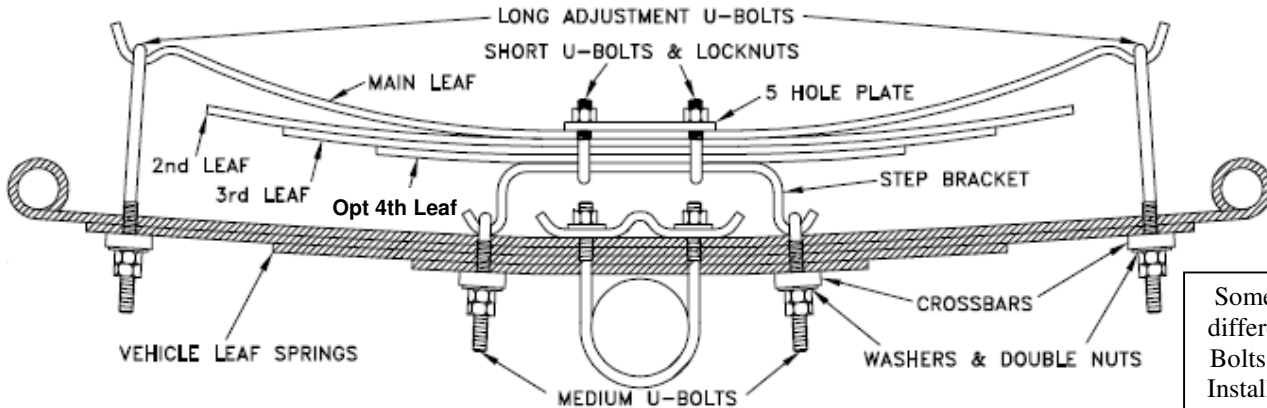


# Hellwig PRODUCTS

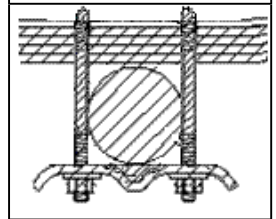
## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Thank you for purchasing a quality Hellwig Product.

PLEASE READ THIS INSTRUCTION SHEET COMPLETELY BEFORE STARTING YOUR INSTALLATION PROCEDURES.



Some models have different Factory U-Bolts shown below. Installation does not change



### TORQUE TABLE

BOLT SIZE: 3/8" = 20-30 ft. lbs. - 7/16" = 35-45 ft. lbs. - 1/2" = 50-70 ft. lbs. - 9/16" = 70-90 ft. lbs

**SAFETY: PARK YOUR VEHICLE ON A FLAT LEVEL SURFACE, SET THE PARKING AND CHOCK THE FRONT TIRES.**

**NOTE: THIS KIT INCLUDES LOCKNUTS WHICH REQUIRE TIGHTENING WITH A WRENCH AFTER BEING STARTED BY HAND.**

**NOTE: IF YOUR VEHICLE IS EQUIPPED WITH A BRAKE FLUID PROPORTIONING VALVE ON THE REAR AXLE READ INSERT (R-362)**

**NOTE: Your spring may have a small hole in the end, this is for our manufacturing process and will not be used.**

**IMPORTANT NOTE: IF YOUR VEHICLE IS EQUIPPED WITH A FACTORY CONTACT OVER LOAD IT MUST BE REMOVED BEFORE INSTALLING THE NEW HELPER SPRINGS.**

1. Raise the rear of the vehicle by the frame so that the rear tires are just slightly contacting the floor. Be sure to Block the front tires and use Jack Stands to support the vehicle by the frame. This will increase the vehicle's spring arch to ease installation.
2. Lay out the [spring leaves](#) into two (2) sets. Each will consist of a long, medium and a short leaf (with an additional shorter leaf on the bottom if installing an LP-35). The hole in the middle of the leaves is punched (1") off center. Lay the leaves so that the long ends are all in the same direction.
3. Stack the leaves so that the short leaf is on the bottom and the long leaf is on the top. Use the (3/8") bolt, nut and lock washer that are provided to tighten the spring stack tightly. **Tighten this center bolt completely.**
4. Place the spring stack on top of the Step Brackets and install the (5) hole plate on top of the spring stack. Using the small U-bolts and the (7/16") lock nuts that are provided mount the spring stacks to the Step Brackets with the (5) hole plate. (4) leaf LP-35 installations use the longer U-bolts provided in the leaf spring box.) **Tighten completely.** Be sure that the springs are straight in line with the Step Bracket. SEE DIAGRAM.
5. Place the assembled spring on top of the truck springs. In most cases the long ends of the springs go towards the rear. Align the springs to be centered over, and in line with the truck springs from front to rear. Front to rear adjustment may be needed to position the Helper Springs and clear any vehicle components or spring alignment clamps.
6. Install the medium U-bolts over the ends of the Step Brackets and install the crossbar with the washers and double nuts to connect the Step Brackets to the truck springs. **Leave loose at this time.**
7. Place the long U-bolts on the ends of the Helper Springs and install the crossbars with the washers and double nuts. **Leave loose at this time.** A C-clamp may be needed to compress the helper spring ends to attach the crossbars and start the threads of the nuts.

