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#### INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

QA1 P/N R110-170, R110-200, R110-250, R210-170, R210-200, R210-250 Rear Coil-Over Suspension System '63-'72 Chevrolet C10, GMC C15/C1500 Pickup with Rear Coil Spring Suspension

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### **TOOLS AND SUPPLIES REQUIRED**

- Floor Jack
- Drill with 3/8" drill bit Anti-seize
- SAE Wrench Set
- Ratchet & SAE Socket Set

- Four (4) Jack Stands T114W or T115W Spanner Wrench
- Torque Wrench
- Grinder or Air Chisel

## **Pre-Installation Note**

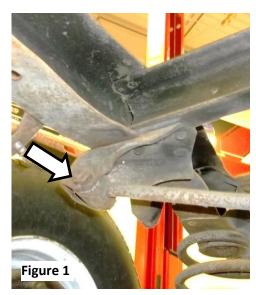
This system was designed to be installed with the box on the truck.

A grinder and/or air chisel is recommended for removal of the factory rivets.

1970 and earlier trucks will require the rear brake line to be repositioned from the cross member brace to a supplied bracket.

#### **Disassembly Instructions**

- 1. Raise the vehicle and support the frame with jack stands on a stable surface and remove the wheels.
- 2. With a jack supporting the axle, remove the wheels, shocks and factory springs.
- 3. Support the axle with another set of jack stands.

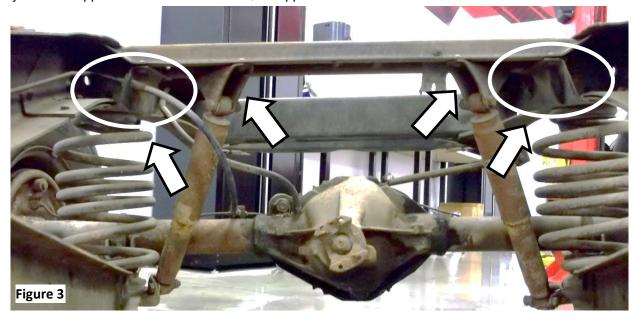


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- 4. For ease of installation, the driveshaft should be disconnected from the rear differential.
- Disconnect and remove the factory panhard bar from the frame mount and axle.
- 6. The factory panhard bar mount on the left side frame rail and the gusset plate direct above the mount can now be removed. Remove the rivets with a grinder and punch and/or an air chisel. See Figure 1.
- 7. The bottom cross member rivets on the right frame rail to panhard cross will need to be removed.



- 8. The factory bump stop mounting brackets will need to be removed and will not be reused.
- 9. Unbolt the truck arm front attachment bolts. Lower the arms down and support with stands. **Caution:** Do not kink or allow the axle to pull on the brake hose. See **Figure 2**.
- 10. Remove the six (6) rivets retaining the each truck arm mounting bracket and remove the brackets from the cross member.
- 11. Remove the rivets for the shock cross member brace and factory upper spring plate and remove them from the chassis. Do not remove the entire cross member. See **Figure 3**. The factory upper shock mounts can be removed at this time as well as they will not be reused. **Note**: 1970 and earlier trucks will require the brake line to be removed from this support and relocated to the QA1 supplied bracket.



## **Installation Instructions**

- 1. Assemble the Panhard bar per the diagram on **page 7**. Apply anti-seize and thread the rod ends and adjuster all the way in to ensure even thread engagement.
- 2. Assemble the JNL12S jam nut on XML10-12 rod end and JNR12S jam nut on XMR10-12 rod end. Apply anti-seize and fully thread both rod ends into the panhard bar support brace, P/N 9037-566. See the diagram on page 7.
- 3. Assemble the adjuster links for the QA1 truck arms per Figure 4 with anti-seize on the threads.

BALLOON #	ITEM#	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	9033-326	SLEEVE, ALUMINUM HEX, 1.125" X 7"	2
2	JNR12S	JAM NUT, 3/4-16 RH	2
3	JNL12S	JAM NUT, 3/4-16 LH	2
4	XML10-12	ROD END, LH 5/8", 3/4"	2
5	9037-543	WELDMENT, BUSHING CAN W/STUD	2
6	9033-457	SLEEVE .63" ID X 0.81" OD X 1.75"	2
7	9032-395	BUSHING, .81"ID X 1.13"OD	4

4. Install the bump stops on the C-notch brackets using a 3/8" non-locking nut and washer.

- 5. Install the JNR16S jam nuts on the XMR16 rod ends. Apply anti-seize to the threads and thread the rod ends into the QA1 truck arms. The length of the truck arm should be 54 ½" from the center of the rear pivot to the center of the rod end as a starting point.
- 6. Install the QA1 truck arm mounts on the factory truck arm cross member using the supplied 3/8" x 1 ¼" bolts washers and nuts. Torque to 30 lb. ft. See **Figure 5**.
- 7. Bolt the C-notch template provided in the kit to the frame rail using the 3/8" bolts through the existing holes from the bump stop mount. Trace the template for the C-Notch. Flip the template over and repeat on the other side of the chassis. The template should be centered over the axle as shown in Figure 6. Caution: When cutting and drilling on the frame, be aware of wires, brake lines and fuel lines.

