

TECHNICAL PROCEDURE

HTB[™]210 for Spartan Motorhome Chassis

SUBJECT: Service Instructions

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SECTION 1 Introduction

This publication is intended to acquaint and assist maintenance personnel in the preventive maintenance, service, repair and rebuild of the Hendrickson HTB^{TM} 210 suspension systems as installed on applicable Spartan Motorhome Chassis.

NOTE

Use only Genuine (H) Hendrickson parts for servicing this suspension system.

It is important to read and understand the entire Technical Procedure publication prior to performing any maintenance, service, repair, or rebuild of this product. The information in this publication contains parts lists, safety information, product specifications, features, proper maintenance, service, repair and rebuild instructions for the HTB 210 Drive Tag, HTB 210 Mid Engine, and HTB 210 Rear Engine Suspensions.

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Product Description

The HTB™ — Lightweight, non-torque reactive rear air suspension system combines superior ride, improved stability, reduced weight and reduced maintenance. Unique design and components make the HTB 210 a reliable, rugged and light weight suspension.

- Air springs HTB 210 improves ride over typical trailing-arm suspensions by supporting the entire load on large volume air springs.
- Torque box HTB 210's unique, maintenance-free torque box system improves multiaxial stability and control. The parallelogram design controls suspension windup and corresponding frame rise. Maintaining pinion angles throughout axle travel reduces suspension-induced driveline vibration and extends driveline component life.
- Rubber bushings All pivot points come equipped with premium rubber bushings requiring no lubrication. Torque box bushings are designed for long life.
- U-bolts Re-torque of the clamp group is reduced since no twisting is applied to the clamp group.
- **Axle alignment** The torque box, torque rods and clamp group joints provide consistent axle alignment and reduce the need for re-alignment.



HTB™ 210 SPECIFICATIONS¹

	Drive lag ²	Mia Engine	Rear Engine
Capacity	21,000 lbs.	21,000 lbs.	21,000 lbs.
Installed Weight	333 lbs.	371 lbs.	370 lbs.
Off-highway Rating	10%	10%	10%
Axle Configuration	Single	Single	Single
GVW Approval	55,000 lbs.	55,000 lbs.	55,000 lbs.
GCW Approval	120,000 lbs.	120,000 lbs.	120,000 lbs.
Ride Heights	8.5"	8.5"	8.5"
Engine Torque Restrictions	None	None	None
Axle Spacing	48"	N/A	N/A

¹ Actual product performance may vary depending upon vehicle configuration, operation, service and other factors. All applications must comply with applicable Hendrickson specifications and must also be approved by the respective vehicle manufacturer with the vehicle in its original, as-built configuration. Contact Hendrickson and the respective vehicle manufacturer for approval of additional applications.

FIGURE 2-1 HTB 210 for Spartan Mid Engine

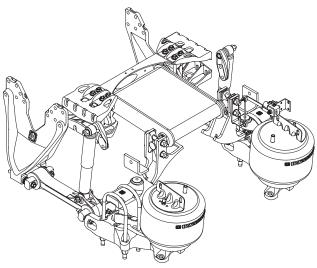


FIGURE 2-3 HTB 210 for Spartan Drive Tag

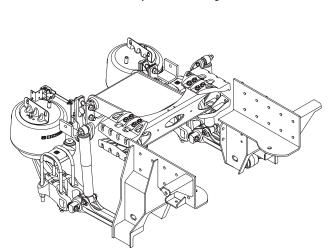


FIGURE 2-2 HTB 210 for Spartan Rear Engine

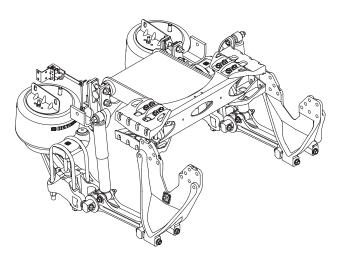
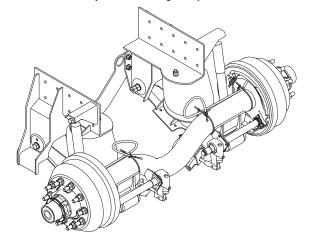


FIGURE 2-4 Auxiliary Axle Drive Tag for Spartan



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² Does not include Auxiliary Axle Drive Tag.



