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ZJ 3.5" Foundation Series Lift Kit Installation Instructions ZJ 93-98 Jeep Grand Cherokee

Parts Checklist:

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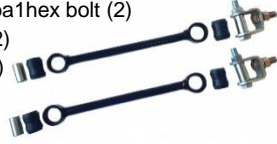
- Ironrockoffroad.com decal (1)
- Iron Rock Off Road logo decal (1)
- ZJ 3.5" front spring 96012 (2)
- Rear sway bar link #007 (2)

~Standard Front Sway Bar Links~

- 8.75" Front sway bar link 92145 (2)

#58 - ZJ Sway Bar Link Hardware (1)

- 3/4" I.D. hourglass shock bushings 94025 (4)
- 12mm I.D. sway bar bolt sleeves 92038 (4)
- 12mm x 60mm class 10.9 ba1hex bolt (2)
- 12mm class 10.9 hex nut (2)
- M10 x 30 cl10.9 hex bolt (2)
- 3/8 USS washer (2)
- M10 cl10.9 hex nut (2)
- Sway bar link u-bracket 99000 (2)



~Optional Front Sway Bar Disconnect Upgrade~

- 8.75" Front sway bar link 92145 (2)

#268 - Sway Bar Disconnect Bushings (1)

- Poly Bushing 94025 (4)

#286 - ZJ Sway Bar Disconnect Hardware (1)

- Disconnect Pin 94028 (2)
- 1/2-20 x 1" Hex Bolt, gr8 (2)
- 1/2 F436 Hard Washer (2)
- 1/4" x 1-1/4" Spring Lynch Pin (2)
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- U-Bracket 99000 (2)



#274 - ZJ Rear Shock Spacer Hardware (1)

- Spacer 99170 (2)

Shocks

Trail Tamer HD Hydro (Standard)

- Front shock 79001 (2)
- Rear shock 79004 (2)

DT 8000 Shock Upgrade (Optional)

- Front shock DT 8386 (2)
- Rear shock DT 8299 (2)

#9 - Shock Hardware

- 2.5" Front shock barpin 403872 (2)

Bilstein Shock Upgrade (Optional)

- Front shock 33-230351 (2)
- Rear shock 33-185552 (2)

#9 - Shock Hardware

- 2.5" Front shock barpin 403872 (2)



Installation Instructions:

Safety Warning: ***Important! Read before installation. ***

Installing a suspension lift kit raises the center of gravity of the vehicle. This increases the possibility of a rollover accident. Avoid sudden maneuvers at high speed and avoid all situations where a side rollover may occur. In addition, larger tires decrease braking performance, please drive accordingly. We recommend a tire and wheel combination that makes the vehicle's track width wider (wheels with less backspacing). This will lower the center of gravity and add stability. We also recommend that this system be installed by a qualified professional. Knowledge of suspension component function is necessary for safe installation and post installation inspections. Be sure to re-torque all suspension components after the first 100 miles of use, and frequently inspect all safety critical suspension components.



Before you begin:

- Read all safety warnings.
- Read and understand installation instructions.
- A coil spring compressor will make installation faster but is not required. You may wish to borrow, rent, or buy one if you don't have one.
- Check all steering and suspension components for wear and replace as needed.
- Ensure that all parts are present and in good condition per attached shipping checklist.
- Contact Iron Rock Off Road with any questions before, during, or after installation.

Front Suspension:

1. Lift front of vehicle and support with tall jack stands under the unibody frame.
Tip: break lug nuts loose before lifting vehicle if necessary.
2. Ensure that vehicle is safely supported.
3. Remove front tires.
4. Support front axle with a floor jack (do not lift vehicle).
5. Remove front shocks.
6. Remove front sway bar links.
7. Loosen all front upper and lower control arm bolts (do not remove).
8. Remove track bar bolt and nut at axle.
9. Allow axle to droop as much as possible.
10. Remove front coil spring clamps.
11. Using a coil spring compressor, remove front coil springs and install new ones. If you do not have a coil spring compressor you can unbolt the lower control arm at the unibody to achieve enough droop to install the spring. Re-connect the first lower control arm before unbolting the second.
12. Save the OEM front coil spring for use in the rear.
13. Drill a new hole for the track bar. On the axle side, with the track bar removed, measure from the center of the existing bolt hole 3/4" straight over toward the drivers' side, mark, center punch and drill with a 7/16" drill bit. It may be beneficial to drill with a smaller drill bit (approx. 3/16") to help keep the hole centered.
14. Install track bar in the new hole, do not tighten at this time.
15. Locate front sway bar links (8.75" center to center), two u-brackets, and **HK #10**. If you upgraded to IRO Sway Bar Disconnect system, refer to the instructions at the end of this document.
16. Install sway bar link u-brackets to the sway bar using 1/2" x 1 1/2" grade 8 hex bolts, lock washers, and nuts. Brackets mount to the bottom of the sway bar with the bolt facing up and the lock washer and nut on top of the sway bar. Rotate brackets until offset toward outside of vehicle. Align brackets, then torque bolts to 95 ft-lbs.
17. Lubricate sway bar link bushings and bushing sleeves with multi-purpose grease and install into sway bar links.
18. Install sway bar links, driver's side first, using provided M12 x 60mm hex bolt and nut through the u-bracket with the nuts toward the outside of the vehicle, and the original bolt, nut, and washer at the axle. Torque all four nuts to 78 ft-lbs.
19. If needed: Install barpins into front shocks. Lubricate shock bushings and barpins with multi-purpose grease, clamp barpin vertically in a bench vise, and push shock onto barpin rotating the shock as you push down.
20. Install front shocks. Tighten upper stud mount nuts just enough to slightly compress the bushings. *Note: Over compressing these bushings will result in damage to the bushings and premature bushing failure.
21. Any remaining loose bolts will be tightened after rear suspension is installed.



Rear Suspension:

22. Lift rear of vehicle and support with tall jack stands under the unibody frame.
Tip: break lug nuts loose before lifting vehicle if necessary.
23. Ensure that the vehicle is safely supported.
24. Remove rear tires.
25. Support rear axle with floor jack (do not lift vehicle).
26. Remove rear shocks.
27. Remove rear sway bar links.
28. Loosen all rear upper and lower control arm bolts (do not remove).
29. Allow axle to droop as much as possible.
30. Remove coil spring clamps.
31. Using a coil spring compressor, remove rear coil springs and install your OEM front springs in their place. If one spring is taller install it on the driver's side of the vehicle. If you do not have a coil spring compressor you can unbolt the lower control arm at the unibody to achieve enough droop to install the spring. Re-connect the first lower control arm before unbolting the second.
32. Locate rear shocks and **HK #9**.
33. Install 12mm I.D. sleeves into lower (body) end of rear shocks (opposite end from shock shaft). Lubricate shock bushings and 12mm I.D. sleeves with multi-purpose grease and press the sleeves into the shock bushings.
34. Lubricate upper shock bushings and upper shock mounting studs on the vehicle with multi-purpose grease. No sleeve is needed in the upper shock bushing.
35. Install spacer from **HK #274** on upper rear shock stud then install rear shocks with shock body down. Torque upper nuts to 46 ft-lbs., and lower nuts to 80 ft-lbs.
36. Raise vehicle and relocate the jack stands under the axles, front, and rear, so that the vehicle's weight is on the suspension system.
37. Ensure that the vehicle is safely supported.
38. Install rear sway bar links with nuts facing down. Tighten nut until snug but do not compress the bushings, the spacer sleeve in the center of the link should still be able to be rotated by hand after tightening.
39. Torque front and rear upper control arm nuts to 60 ft-lbs.
40. Torque front and rear lower control arm nuts to 120 ft-lbs.
41. Install front and rear coil spring clamps.

42. Torque any remaining loose bolts to spec.
43. Install tires and remove vehicle from jack stands.
44. Torque wheel lug nuts to spec. (usually 85-115 ft-lbs., verify using factory service manual)

Adjustments and Safety Inspection:

45. Check all components for clearance for suspension to fully cycle up and down and wheels to turn lock to lock. Pay special attention to brake line length and location of all brake lines, axle vent hoses, and ABS wires. Reposition as needed.
46. Check front and rear driveshafts for proper running length. Slight adjustments can be made by adjusting caster angle, otherwise different length control arms, or custom driveshafts may be required.
47. Go for a short test drive.
48. A professional front end alignment is required after installation. Your toe-in will be affected and may cause unpredictable steering and accelerated tire wear. We recommend the following alignment settings:

Caster: +3.75 to +6.0 (+5.0 is preferred unless a different setting is required for proper front driveshaft running length)

Toe-in: 0 degrees

Final Safety Warning:

* Re-torque all fasteners after 100 miles, and frequently inspect all safety critical steering components. It is the responsibility of the installer to ensure all fasteners are properly tightened after installation and to ensure the owner knows his/her ongoing responsibility. It is the responsibility of the owner of the vehicle to be sure all safety critical components are inspected frequently, especially after off road or other demanding use.