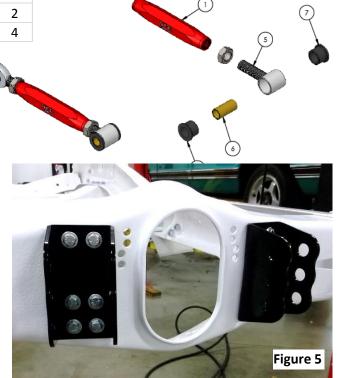


Figure 4

- 8. Center punch and drill the corners of the C-notches to minimize over cutting and stress risers in the frame if a cutoff wheel or reciprocal saw is used.
- 9. Using a cutoff wheel or saw, cut along the marks for the C-notch to remove this material from the frame and discard. Tests fit the C-notch brackets and trim the cut as needed to allow the bracket to fit tight against the bottom of the frame rail.
- 10. Install the C-notch brackets with 3/8" x 1 ¼" bolts using the existing holes from the panhard bar cross member rivets and the bump stop locations **tightening the bottom bolts first. Figure 7**

11. Mark and drill the remaining holes using the bracket as a template. Use flat washers under the head of the bolts and on the nuts. Tighten all bolts to 30 lb. ft.





- 12. Loosen and remove the right side axle to truck arm U-bolt and truck arm to install the QA1 rotator box bracket, p/n 9037-554. *Caution: Truck arms are heavy steel parts that can cause injury if unsupported during removal or installation. Remove the truck arms one at a time to prevent the axle from rotating.*
- 13. Install the truck arm rotator box bracket on the axle and install the included U-bolt, p/n UB51416. Torque the U-bolt nuts evenly to 145 lb. ft.
- 14. Install the pinion angle adjuster link assembly on the rotator box using the 5/8" x 3" bolt, washers and nut. Lay the adjuster over the axle as shown in **Figure 8** so it is out of the way for the truck arm installation.
- 15. Install the rear of the QA1 truck arm on the rotator box using the 5/8" x 3" bolt, washers and nut. Connect the front of the pinion angle adjuster link to the truck arm using 5/8" x 2" bolt, washers and nut. Support the QA1 truck arm and repeat steps 13-16 for the left side truck arm.
- 16. Install the SG16-1210-W high misalignment spacers into each side of the rod end on the front of the truck arm and attach the truck arms to the cross member mounts using the supplied ¾" x 4 ½" bolts, washers and nuts. *Note:* Do not tighten the nuts at this time as an adjustment may need to be made. Stock to 2" lower will use the lower set of holes, 2"-4" lower will use the center set of holes and 4"-6" lower trucks will use the



- lower will use the center set of holes and 4"-6" lower trucks will use the upper set of holes.
- 17. Install the shock mount brackets on the insides of the truck arm rotator box brackets with the 3/8" x 1" bolts with a washer under the head of the bolt and the nut as shown in **Figure 9**. The shock mount position can be adjusted up to raise the vehicle or lowered to lower the vehicle ride height. Torque the bolts to 30 lb. ft.
- 18. Install the assembled shock and spring into the shock mounts with the ½" x 2 ½" bolts, nuts and washers. Spacer P/N 9033-430 will need to be installed on either side of the spherical bearing on the lower shock mount. Torque to 50 lb. ft.





19. Install the panhard bar and panhard bar brace on the left side frame bracket with the support brace towards the rear of the vehicle using the holes in the center of the adjustment range. The 5/8" x 4 ¼" bolt will be used with a

SG104 spacer on each side of the rod end and a flat washer between the spacer and the panhard bar bushing. See **Figure 10.** 

- 20. Install the panhard bar support brace on the right side frame bracket with a SG104 spacer on each side of the rod end and the 5/8" x 2 ½" bolt, nut and washers. Adjust the length of the support brace until the bolt holes line up by holding the rod end and turning the tube to ensure equal thread engagement on each rod end when adjusting the length. See **Figure 9**.
- 21. Install the panhard bar on the truck arm saddle bracket using the 5/8" x 3" bolt, washers and nut. A SG108 spacer will be used on each side of the rod end. Adjust the length of the panhard bar until the bolt holes line up by holding the rod end and turning adjuster to ensure equal thread engagement on the rod end and adjuster when adjusting the length. See **Figure 11**. *Note:* The panhard bar height will need to be adjusted once the truck is set at ride height.
- 22. For 1970 and earlier trucks with drum rear brakes; the rear brake line on the frame rail needs to be bent towards the rear of the truck approximately 45° to allow the hose to be routed out of the way of the

sway bar end links. The line and hose can then be attached to the supplied bracket and mounted near the factory location using the supplied hardware. The brake hose will attach to the bracket reusing the OE clip. See **Figure 12**.