SECTION 3

IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE

Proper maintenance, service and repair is important to the reliable operation of the suspension. The procedures recommended by Hendrickson and described in this technical publication are methods of performing such maintenance, service and repair.

The warnings and cautions should be read carefully to help prevent personal injury and to assure that proper methods are used. Improper maintenance, service or repair may damage the vehicle, cause personal injury, render the vehicle unsafe in operation, or void the manufacturer's warranty.

Failure to follow the safety precautions in this manual can result in personal injury and/or property damage. Carefully read and understand all safety related information within this publication, on all decals and in all such materials provided by the vehicle manufacturer before conducting any maintenance, service or repair.

EXPLANATION OF SIGNAL WORDS

Hazard "Signal Words" (Danger-Warning-Caution) appear in various locations throughout this publication. Information accented by one of these signal words must be observed to help minimize the risk of personal injury to service personnel, or possibility of improper service methods which may damage the vehicle or render it unsafe.



This is the safety alert symbol. It is used to alert you to potential personal injury hazards. Obey all safety messages that follow this symbol to avoid possible injury or death.

Additional 'Notes' or 'Service Hints' are utilized to emphasize areas of procedural importance and provide suggestions for ease of repair. The following definitions indicate the use of these signal words as they appear throughout the publication.



INDICATES AN IMMINENTLY HAZARDOUS SITUATION WHICH, IF NOT AVOIDED, WILL RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH.



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INDICATES A POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS SITUATION WHICH, IF NOT AVOIDED, MAY RESULT IN MINOR OR MODERATE INJURY, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

NOTE

An operating procedure, practice condition, etc. which is essential to emphasize.

SERVICE HINT

A helpful suggestion, which will make the servicing being performed a little easier and/or faster.



SAFETY PRECAUTIONS



FASTENERS

LOOSE OR OVER TORQUED FASTENERS CAN CAUSE COMPONENT DAMAGE, LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR SEVERE PERSONAL INJURY. MAINTAIN CORRECT TORQUE VALUE AT ALL TIMES. CHECK TORQUE VALUES ON A REGULAR BASIS AS SPECIFIED, USING A TORQUE WRENCH THAT IS REGULARLY CALIBRATED.



LOAD CAPACITY

ADHERE TO THE PUBLISHED CAPACITY RATINGS FOR THE SUSPENSION. ADD-ON AXLE ATTACHMENTS AND OTHER LOAD TRANSFERRING DEVICES CAN INCREASE THE SUSPENSION LOAD ABOVE ITS RATED AND APPROVED CAPACITIES, WHICH CAN RESULT IN COMPONENT DAMAGE AND LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL, POSSIBLY CAUSING PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.



TORQUE BOX CLAMP BOLTS

TORQUE BOX CLAMP CONNECTIONS MUST BE TIGHTENED IN THE PROPER SEQUENCE AND HAVE THE PROPER TIGHTENING TORQUE VALUES MAINTAINED. FAILURE TO DO SO CAN RESULT IN THE DEFORMATION OF PARTS, RESULTING IN THE LOSS OF CLAMP FORCE, BOLT FAILURE, LOSS OF THE AXLE'S ALIGNMENT, LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR PERSONAL INJURY.