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Sway Bar Disconnect
Link Instructions

Parts List:

#268 – Sway Bar Disconnect Bushings (1)

- Poly Bushing 94025 (4)

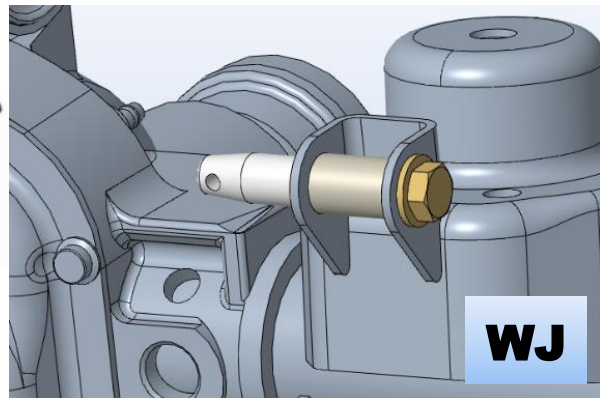
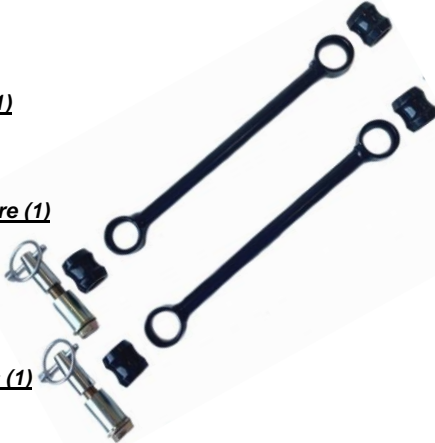
WJ ~Optional~

#267 – WJ Sway Bar Disconnect Hardware (1)

- Disconnect Pin 94028 (2)
- Spacer Sleeve 94032 (2)
- 1/2-20 x 2-1/2" Hex Bolt, gr8 (2)
- 1/2 F436 Hard Washer (2)
- 1/4" x 1-1/4" Spring Lynch Pin (2)

#288 – WJ Sway Bar Disconnect Sleeves (1)

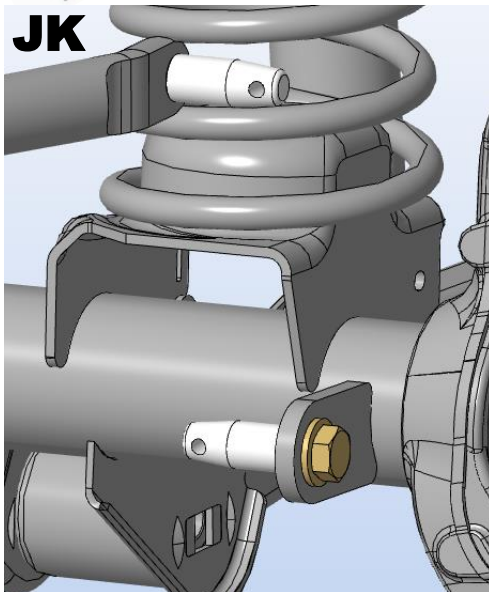
- 12mm bushing sleeve 92038 (2)



JK ~Optional~

#266 – JK Sway Bar Disconnect Hardware (2)

- Disconnect Pin 94028 (2)
- 1/2-20 x 1" Hex Bolt, gr8 (2)
- 1/2 F436 Hard Washer (2)
- 1/4" x 1-1/4" Spring Lynch Pin (2)



XJ ~Optional~

#287 – XJ Sway Bar Disconnect Hardware (1)

