## DIRECT-REPLACEMENT INSTALLATION GUIDE

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FOX recommends that you become completely familiar with the handling characteristics of your modified vehicle before operating it under rigorous conditions, helping to avoid potential rollover situations and other loss of control events. FOX further recommends that you use appropriate protective equipment at all times when operating your vehicle.

To achieve the best performance and product longevity, periodic service and maintenance is required. Please refer to the Service and Upgrades section for more information.



#### SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

#### **WARNING**

- FOX direct-replacement shocks are designed to fit and allow proper clearance with the stock suspension. If aftermarket suspension components are installed it is the customer's responsibility to ensure that at full cycle the suspension clears the FOX shocks.
- FOX direct-replacement shocks should always be installed as a pair for maximum performance.
- Proper installation and service procedures are essential for the safe and reliable installation of chassis parts, requiring the experience and tools specially designed for this purpose. Installation and maintenance procedures for this product must be performed by a qualified service technician, to avoid potentially unsafe vehicle handling characteristics, which may result in SERIOUS INJURY or DEATH.
- Modifying your vehicle's suspension will change the handling characteristics of your vehicle. Under certain conditions,

your modified vehicle may be more susceptible to loss of control or rollover, which can result in SERIOUS INJURY or DEATH. Thoroughly familiarize yourself with the modified vehicle handling characteristics before any rigorous vehicle operation. Wear body protective gear including head protection when appropriate. Installation of vehicle roll bars or cage is highly recommended.

- FOX direct-replacement shocks are gas-charged and are highly pressurized. Placing shocks in a vise or clamp, applying heat, or attempting to open or service the shock without the proper tools and training can result in SERIOUS INJURY or DEATH. Do not attempt to modify, puncture or incinerate a FOX direct-replacement shock absorber.
- Any attempt to misuse, misapply, modify, or tamper with any FOX product voids any warranty and may result in SERIOUS INJURY or DEATH.



#### INSTALLATION GUIDELINES

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- Always use a chassis lift for the installation of shocks, and make certain that the raised vehicle is securely attached to the lift to prevent the vehicle from slipping, falling, or moving during the installation process.
- •DO NOT install any FOX product without the necessary special tools, expertise and chassis lift, or you will subject vourself to the risk of SERIOUS INJURY or DEATH. If you elect to not use a chassis lift (which election may result in SERIOUS INJURY or DEATH), ensure that the vehicle is on level ground, that all tires on the ground during installation are blocked to prevent vehicle movement, that at least two tires are on the ground at all times, and that adequately secured jack stands are used to support the vehicle. NEVER get under the vehicle until you have checked to ensure that the vehicle will be stable during installation.
- FOX direct-replacement shocks are designed to fit your vehicle's shock mounts with no modifications with the

exception of reservoir placement on specific models and applications.

•If a preload adjustment is necessary for your application DO NOT adjust preload with the coil-over on the vehicle. Remove the coil-over from the vehicle and use a spring compressor to remove the spring hardware and spring. Once the spring is removed, you can adjust the preload ring. DO NOT Exceed more the 1/2" of additional preload. If more than 1/2" of preload is required, you will need to go up in spring rate or get a longer spring that fits the application.



### **INSTRUCTIONS - FRONT**

Medium-strength thread locker (blue) is recommended on all bolts.

- Please read the installation guidelines for instructions on how to properly lift and secure the vehicle.
- Record the front vehicle ride height to ensure proper lift is attained after kit is installed. You will be able to make preload adjustments if needed. (Spanner wrench required) READ INSTALLATION GUIDELINES ON HOW TO PROPERLY ADJUST PRELOAD!
- 3. Remove front wheels from vehicle.
- 4. If equipped, remove the vehicle skid plate.
- Disconnect the sway bar from the spindle on both sides of the vehicle. (Figure 1)



Figure 1: Passenger side shown

6. Disconnect the brake line bracket from the upright. (Figure 2)



Figure 2: Passenger side shown

7. Disconnect the ABS bracket from the upright. (Figure 3)



Figure 3: Passenger side shown



 Disconnect the outer most ABS wire clip from the upper control arm. (Figure 4)



Figure 4: Passenger side shown

 If equipped with 4x4, it is recommended that you remove the outer axle nut and push the axle out of the hub to prevent the axle from popping out of the inner cv joint. DO NOT REMOVE ENTIRE AXLE. Just push the outer portion of the axle out of the hub. 10. Disconnect the outer tie rod end from the upright. (Figure 5)



Figure 5: Passenger side shown

 Disconnect upper control arm from the upright. (Figure 6) Prior to releasing the nut from the upper control arm ball joint completely, be sure to support the upright so that it does not fall and cause damage.





