# MISHIMOTO 2015+ SUBARU WRX CVT TRANSMISSION COOLER KIT

## **PARTS LIST**

1PC | 19-ROW OIL COOLER

2PC | 6' LENGTHS OF RUBBER HOSE

**2PC | PUSH-ON BARB FITTINGS** 

1PC | DIRECT-FIT BRACKET SET

**4PC | SMALL WORM-GEAR CLAMPS** 

1PC | MOUNTING HARDWARE

### **TOOLS NEEDED**

10MM DEEP SOCKET PLIERS
12MM DEEP SOCKET DIKES

3/8" DRIVE 6" EXTENSION POP-CLIP PLIERS

3/8" DRIVE RATCHET -10AN WRENCH

10MM WRENCH SUBARU "HIGH TORQUE" CVT

10MM RATCHET WRENCH FLUID

FLATHEAD SCREWDRIVER DIFFICULTY LEVEL: 4/5

**INSTALL TIME: 2 HOURS** 

### **DISCLAIMER**

- Raise vehicle only on jack stands or on a vehicle lift.
- Allow vehicle to cool completely prior to attempting installation.
- Do not run the engine or drive the vehicle while overheating.
   Serious damage can occur.
- Please dispose of any liquids properly.
- Mishimoto is not responsible for any vehicle damage or personal injury due to installation errors, misuse, or removal of Mishimoto products.
- Mishimoto suggests that a trained professional install all Mishimoto products.

# INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

## 01) REMOVING THE STOCK INTERCOOLER

- 1. Remove the stock air intake duct. (2x pop clips)
- 2. Remove the engine cover. (2x pop clips)
- 3. Loosen the worm-gear clamp on the cool-side charge pipe.
- Remove the driver-side mounting bracket for the intercooler. [2x 12mm bolts]
- 5. Remove the passenger-side mounting bolt for the intercooler. [1x 12mm bolt]
- **6.** Disconnect the intake pipe from the intercooler and remove the intercooler from the engine bay.
- 7. Remove the passenger-side mounting bracket for the intercooler. (1x 12mm bolt)

#### 02) REMOVING THE FRONT BUMPER

- 1. Remove the 8x pop clips from the bottom of the front bumper.
- 2. Remove the 2x pop clips that hold the front bumper to the fender lining on each side.
- 3. Remove the 6x 10mm bolts on top of the front bumper.
- **4.** Remove the remaining 3x pop clips on top of the front bumper.
- 5. Carefully unclip the front bumper cover and pull outward about 10 inches (25 cm), ensuring that the fog light connections are not damaged.
- 6. Disconnect the fog lights.
- 7. Completely remove the front bumper cover.
- 8. Remove the 6x pop clips on the trim in front of the radiator.
- Remove the upper support for the front bumper cover. [8x 10mm bolts]

# 03) INSTALLING THE MISHIMOTO TRANSMISSION COOLER

- Route the supplied hoses between the front corner of the passenger-side headlight and the crash bar.
- 2. Route the ends of the hoses that are now in the engine bay toward the rear of the motor, following the intake pipe.
- 3. Locate the stock transmission cooler underneath the passenger-side mounting bracket for the intercooler. It is silver and round, with two coolant lines and two smaller transmission lines.
- 4. Remove the bottom hose for the transmission fluid from the side port of the stock transmission cooler. This is the outlet of the stock transmission cooler.

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- Remove the other end of the hose from the transmission fluid line. Some excess transmission fluid might drip onto the stock transmission cooler.
- 6. Place a worm-gear clamp onto the loose end of one of the supplied hoses now in the engine bay. Install the hose onto the outlet port of the stock transmission cooler.
- Place a worm-gear clamp onto the end of the other supplied hose and connect it to the transmission fluid line.
- 8. Install a -10AN hose fitting to one port of the Mishimoto transmission cooler.
- Place a funnel into the remaining port of the Mishimoto cooler. Proceed to fill the cooler with approximately 0.5–0.75 quart (0.48–0.71 liter) of transmission fluid. (Note: Use only Subaru "High Torque" CVT fluid.)
- 10. Once the transmission cooler has been filled with fluid, remove the funnel and install a -10AN hose fitting onto the port. Fully tighten all -10AN fittings to prevent any leaks.
- 11. Place the supplied worm-gear clamps onto the rubber hoses. Pull some excess hose through the front of the vehicle. If desired, trim about 6–10 inches (15–25 cm) from each rubber hose for a more snug fit in the engine bay.
- 12. Attach the rubber hoses onto the barb side of the -10AN fittings. Make sure the hose clamps are as far up against the flange of the barb fitting to prevent any leaks.
- 13. Install the provided mounting brackets onto the sides of the transmission cooler. [Note: The ends of the mounting brackets should be facing outward, not inward.]
- 14. Install the transmission cooler onto the upper support for the front bumper. (2x upper mounting brackets, 2x 10mm bolts)
- 15. Reinstall the upper support for the front bumper.
- 16. Secure the mounting brackets for the lower transmission cooler to the bottom of the upper support for the front bumper. (2x 10mm bolts)
- 17. Zip-tie the transmission cooler hoses out of the way. Make sure the zip ties do not cause any kinks in the lines.
- **18.** Reinstall to the trim located in front of the radiator. (6x pop clips)
- **19.** Reconnect the fog lights in the front bumper to their harnesses.
- **20.** Reinstall the front bumper cover (you might need an assistant). The bumper cover will snap into place by the headlights.
- 21. Reinstall the passenger-side bracket for the top-mount intercooler. (1x 12mm bolt)

- 22. Reinstall the top-mount intercooler.
- 23. Reconnect the intake pipe to the intercooler.
- **24.** Secure the intercooler to the mounting brackets. [2x 12mm bolts]
- 25. Reinstall the engine cover. (2x pop clips)
- 26. Reinstall the air intake duct. (2x pop clips)
- 27. Start and run the engine for a few minutes to circulate the transmission fluid. Checking the fluid level is recommended. To do this, raise the vehicle on a level surface and remove the transmission fill plug on the back of the transmission. Be sure to reinstall the fill plug once the fluid level has been checked.
- 28. You have now successfully installed the Mishimoto 2015+ Subaru WRX CVT Transmission Cooler Kit! Enjoy!