

# 2009-2013 DODGE 2500 8" GAS KIT 2009-2012 DODGE 3500 8" GAS KIT

- Heavy Duty Long Arm Construction For Superior Ride Quality And Travel
- Lower Arms Constructed Of 1 .75" DOM Tubing W/ Urethane Bushing On Both Ends
- Extended Links Are Over Twice The Length Of The Factory Arms
- Easy To Install Long Arm Brackets Utilize Factory Transmission Cross member
- Moves Front Axle Forward For Better Fender Clearance
- Matched Pitman Arm Drop And Track Bar Bracket To Reduce Bump steer
- Full 8" Coil With Factory Like Ride
- New Transmission Mount To Alleviate Driveline Vibration
- Rear Lift Is Accomplished W/ Offset Rear Lift Blocks Keep Rear Axle Centered
- Heavy Duty Semi-Gloss Black Powder For Long Life And Great Looks
- Kits Are Available With Replacement Coil Springs Or Upgradable Coil over Conversion



# 63110

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#### 63000-4 COMPONENT BOX 1

- 1) Left Lower Arm
- 1) Right Lower Arm
- 2) Upper Arms
- 2) Frame Brackets

#### Hardware List

- 12) Bushings MO2918
- 2) Sleeves 1 X 2.625 X .630
- 2) Sleeves 1 X 2.625 X .730
- 2) Sleeves 1 X 2.350 X .565
- 2) 7/8" Right Hand Heims Joints
- 2) 7/8" -14 Jam Nuts
- 4) 5/8" To 9/16" Misalignment Spacers
- 8) ½" X 1 ½ Bolts
- 6) ½" Nut Inserts
- 2) ½" Nut Plates
- 2) ½" X 7" Bolts
- 16) ½" Washers
- 2) 9/16" X 3 ½ Bolts
- 2) 9/16" Nylock Nuts
- 4) 9/16" Washers

#### 63000-3 COMPONENT BOX 2

- 1) Track Bar Bracket
- 2) 5" Tall X 3" Wide X 5" Long Blocks
- 4) 9/16" X 4" X 16" U Bolts
- 8) 9/16" -18 Fine Nuts
- 8) 9/16" Washers
- 1) Left Sway Bar U Brackets
- 1) Right Sway Bar U Brackets
- 1) Pitman Arm
- 4) 7/16" X 1 1/4" BOLTS
- 4) 7/16" Nylock Nuts
- 4) 7/16" Washers
- 1) 5/8" X 3 ½" Bolt
- 1) 5/8" Nylock Nut
- 2) 5/8" Washers
- 1) ½" X 4" Bolt
- 1) 1/2" Nylock Nut
- 2) 1/2" Washers

#### 64000-10 FRONT DRIVE SHAFT SPACER

- 1) Front Drive Shaft Spacer (D11-850)
- 4) 7/16" X 3 1/4" Bolts
- 4) 7/16" Nylock Nuts
- 4) 7/16" Washers

#### 64000-9 RECLOCKING RING

- 1) 10.4 Reclocking Ring
- 6) 3/8" Studs
- 6) 3/8" Nuts
- 1) 3/8" Washers

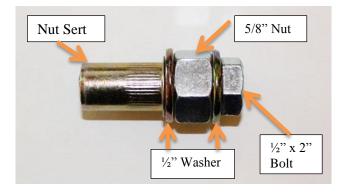
#### 63000-16 COMPONENT BOX 3 COIL SPRINGS

2) GAS 8" Coil Springs

Nuts Sert Tool Part# NST5006, Not Required But Is Very Helpful When Installing The Nut Sert Into The Hole. Install nut sert with nut and washer as shown in picture 2. The  $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 2" bolt goes thru the  $\frac{5}{8}$ "nut with a washer on both side of the  $\frac{5}{8}$ " nut then into the nut sert. Tighten until the backside of the rivet nut has been deformed inside the frame rail and is set into place (nut sert will lock itself in place).

