

# Installation Instructions FTS51008BK 6" 01-05 GM K2500 SUV Auto Ride Shock Mount Kit

#### PARTS LIST:

2	FT20127BK	SHK EXT 6" FRT 2500 AR MNT
2	FT20130BK	SHK EXT 6" RR 2500 AR MNT
2	FT20131BK	SHK EXT 6" RR 2500 AR BRACE
1	FT20132BK	SHK EXT 6" RR 2500 AR SPACER
2	FT20136	AUTO RIDE REAR SENSOR BRACKET
1	FT20137	HARDWARE KIT
1	FT51008i	INSTRUCTION SHEET

#### HARDWARE:

2	9/16	3-12	x 3"	Hex	Cap	Bolt
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- 4 9/16" SAE Flat Washer
- 2 9/16-12 Steel Lock Nut
- 2 3/8-16 x 1-3/4" Hex Cap Bolt
- 4 3/8" SAE Flat Washer
- 2 38-16 Nyloc Lock Nut
- 2 9/16-12 x 3" Hex Cap Bolt
- 2 9/16" SAE Flat Washer
- 2 9/16-12 Steel Lock Nut
- 1 1/2-13 x 1-1/2" Hex Cap Bolt
- 1 1/2-12 x 2" Hex Cap Bolt
- 2 1/2-13 Steel Lock Nut
- 4 1/2" SAE Flat Washer
- 2 1/4-20 Hex Cap Bolt
- 2 1/4-20 Nyloc Lock Nut
- 4 1/4" SAE Flat Washer
- 2 9/16-12 x 4-1/2" Hex Cap Bolt
- 2 9/16-12 Steel Lock Nut
- 4 9/16" SAE Flat Washer
- 2 8mm x 1.25mm Nut (non locking)
- 1 Lock Tite

## TOOL LIST (NOT INCLUDED)

Assorted Metric & SAE Sockets & Wrenches Torque Wrench Drill

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY FROM START TO FINISH BEFORE BEGINNING INSTALLATION! IF THESE INSTRUCTIONS ARE NOT PROPERLY FOLLOWED, SEVERE FRAME, DIVELINE AND / OR SUSPENSION DAMAGE MAY RESULT. CHECK FOR FRAME AND SUSPENSION DAMAGE PRIOR TO INSTALLTION. THIS KIT DOES NOT REQUIRE WELDING FOR INSTALLATION. DO NOT WELD ANY OF THESE COMPONENTS.

THE INSTALLTION OF THIS KIT SHOULD BE PERFORMED BY A PROFESSIONAL MECHANIC.

#### INSTALLATION -

- 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.
- Working from the front driver side of the truck, remove front shock bolt from lower control arm and compress shock. <u>Do not remove shock from upper mount or disconnect upper stem harness</u>. Disconnection of harness may cause damage to on board computer.
- 3. Locate Fabtech mount FT20127 and insert the factory shock into the new mount. Use the supplied 3/8" x 1 3/4" bolt, nut, and washer and the 9/16" x 3" bolt, nut, and washer to attach the shock to the new mount. Leave loose.

4. Attach the new Fabtech shock mount to the factory lower control, use factory hardware. Torque 3/8" bolt to 20lbs and 2 eye bolts to 50lbs. SEE PHOTOS BELOW.





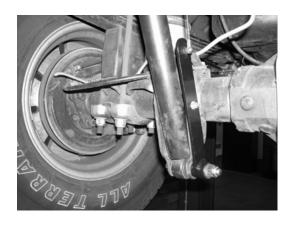
- 5. Repeat steps two through four on passenger side of truck.
- 6. Reinstall the tires onto the truck and torque the lugs to wheel manufactures specifications.

# **Rear Installation:**

7. Jack up the rear end of the vehicle and support the frame rails with jack stands. Remove tires and wheels.

# DO NOT UNPLUG ELECTRICAL CONNECTION ON SHOCK AT ANYTIME. DO NOT ALLOW SHOCK TO HANG FROM ELECTRICAL CONNECTION.

8. Working from both sides of the truck, with a floor jack slightly jack up on the axle to compress the shock approximately ½". On the lower shock mount locate the Auto Ride sensor arm, unbolt the mount and save hardware. Remove the lower shock bolt and discard. Locate Fabtech sensor bracket FT20136, with the supplied 9/16" x 4 ½" bolt, nut, and washers and 3/8" x 1 ¾" bolt, nut, and washers attach to the factory lower shock mount. Reattach the Auto Ride sensor arm to the new mounting hole in the Fabtech bracket using the supplied 8 mm nut and Lock Tite. Torque 9/16" bolt to 60lbs, ¼" bolt to 5lbs, and factory nut to 5lbs. SEE PHOTO BELOW.



# **Drivers Side Rear**

- 9. Locate the factory upper shock bolt and remove, save hardware.
- 10. Locate the new Fabtech upper shock mount FT20130, Using the factory hardware attach the bracket to the frame. Leave loose. Locate the Fabtech Support Tube FT20131, insert the upper shock mount into the new Fabtech bracket. Using the supplied 9/16" x 3" bolt and washer, attach the shock mount to the support tube (you will be locating the support tube to the front of the shock mount), leave loose. Align the support tube flat against the frame, using a drill, drill a ½" hole through the frame, attach support tube with supplied ½" x 1 ½" bolt, nut, and washer. Torque all upper bolt to 50lbs.



**Driver Side** 

# Passenger Side Rear

- 11. Locate the factory upper shock bolt and remove, save hardware.
- 12. Locate the new Fabtech upper shock mount FT20130, Using the factory hardware attach bracket to frame. Leave loose. Locate the Fabtech Support Tube FT20131, insert upper shock mount into the new Fabtech bracket. Using the supplied 9/16" x 3" bolt and washer, attach the shock mount to the support tube (you will be locating the support tube to the rear of the shock mount), leave loose. Line the support tube up with the existing hole in the frame, using a drill, drill the factory hole out to ½". Locate the supplied spacer sleeve FT20132 and ½" x 2" bolt, nut, and washer (Note: you will be location the space between the frame and the support tube). Attach support tube to frame. Torque all upper hardware to 50lbs.



Passenger Side

**15.** Check the front-end alignment and set to the factory specifications.

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