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65-70 Mustang Rack and Pinion Conversion Kit



Note: For safety, disconnect battery cables and ensure that the vehicle is properly supported by jack stands.

Mustang Rack & Pinion System

Before painting or powder coating of the cradle, we recommend that you pre-fit the entire system to ensure proper fitment for your application.

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WARRANTY DISCLAIMER: Flaming River's® Limited Warranty

Flaming River® warrants its products to be free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of one (1) year after the date of purchase, except that: All steering columns are warranted for a period of three (3) years from the date of purchase. The Big Switch (part number FR1005) is warranted for a period of three (3) years from the date of purchase, provided that it is not mounted with a steel bracket and provided further that it is adequately protected from environmental conditions. All electrical products other than the Big Switch are warranted for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of purchase. Flaming River's® warranty liability is limited to the replacement of defective products. Flaming River® is not liable for any labor costs associated with any warranty claim, or for any incidental or consequential damages. Improper installation, abuse, racing, and/or modification of the products voids this warranty. No warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose is made by Flaming River® with respect to any of its products. Warnings and Recommendations It is the customer's responsibility to determine the suitability of a given Flaming River® product for the customer's uses. Likewise, it is the customer's responsibility to install a Flaming River® product. Contact the vehicle manufacturer whenever installing a switch to confirm the appropriateness of using such a switch and the recommended placement of the switch on the vehicle. Use qualified chassis specialists for the installation of all steering related components. Be aware that the installation of certain Flaming River® products may adversely impact a manufacturer's warranty with respect to certain vehicles and other manufactured goods. Flaming River will repair or replace any product found to be defective in material or workmanship. Improper installation, abuse, racing and/or modification VOID WARRANTY. Flaming River® is not responsible for any labor costs associated with any warranty.

**Note:** For safety, disconnect battery cables and ensure that vehicle is properly supported by jack stands.

We recommend that you always install new outer tie rod ends when installing this kit.

<u>Note:</u> 65-66 Mustangs with V8 and power assist need to replace outer tie rods using manual V8 outer tie rod end.



We recommend a professional alignment to set the proper alignment settings.

<u>Note:</u> \*\*\*\* The use of Flaming River Headers may be necessary with use of the Power Rack and Pinion System. \*\*\*\*





Note: Flaming River Recommends that you use synthetic or high grade power steering fluid.



FR1610 Stainless Braided Hose Kit recommended but sold separately

## Color Verification To Be Completed Before Disassembly

Before disconnecting the turn signal connector, verify the factory wiring colors and turn signal operation. The use of a wiring diagram is recommended. This will be used when connecting the new Flaming River Steering Column.

Brake Light Switch
Right Rear Turn Signal
Left Rear Turn Signal
Turn Signal Power
Hazard Power
Right Front Turn Signal
Left Front Turn Signal
Horn

# <u>Original System Removal</u>

- 1) For safety, disconnect your battery.
- 2) Before disassembly, measure from zerk to zerk on the outer tie rod ends. Write this dimension down for future reference.

### <u>Original Column Removal</u>

#### <u>64 ½ - 67 Long Shaft Steering Box Column Removal</u> (See Diagram Below)

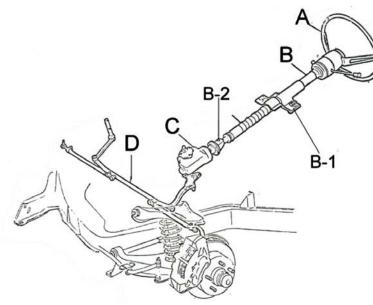
- 1) Remove horn button by pushing down on horn hub and turning counter clockwise.
- 2) Remove steering wheel retaining nut and remove steering wheel (A) by using a steering wheel puller.
- 3) Disconnect the electrical plug towards the base of the column (B).
- 4) Remove the column support bracket under the dash. There are two nuts one on each side of the column. (B-1)
- 5) Remove the upper bushing located at the center of the turn signal switch.
- 6) Remove the column tube by sliding it up off the steering box shaft.

