

DIRECT-REPLACEMENT  
**ATS/TS STABILIZER**  
INSTALLATION GUIDE



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Thank you for choosing FOX direct-replacement products for your vehicle. FOX products are designed, tested, and manufactured by the finest professionals in the industry.

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 and steering stabilizers 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.
- 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 and/or steering 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 and steering stabilizers 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

### ⚠ WARNING

- Always use a chassis lift for the installation of shocks or stabilizers, 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 yourself 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 and steering stabilizers are designed to fit your vehicle's stock mounts with no

modifications with the exception of reservoir placement on specific models and applications.

## INSTRUCTIONS

1. Please read the INSTALLATION GUIDELINES for instructions on how to properly lift and secure the vehicle.
2. Remove stock steering stabilizer and front axle bracket. Retain stock hardware for re-use (Figs. 1,2).



Fig. 1



Fig. 2

3. Attach FOX replacement bracket to stabilizer mounting adapter using supplied  $\frac{1}{4}$ " bolts. One drop of maximum strength (red) threadlocker is highly recommended on each bolt. Torque each bolt to 12 ft-lbs. (Figs. 3,4,5).



Fig. 3

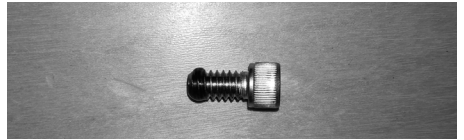


Fig. 4

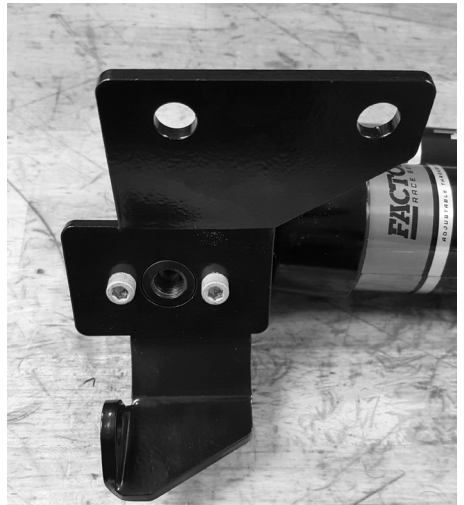


Fig. 5

4. Install FOX replacement axle bracket onto the front axle re-using stock hardware and re-torque to OEM specification. (Fig. 6)



Fig. 6

5. Install eyelet end of stabilizer in the stock tie rod location. Re-use stock hardware and torque to OEM specification. Turn the wheels to compress/extend the stabilizer shaft to assist with alignment.

**ATS only:** Make sure adjuster is pointed forward. Using supplied spacers, place the thicker spacer on the bottom of the eyelet. TIP: Turning the adjuster screw on the eyelet fully counter clockwise will make compressing/extending the stabilizer easier (Fig. 7).



Fig. 7

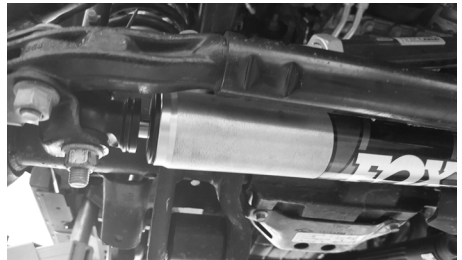


Fig. 8

6. Turn vehicle's wheels full lock in each direction, checking for adequate clearance at both ends and that the steering is limited by the stock steering stops, not the stabilizer. (See Figs. 8 & 9 for reasonable shaft clearance).



Fig. 9

7. Verify the stabilizer does not interfere with any vehicle functions or components (suspension, driveline, engine, etc.) through entire range of steering and suspension travel.

**ATS only:** If stabilizer reservoir interference exists, the reservoir can be rotated for adequate clearance. To rotate, loosen the pinch bolt on L-bracket between stabilizer and stabilizer mounting adapter, then rotate reservoir as needed. Torque pinch bolt to 12 ft-lb. One drop of medium strength (blue) threadlocker is highly recommended on pinch bolt threads. (Fig. 10).



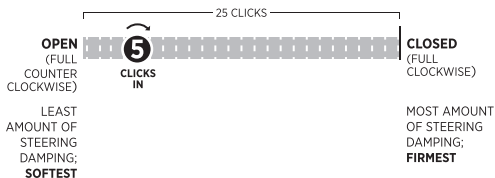
Fig. 10

8. Place vehicle on the ground and re-check that the stabilizer does not interfere with any vehicle functions or components (suspension, driveline, engine, etc.) through entire range of steering and suspension travel. Verify that the vehicle steers completely in both directions and is limited by the stock steering stops, not the stabilizer.

## ADJUSTMENT (ATS ONLY)

The Factory Race Series 2.0 ATS Stabilizer is equipped with a slotted adjustment screw on the eyelet that affects steering damping. Turning the adjustment screw clockwise will increase damping, making steering more firm, while adjusting counterclockwise will decrease damping and steering resistance.

## FOX FACTORY SETTING





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## **COMPLETE SERVICE INTERVALS**

- 100% street use: every 50,000 miles
- 50% street / 50% off-road use: every 10,000 miles
- 100% off-road use: every 1,000 miles

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