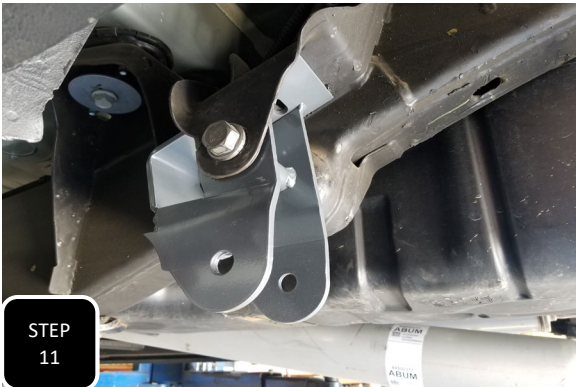
Step 9 The leaf pack will now need to be dis-assembled. Attach two clamps to the spring and remove the center pin along with the U-bolt retainer plate and the factory 2 degree shim. (Only 2019 models have this shim) **NOTE: DISCARD THE U-BOLT RETAINER PLATE. IT DOES NOT GET RE-USED.**



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Step 10 Slide the center pin through the factory 2 degree shim and install the pin down through the top of the leaf spring with the thick end of the shim facing the front of the truck. Then tighten the center pin. **NOTE: ONLY 2019 MODELS HAVE THIS 2 DEGREE SHIM.**



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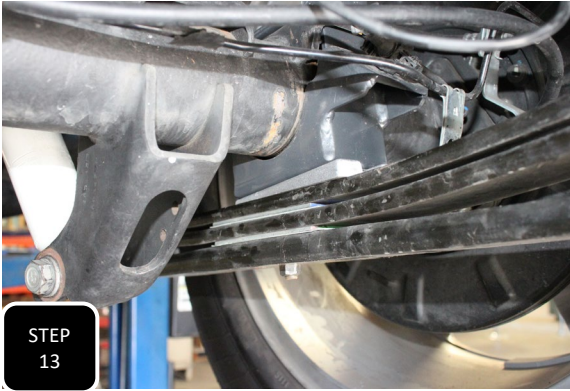
Step 11 Locate the driver's side hanger and loosely install it into the driver's side, front leaf spring mount. Use the factory bolt at the main leaf spring hole and the provided 7/16" bolt, nut, and washer up through the top of the hanger. Tighten the 7/16" bolt first and then the main leaf spring bolt.



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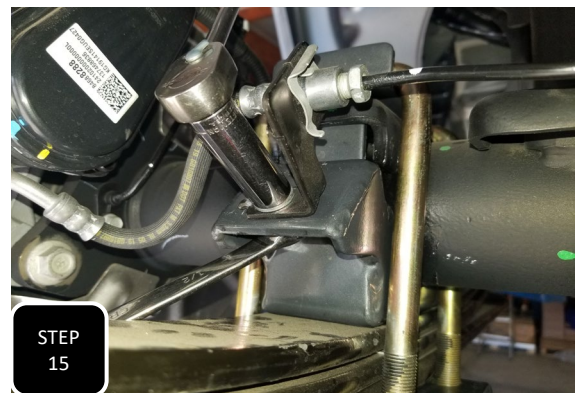
Step 12 Jack up the axle and loosely re-install the leaf spring underneath the axle using the provided 16mm bolt at the front of the spring and the factory bolt at the shackle.



Step 13 For 2020-2023 models, place the supplied 2 degree shim on the center pin with the thick end facing the rear of the truck. For 2024+ models, place the shim with the thick end facing the front of the truck. Next, place the axle relocator on top of the shim with the brake line mounting bracket facing rearward. Slightly loosen the U-bolts on the other side and then lower the axle into the relocator.



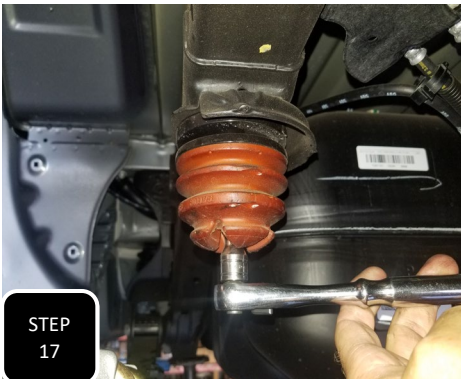
Step 14 Place the U-bolt retainer plate on top of the original spring plate and run the new U-bolts downward through the provided spring perch under the leaf pack and tighten. **NOTE: THE U-BOLTS WILL INSTALL JUST LIKE THE FACTORY ONES DID. DO NOT TORQUE THE U-BOLTS DOWN AT THIS TIME**



Step 15 Locate the brake line mounting bracket still attached to the brake line and bend the guide tab to a flat position. Next, attach this bracket to the mounting bracket on the back side of the axle relocator using the provided M8 bolt, nut, and washer.



