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2001-2004 FORD F-250/350 SUPER DUTY 2 WHEEL DRIVE
2000-2005 FORD EXCURSION 2 WHEEL DRIVE
FTS411 I BEAM DROP BRACKETS**

PARTS LIST:

1 EA. I BEAM BRACKET PASSENGER SIDE FT410-104	
1 EA. I BEAM BRACKET DRIVERS SIDE FT410-103	
9 EA. ½" X 1 ¼" BOLTS	12 EA. ½" NYLOCK NUTS
24 EA. ½" SAE WASHERS	3 EA. ½" X 3 ½" BOLTS
1 EA. PITMAN ARM FT310	1 EA. COTTER PIN

CHECK ALL PARTS INCLUDED IN THIS KIT TO THE PARTS LIST ABOVE BEFORE BEGINNING INSTALLATION OF THE KIT. IF ANY PIECES ARE MISSING, CONTACT FABTECH AT 909-597-7800

TOOL LIST:

**FLOOR JACK
JACK STANDS
AIR HAMMER WITH CHISEL AND PUNCH BITS
DRILL WITH 1/8" AND 1/2" BITS
ASSORTED METRIC AND S. A. E. WRENCHES AND SOCKETS
C-CLAMPS OR VISE CLAMPS
WHITE LITHIUM GREASE**

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY FROM START TO FINISH BEFORE BEGINNING INSTALLATION.

WARNING: FABTECH RECOMMENDS THAT YOU EXERCISE EXTREME CAUTION WHEN WORKING WITH COIL SPRINGS TO AVOID ANY POSSIBILITY OF INJURY.

THIS KIT MUST BE INSTALLED WITH THE FTS409 RADIUS ARM KIT AND FTS131 OR FTS136 COIL SPRINGS.

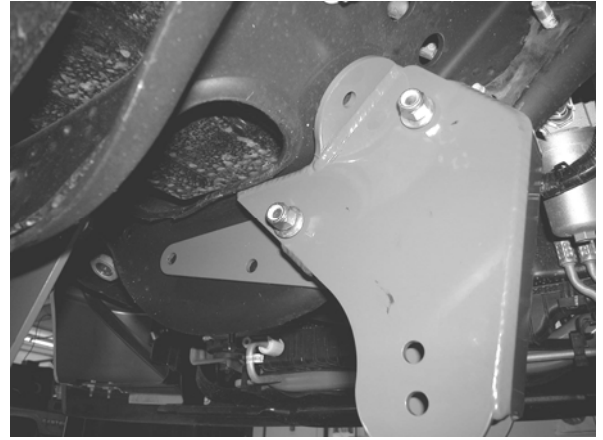
SWAY BAR DROP BRACKETS ARE INCLUDED WITH THE FTS131 AND FTS136 COIL SPRING KITS.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Disconnect the negative terminal on the battery. Jack up the front end of the truck and support the frame, at the front frame rails, with jack stands. **NEVER WORK UNDER AN UNSUPPORTED VEHICLE.** Remove the front tires.
2. Remove the brake calipers and tie them up out of the way. **DO NOT ALLOW THE CALIPERS TO HANG FROM THE BRAKE LINES!** Remove the front shocks and the sway bar end links. Loosen the I Beam pivot bolts, **DO NOT REMOVE THESE BOLTS FROM THE I BEAM BRACKETS.**
3. Support the I beams with floor jacks and remove the J clips at the top of the coil spring. Lower the floor jacks supporting the I beams to release the coil springs from the coil buckets and remove the nut at the bottom of the coil springs. Set the coil spring, retaining washer, insulator and lower washer aside. Separate the drag link from the pitman arm. Remove the bolts securing the radius arms to the radius arm mounts and the I beam pivot bolts. Set the radius arm/I Beam assemblies aside.
4. The rivets and bolts securing the factory I beam brackets to the frame must be removed. The rivets can be removed by drilling out the heads and pushing the rivet out of the frame with a hammer and punch.
5. Attach the new drop brackets to the frame using the included hardware. You will reuse most of the factory holes and have to drill some new ones. Locate the existing holes with the supplied bolts and mark the new holes that must be drilled with a center punch. Drill the holes with a pilot drill (1/8") and follow through with a 1/2" drill. **BE SURE THERE IS NOTHING BEHIND THE FRAME SECTIONS YOU ARE DRILLING THROUGH, PLACE A PIECE OF PLATE STEEL ABOVE THE FRAME BELOW THE OIL PAN TO PREVENT DRILLING INTO THE PAN.** Tighten all the fasteners securing the brackets to the frame. SEE PHOTOS BELOW AND IN NEXT COLUMN.



**Driver Side I-beam Bracket
Ft410-104
Viewed from the front**



**Passenger Side I-beam Bracket
Ft410-103
Viewed from the rear**

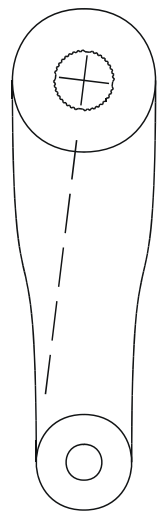
6. Remove the nut securing the original pitman arm to the steering box shaft. A pitman arm puller must be used to remove the pitman arm from the steering shaft. Using the diagram shown above, confirm that the master spline orientation on your factory pitman arm matches the one on the FT310 pitman arm supplied with this kit. If they do not match, you will need to purchase a FTS309 or FTS311 replacement pitman arm. Align the master splines on the steering shaft, replace the original washer and nut and torque the new unit in place at 200-225 ft.-lbs. SEE DIAGRAM IN NEXT COLUMN.



FTS309



FTS310



FTS311

7. Slide the I beams into the new drop brackets reusing the factory bolts, do not tighten them yet. Reattach the drag link onto the new pitman arm and torque the castle nut, be sure to install a new cotter pin. Reinstall the coil springs the same way they were removed. Replace the tires and fully torque the lug nuts. Set the truck back on the ground. Reattach the sway bar end links to the I beams, using the factory hardware. Fully torque the I beam pivot bolts and check all other fasteners. Set the toe-in to approximate factory specs. We recommend driving the truck for approximately fifty miles and then have the truck aligned to factory specs.

RETORQUE ALL NUTS, BOLTS AND LUGS AFTER 50 MILES AND PERIODICALLY THEREAFTER.

For technical assistance call: 909-597-7800

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The Limited Lifetime Warranty excludes the following Fabtech items; bushings, bump stops, ball joints, tie rod ends, limiting straps, cross shafts, heim joints. These parts are subject to wear and are not considered defective when worn. They are warranted for 60 days from the date of purchase for defects in workmanship.

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