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9-300 1988-07 Chevy/GMC 1500 2/4WD 9-301 2000-10 2/4WD GM 8 Lug

Step by step instructions and checklist: Use the proper tools and safety equipment to perform all work. Torque all fasteners to proper specifications and double check work. Align your vehicle after installation.





Note: This tool/equivalent is required to replace torsion keys



Raise and support vehicle on jack stands at the frame



Locate and remove torsion bar adjusting



Disconnect lower shock hardware.



Install torsion bar loading tool and run torsion key up



Remove torsion key adjusting block from cross-member



Unload torsion key and tool. Then slide torsion bar forward



Note key clocking position. Torsion key can now be removed



Install new forged torsion key in same position.



Reinstall tool and adjust upward enough to insert adj. block



Install adj. bolt and make bolt flush with cross-member



9-300 Install front lower shock extensions and hardware







Install new extension bracket with OE bolts as shown

Reinstall wheels/tires and torque. Recheck all work performed and test drive vehicle.

Note: Initial height can now be set. Final adjustments of the torsion bars may, and should be performed by the alignment shop.

Final Checks & Adjustments

Post Installation Warnings: Once the vehicle is lowered to the ground, check all parts which have rubber or urethane components to insure proper torque. Torque wheels to factory specs. Move vehicle backwards and forwards a short distance to allow suspension components to adjust. Turn the front wheels completely left then right and verify adequate tire, wheel, brake line, and ABS wire clearance. Test and inspect steering, brake and suspension components for tightness and proper operation. Inspect brakes hoses and ABS lines for adequate slack at full extension. Failure to perform the post inspection checks may result in vehicle component damage and/or personal injury or death to driver and/or passengers. Test drive vehicle and re-check the torque of all fasteners and re-torque wheels on vehicle.

Wheel Alignment/Headlamp Adjustment:

It is necessary to have a proper and professional wheel alignment performed by a certified alignment technician. Align the vehicle to factory specifications. It is recommended that your vehicle alignment be checked after any off-road driving. In addition to your vehicle alignment, for your safety and others, it is necessary to check and adjust your vehicle headlamps for proper aim and alignment.

Vehicle Re-Torque and Safety Inspection:

Upon completion of all services and adjustments performed on your vehicle, and within 50 miles of driving, check to en- sure all fasteners and hardware are properly torqued to specification as noted in the vehicles factory service manual.