Figure 6: Passenger side shown

- 12. Remove the top (3) nuts that secure the top of the stock coil-over assembly to the vehicle. DO NOT remove center nut; doing so will release the spring from the stock assembly and could result in SERIOUS INJURY or DEATH!
- 13. Remove the (2) lower coil-over nuts connecting the shock to the lower control arm.
- 14. You can now remove the stock coil-over from the vehicle.

15. Once the stock coil-over is removed, you can now install your new FOX coilover. With remote reservoir models, make sure that the hoses are facing outward and towards the front of the vehicle (Figure 7). Connect the coilover top hat to the vehicle with the provided washers and nuts. Tighten all three nuts to 24 FT-LBS.



Figure 7: Passenger side shown

 Connect the coil-over to the lower control arm using the supplied 19mm bolts and washers. Torque to 50 FT-LBS.



- 17. Reinstall upper control arm to upright and reattach any wires and brake lines previously removed from the upright and upper control arm. Torque to OEM specifications
- If equipped with 4x4, reinstall outer axle into the hub and torque the nut to OEM specifications.
- Reinstall the outer tie rod and the sway bar end-link to the upright and torque the nuts to OEM specifications.
- 20. On external reservoir models, mount the reservoir onto the reservoir bracket on the bottom of the frame rail, forward the front crossmember. (Figure 8)



Figure 8: Passenger side bracket shown

 You will need to mark the first mounting hole 7" from the crossmember and <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" in towards the engine. (Figure 9)



Figure 9: Passenger side shown

22. Using a <sup>7</sup>/<sub>32</sub>" drill bit, drill a pilot hole for the first self-tapping screw. Install one side of the bracket using 1 of the ¼" self-tapping screws. Once the first screw is installed, drill a <sup>7</sup>/<sub>32</sub>" hole using the second bracket hole as a guide. (Figure 10)



Figure 10: Passenger side shown



- 23. Now fully install the reservoir bracket onto the vehicle using the supplied ¼" self-tapping screws.
- 24. Using two supplied billet clamps and screws, mount the reservoir to the brackets. Utilize the slots in the bracket to locate clamps. Do not feed the clamps through the slots in the brackets. (Figure 11)



Figure 11: Passenger side bracket shown

- 25. Installed coil-over will resemble Figure 12.
- 26. If equipped, reinstall skid plate, torque to OEM specifications.
- 27. Check that the suspension has proper clearance by steering completely in both directions.
- 28. Reinstall front wheels and torque to OEM specifications.



Figure 12: Driver Side Shown, (Left: 2.5 Factory Race Series Shock, Right: 2.0 Performance Series IFP Shock)

- 29. Set vehicle back on the ground and drive it back and forth several feet to allow the suspension to settle. Now measure ride height and make adjustments if necessary. READ INSTALLATION GUIDELINES ON HOW TO PROPERLY ADJUST PRELOAD. (See page 2 of this instruction manual)
- 30. It is highly recommended that you have your wheel alignment checked.



#### **INSTRUCTIONS - REAR**

Medium-strength thread locker (blue) is recommended on all bolts.

- Please read the INSTALLATION GUIDELINES for instructions on how to properly lift and secure the vehicle.
- Remove stock shocks. It may be necessary to support or raise the vehicle axle in order to remove bolts and for installation of new FOX shock. (Do not discard bolts and nuts, as they will be used with your new FOX Shock.)
- Install new FOX shock reusing OEM bolts and nuts. For piggyback reservoir models, make sure reservoir is pointing away from the axle on both driver and passenger sides (Figure 13). Torque to OEM specifications.



Figure 13: Driver Side Shown, (Left: 2.5 Factory Race Series Shock, Right: 2.0 Performance Series IFP Shock)



#### FOX FACTORY SETTINGS





#### FOX LIMITED WARRANTY

FOX Factory, Inc., a Georgia corporation having an office at 6634 Highway 53 Braselton, GA 30517 ("FOX"), makes the following LIMITED WARRANTY with respect to its suspension products:

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