- 23. Reinstall the driveshaft if removed. *Note:* Be sure to verify the driveshaft to cross member clearance with a one piece driveshaft and modify the cross member as needed.
- 24. Reinstall wheels and tires.
- 25. With the shocks installed, adjust the shock length with the threaded adjustment until the shock measures 14"-15" when the suspension is loaded. Then use the adjustable mounts to set the truck at the desired ride height.

**Note:** The suspension should be unloaded when making any ride height changes to prevent damage to the shocks.

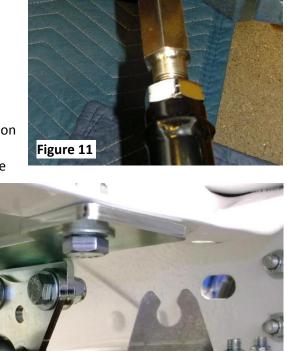
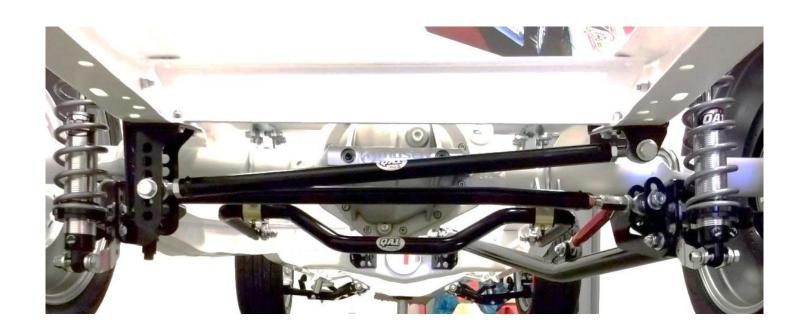
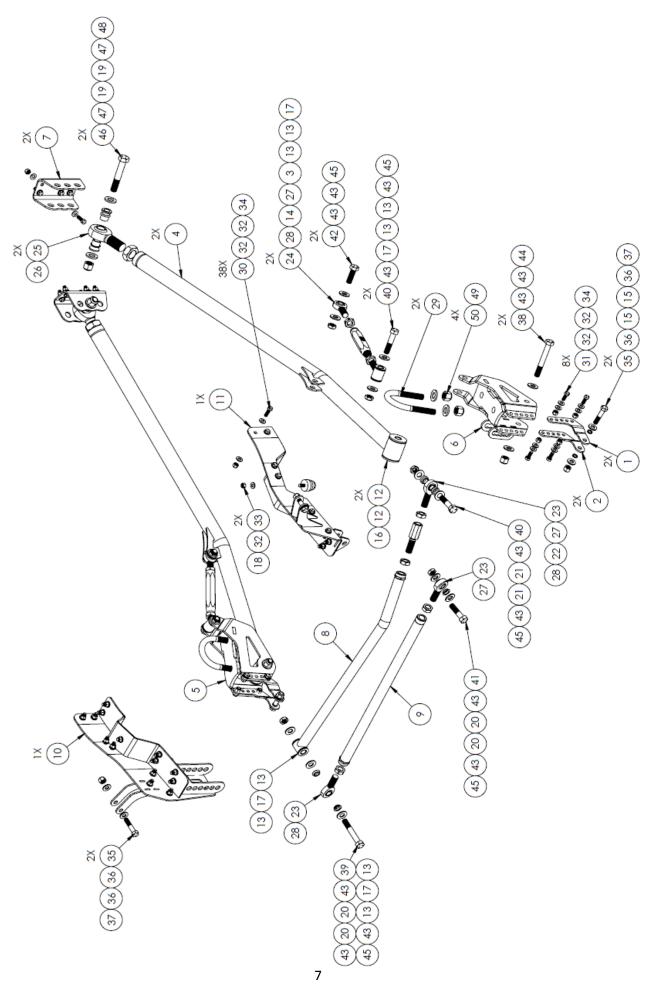