#### Nut Sert Tool Part# NST5006





- 1) Disconnect the negative terminal on the battery. Jack up the front end of the truck and support the frame rails with jack stands. NEVER WORK UNDER AN UNSUPPORTED VEHICLE! Remove the front tires.
- 2) Support the front axle with 2 floor jacks.
- 3) Remove the bolts attaching the brake line tabs to the front axle.



4) Remove the front sway bar end links from the axle mount. Remove the bolts securing the sway bar mounts to the frame and set the sway bar aside, save all sway bar hardware. NOTE sway bar will need to be flip when reinstalling





5) Flip sway bar over and install supplied left and right sway bar drop brackets with supplied bolts. When installing the FTS sway bar brackets the should look as if they were pushing the sway bar toward the front of the vehicle

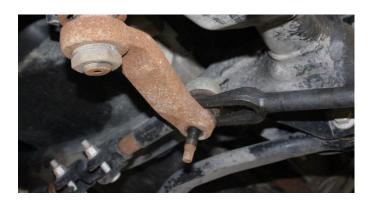


6) Remove front drive line.

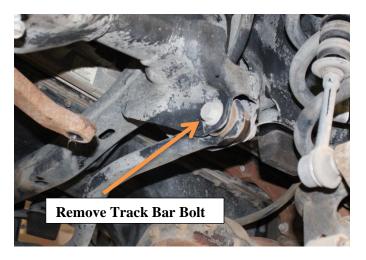




- 7) Disconnect the ABS wiring.
- 8) Remove the hardware attaching the drag link to the pitman arm and separate the tie rod end from the pitman arm. Save the hardware.



9) Remove the nut securing the track bar to the frame and separate. Save the track bar hardware.



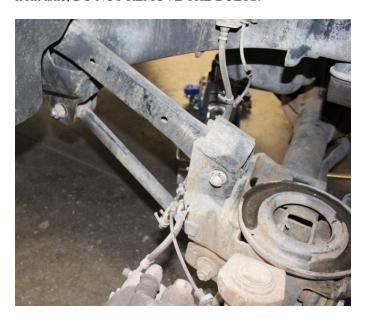
10) Remove the top nuts on the front shocks and the lower bolts securing the shock to the axle. Leave the shock loose inside the factory coil spring at this time. Save the lower Hardware and discard the upper.



11) Leaving the front axle supported on the 2 jack stands raise the truck enough to remove the coil springs and shocks. Save the upper rubber insulator and discard the coil springs and shocks. USE EXTREME CARE WHEN WORKING WITH COILS THAT ARE UNDER LOAD!



12) Loosen the bolts securing the link arms to the frame and front axle, DO NOT REMOVE THE BOLTS.



13) Use a floor jack to hold the pinion up and start removing the lower links



14) Remove the bolts attaching the upper link arms to the front axle and then the frame. Save the factory bolts and discard the links.



15) Now cut off the factory lower control arm mount flush with the bottom of the frame as shown.



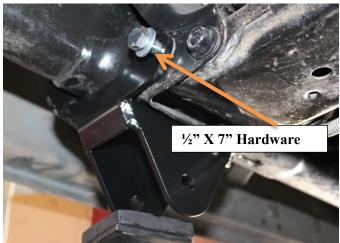


16) Remove outer transmission cross member bolt.



16) Install the FTS control arm frame mount using the outer transmission cross member bolt to locate and hold bracket as you mark and drill the mounting holes to ½". Next remove the bracket and enlarge holes to 11/16" for installation of nut inserts. With holes enlarged install nut inserts using supplied spacer and tighten bolt till each nut insert crimps itself tight into the frame. Once all nut inserts are installed, re-install the bracket using supplied 1/2" x 1-1/2" & 1/2" x 7" bolts. A tab nut is supplied for the bolt going from the bottom of the bracket up through the transmission cross member mount.





17) Center punch the 3outside hole as shown.



