

Before installation please observe the following points:

- Read all information in this manual carefully.

 All suspension components are fitted and removed acc. to the manufacturer's specifications for installing and removal, if not otherwise required in these instructions.
 - Check that your vehicle type is listed in the certificate as being released for this kit.
 - Check the product for all components before starting installation!
- Check that dimensions and fastening points are comparable between the original and Bilstein shock absorbers.
- Directional references (left, right, front, rear) are always with reference to the driving direction.
 - The test vehicles are left- hand drive cars.
 - Remove the negative battery pole.

After installation please observe the following points:

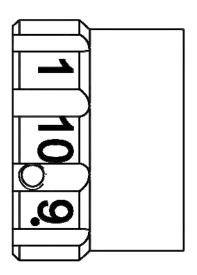
- Set the vehicle height by adjusting spring plates and lock nuts on the new dampers. Only use the supplied spanner wrenches.
 - After installing the suspension system, caster and camber must be checked and adjusted according to manufacturer's specifications.

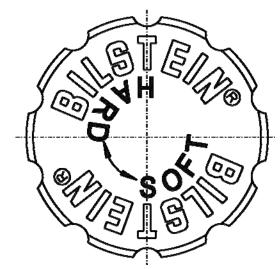
 Check and reset load- dependent brake compensator and ABS system according to manufacturer's specifications.
 - Check and adjust headlight aim.
 - Because the vehicle has been lowered, freedom of movement for all wheel-/tire-combinations must be checked.
- All rubber- mounted strut/ damper attachments
 must not be fully tightened
 until AFTER the suspension system is loaded
 (wheels on the ground). Other mounting
 fasteners (for example brackets)
 must be securely tightened BEFORE load
 is placed on the suspension system.
 - Connect the negative battery pole.

All diagrams are generalized and not to scale! Brackets, etc. specific to strut are not shown!



instruction for force adjustment





position 1 = comfort position 10 = sport

During the adjustment you will hear a positive " click" at each position of the adjustment.

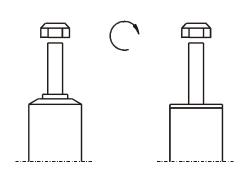
Instruction for the front axle

The adjusting element of the front struts is located at the bottom edge of the strut.

Adjusting position must aligned with the red mark on outer tube.

Status of delivery is position 1.

-					list of torques
М8	M 10	M 12	M 14	M 16	Thread
13	25	45	72	110	Torque Nm
10	19	34	54	83	Torque ft lb



Do not use an impact tool to loosen or tighten fasteners due to possible damage to the product.

Self- locking nuts must only be used once!



mounting instruction for front axle

Removal

Place vehicle on a wheel- free car hoist, lift it and remove wheels.

Vehicles equipped with xenon headlight the movable element of sensor for the headlamp levelling controller must removed before.



The lower control arm must be supported by suitable means!

Remove bottom mount.

Remove top fixing nuts from support bearing. **Do not remove centre nut at this time!**

Remove complete strut and clamp it in an appropriate strut vice.

Using a suitable spring compressor, compress suspension spring until tension on support bearing is released.

Release central nut and remove original mounting parts and coil spring. Please refer to diagram to identify which parts will be replaced with BILSTEIN- supplied components.

Installation

Assemble BILSTEIN and/ or original mounting parts, as well as the new BILSTEIN spring on the BILSTEIN strut in reverse order as removal.



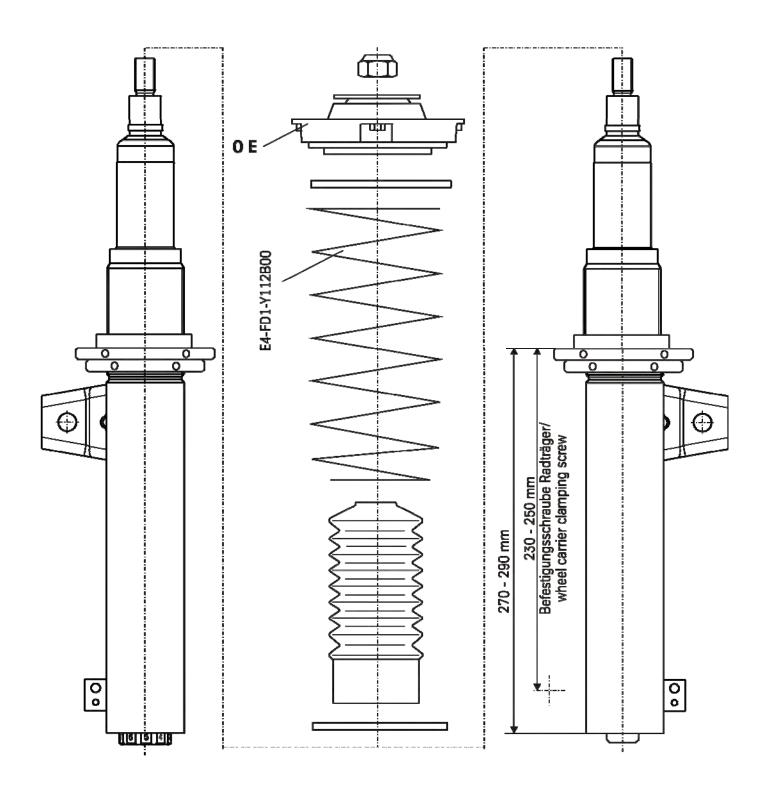
IMPORTANT! Spring plates must not be adjusted outside the ranges specified below!

The correct mounting position of the suspension springs can be determined by the printing on the springs; install them with the print upright.

Do not reuse original dust cover and original- bumper, since BILSTEIN- strut has built in bump stop.

Fit assembled BILSTEIN strut to the vehicle in reverse order as removal.









mounting instruction for rear axle

Removal

Place vehicle on a wheel- free car hoist, lift it and remove wheels.

Disconnect the negative battery pole.



The lower control arm must be supported by suitable means!

Remove top and bottom fixing mount from support bearing.

Remove shock absorber and original mounting parts.

Installation

Fit BILSTEIN and/ or original mounting parts in BILSTEIN shock absorber in reverse order as removal.

Original dust cover and original bumper must reuse.

Fit BILSTEIN shock absorber to the vehicle in reverse order as removal.



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> OE=Original Anbauteile Original Equipment



- mounting instruction for rear axle height adjustment