Figure 12

- 26. Adjust the rod ends on the truck arms to adjust the wheel base of the truck and center the wheel in the wheel opening. Torque the mounting bolts to 145 lb. ft. Disconnecting one end of the pinion adjusters from the truck arm will allow the front of the arm to be lowered down for adjustment.
- 27. Adjust the panhard bar height so the panhard bar is level.
- 28. Once the panhard bar is level, use the adjuster on the panhard bar to center the axle under the truck by measuring from the wheel rim to the frame on each side of the vehicle. Once the panhard bar length is set, tighten all bolts and jam nuts.
- 29. Using the adjusters on the truck arms, adjust the pinion angle and tighten the jam nuts on the adjuster. Changing the truck arm mounting height on the relocation brackets and/or changing the ride height of the vehicle will change the pinion angle
- 30. Check all mounting hardware for tightness.
- 31. If the brake system has been opened, bleed the brakes before driving.







#	ITEM #	DESCRIPTION	QTY.	#	ITEM #	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	9037-104	BRACKET, SHOCK MT, LEFT, BOLT ON	2	26	JNR16S	JAM NUT, STEEL 1-1/4-12 RH	2
2	9037-105	BRACKET, SHOCK MT, RIGHT, BOLT ON	2	27	JNR12S	JAM NUT, 3/4-16 RH	4
3	9037-543	WELDMENT, BUSHING CAN W/ STUD	2	28	JNL12S	JAM NUT, STEEL 3/4-16 LH	4
4	9037-546	WELDMENT, TRUCK ARM	2	29	UB51416	U-BOLT, 3/4-16, 3.5"x 5.375"	2
5	9037-550	WELDMENT, LEFT SIDE ROTATOR BOX	1	30		3/8"-16 x 1.25 Grade 5 Bolt	38
6	9037-554	WELDMENT, RIGHT SIDE ROTATOR BOX	1	31		3/8"-16 x 1 Grade 5 Clear Zinc Bolt	8
7	9037-559	PLATE, FRONT TRUCK ARM MOUNT	2	32		WASHER, 3/8 SAE	94
8	9037-562	WELDMENT, PANHARD BAR	1	33		NUT, 3/8-16	2
9	9037-566	WELDMENT, BRACE BAR	1	34		NUT, NYLOCK, 3/8-16 RH	46
10	9037-568	WELDMENT, LEFT SIDE FRAME NOTCH	1	35		1/2"-20 x 2.5 Grade 5 Clear Zinc Bolt	4
11	9037-574	WELDMENT, RIGHT SIDE FRAME NOTCH	1	36		WASHER, 1/2 SAE	8
12	9032-391	Bushing, .875"ID x 1.77"OD	4	37		1/2"-20 Grade 5 Nut Nylock	4
13	9032-395	BUSHING, .81" ID x 1.13" OD	6	38		5/8"-11 x 4.5 Grade 5 Clear Zinc Bolt	2
14	9033-326	Sleeve, Aluminum 3/4-16 X 7"	2	39		5/8"-11 x 4 OD Clear Zinc Bolt	1
15	9033-430	SLEEVE, .500" ID X .625" OD X .125"	4	40		5/8"-11 x 3 Grade 5 Clear Zinc Bolt	3
16	9033-458	SLEEVE, .625"ID X .875"OD X 2.930"	2	41		5/8"-11 x 2.5 Grade 5 Clear Zinc Bolt	1
17	9033-457	SLEEVE .625" ID x 0.875" OD x 1.75"	3	42		5/8"-11 x 2 Grade 5 Clear Zinc Bolt	2
18	9047-115	Bump Stop, Energy Suspension 6003	2	43		5/8" x 0.656 OD SAE Washer	19
19	1856-160	High Misalignment Spacer, SS	4	44		5/8"-11 Grade 5 Nut Nylock	2
20	SG104	SPACER ROD END SS	4	45		5/8"-11 Grade 5 Thin Nylock	7
21	SG108	SPACER ROD END SS	2	46		3/4"-10 x 4.5 Grade 5 Clear Zinc Bolt	2
22	ADK12-12	LINKAGE ADJ STEEL CHROME 3/4-16	1	47		3/4" CLEAR ZINC SAE WASHER	4
23	XML10-12	ROD END, 3/4-16 LH X .625" BORE	3	48		3/4"-10 Grade 5 Nut Nylock	2
24	XML10-12	ROD END, 3/4-16 LH X .625" BORE	2	49		3/4" YELLOW ZINC SAE WASHER	4
25	XMR16	ROD END (X) ENDURA ALLOY HT	2	50		3/4"-16 Grade 8 Yellow Nut Nylock	4

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