18) After drilling the hole out to 11/16". Install rivet nuts with serrated edge washer as shown. Pic1 shows collapsed rivet nut as a reference. The ½" bolt goes thru the 5/8" nut with a serrated edge washer that will bite into the rivet nut to keep it from spinning. Tighten until the backside of the rivet nut has been deformed INSIDE THE FRAME RAIL and is set into place (rivet nut will lock itself in place).



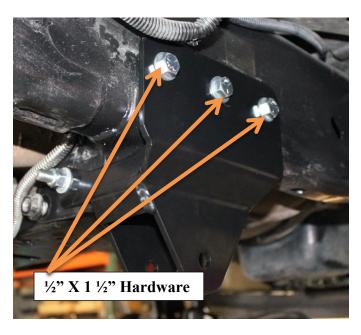








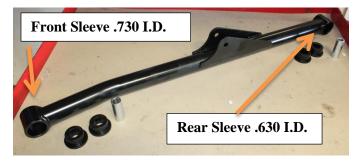
19) Install the  $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 1  $\frac{1}{2}$ " bolts on the outside of the frame as shown. Install the  $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 7" thru the inside hole thru the transmission cross member.



20) Install the wedge nut as shown using the  $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 1  $\frac{1}{2}$ " bolt.



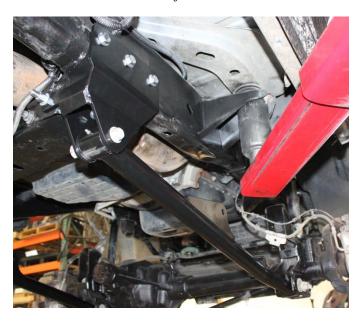
21) Locate the FTS lower link arms. (This link is 38  $\frac{1}{2}$ " from the center of the barrel to the center of the barrel). Press the supplied MO2918 bushing into the arm at both ends, Install the sleeve with the .730 hole on the end that mounts to the axle , Install the sleeve with the .630 hole on the end that mounts to the frame. NOTE use grease on the surfaces of the bushings and sleeves before installing.



22) Install the bushings and grease fitting as shown.



23) Attach the FTS lower link arms to the lower axle mounts first using the factory hardware then to the FTS bracket using the factory hardware. NOTE: Also when reinstalling the alignment cam bolts in the lower axle pivot; make sure they are set in the center of their adjustment.



24) Locate the FTS upper link arms. Using the e 7/8 heims joint supplied , screw the 7/8" jam nut onto the heims joint , then screw the heims joint into the upper link bar l(This link is 24" from the center of the barrel to the center of the heims joint ). Press the supplied MO2918 bushing into the arm , Install the sleeve with the .565 hole . NOTE Use grease on the surfaces of the bushings and sleeves before installing.





25) Next install the FTS upper control arms using the factory hardware at the axle ends and supplied 9/16" x 3 ½"bolts in the middle of the arm.





If Installing Double Shock skip 26

26) Take one of the FTS coil springs and locate the top of the coil spring (smaller diameter end). Front shocks (not supplied with this kit) and place one shock inside each coil spring BEFORE INSTALLING ON THE TRUCK. The shocks must be placed inside the coil spring before it is installed. Place the original coil spring insulator on top of the coil spring and place the coil spring onto the front axle. Align the coil spring in the upper and lower pockets and raise the jacks supporting the front axle. Raise the axle just enough to compress the coil spring ½". USE CARE TO NOT LIFT THE TRUCK OFF OF THE SUPPORT STANDS.

### **Double Shock Instructions**

27) Install upper double shock bracket using the 7/16" x 1  $\frac{1}{4}$ " Hardware on the back 2 bolt holes. Use the 7/16" x 3  $\frac{1}{4}$ " on the front hole attaching the shock hoop bracket.





28) Mount the shock hoop to the upper bracket using the  $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 1  $\frac{1}{2}$ " bolt,



29) With the shock hoop mounted against the frame, Center punch the lower hole.