TORQUE BOX ALIGNMENT SHIMS

THE DRIVE AXLE HAS ONE (1) AXLE BRACKET WITH ADJUSTABLE BAR PIN CLAMPS AND FOUR (4) AXLE BRACKET SHIMS, AND ONE (1) AXLE BRACKET WITH NON-ADJUSTABLE BAR PIN CLAMPS. THE BAR PIN CLAMP PAIRS CAN BE CHANGED FROM SIDE TO SIDE BUT CANNOT BE MIXED. ALL FOUR (4) SHIMS MUST BE USED WITH THE ADJUSTABLE BAR PIN CLAMPS, WHICH ARE THINNER THAN THE NON-ADJUSTABLE BAR PIN CLAMPS. FAILURE TO DO SO CAN RESULT IN THE DEFORMATION OF PARTS, LOSS OF CLAMP FORCE, BOLT FAILURE, LOSS OF THE AXLE'S ALIGNMENT, LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR PERSONAL INJURY.



U-BOLT CLAMP GROUP CONNECTION

U-BOLT CLAMP GROUP CONNECTION MUST BE PROPERLY ALIGNED AND HAVE THE PROPER TIGHTENING TORQUE VALUES MAINTAINED. METAL SURFACES CAN WORK AND WEAR AGAINST OTHER RELATED CLAMP GROUP COMPONENTS IF NOT PROPERLY ALIGNED OR PROPERLY TIGHTENED TO MAINTAIN THE PROPER CLAMP FORCE. FAILURE TO DO SO CAN CAUSE PREMATURE COMPONENT WEAR, POSSIBLE SEPARATION OF THE CLAMP GROUP, CAUSING LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR PERSONAL INJURY.



LONGITUDINAL TORQUE ROD

THE AIR SPRING TRANSFERS LOAD TO THE FRAME HANGER THROUGH THE LONGITUDINAL TORQUE ROD. PRIOR TO LONGITUDINAL TORQUE ROD REMOVAL THE SUSPENSION AIR SYSTEM MUST BE DEFLATED. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL CAUSE THE AXLE HOUSING TO ROTATE AND/OR SHIFT, RESULTING IN POSSIBLE DAMAGE TO COMPONENTS AND/OR PERSONAL INJURY.



TORCH/WELDING

DO NOT USE A CUTTING TORCH TO REMOVE ANY ATTACHING FASTENERS. THE USE OF HEAT ON SUSPENSION COMPONENTS WILL ADVERSELY AFFECT THE STRENGTH OF THESE PARTS.





ALUMINUM COMPONENTS

THE HTB 210 CONTAINS VARIOUS ALUMINUM COMPONENTS. EXERCISE EXTREME CARE WHEN HANDLING OR PERFORMING MAINTENANCE NEAR OR ON ALUMINUM COMPONENTS. DO NOT USE A CUTTING TORCH TO REMOVE ANY ATTACHING FASTENERS. THE USE OF HEAT ON SUSPENSION COMPONENTS WILL ADVERSELY AFFECT THE STRENGTH OF THESE PARTS. A COMPONENT DAMAGED IN THIS MANNER CAN RESULT IN THE LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL AND POSSIBLE PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

ALUMINUM COMPONENTS WERE DESIGNED TO BE LIGHTWEIGHT OPTIONS WHERE WEIGHT REDUCTION IS DESIRABLE. THEIR USE SHALL BE CONFINED TO APPLICATIONS WHERE THE RATED CAPACITY OF THE SUSPENSION WILL NOT BE EXCEEDED. FAILURE TO LIMIT THE ALUMINUM COMPONENT APPLICATIONS TO RATED CAPACITY CAN RESULT IN FAILURE OF THE COMPONENT AND LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL, POSSIBLY CAUSING PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

ALUMINUM COMPONENTS SUCH AS, TORQUE RODS, TORQUE ROD BAR PIN, AIR SPRING BRACKETS, CROSS MEMBER GUSSETS, TOP PAD, CROSS BAR, ETC., CAN BE DAMAGED WITH PROLONGED EXPOSURE TO SALT, OR ACID. CONTINUED EXPOSURE CAN RESULT IN A FAILURE OF THESE PARTS AND LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL POSSIBLY CAUSING PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

ALUMINUM COMPONENTS CAN ALSO BE DAMAGED BY CONTACT WITH HARD OBJECTS WHICH GOUGE THESE PARTS. THESE CONDITIONS COULD RESULT IN A FAILURE OF THESE PARTS WHICH CAN RESULT IN THE LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL AND POSSIBLE PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.



