



96-04 Toyota Tacoma 2WD/4WD Front lift kit instructions

****Please Note****



Spacer thickness to lift amount is not a 1 to 1 ratio
To raise the front 2" the spacer will be .80" thick.
To raise the front 2.5" the spacer will be 1.00" thick.
To raise the front 3" the spacer will be 1.20" thick.

- Step 1: Raise the vehicle and support the frame with jack stands.
- Step 2: Remove the front wheel.
- Step 3: Use a 19mm wrench to loosen and take off the lower strut mount bolt.
- Step 4: Use a 14mm wrench to carefully remove the 3 exposed nuts on top of the strut assembly.
Do not remove the large center nut.
- Step 5: Screw in the studs provided into the spacer, do not over torque. Place the new spacer on top of the strut assembly and tighten the spacer to the strut assembly using the factory nuts that were removed in step #4.
- Step 6: Place the strut assembly aside for later use.
- Step 7: Use a 14mm wrench to remove the nut, washer and rubber bushings from the sway bar
- Step 8: Use a 14mm wrench to remove the 4 bolts from the underside of the lower control arm.
- Step 9: Move the rotor assembly out of the way. If you have a 4WD model, be careful not to move the half shafts around too much as it may loosen the CV boot clamps and come loose causing a grease leak. If this occurs, replace the boot clamps with standard hose clamps
- Step 10: Reinstall the strut by turning it 180 degrees from its original position. Use the provided bolts to secure the spacer to the upper coil bucket. Be sure to put the struts back on the same side they came off, they are different springs.
- Step 11: Next, re-install the lower strut bolt, one person pushing down on the lower control arm and one person inserting the bolt is the easiest way to do this. Use a hammer to drive this bolt through once it's aligned with the bolt holes. If doing this job alone we suggest using a prybar to lower the control arm.
- Step 12: Next, use a floor jack under the lower control arm, close to the rotor and jack it up while re-installing the rotor assembly. Make sure the sway bar link is traveling back to the sway bar at the same time. Re-install the 4 bolts on the underside of the lower control arm removed in step 8. If your model does not have these 4 bolts, Press down on the upper control arm and bolt the arm back onto the knuckle.
- Step 13: Reinstall the rubber bushing, steel washer and nut on to the sway bar assembly and tighten.
- Step 14: Re-check all nuts and bolts to make sure they are tight on both sides.
- Step 15: Re-install tires and lug nuts. The truck will sit a little strange at first, once you drive it around the block it will even out. Be sure to get an alignment as soon as possible.

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