30) Drill the lower hole 1" thru the outside of the frame and  $\frac{1}{2}$ " thru the inside. Install the supplied frame sleeve



31) After drilling the 1" hole threw the outer portion of the frame insert the sleeve into the frame



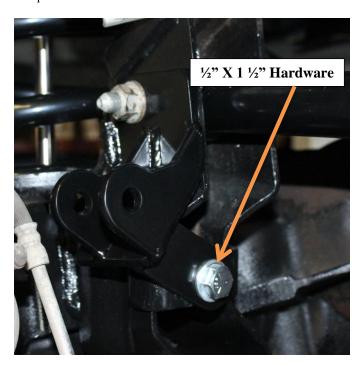
32) Install the shock hoop using the  $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 4  $\frac{1}{2}$ " hardware threw the lower hole and the  $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 1  $\frac{1}{2}$ " threw the upper hole.



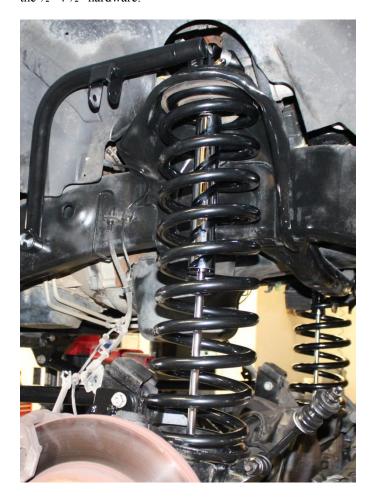
33) Drill out the rear hole to ½" or slightly larger.



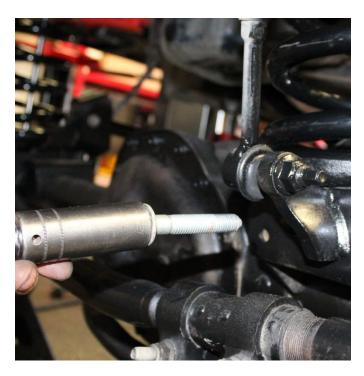
33) Install the lower shock brackets using the factory hardware on the upper hole, Use the  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " thru the lower back hole. Torque the  $\frac{1}{2}$ " hardware to 70ft.-lbs.



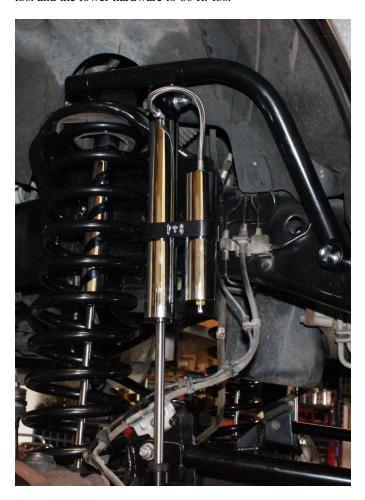
34) Install the front coil springs, put the shock inside the coil spring and then slide the coil and shock into position. Attach the top of the shock using the supplied aluminum spacers and the  $\frac{1}{2}$ " 4  $\frac{1}{2}$ " hardware.



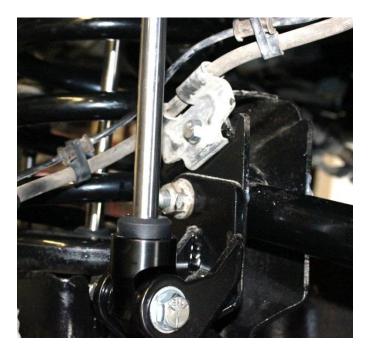
35) Jack up the axle to compress the coil spring enough to get the lower shock bolt in.