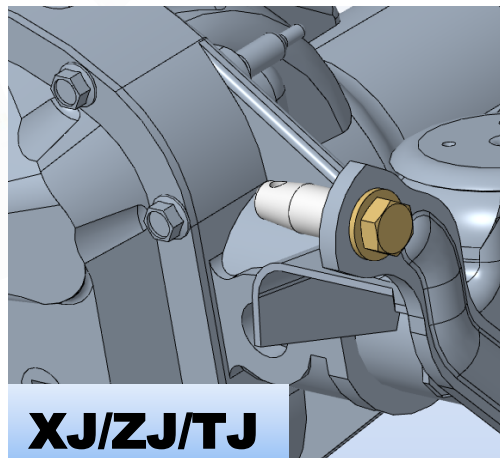
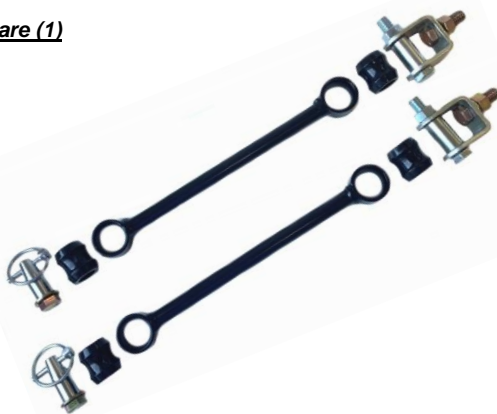
- Disconnect Pin 94028 (2)
- 1/2-20 x 1" Hex Bolt, gr8 (2)
- 1/2 F436 Hard Washer (2)
- 1/4" x 1-1/4" Spring Lynch Pin (2)
- 12mm bolt sleeve 92038 (2)
- M12 x 70 cl10.9 hex bolt (2)
- M12 cl10.9 hex nut (2)
- 1/2 x 1 1/2" gr8 hex bolt (2)
- 1/2 gr8 lock washer (2)
- 1/2 gr8 hex nut (2)
- U-Bracket 99000 (2)



TJ & ZJ ~Optional~

#286 – TJ & ZJ Sway Bar Disconnect Hardware (1)

- Disconnect Pin 94028 (2)
- 1/2-20 x 1" Hex Bolt, gr8 (2)
- 1/2 F436 Hard Washer (2)
- 1/4" x 1-1/4" Spring Lynch Pin (2)
- 12mm bolt sleeve 92038 (2)
- M12 x 60 hex bolt, cl10.9 (2)
- M12 hex nut, cl10.9 (2)
- M10 x 30 hex bolt, cl10.9 (2)
- 3/8" USS washer (2)
- M10 hex nut, cl10.9 (2)
- U-Bracket 99000 (2)



Installation Instructions:

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We recommend this system be installed by a qualified professional. Knowledge of suspension component function is necessary for safe installation and post installation inspections. Be sure to re-torque all suspension components after the first 100 miles of use, and frequently inspect all safety critical suspension components frequently.

Notes:

- Do not operate vehicle with only one side of the sway bar connected. Both sides of the sway bar must either be disconnected or both sides must be connected.

Before you begin:

- Read all safety warnings.
- Read and understand installation instructions.
- Contact Iron Rock Off Road with any questions before, during, or after installation. 952-210-7185
- Ensure that all parts are present and in good condition using the included shipping checklist.**
- Be sure you have the following tools and supplies:
 - Floor jack and jack stands.
 - Basic hand tools (wrenches, sockets, etc.).
 - Multi-purpose grease

Prepare for installation:

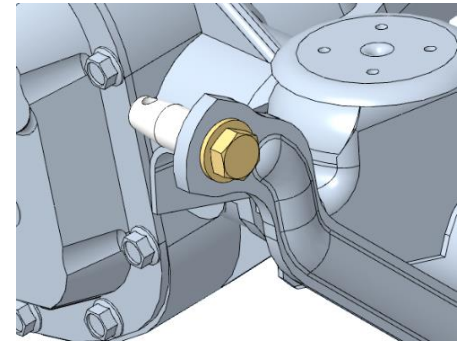
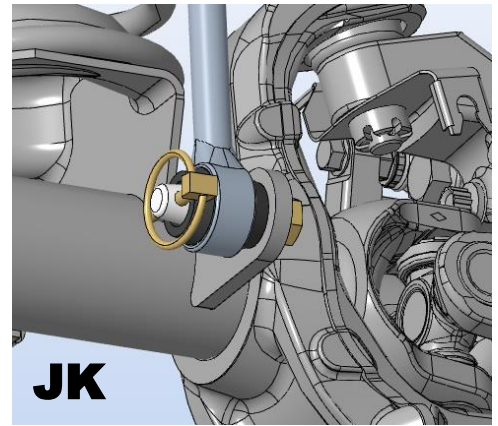
1. Locate the front sway bar links, bushings, and bolt sleeves.
2. Grease and install the hourglass bushings.
3. Grease and install the sway bar link inner sleeves in only one end of each link.
4. Raise the vehicle and secure on jack stands under the frame.
5. Remove the front tires.
6. Disconnect the original front sway bar links from the axle and sway bar.

XJ Installation:

7. Locate front sway bar links, two u-brackets, and **HK #287**.
8. Install sway bar link u-brackets to the sway bar using 1/2 x 1-1/2" grade 8 hex bolts, lock washers, and nuts. Brackets mount to the bottom of the sway bar with the bolt facing up and the lock washer and nut on top of the sway bar. Rotate the bracket so it is offset away from the center of the vehicle. Align brackets, torque bolts to 80 ft-lbs.
9. Install sway bar links driver's side first using provided M12 x 60mm class 10.9 hex bolt and nut through the u-bracket with the nuts toward the outside of the vehicle. Tighten all bolts to 78 ft-lbs.
10. Install the disconnect pin on the axle, pin pointing in-board. Use the 1/2" x 1" bolt with a washer.
Tip: Before tightening determine your desired orientation for the retaining pin.
11. Hold the disconnect pin in your desired orientation and torque the bolt to 70lb-ft.
12. Apply grease to the disconnect pin and slide the sway bar link onto the disconnect pin.
13. Secure the sway bar link in place using the spring lynch pin.
***NOTE:** The spring lynch pin should take some effort to install. This is done on purpose to keep the link secure and noise free.
14. Reinstall tires and torque lug nuts to spec.
15. Lower vehicle to the ground.
16. With the vehicle back on the ground, pull the spring pins and slip the sway bar links off the disconnect pins.
17. Swing the sway bar links up to the sway bar then swing the sway bar up to its highest position.
18. Flex the suspension and steer fully left and right. Check for possible interference between the tires and sway bar.
19. Reconnect the sway bar links to the axle.
20. For ease of installation and best performance, re-grease the sway bar bushings periodically.

ZJ and TJ Installation:

21. Locate front sway bar links, two u-brackets, and **HK #286**.
22. Install sway bar link u-brackets to the sway bar using M10 x 30 hex bolts nuts and washers. Brackets mount to the bottom of the sway bar with the bolt facing up and the washer and nut on top of the sway bar. Align brackets with offset holes pushing the brackets toward the outside of the vehicle. Torque to 60 ft-lb.
23. Install sway bar links driver's side first using provided M12 x 60mm class 10.9 hex bolt and nut through the u-bracket with the nuts toward the outside of the vehicle. Tighten all bolts to 78 ft-lb.
24. Install the disconnect pin on the axle, pin pointing in-board. Use the 1/2" x 1" bolt with a washer.
Tip: Before tightening determine your desired orientation for the retaining pin.
25. Hold the disconnect pin in your desired orientation and torque the bolt to 70lb-ft.
26. Apply grease to the disconnect pin and slide the sway bar link onto the disconnect pin.
27. Secure the sway bar link in place using the spring lynch pin.
***NOTE:** The spring lynch pin should take some effort to install. This is done on purpose to keep the link secure and noise free.
28. Reinstall tires and torque lug nuts to spec.
29. Lower vehicle to the ground.
30. With the vehicle back on the ground, pull the spring pins and slip the sway bar links off the disconnect pins.
31. Swing the sway bar links up to the sway bar then swing the sway bar up to its highest position.
32. Flex the suspension and steer fully left and right. Check for possible interference between the tires and sway bar.
33. Reconnect the sway bar links to the axle.
34. For ease of installation and best performance, re-grease the sway bar bushings periodically.



