

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

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# 50167 FRONT ANTI-SWAYBAR '96 -'00 HONDA CIVIC

Congratulations! You were selective enough to choose a SUSPENSION TECHNIQUES PRODUCT. We have spent many hours developing our line of products so that you will receive maximum performance with minimum difficulty during installation.

Note: Confirm that all of the hardware listed in the parts list is in the kit. Do not begin installation if

any part is missing. Read the instructions thoroughly before beginning this installation.

Warning: Do not work under a vehicle supported by only a jack. Place support stands securely under the

vehicle in the manufacturer's specified locations unless otherwise instructed.

Warning: Do not drive vehicle until all work has been completed and checked. Torque all hardware to

values specified.

Reminder: Proper use of safety equipment and eye/face/hand protection is absolutely necessary when

using these tools to perform procedures!

Note: It is very helpful to have an assistant available during installation.

#### **RECOMMENDED TOOLS:**

- Properly rated floor jack, support stands, and wheel chocks
- Combination wrench set
- Ratcheting socket wrench and socket sets
- Safety Glasses

### KIT INSTALLATION

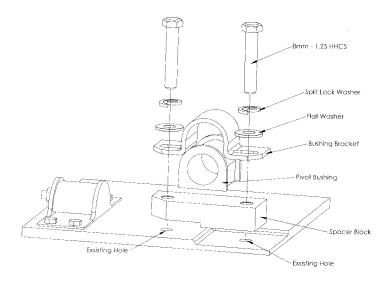
- 1. Open the hardware kit and remove all of the contents. Refer to the part list (Page 3) to verify that all parts are present.
- 2. Park the vehicle on a smooth, level concrete or seasoned asphalt surface and activate the parking brake. Block the REAR wheels of the vehicle with appropriate wheel chocks; making sure the vehicle's transmission is in 1<sup>st</sup> gear (manual) or "Park" (automatic).
- 3. Using a properly rated floor jack, lift the front wheels of the vehicle off the ground. Place support stands, rated for the vehicle's weight, and in the factory specified locations. Refer to the vehicle Owner's Manual. Prior to lowering the vehicle onto the stands, make sure the supports will securely contact the chassis.
- 4. It is very important that the vehicle is properly supported during this installation to prevent personal injury and chassis damage! Make sure that the supports stands are properly placed prior to performing the following procedures. We DO NOT recommend using wheel ramps while performing this installation.
- 5. Slowly lower the vehicle onto the stands and, before placing the vehicle's entire weight on them, again check that they properly and securely contact the chassis as described above. Check for possible interference with any lines, wires, cables, or other easily damaged components.
- 6. CAUTION: EXHAUST MAY BE EXTREMELY HOT. ALLOW THE CAR TO COOL FOR AT LEAST ONE HOUR BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO CONTINUE.

- 7. Loosen and remove the two spring loaded nuts holding the exhaust pipe to the front of the catalytic converter. Pull the exhaust pipe off the catalytic converter and allow the converter to droop. Remove the shift stabilizer bar from the rear of the transmission and the shift linkage bar from the base of the shift lever. Allow these to droop as well.
- 8. Remove the end links from the ends of the original equipment anti-sway bar. Remove the bushing brackets as well. Note the position of the anti-sway bar in the vehicle to ease in the installation of your new Suspension Techniques anti-sway bar. Remove the original equipment anti-sway bar from the vehicle.
- 9. Thoroughly lubricate the **inside** of your new urethane bushings using the lubricant supplied in the kit. Place the bushings on the new anti-sway bar. Refer to the diagram as to the proper bushing location.
- 10. Position your new Suspension Techniques anti-sway bar on the vehicle in the original equipment location. Refer to the diagram for locating the aluminum spacer blocks. Mount the sway bar with the new bushings and brackets. Tighten the bolts to approximately 18 ft/lbs of torque.
- 11. Assemble the end links as shown in the diagram. Tighten until the grommets begin to bulge, but do not crush them.
- 12. Reconnect the shift linkage back to the base of the shift lever and the shift stabilizer bar to the rear of the transmission. Reconnect the exhaust pipe up to the rear of the catalytic converter and tighten the nuts to manufacturer's specification.
- 13. Check that all components and fasteners have been properly installed, tightened and torqued.
- 14. Check brake hoses, steering and other components for any possible interference.
- 15. Lift vehicle and remove support stands. Carefully lower vehicle to ground.
- 16. Immediately test-drive the vehicle in a remote location so that you can become accustomed to the revised driving characteristics and handling. Be aware that the vehicle will handle substantially different now that it has been modified.
- 17. Installation is complete. Check all of the hardware and re-torque at intervals for the first 10, 100, 1000 miles.

#### PARTS LIST FOR ANTI-SWAY BAR KIT

| PART No.  | DESCRIPTION                  | QTY. |
|-----------|------------------------------|------|
| 50167-300 | FRONT ANTI-SWAYBAR           | 1    |
| 113042    | PIVOT BUSHING                | 2    |
| 113001    | END LINK GROMMET             | 8    |
| 114030    | BUSHING BRACKET              | 2    |
| 50167-051 | ALUMINUM SPACER BLOCK- LEFT  | 1    |
| 50167-052 | ALUMINUM SPACER BLOCK- RIGHT | 1    |
| 112008    | 8MM-1.25 X 30MMHHCS          | 2    |
| 112010    | 8MM-1.25 X 45MM HHCS         | 2    |
| 110204    | 5/16 SAE FLAT WASHER         | 4    |
| 110255    | 3/8" - 16 NYLOCK NUT         | 2    |
| 112504    | CUP WASHER                   | 8    |
| 112116    | 3/8" - 16 x 3 3/4" HHCS      | 2    |
| 112444    | 3/8" x 1/2" SPACER           | 2    |
| 55000-10  | Grease Pack                  | 1    |

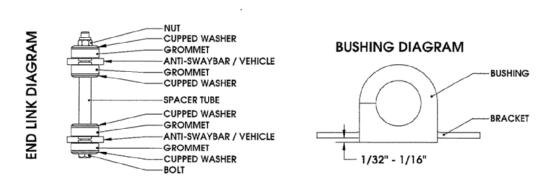
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#### Lubrication

Pre-lubricating the inside of the bushing before its installed is important because the lubrication will greatly reduce noise and it will increase bushing life. Suspension Techniques recommends you use Molybdenum disulfide. This will help protect the inside surface of the bushing and will last longer than most types of grease. Thoroughly lubricate the inside of the bushing with this grease.



### Bushing Installation

Make sure an amount of 1/32" to 1/16" of the bushing is showing when you install it onto the bracket. See the diagram above. If the bushing is showing more than 1/16" than use a sander or a sheet of coarse grit sand paper to shave it down to the proper height. In most applications when installing the new bushings on your Suspension Techniques anti-sway bar you may refer to your original equipment anti-sway bar to locate the proper location.

### End Link Installation

It is not required that you use lubricant on the end links since there is no rotational movement. The Suspension Techniques end links are comprise of grommets, cupped washers, a spacer tube, bolt, and lock nut, these assembled components create the end link. See end link diagram.