

## DOUBLE FRONT SHOCK HOOPS W/ BALL JOINT UPPER A ARM KIT 2011-2013 2500HD / 3500HD 2WD & 4WD FITS STOCK 4", 7" & 10" FTS KITS

## Parts List

1) Driver upper control arm 1) Passenger upper control arm 2) Heavy duty ball joint 8) Polly bushings MO2918 4) Sleeves 1" OD x .635 ID x 2.55Long 1) Hardware package 1) Driver side shock hoop 1) Passenger side shock hoop 2) 1" X 3.375 Frame Sleeves 2) <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" x 5" Bolts 4) <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" x 6" Bolts 6) <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" Nylock Nuts 12) <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" Washers 2) 7/16 x 3 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" Bolts 4) 7/16 x 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" Bolts 6) 7/16 Nylock Nuts 12) 7/16 Washers



1) With the vehicle on level ground set the emergency brake and blocks the rear tires. Disconnect the negative battery cable from the battery (Note that some vehicles have 2 or more batteries you will need to disconnect the negative cables from all batteries). Jack up the front end of the truck and support the frame rails with jack stands.

NEVER WORK UNDER AN UNSUPPORTED VEHICLE

2) Remove the front wheels and tires

3) The FTS Upper control arm kit is a direct replacement of the factory upper control arms on lifted vehicles with a spindle/knuckle replacement lift kit.

4) Remove the factory upper control arms by supporting the lower control arms with a floor jack or some kind of stand used in a safe fashion. Loosen the ball joint nut of the upper control arm enough until you can spin the nut with your fingers, but do not remove totally, and use a pickle fork to separate the ball joint from the spindle, or tap on the side of the spindle next to the ball joint stud. When the tapered seat of the ball joint breaks loose, you may then remove the ball joint nut, and separate the factory upper control arms from the spindles.

5) Remove the factory bolts and eccentric washers that connect the control arm to the frame, but retain them for future use. Place them aside in order so they can be reinstalled in the same place they came off. The plastic inserts will need to be removed and discarded from the eccentric washers.

6) Install the Ball joint into the upper control arms with a hydraulic press. The fit will be very tight and a press fit, so use a very small amount of grease inside the cup to help get it into the control arm, and make sure the ball joint is going straight into the housing, and not crooked. If it starts out crooked, it will not straighten out, you will have to remove it and start over.

7) Install the retaining ring with some snap ring pliers, DOUBLE CHECK that the snap ring has seated itself into the groove

8) Insert the polyurethane bushings, crush sleeves, and grease fittings into the ends of the Upper control arms.

9) Install the FTS upper control arms to the frame with the factory nuts, bolts, and eccentric washers as previously removed. The FTS arms are symmetrical from side to side. Figure 1 show the passenger side control arm installed on the truck. Torque alignment nut to 100 ft.-lbs.

10) Mount the ball joint to the spindle with supplied hardware. Use the 9/16" flat washers supplied if the castle nut needs to be spaced in order for the cotter pin to engage, and tighten to 60 ft.-lbs. of torque. Figure 1. You may have to chase the small end of the tapered hole with a 9/16" drill bit because the factory ball joint is a metric thread and the aftermarket ball joint is an American thread. Grease the ball joint until the dust boot starts to swell. Grease the a-arm pivot bushings also. If you do not grease these items, premature wear will result on these items!

11) If there were factory lines mounted to the factory upper control arms such as ABS or brake lines, they must be restrained as to avoid binding and contact with any moving parts of the vehicle. Use the  $\frac{1}{4}$ " hardware provided to fasten the factory brake line bracket to the upper control arm. If necessary, slide the brake line through the bracket to obtain a suitable mounting situation

12) Remove the abs line clip from the top of the frame shock pocket and use the cable ties to restrain the abs line to the brake line as shown in Figure 1. Double check the clearance of both the brake lines and the abs lines after the install while the truck is on the ground through the complete steering cycle. Be sure there is no rubbing or loose cables anywhere

13) If there are shock absorbers in the factory shock mount pockets on the frame, they must be dismounted before continuing.

14) Mount the driver side shock hoop to the frame using the center mount as starting point, Use the 7/16" hardware on the center mounting location. Tighten these fasteners at this time.

15) Using the rear mount of the shock hoop as a drill guide, drill a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " hole through both walls of the frame.

16) Drill a 7/16" hole thru the front lower portion of the upper an arm frame bracket using the shock hoop as a guide.

17) Remove the 7/16 hardware, Remove shock hoop to drill one more hole.

18) Then drill a 1" hole ONLY threw the outside of the frame where you just drilled the  $\frac{1}{2}$ " hole.

19) Insert supplied sleeve in rear portion of frame (don't let it fall into the frame).

20) Mount the driver side shock hoop to the frame using the 7/16" X 3  $\frac{1}{2}$ " hardware on the center mounting location. Tighten these fasteners at this time.

21) Use a 1/2" x 5" long bolt, 2 flat washers and a locknut to fasten the rear mount to the frame. And tighten to 70 ft. - lbs.

22) Install the front shock hoop hardware using the 7/16 x 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  "bolts and locknut.

23) Have the vehicle's front end professionally aligned to the lift kit manufacturer specification.

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