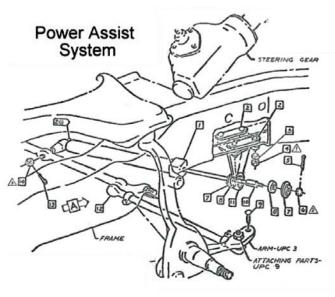
### 67-70 Short Shaft Steering Box Column Removal

- 1) Remove horn button by pushing down and turning counter clockwise.
- 2) Remove steering wheel retaining nut and remove steering wheel (A) by using a steering wheel puller.
- 3) Disconnect the electrical plug towards the base of the column (B).
- 4) Remove the column support bracket under the dash. There are two nuts one on each side of the column. (B-1)
- 5) Remove the four screws holding the floor mount to the firewall.
- 6) Remove the rag joint (B-2) pinch bolt in order to separate the steering box from the column.

#### Steering Box and Linkage Removal

- 1) Remove the pitman arm from the steering box (C) using a pitman arm puller.
- 2) If you have power steering, remove pump, lines, and valve and assist cylinder. (See diagram below) A shorter belt may need to be installed.
- 3) Remove the two bolts that retain the idler arm to the frame.
- 4) Remove the cotter pins, castle nuts, separate the tie rod ends from the spindles and remove the steering linkage (D) from the car.
- 5) Remove the three retaining bolts that secure the gearbox (C) and remove the gearbox.



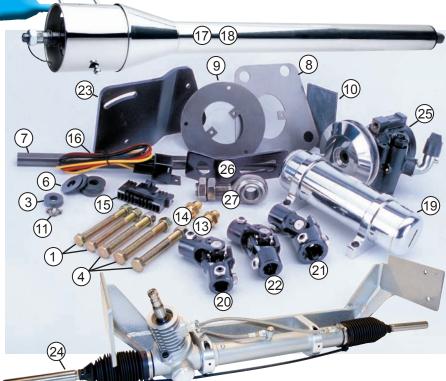


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<u>Item N</u>	No.	Part No.	Description	Qty	Power/Manual
1.		BOLT-3/8-16X3.5	3/8-16 Grade 8 Bolt 3.5" long	2	
2.		NUT-3/8-16	Nylock Lock Nut 3/8-16	2	
3.		WASH-3/8	3/8" Flat Washer	4	
4.		BOLT-7/16-14X3.5	7/16-14 Grade 8 Bolt 3.5" Long	3	
5.		NUT-7/16-14	Nylock Lock Nut 7/16-14	3	
6.		WASH-7/16	7/16 Flat Washers	6	
7.		FR1850	18" DD Shaft	1	
8.		FR20099-2	67-70 Floor Mount	1	
9.		FR65MUMT	65-66 Floor Mount	1	
10.		FRBSH-1	Mustang Column Mount Bushing	1	
11.		Screw-10	#10 x 3/8" Hex Head Metal Screw	2	
12.		NUT-11/16-18	11/16-18 Jam Nut	2	
13.		FRM16X6AN	M16-1.5 X 6 AN Fitting	1	Power Kit Only
14.		FRM14X6AN	M14 -1.5 X 6 AN Fitting	1	Power Kit Only
15.		FR20118	Female Wiring Adapter	1	· · · · <b>,</b>
16.		FRHRN2	Horn Relay	1	
17.		FR300MUCOL	29" Column For Original Wheel	1	
		(Ford Spline) Only in Kits	for Original OEM Steering Wheel		
18.		FR300COL	29" Column for Aftermarket Wheel 1		
		(GM Spline) Only In Kits fo	or AfterMarket Steering Wheels		
19.		FR1614	Power Steering Reservoir	1	Power Kit Only
20.		FR1789P	3/4 DD x FR Power Billet U-Joint	1	Power Kit Only
21.		FR1934	3/4 DD x 1" DD Chromemoly U-Joint	1	Power Kit Only
22.		FR1926	3/4" DD X 3/4" DD Chromemoly U-Joint	1	Power Kit Only
23.		FRMBPW1	P/S Steering Pump Bracket	1	Power Kit Only
24.		100480	Power Rack & Pinion Cradle Assembly	1	Power Kit Only
25.		FRPMPSB-V	Pump w/ V-Belt Pulley	1	Power Kit Only
26.			Support Bearing Bracket Bent	1	Power Kit Only
27.		FR1810	3/4 Zinc Support Bearing	1	Power Kit Only
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1965-70 Mustang Cradle and Shaft Assembly Power