AIR SPRING INFLATION AND DEFLATION

AIR SPRING ASSEMBLIES MUST BE DEFLATED PRIOR TO SERVICING THE SUSPENSION. UNRESTRICTED AIR SPRING ASSEMBLIES CAN VIOLENTLY SHIFT. DO NOT INFLATE AIR SPRING ASSEMBLIES WHEN THEY ARE UNRESTRICTED. AIR SPRING ASSEMBLIES MUST BE RESTRICTED BY THE SUSPENSION OR OTHER ADEQUATE STRUCTURE. DO NOT INFLATE BEYOND PRESSURES RECOMMENDED BY THE AIR SPRING MANUFACTURER, CONTACT HENDRICKSON TECHNICAL SERVICES FOR DETAILS. IMPROPER USE OR OVER INFLATION WILL CAUSE THE AIR SPRING ASSEMBLIES TO BURST, CAUSING PROPERTY DAMAGE AND/OR SEVERE PERSONAL INJURY.



AIR SPRING INFLATION

INFLATE THE SUSPENSION SLOWLY, ENSURE THAT THE RUBBER BLADDER OF THE AIR SPRING INFLATES UNIFORMLY AND IS NOT BINDING. FAILURE TO DO SO CAN CAUSE DAMAGE TO THE AIR SPRING AND/OR AIR SPRING MOUNTING BRACKETS AND VOID WARRANTY.



AIR SPRING DEFLATION

IF THE AIR SPRING IS BEING REMOVED, IT IS MANDATORY TO LUBRICATE THE LOWER AIR SPRING FASTENERS WITH PENETRATING OIL AND REMOVE WITH HAND TOOLS TO PREVENT DAMAGE TO THE LOWER AIR SPRING MOUNTING STUD. FAILURE TO DO SO CAN CAUSE COMPONENT DAMAGE AND VOID WARRANTY.



PRIOR TO AND DURING DEFLATION AND INFLATION OF THE AIR SUSPENSION SYSTEM, ENSURE THAT ALL PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ARE CLEAR FROM UNDER THE VEHICLE AND AROUND THE SERVICE AREA, FAILURE TO DO SO CAN CAUSE SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY, DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.





PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

ALWAYS WEAR PROPER EYE PROTECTION AND OTHER REQUIRED PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT TO HELP PREVENT PERSONAL INJURY WHEN PERFORMING VEHICLE MAINTENANCE, REPAIR OR SERVICE.



MODIFYING COMPONENTS

DO NOT MODIFY OR REWORK PARTS WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION FROM HENDRICKSON. DO NOT SUBSTITUTE PARTS OF THE SUSPENSION. USE OF MODIFIED OR REPLACEMENT PARTS NOT AUTHORIZED BY HENDRICKSON MAY NOT MEET HENDRICKSON'S SPECIFICATIONS, AND CAN RESULT IN COMPONENT DAMAGE, LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL, AND POSSIBLE PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE. USE ONLY HENDRICKSON AUTHORIZED REPLACEMENT PARTS.



PROCEDURES AND TOOLS

A TECHNICIAN USING A SERVICE PROCEDURE OR TOOL WHICH HAS NOT BEEN RECOMMENDED BY HENDRICKSON MUST FIRST SATISFY HIMSELF THAT NEITHER HIS SAFETY NOR THE VEHICLE'S SAFETY WILL BE JEOPARDIZED BY THE METHOD OR TOOL SELECTED. INDIVIDUALS DEVIATING IN ANY MANNER FROM THE INSTRUCTIONS PROVIDED WILL ASSUME ALL RISKS OF CONSEQUENTIAL PERSONAL INJURY OR DAMAGE TO EQUIPMENT INVOLVED.