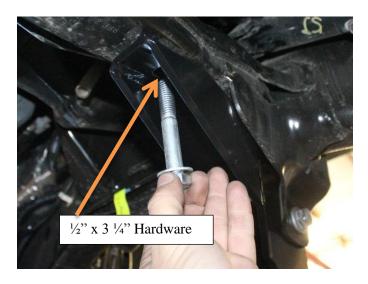
36) Attach the front shocks to the upper and lower mounts. You will use the supplied hardware for the upper mount and factory lower hardware. Torque the upper hardware to 35 ft. lbs. and the lower hardware to 60 ft.-lbs.



37) Install the lower shock mount using the  $\frac{1}{2}$  ' x 3  $\frac{1}{4}$  ' hardware.



38) Install the supplied track bar drop bracket using the factory hardware threw the frame and bracket, and then install the  $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 3  $\frac{1}{4}$ " bolt threw the other hole at the other end of the bracket.



39) Remove the factory pitman arm.

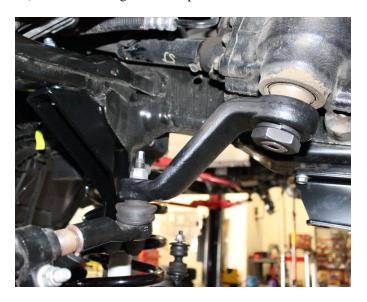


40) Install the supplied pitman arm and torque to factory specs.

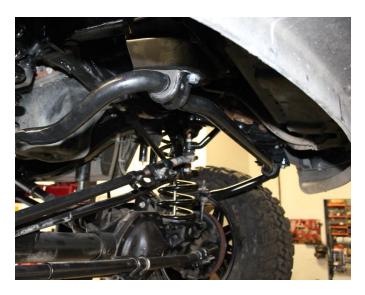




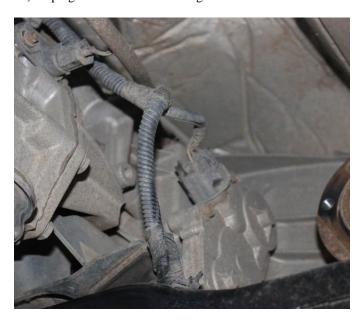
41) Connect the drag link to the pitman arm.



42) Connect the track bar to the new drop bracket using the supplied 5/8" x 3  $\frac{1}{4}$ " bolt, nut, and washers torque to 125 ft-lbs.



43) Unplug the transfer case wiring from the shift actuator.



44) Remove the wiring attached to the transmission cross member.



45) Remove the 3 bolt attaching the transmission mount to the cross member.



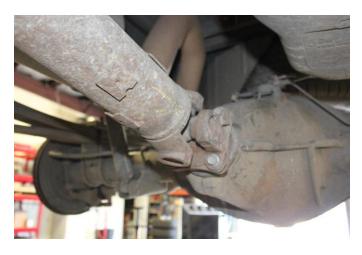
46) Support the transmission using a tripod stand or transmission jack.



47) Remove the bolts holding the transmission cross member to the frame.



48) Remove the hardware attaching the rear drive shaft to the rear differential.



49) Remove the carrier bearing hardware. Remove drive shaft.



50) Remove the transmission mount.





51) Remove the 6 bolts attaching the transfer case to the transmission.



52) Remove the 6 studs on the front side of the transfer case. Using the factory nuts, double nut the stud and to allow the inner nut to back the stud out of the transfer case.







53) Install the transfer case Reclocking ring using the 10mm supplied Allen bolt as shown below. Use Loctite on the threads



54) Install the supplied 3/8" x 2" studs into the face of the Reclocking ring using the supplied nuts to tighten the studs.





55) Install the transfer case back into the truck using the supplied 3/8" fine nuts to attach the transfer case to the transmission.



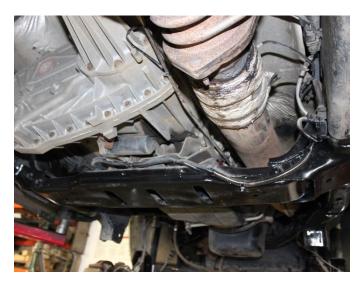
56) Reconnect all electrical plugs on the transfer case.