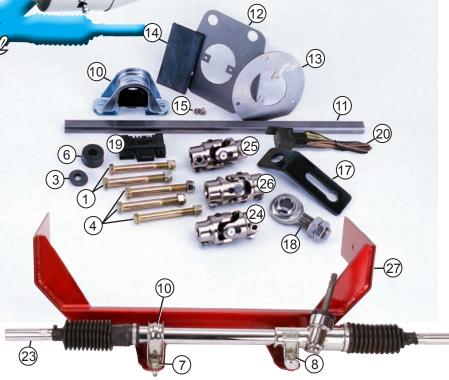




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5.	NUT-7/16-14	Nylock Lock Nut 7/16-14	3	
6.	WASH-7/16	7/16 Flat Washers	6	
7.	BOLT-3/8-16X1	3/8-16 Grade 8 Bolt 1" long	2	Manual Kit Only
8.	BOLT-3/8-16X1.5	3/8-16 Grade 8 Bolt 1.5" Long	2	Manual Kit Only
9.	NUT-3/8-16	Nylock Lock Nut 3/8-16	4	Manual Kit Only
10.	FR1507C	Manual Rack Mounting Clamp	1	Manual Kit Only
11.	FR1850	18" DD Shaft	1	-
12.	FR20099-2	67-70 Floor Mount	1	
13.	FR65MUMT	65-66 Floor Mount	1	
14.	FRBSH-1	Mustang Column Mount Bushing	1	
15.	Screw-10	#10 x 3/8" Hex Head Metal Screw	2	
16.	NUT-11/16-18	11/16-18 Jam Nut	2	
17.	BK10200	Support Bearing Bracket Bent	1	Manual Kit Only
18.	FR1810-2	3/4 Zinc Support Bearing	1	Manual Kit Only
19.	FR20118	Female Wiring Adapter	1	-
20.	FRHRN2	Horn Relay	1	
21.	FR300MUCOL	29" Column For Original Wheel	1	
	(Ford Spline) Only in Kits	s for Original OEM Steering Wheel		
22.	FR300COL	29" Column for Aftermarket Wheel 1		
	(GM Spline) Only In Kits	for AfterMarket Steering Wheels		
23.	FR1507-3Q-3	Manual Rack and Pinion	1	Manual Kit Only
24.	FR1709DD	9/16-26 x 3/4DD U-Joint	1	Manual Kit Only
25.	FR1716DD	3/4 DD x 3/4DD U-Joint	1	Manual Kit Only
26.	FR1717DD	1 DD x 3/4 DD U-Joint	1	Manual Kit Only
27.	FRM5-MU65H	Manual Cradle	1	Manual Kit Only
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### Flaming River Manual Rack and Pinion Installation

1) Install the rack and pinion cross member by sliding it into place in between the frame rails, installing the new hardware using three 7/16" bolts where the gear box was mounted and two 3/8" bolts where the idler arm was located. Tighten all nuts and bolts to 50-65 ft lbs.



Driver Side Mounting



Passenger Side Mounting



2) Place the passenger rack-mounting clamp onto the right side of the rack tube and place the rack onto the cradle.

Rack-Mounting Clamp

3) Install the rack mounting bolts from the bottom of the cradle through the rack mounts and tighten all four nuts and bolts securely.

4) Install tie rod ends onto the rack and pinion assembly.

5) To install the outer tie rod ends you must load the front suspension. (Securely placing jack stands under the lower control arms and lowering the car onto the jack stands accomplishes this.) Install the outer tie rod ends into the spindle and tighten the castle nuts to 30-40 ft lbs. Make sure to install cotter pins into the castle nut and tie rod end and bend the tabs over for security.

### Flaming River Power Rack and Pinion Installation

1) Install the Power Rack and Pinion Cradle Assembly by sliding it into place in between the frame rails, installing the new hardware using three 7/16" bolts where the gear box was mounted and two 3/8" bolts where the idler arm was located. Tighten all nuts and bolts to 50-65 ft lbs.



Driver Side Mounting

Passenger Side Mounting.

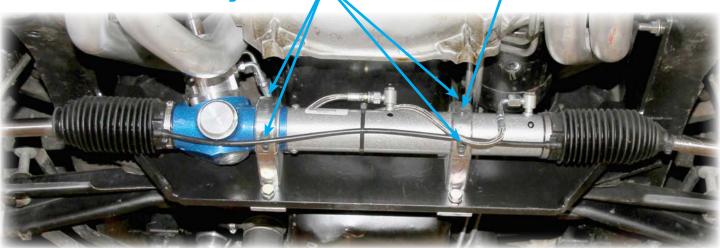
2) Install the jam nuts and outer tie rod ends onto the rack and pinion assembly.