SHOCK ABSORBERS

THE SHOCK ABSORBERS ARE THE REBOUND TRAVEL STOPS FOR THE SUSPENSION. ANYTIME THE AXLE ON A HTB 210 SUSPENSION IS SUSPENDED IT IS MANDATORY THAT THE SHOCK ABSORBERS REMAIN CONNECTED. FAILURE TO DO SO CAN CAUSE THE AIR SPRINGS TO SEPARATE FROM THE PISTON AND RESULT IN PREMATURE AIR SPRING FAILURE. REPLACEMENT OF SHOCK ABSORBERS WITH NON-HENDRICKSON PARTS CAN ALTER THE REBOUND TRAVEL OF THE SUSPENSION.



PARTS CLEANING

SOLVENT CLEANERS CAN BE FLAMMABLE, POISONOUS, AND CAUSE BURNS. TO HELP AVOID SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY, CAREFULLY FOLLOW THE MANUFACTURER'S PRODUCT INSTRUCTIONS AND GUIDELINES AND THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES:

- 1. WEAR PROPER EYE PROTECTION.
- 2. WEAR CLOTHING THAT PROTECTS YOUR SKIN.
- 3. WORK IN A WELL-VENTILATED AREA.
- 4. DO NOT USE GASOLINE OR SOLVENTS THAT CONTAIN GASOLINE. GASOLINE CAN EXPLODE.
- 5. ACIDIC SOLUTIONS CANNOT BE USED ON ALUMINUM COMPONENTS.
- 6. HOT SOLUTION TANKS OR ALKALINE SOLUTIONS MUST BE USED CORRECTLY. FOLLOW THE MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDED INSTRUCTIONS AND GUIDELINES CAREFULLY TO HELP PREVENT PERSONAL ACCIDENT OR INJURY. DO NOT USE HOT SOLUTION TANKS OR WATER AND ALKALINE SOLUTIONS TO CLEAN GROUND OR POLISHED PARTS. DOING SO WILL CAUSE DAMAGE TO THE PARTS AND VOID WARRANTY.



JACKING METHODS

IMPROPER JACKING METHODS CAN CAUSE STRUCTURAL DAMAGE AND RESULT IN LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL, SEVERE PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH AND WILL VOID HENDRICKSON'S WARRANTY.

■ REFER TO VEHICLE MANUFACTURER FOR PROPER JACKING INSTRUCTIONS.

SECTION 4 HHTB **Parts Lists** HTB 210 for Spartan Mid Engine 2° Pinion Angle 30 13



$\mathsf{HTB}^{\scriptscriptstyle\mathsf{TM}}$ 210 for Spartan Motorhome Chassis – Mid Engine

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	NO.REQ.
1	65700-000	Frame Hanger	2
2	66797-003	Torque Rod Assembly - 15.67" (Includes Key No. 3)	2
3	64664-000L	*Torque Rod Bushing	2
	49176-018	Torque Rod Fastener Service Kit, Axle (Includes Key Nos. 4-7)	Set
4	32043-007	5/8"-11 UNC Hex Bolt - 7.0"	4
5	32043-008	5/8"-11 UNC Hex Bolt - 4.0"	4
6	22962-004	5/8" Hardened Washer	16
7	47764-000	%"-11 UNC Locknut	8
8a 8b	66193-001 66193-003	Pinion Spacer Air Spring Bracket - 8mm Frame Hanger - 24mm	4
9	00193-003	Torque Rod Shim	As Rea.
9	66299-001 66299-002 66299-003	V ₃₂ " (0.030") V ₁₆ " (0.060") V ₈ " (0.120")	As Req.
10	65708-000	Top Pad Assembly (Includes Key No. 11)	2
11	64080-000	Axle Stop	1
12	66675-000	Axle Stop Spacer Plate	2
	48718-115	U-bolt Fastener Service Kit, Axle Set (Includes Key Nos. 13-15)	
13	64102-001	34"-16 UNF U-bolt - 13.5"	4
14	22962-001	34" Hardened Washer	8
15	49685-000	34"-16 UNF U-bolt Locknut	8
16	65638-002 65638-001	Lower Air Spring Bracket 2°-6° LH RH	1
17	60977-002L	Air Spring Assembly (FS)	
18	22962-014	½" Hardened Washer	2 2 2 2 2
19	17700-010	½"-13 UNC Nylocknut	2
20	66153-005L	Shock Absorber	2
21	65000-005	Shock Absorber Bracket	2
	50754-024	Shock Absorber Fastener Service Kit, (Includes Key Nos. 22-27)	Axle Set
22	50764-010	3/4"-10 UNC Upper Shock Bolt - 4.25"	2
23	22962-001	3/4" Hardened Washer	2
24	49842-000	3/4"-10 UNC Locknut	2
25	32043-005	5/8"-11 UNC Lower Shock Bolt - 4.5"	2
26	22962-004	5/8" Hardened Washer	2 2 2 2 4 2
27	47764-000	5/8"-11 UNC Locknut	2