8. Align the U-bolts and the Helper Springs to be centered and in line with the truck springs. Tighten the medium length U-bolts on the Step Bracket completely and double nut.
9. Lower the vehicle to the ground and tighten the end U-bolts to attain the desired height and tension. Double nut the U-bolt or loosening will result. Tightening the end U-bolts will increase and loosening will relieve tension. **Be sure to double nut after each adjustment.** Be sure to check for clearance above the Helper Spring to the body, fuel filler hose etc..
10. The minimum tension adjustment is having enough tension on the end U-bolts so that they do not loosen or rattle and move when the vehicle is driven over rough or bumpy surfaces. The maximum is having the end U-bolts tightened so that the ends of the Helper Springs are no closer than (1/4") above the vehicle springs.
11. Check your installation for clearance on all undercarriage components; wires, fuel and brake lines. Test drive the vehicle and recheck your installation, adjust as needed. Recheck on a monthly regular basis thereafter.

## **IMPORTANT NOTES, WARNINGS AND TIPS**

**READ THIS INSTRUCTION SHEET COMPLETELY BEFORE STARTING YOUR INSTALLTION**

**IMPORTANT NOTE: CHECK YOUR INSTALLATION. ARE ALL NUTS AND BOLTS SECURELY TIGHTENED AND DOUBLE NUTTED WHERE PROVIDED? BOUNCE THE VEHICLE CHECKING FOR CLEARANCE ON ALL UNDERCARRAIGE COMPONENTS, MUFFLERS, GAS FILLER PIPES, BRAKE LINES, EMERGENCY BRAKE CABLE, AIR CONDITIONING LINES, RUBBER BOTTOMING PADS, ETC.**

If this unit is to be installed on any DODGE SPRINTER VAN OR CHASSIS—Do NOT install on monoleaf springs. This product is designed to be installed on multi-leaf applications only.

If this unit is to be installed on any DODGE VAN OR MOTORHOME CHASSIS model numbers, B300, B400, MB300 OR MB400 and F30, F40, F44 with plastic molded gas tank a special clearance bracket is required and is available through your local dealer or from Hellwig Products Company (SB621).

For installation on: Wagoneer, Cherokee and J-Series Pick-ups (25350). Locate the double studded plate assembly provided in this kit. This bracket mounts on the front half of the rear spring. Install this bracket with the legs pointing outward to the body of the vehicle. The flat plates will be parallel to the frame and the legs or studs parallel to the ground. One leg will nest in the grove on the accessory spring. The other leg under the vehicle's original spring. Place the final plate on the legs of the bracket and apply washers and double nut.

Before attempting the installation of any Hellwig Accessory Spring , be sure and identify the vehicle to which the accessory spring will be installed as either being or not being equipped with height sensing brake fluid proportioning valve. If a vehicle is equipped with the brake fluid proportioning valve on the rear axle, it is recommended that any Hellwig Full Time Accessory Spring **NOT** be installed. Only the Progressive Rate Accessory Springs are to be installed on these vehicles. Some of the vehicles manufacturers (FORD, GM, DODGE) have recommended an adjustment or modification of the brake system. If the vehicles height or weight requirements have been changed due to the suspension modifications or unusual load situations, contact your local dealer for correct adjustment after installation.

If you have any questions about the application, please contact Hellwig Products Company inc.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Hellwig helper springs are designed to increase the “ Level Load” carrying capacity of your vehicle. Never load the vehicle that this unit is installed on beyond the manufacturer's maximum gross vehicle weight rating.

**ATTENTION INSTALLER: BE SURE THAT THE CUSTOMER RECEIVES THIS INSTRUCTION SHEET, ALL IMPORTANT NOTE CARDS AND THE WARRANTY FORM**