WJ Installation:

35. Install the sway bar links onto the sway bar using the original hardware.
36. Install the disconnect pin on the axle, pin pointing in-board, spacer sleeve inside the mount.

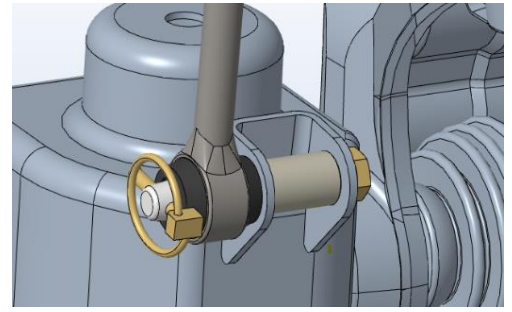
Use the 1/2" x 2-1/2" bolt with a washer.

Tip: Before tightening determine your desired orientation for the retaining pin.

37. Hold the disconnect pin in your desired orientation and torque the bolt to 70lb-ft.
38. Install the new bushings into your sway bar links using plenty of multi-purpose grease.
39. Reinstall your sleeves into the top of the sway bar link bushing using multi-purpose grease.
40. Reinstall your sway bar link onto the sway bar and torque the bolts to 70lb-ft.
41. Apply grease to the disconnect pin and slide the sway bar link onto the disconnect pin.
42. Secure the sway bar link in place using the spring pin.

***NOTE:** The spring pin should take some effort to install. This is done on purpose to keep the link secure and noise free.

43. Reinstall tires and torque lug nuts to spec.
44. Lower vehicle to the ground.
45. With the vehicle back on the ground, pull the spring pins and slip the sway bar links off the disconnect pins.
46. Swing the sway bar links up to the sway bar then swing the sway bar up to its highest position.
47. Flex the suspension and steer fully left and right. Check for possible interference between the tires and sway bar.
48. Reconnect the sway bar links to the axle.
49. For ease of installation and best performance, re-grease the sway bar bushings periodically.



JK Installation:

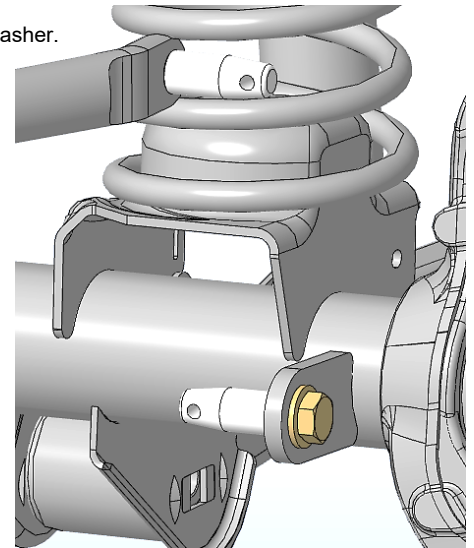
50. Use a 1/2" drill bit to slightly enlarge the bolt hole in the sway bar. Only a very minor amount of material will be removed.
51. Install the disconnect pin on the axle, pin pointing in-board. Use the 1/2" x 1" bolt with a washer.
52. Install the disconnect pin on the sway bar, pin pointing out-board. Use the 1/2" x 1" bolt with a washer.

Tip: Before tightening determine your desired orientation for the retaining pin.

53. Hold the disconnect pin in your desired orientation and torque the bolts to 70lb-ft.
54. Install the bushings into the sway bar links using plenty of multi-purpose grease.
55. Apply grease to the disconnect pins and slide the sway bar link onto the disconnect pins.
- *NOTE:** Twist the passenger side link onto the lower pin first, then slide it onto the upper pin. It is a snug fit with the factory track bar bracket, but it is achievable.
56. Secure the sway bar link in place using the spring pins.

***NOTE:** The spring pin should take some effort to install. This is done on purpose to keep the link secure and noise free.

57. Reinstall tires and torque lug nuts to spec.
58. Lower vehicle to the ground.
59. With the vehicle back on the ground, pull the spring pins and slip the sway bar links off the disconnect pins.
60. Swing the sway bar up to its highest position.
61. Flex the suspension and steer fully left and right. Check for possible interference between the tires and sway bar.
62. Reconnect the sway bar links to the axle.
63. For ease of installation and best performance, re-grease the sway bar bushings periodically.



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