KEY	NO. PART NO.	DESCRIPTION NO	.REQ.
	66175-002	Torque Box Cross Member Assembly (Includes Key Nos. 28-34)	1
28	64785-004	Torque Box Assembly w/Bar Pin Bushing	1
29	64970-000	Cross Member C-Channel	1
30	66698-000	Cross Member Gusset	4
31	65144-000	Cross Member Bar Pin Clamp	4
	66025-002	Cross Member Fastener Service Kit, One	Side
		(Includes Key Nos. 32-34)	
32	32043-016	5/8"-11 UNC Bolt - 8.0"	8
33	22962-004	5⁄8" Hardened Washer	16
34	47764-000	5/8"-11 UNC Locknut	8
35		**Axle Bracket (Long Arm Side)	1
36		**Axle Bracket (Short Arm Side)	1
37	66174-000	Axle Bracket Bar Pin Clamp, Non-Adjustab	le 2
_38	66274-000	Axle Bracket Bar Pin Clamp, Adjustable	2
39	65737-001	Axle Bracket Shim - 0.093"	4
	66027-001	Axle Bracket Fastener Service Kit, One Sid	de
		(Includes Key Nos. 40-42)	
_40	50764-002	34"-10 UNC Bolt - 5.5"	4
41	22962-001	34" Hardened Washer	8
42	49842-000	3/4"-10 UNC Locknut	4
	57977-000	Height Control Valve Assembly	1
		(Includes Key Nos. 43-46)	
_43	60501-000	Height Control Valve	1
44	57975-000	HCV Mounting Bracket	1
45	22962-028	1/4" Hardened Washer	2
_46	49983-000	1/4"-20 UNC Locknut	2
47		**HCV Linkage Assembly	1_
48		**Lower HCV Linkage Mounting Bracket	1

NOTE:

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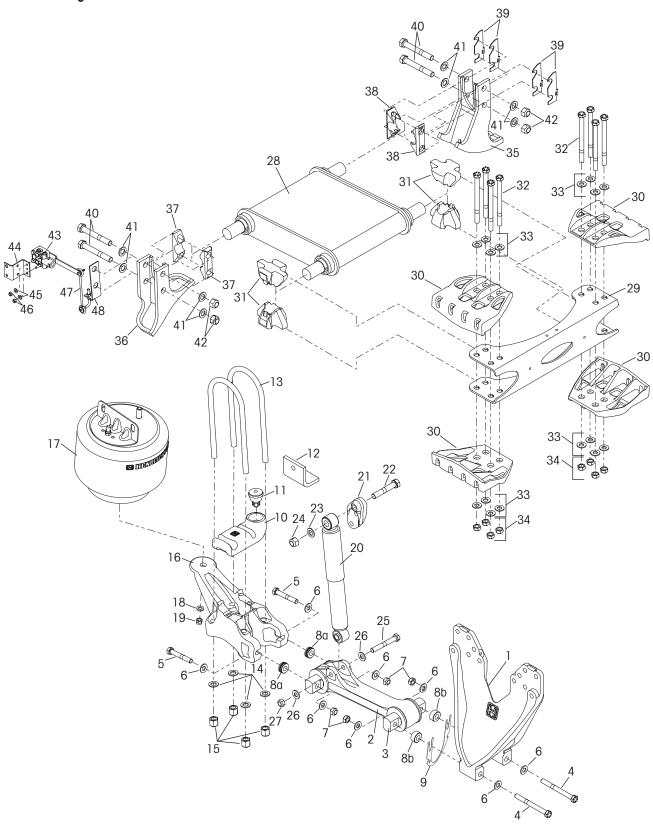
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HTB 210 for Spartan Rear Engine