3) To install the outer tie rod ends in the spindle arms, you must load the front suspension. (Securely placing jack stands under the lower control arms and lowering the car onto the jack stands accomplishes this.) Install the outer tie rod ends into the spindle and tighten the castle nuts to 30-40 ft lbs. Make sure to install cotter pins into the castle nut and tie rod end and bend the tabs over for security.

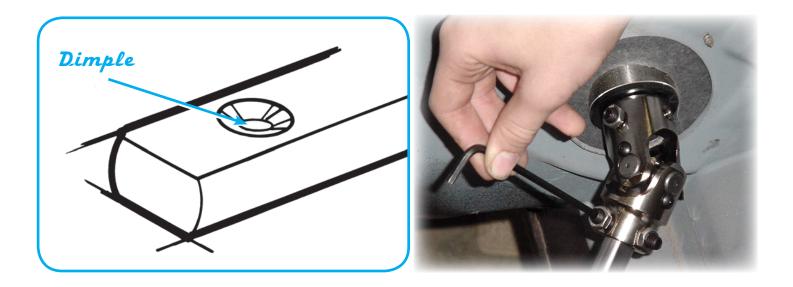
Rotating the Pinion Shaft for Steering Linkage Alignment

Pillow Block Clamp Mounting Bolts 🔿

Set Screw



1) The Flaming River Power Rack and Pinion Cradle Assembly comes preassembled from the factory, however you may need to adjust the pinion angle for proper u-joint alignment. – First, loosen the set screw on the passenger side pillow block. Next, loosen the (4) four pillow block clamp mounting bolts, then adjust your pinion angle. Once your pinion angle is set, tighten the (4) four pillow block mounting clamp bolts and then the set screw. (See picture above)



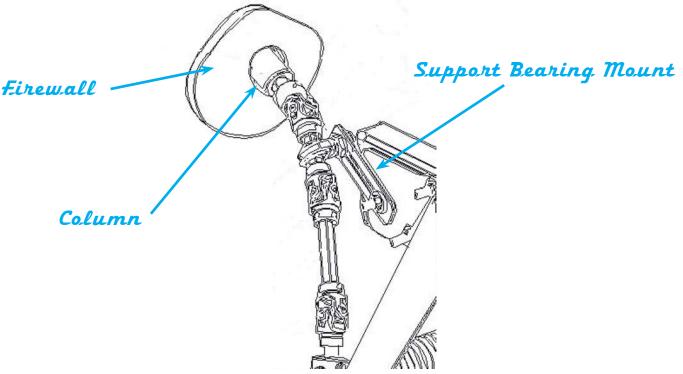
1) Install support-bearing mount onto the rear cradle bolt. (Diagram below). Note: The angle of this mount is set for most applications. Some adjustment may be necessary for the correct angle and u-joint alignment.

2) We recommend the use of  $\frac{3}{4}$ " dowel rod to mock up the steering shaft to obtain the correct length of the shafts.

3) Install your shaft kit and snug each set screw so that it will leave a mark in the shafts.

4) Remove shaft and dimple each set screw mark using a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" drill bit. (As shown above.)

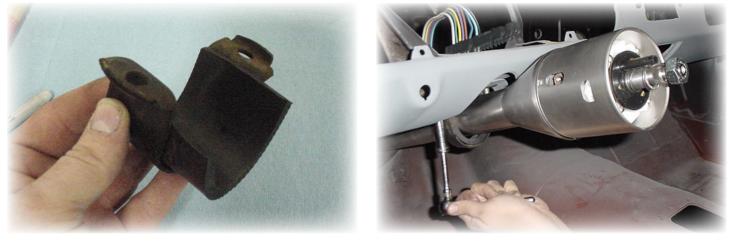
5) Re-install the shafts using red high strength thread locker on the set screw threads. Tighten each set screw to 25 ft. lbs. Tighten all lock nuts securely. We recommend that you Inspect set screws periodically for tightness



#### Flaming River Tilt Column Installation

1) Using your original dash support (note: you must first place a shim that is included between the support and the column to ensure a tight fit. This is included in your installation kit). Hold the column under the dash and tighten the two support nuts.

(Or, you can install our new 65-70 Mustang dash mount FR20114FD, sold separately – See page 15)



2) Make sure that the column is straight before securing column.