Step 16 Repeat steps 3-13 on the other side then when both sides are complete, torque the U-bolts to 100 ft/lbs.



Step 17 Unbolt both of the factory rear bump stops from the frame and remove.



Step 18 Unbolt the brake line guide bracket on the inside of the driver's side frame rail and support out of the way. Next, you will need to cut off the welded on bump stop plate using a suitable cutting device. Make a clean cut on each side of the frame rail.



Step 19 Once both cuts are made, it may help to hit the cut piece with a hammer until it breaks loose and then remove it from the frame. Next, clean up any sharp edges and spray paint for rust prevention.



Step 20 Once spray painted, re-install the brake line bracket using the factory bolts and tighten.



Step 21 Unbolt the three bolts attaching the brake line bracket to the top of the differential then pull it slightly up and forward.



Step 22 Locate the three "Z" shaped brake line brackets and loosely attach them to the factory bracket first using the provided hardware, and then to the diff using the factory hardware. The provided brackets are designed to push the factory bracket down and forward for more clearance between the diff and the bed.



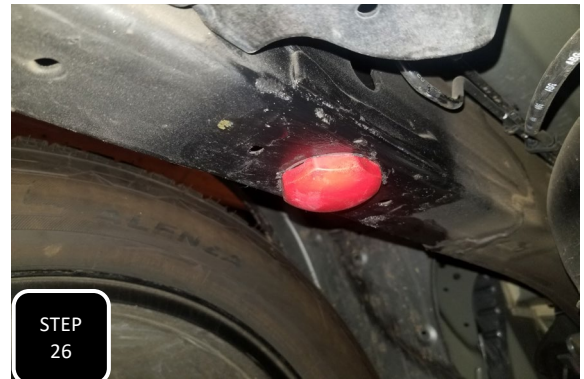
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Step 25 Insert the pass side, zinc plated nut plate into the hole in the outside of the frame, just back from the front leaf spring mount. **NOTE: THE NUT WILL LINE UP WITH THE SLOTTED HOLE IN THE BOTTOM OF THE FRAME.** Again, do not fully tighten the leaf spring bolt until the truck is on the ground at ride height.



Step 26 Insert the bump stop nut plates into the hole in the bottom of the frame that emerged after you removed the driver's and passenger's side factory bump stop plate. Thread the provided low profile bump stop into the nut plate until tight.



Step 27 Remove both mounting bolts that attach the transmission to the mount at the cross member at the rear of the trans. Jack the trans up, insert the provided 1/2" tall, gold spacer, and tighten down using the factory bolts. **NOTE: THE USE OF THE PROVIDED 1/4", SILVER SPACER MAY ONLY BE NEEDED IF DRIVE LINE VIBRATION IS EXPERIENCED.**

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NOTE: IF YOUR TRUCK HAS A 2 PIECE DRIVELINE, THEN THESE SPACERS WILL NOT WORK FOR YOUR TRUCK.

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***RE-TORQUE ALL BOLTS AFTER 500 MILES**



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RIDE HEIGHT SHEET

*THIS SHEET MUST BE FILLED OUT PRIOR TO CALLING WITH ANY DISCREPENCIES

YEAR _____ MAKE _____ MODEL _____

4WD / 2WD / AWD

MEASUREMENTS

*MOST ACCURATE MEASUREMENT IS FROM THE BOTTOM OF THE RIM, STRAIGHT UP TO THE BOTTOM OF THE FENDER

*TRUE HEIGHT WONT BE ACCURATE UNTIL VEHICAL IS ALIGNED

*THE VEHICLE'S CASTER WILL BE INCREASED OR DECREASED IF ONLY THE FRONT OF THE VEHICLE IS MODIFIED

	BEFORE	AFTER	DIFFERENCE
DRIVER FRONT	_____	_____	_____
DRIVER REAR	_____	_____	_____
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Contact Maxtrac by sending an email with a copy of the original purchase receipt, along with photographs clearly illustrating the failure mode.

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Final C e s A d j s t m e n t s

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