57) Reinstall the transmission mount.



58) Reinstall the factory transmission cross member.



59) Install the front drive shaft spacer onto the drive shaft using the 7/16" x 3  $\frac{1}{4}$ " hardware.



60) Install the front drive shaft to the transfer case. Use Loctite on the treads.



61) Reattach the front yoke of the front drive shaft using factory hardware.



62) Front suspension is compete now and will require a front end alignment by a certified alignment shop.

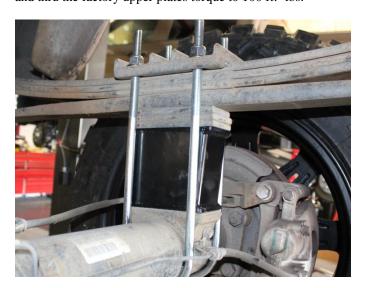
#### REAR INSTRUCTIONS

- 1) Jack up the rear end of the vehicle and support the frame rails with jack stands.
- 2) Supporting the rear differential remove and discard the rear shocks.
- 3) Remove the U Bolt nuts and discard u bolts. Lower the axle down slowly





4) Install the new FTS supplied block, jack the axle back up to where the blocks are touching the leaf springs. Use the 9/16" X 4" X 16" u bolts, slide the over the axle from the bottom up and thru the factory upper plates torque to 100 ft.- lbs.



# IF YOU ARE INSTALLING TRACTION BARS FOLLOW STEPS 5 THRU 16 IF NOT SKIP THIS PART

4) Install the new upper plate on top of the spring over leaf spring center pins

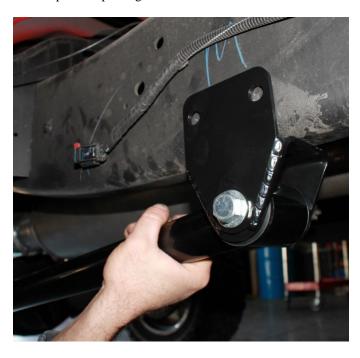


- 5) Using the supplied  $\frac{3}{4}$  x 3  $\frac{1}{4}$  x 18" u bolts Install them front the top side down.
- 6) Install the new FTS lower traction bar axle saddle using the 3/4 washers and high nuts supplied and torque to 150ft .-lbs.



- 7) Now you are ready to set the truck on the ground, you will need to bounce the rear of the truck to settle the leaf spring before installing the traction bars
- 8) Install the supplied bushing into the traction bars
- 9) Install the supplied sleeve in both ends of the traction bar. NOTE use grease on the surfaces of the bushings and sleeves before installing.

10) Mount the frame bracket to the other end of the traction bar and push it up as a guide of where to drill the holes

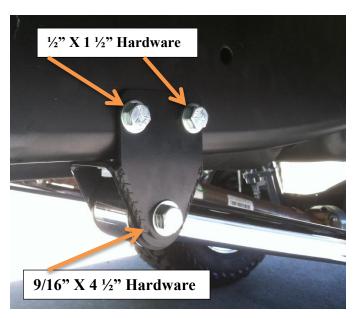


- 11) Mark all 4 of the holes in the frame with a scribe.
- 12) Using a  $\frac{1}{4}$  drill bit as a pilot hole. Then drill the holes to  $\frac{11}{16}$  only through the front side and the bottom side of the frame.
- 13) Using the supplied nut serts press them into all 4 holes
- 14) Using a ½ x 3 bolt and a sleeve with a ½ hole in it you will grab the sleeve with vise grips or channel locks , insert the ½ bolt threw the sleeve and tighten the bolt with a impact gun till it collapse the nut sert . Be sure you are holding the vise grips tightly



15) Install the traction bar frame bracket with the  $\frac{1}{2}$  x 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  bolts and washers and tighten to 65 ft.- lbs.

16) Install the FTS traction bars with the 9/16" x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " bolts supplied and tight to 95 ft.-lbs.



#### 17) Install shocks

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