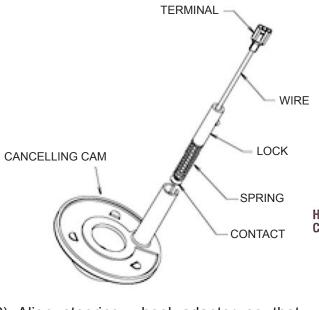
3) Mark the location of the tabs on the column using a center punch or scribe, then remove the column from the car and drill a small pilot hole for each screw.



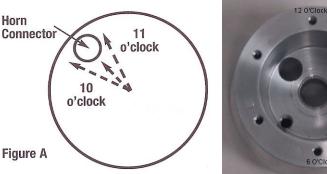
4) Fasten the new floor mount to the column by using the screws provided with the hardware kit then reinstall the steering column into the car.



#### Aftermarket Wheel Installation



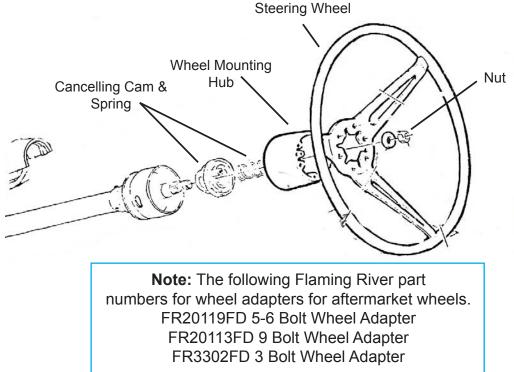
1) Install horn contact kit into canceling cam tube and turn to lock.



2) Align steering wheel adapter so that the canceling cam hole is at approx the 11 O'clock position and that one of the steering wheel mounting holes is at the 12 O'clock position.

3) To install the wheel adapter run the horn contact wire through the hole for the canceling cam and place the adapter on to the splined column shaft.

4) Tighten the adapter-retaining nut until the adapter is approximately 1/16" away from the column shroud.



#### Connecting the Electric System

Vehicle Wiring Green or Green/Red Orange/Blue Green/Orange Blue White/Red (See note below 64 1/2-66) (69-7 White/Blue Green/White	Pin Location P N M L K 70 Black/Red) J H	<u>Column Wiring</u> White Dark Green <b>Yellow</b> Purple Brown Dark Blue Light Blue
Connect to horn relay ground	G	Black
Terminal 85, brown wire		
		Brown Purple Yellow Green White
	Green or Green/Red Orange/Blue Green/Orange Blue White/Red (See note below 64 1/2-66) (69-7 White/Blue Green/White Connect to horn relay ground Terminal 85, brown wire	Green or Green/Red P Orange/Blue N Green/Orange M Blue L White/Red K (See note below 64 1/2-66) (69-70 Black/Red) White/Blue J Green/White H Connect to horn relay ground G Terminal 85, brown wire

The yellow wire from the vehicle connects to TERMINAL 30 (Yellow wire) on the horn relay; the blue wire with the yellow stripe connects to TERMINAL 87 (Red Wire) on the horn relay. The black wire from the column connects to TERMINAL 85 (Brown wire) on the horn relay. Run a jumper wire from TERMINAL 86 (Blue wire) to TERMINAL 30 on the horn relay.

**NOTE:** FOR 1964-1/2 MUSTANGS, HORN RELAY IS NOT REQUIRED FOR THIS APPLICATION; VEHICLE HASARELAY FROM THE FACTORY. BLACK WIRE FROM COLUMN WILL BE CONNECTED TO BLUE WITH YELLOW STRIPE TO COMPLETE THE GROUND CIRCUIT.

**HAZARD NOTE:** FROM 1964 ½ TO 1966; VEHICLES DID NOT HAVE HAZARDS, SO NO HAZARD POWER WIRE IS PRESENT, BUT CAN BE ADDED BY PURCHASING PART # FR20118-1

#### Color Verification to be completed before disassembly

Brake Light Switch:	
• RR Turn Signal:	
• LR Turn Signal:	
• Turn Signal Power:	
Hazard Power:	
RF Turn Signal:	
• LF Turn Signal:	
• Horn:	

Note: The pump included in this kit must be used with the rack. Use of any other pump will void warranty.

