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1984-95 TOYOTA 2 WHEEL DRIVE FTS8995 & FTS8995ID FRONT DOUBLE SHOCK KIT

PARTS LIST:

2 EA. UPPER SHOCK MOUNTS 2 EA. SHOCK MOUNT GUSSETS 2 EA. LOWER SHOCK MOUNTS 2 EA. BUMPSTOP PLATES FTT10

2 EA. BUMPSTOP GUSSETS FTT05 4 EA. 1/2" X 5 1/2" BOLTS 4 EA. 1/2" NYLOCK NUTS 16 EA. 1/2" USS WASHERS

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:

JACK STANDS

FLOOR JACK

DIE GRINDER WITH CUTOFF WHEEL OR SAWZALL

DISC GRINDER

CUTTING TORCH

MIG WELDER

ASSORTED METRIC WRENCHES AND SOCKETS

BLUE LOCTITE (PERMATEX 242)

THE INSTALLATION OF THIS KIT REQUIRES MIG WELDING WHICH SHOULD BE PERFORMED BY AN EXPERIENCED WELDER.

READ ALL INSTRUCTION THOROUGHLY FROM START TO FINISH BEFORE BEGINNING INSTALLATION!

WARNING: FABTECH RECOMMENDS THAT YOU WEAR GLOVES AND EYE PROTECTION WHEN WORKING WITH POWER TOOLS TO AVOID

POSSIBILITY OF SERIOUS INJURY.

NOTE: THIS DOUBLE SHOCK KIT MUST BE USED WITH FABTECH UPPER CONTROL

ARMS.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 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!**
- 2. Remove the front tires, front shocks and remove the torsion bar adjuster bolts, located at the center cross member. To remove the torsion bar bolts you must first loosen the upper jam nut and then loosen the torsion adjuster by holding the upper nut with a wrench and loosening the bolt with another wrench. LUBRICATE THE THREADS OF THE TORSION BAR BOLT WITH AN ANTISEIZE COMPOUND PRIOR TO REMOVAL. BE CAREFUL WHEN WORKING WITH TORSION BARS, THEY CAN BE UNDER EXTREME LOAD.
- 3. Support the lower control arm with a jack and remove the two bolts holding the upper control arm (UCA) cross shaft to the frame, also remove the four bolts holding the UCA to the upper ball joint. Note the position of all alignment shims between the frame and the cross shaft. Remove the two rubber upper bumpstops. Set all these parts aside.
- 4. Using a cutting torch, sawzall or die grinder, cut off the stock upper shock mount and the stock upper bumpstops as shown on the illustrations. Be sure not to cut into the frame and protect all exposed wires and hoses. Using a hand grinder, clean up all cut areas.
- 5. **FTS8995 ONLY**: On the lower control arm (LCA), remove the two threaded inserts that the stock shock bolted to, this can be done with a hammer and chisel. Remove the paint in that same area on the LCA. Position the lower shock mount on the LCA, centering it on the A Arm and butting it against the lower bumpstop. Tack weld it in place.
- 6. If you already have FABTECH lift A Arms installed on your truck skip to step 8 now. If not, install your new A Arms onto the stock cross shaft following the instructions supplied with the A Arms.
- 7. Reattach the new UCA to the frame using the factory bolts. If you already had FABTECH A Arms then replace the factory alignment shims in their place, if not then discard the shims. Also, attach the UCA to the upper ball joint. Only hand tighten all fasteners. Lower the jack supporting the LCA.
- 8. Install the new front shock, with the bodies up if possible, onto the lower shock mount installing the bolts in from the back with a washer on each side of the shocks. Next, bolt the upper shock mount to the upper shocks again with a washer on each side of the shocks. Center the two shocks between the A Arm tubes, setting the height of the shocks so that the bottom of the upper shock mount sits at the top of the large hole in the factory shock mount, refer to the picture included. Firmly tack weld the upper shock mount into place, being careful not to damage the shocks. If your vehicle does not have a body lift, you will need to cut a section out of the fenderwell to allow the shocks to protrude into the engine compartment. WHEN CUTTING, DOUBLE CHECK FOR WIRES AND HOSES ON THE INNER SIDE OF THE FENDERWELL.

NOTE FOR FTS8995ID:

During step 8, you will need to attach the lower mount to the bottom of the shocks installing the bolts in from the front with a washer on each side of the shock bushings. As you position the upper mount onto the frame, you will need to align the lower mount on the lower control arm, placing the lower mount as close to the tire as possible for maximum shock travel. Once you have an approximate location on the lower control arm, remove the powder coating in the area where you are going to weld the lower mount. Once positioned properly, tack weld the lower mount into place.

- 9. Place a jack under the LCA and raise the LCA until it comes into contact with the lower bumpstop, checking the clearance between the shocks, shock mount and the UCA. If there is any clearance problems break the tack welds loose and relocate the mount allowing for proper clearance. Once everything clears, lower the jack under the LCA and remove the two shocks. Take the bumpstop plate and tack weld it to the upper outside edge of the frame at the rear UCA tube, there should be a 1/2" gap between the bumpstop plate and the UCA tube at full hang. Also tack weld the bumpstop gusset to the rear side of the bumpstop plate. Refer to the supplied drawing.
- 10. Support the LCA with a jack and separate the UCA from the frame and the upper ball joint. Center the upper shock mount gusset behind the upper shock mount and tack weld it in place. Refer to the supplied drawing, making sure that everything is tacked in the proper place. If so, completely weld everything in place.
- 11. After all the parts have cooled down, paint all exposed surfaces. Install a new low profile (1/2" thick) urethane bumpstop onto the bumpstop plate. Reinstall the UCA, returning all alignment shims to their original positions, onto the frame and upper ball joint, using loctite on all fasteners. Torque all fasteners to factory specs. Install the two front shocks, with the bodies up if possible. Insert the shock bolts from the rear with one washer on each side of the shock eyes. Reinstall the torsion bar, tightening the bolt to it's original position. Be sure to apply antiseize or grease onto the torsion adjuster bolt threads to prevent it from seizing.
- 12. Repeat steps 3 through 12 on the opposite side of the vehicle.
- 13. Reinstall both front tires, tighten all lugs to factory specifications. Lower the vehicle onto the ground. Set the toe in to approximate factory specifications. We recommend you drive the vehicle for fifty miles and then have the vehicle aligned to factory specifications. You may need to reset the torsion bar height after they settle in. We recommend a 1/8" to 1/4" gap between the UCA and the upper bumpstop.

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