

Equipped with AEM<sup>®</sup> Dryflow™ Filter No Oil Required!

# INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS PART NUMBER

## 21-801C (Gun Metal Gray Finish)

2015-2016

ACURA

TLX

3.5L V6

ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	9448	1/2" BNDHOSE CLAMP,2.56"-3.50"	1
2	084091	HOSE; 3-1/4"ID TO 3-1/2"ID X 2-1/4"L, BLK	1
3	9456	1/2" BNDHOSE CLAMP,3.15"-4.00"	2
4	2-1528C	INTAKE TUBE; 3.50'OD X 31, 21-751, GUNMETAL GRAY	1
5	08553	HOSE CLAMP; SPRING BAND 20MM X 12MM	1
6	5-5003	HOSE; 1/2"ID X 3"L	1
7	7-352	BRACKET; 2.00" X 1.00" , M6 STUD, STAINLESS STEEL	1
8	1228596	MOUNT, RUBBER M6 X 3/4" TALL M/F	1
9	08160	WASHER; 1"D X 1/4 HOLE FENDER	1
10	444.460.04	NUT; M6 HEX SERRATED	1
11	1-2114	WELLNUT, 10-32 x 3/4"	1
12	08275	WASHER; 1/4"ID X 5/8"OD - SAE	1
13	1-2542	MACHINE SCREW, 10-32 x 3/4"	1
14	21-2147DK	AIR FILTER; 3.5" X 7" DRYFLOW	1



Read and understand these instructions <u>BEFORE</u> attempting to install this product. Failure to follow installation instructions and not using the provided hardware may damage the intake tube, throttle body and engine.

#### 1. Preparing Vehicle

- a. Make sure vehicle is parked on level surface.
- b. Set the parking brake.
- c. If engine has run in the past two hours, let it cool down.
- d. Disconnect negative battery terminal.
- e. Do not discard components of the factory system after removal.
- f. Open the air intake kit package and make sure all parts are included.

#### 2. Removal of stock system



a. Remove the engine cover by lifting straight up.



c. Squeeze the spring clamp and remove the vent line from the stock intake duct. This will be reused in step 3f.

#### **Tools Needed:**

- Slot & Phillips Screw Drivers
- Needle-Nose Pliers
- 10mm Wrench
- 8 & 10 & 19mm Socket
- Socket Driver with 14" of Extension & U-Joint
- Torque Wrench

Vehicle Jack & Jack Stands

Utility Knife



b. Depress the MAF electrical connector and squeeze the green clip to remove the wiring harness from the stock air box.



d. Remove the two bolts circled that secure the air box to the vehicle.



e. Loosen the hose clamp at the throttle body and remove the intake duct from the throttle body.



g. Jack vehicle up at a weight bearing location to lift driver-side wheel off the ground, then remove the wheel.



on both sides, one after the other and twisting until one piece separates from the other. Both pieces of the



f. Unclip the wiring harness from the stock air box and remove the stock intake system from the vehicle. Note: Do not discard any of your stock equipment.



h. Using a flat screw driver, disconnect the six trim panel clips shown above. Disconnect by inserting screwdriver



the clip can then be pulled out together. Repeat for the three clips in front of the wheel shown above.



j. Separate the undercarriage panel from the fender liner by rotating them away from each other.



 First remove the bolt shown above on the left, allowing you to lower the resonator. Using a short 10mm socket and u-joint on the end of at least 14" of extension



m. Remove the two screws securing the MAF to the stock air box. These will be reused in step 3c.



k. Once the fender liner is free, it can fold neatly back behind the brake assembly as shown.



-and remove the bolt on the right. The resonator can then be pulled out as shown above.

### 3. Installation of AEM<sup>®</sup> intake system.

a. When <u>installing the intake system</u>, do not completely tighten the hose clamps or mounting hardware until instructed to do so.



a. Install the provided wellnut into the frame of the vehicle as shown. Note: Use soap and water to ease installation.



c. Install the MAF sensor with factory screws removed in step 2m onto the AEM intake tube.



b. Install the included coupler and hose clamps as shown on the throttle body. Tighten the one closest to the throttle body to 30 in-lbs.



d. Install the AEM intake tube into the coupler that was previously installed. Do not tighten the hose clamp at this time.



e. Install the rubber mount onto the provided bracket & install the bracket into the vehicle, then secure the screw to the wellnut. Align the AEM intake tube bracket with the mount & secure with provided washer & nut.



g. Remove the electrical tape that holds the MAF harness to the main wire harness.



i. Install the AEM filter onto the AEM tube and secure with the provided hose clamp to 30 in-lbs.



f. Install the provided hose and spring clamp onto the AEM intake tube. Install the vent line into the hose and secure the spring clamp that was removed in step 2c. Note: Trim hose to fit.



h. Plug the MAF connecter back into the MAF sensor on the AEM intake tube.

j. Reinstall the fender liner and check for clearance at the end of the filter and around the upper edge. If the filter displaces the fender liner, loosen the clamps and bolt, adjust and re-tighten. Reinstall the wheel, taking care to properly torque the wheel to factory specifications. Note: The filter for this application was sized to maximize power output. It may contact the fender liner, but should not displace it.



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#### 4. Final Procedure

- a. Inspect the engine bay for any loose tools and check that all fasteners that were moved or removed are properly tightened.
- b. Reconnect negative battery terminal and start engine. Let the vehicle idle for 3 minutes. Perform a final inspection before driving the vehicle.

#### 5. Service and Maintenance

- a. AEM Induction Systems requires cleaning the intake system's air filter element every 100,000 miles. When used in dusty or off-road environments, our filters will require cleaning more often. We recommend that you visually inspect your filter once every 25,000 miles to determine if the screen is still visible. When the screen is no longer visible some place on the filter element, it is time to clean it. To clean, purchase our Synthetic air filter cleaner, part number 1-1000 and follow the easy instructions.
- b. Use window cleaner to clean your powder coated AEM<sup>®</sup> intake tube. NOTE: DO NOT USE aluminum polish on powder coated AEM<sup>®</sup> intake tubes.