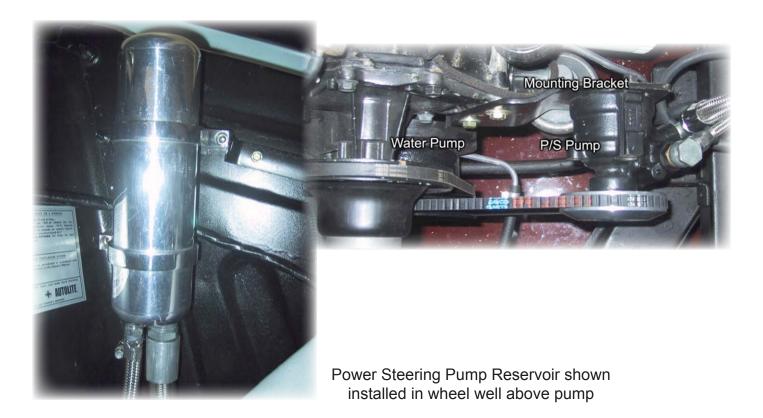
1) Install the pump mounting bracket onto the water pump as shown in Photo A. Next install the pump to the bracket by installing two bolts through the back of the bracket into the pump as shown in Photo B. Only snug the bolts, it will have to be adjusted once the belt is adjusted.

**Note:** Pump mounting bracket for 289 ci motor. Bracket may need to be modified for use with 302 and 351W motors.



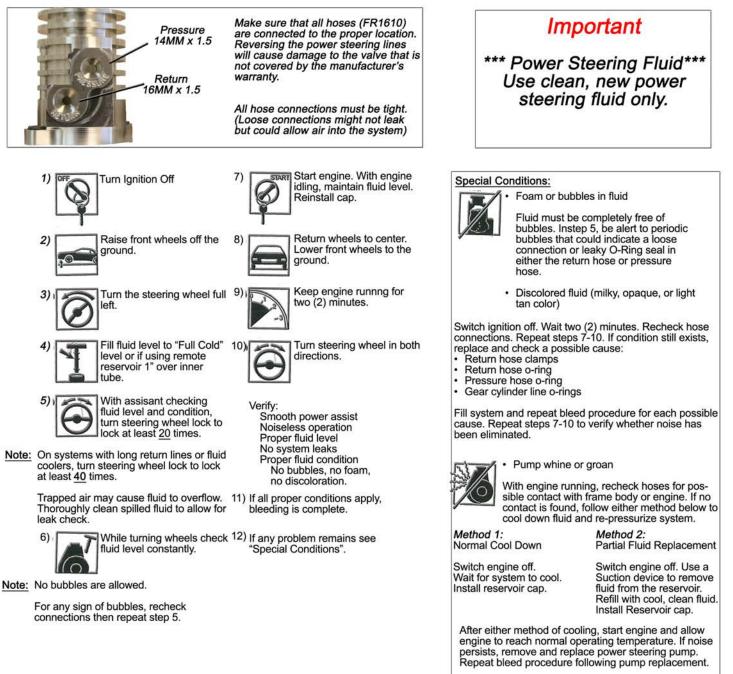
Photo A

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# Instruction Bulletin #1021 Correct Bleeding Procedure for Flaming River Power Rack & Pinion Systems.

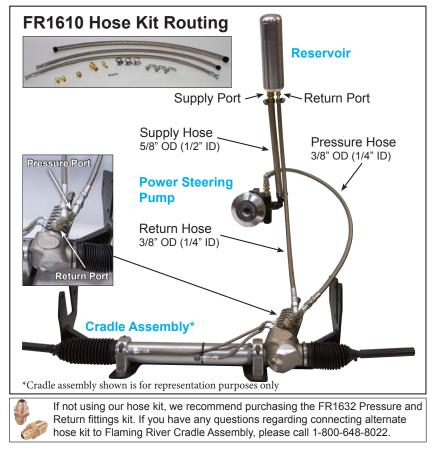


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#### Additional Installation Products





In order to ensure the best customer experience possible, we've created a Customer Satisfaction Survey to gather important feedback about different facets of our business. We would appreciate it if you could please take a couple of minutes to fill out this survey about your experience.

The results of the survey will be used to improve and gather feedback about



customer service, technical and sales support, order processing and fulfillment, manufacturing, and new product development.

Upon completing the survey, you will be issued a discount coupon code to be used on your next online purchase at www.flamingriver.com/survey.



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