4° Pinion Angle





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KEY NO	. PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	NO.REQ.
1	65700-000	Frame Hanger	2
2	66797-002	Torque Rod Assembly - 15.67" (Includes Key No. 3)	2
3	64664-000L	*Torque Rod Bushing	2
	49176-018	Torque Rod Fastener Service Kit, Axle (Includes Key Nos. 4-7)	Set
4	32043-007	5/8"-11 UNC Hex Bolt - 7.0"	4
5	32043-008	5/8"-11 UNC Hex Bolt - 4.0"	4
_ 6	22962-004	5⁄8" Hardened Washer	16
_ 7	47764-000	5/8"-11 UNC Locknut	8
8a 8b	66193-002 66193-004	Pinion Spacer Frame Hanger - 16mm Air Spring Bracket - 19.3mm	4
9	66299-001 66299-002 66299-003	Torque Rod Shim 1/32" (0.030") 1/16" (0.060") 1/8" (0.120")	As Req.
10	65708-000	Top Pad Assembly (Includes Key No. 11)	2
11	64080-000	Axle Stop	1
12	66675-000	Axle Stop Spacer Plate	2
	48718-116	U-bolt Fastener Service Kit, Axle Set (Includes Key Nos. 13-15)	
13	64102-002	3/4"-16 UNF U-bolt - 14.0"	4
14	22962-001	3/4" Hardened Washer	8
15	49685-000	3/4"-16 UNF U-bolt Locknut	8
16	65698-001 65698-002	Lower Air Spring Bracket 8°-10° RH LH	1
17	60977-002L	Air Spring Assembly (FS)	2
18	22962-014	1/2" Hardened Washer	2 2 2 2
19	17700-010	½"-13 UNC Nylocknut	2
20	66153-005L	Shock Absorber	2
21	65000-005	Shock Absorber Bracket	2
	50754-024	Shock Absorber Fastener Service Kit, (Includes Key Nos. 22-27)	Axle Set
22	50764-010	3/4"-10 UNC Upper Shock Bolt - 4.25"	2
23	22962-001	¾" Hardened Washer	2
24	49842-000	3/4"-10 UNC Locknut	2
25	32043-005	5/8"-11 UNC Lower Shock Bolt - 4.5"	2
26	22962-004	5⁄8" Hardened Washer	2 2 2 4
27	47764-000	5/8"-11 UNC Locknut	2

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33	22962-004	5%" Hardened Washer	16
34	47764-000	5/8"-11 UNC Locknut	8
35		**Axle Bracket (Long Arm Side)	1
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38	66274-000	Axle Bracket Bar Pin Clamp, Adjustable	2
39	65737-001	Axle Bracket Shim - 0.093"	4
	66027-001	Axle Bracket Fastener Service Kit, One Side	9
		(Includes Key Nos. 40-42)	
40	50764-002	34"-10 UNC Bolt - 5.5"	4
41	22962-001	¾" Hardened Washer	8
42	49842-000	34"-10 UNC Locknut	4
	57977-000	Height Control Valve Assembly	1
		(Includes Key Nos. 43-46)	
43	60501-000	Height Control Valve	1
44	57975-000	HCV Mounting Bracket	1
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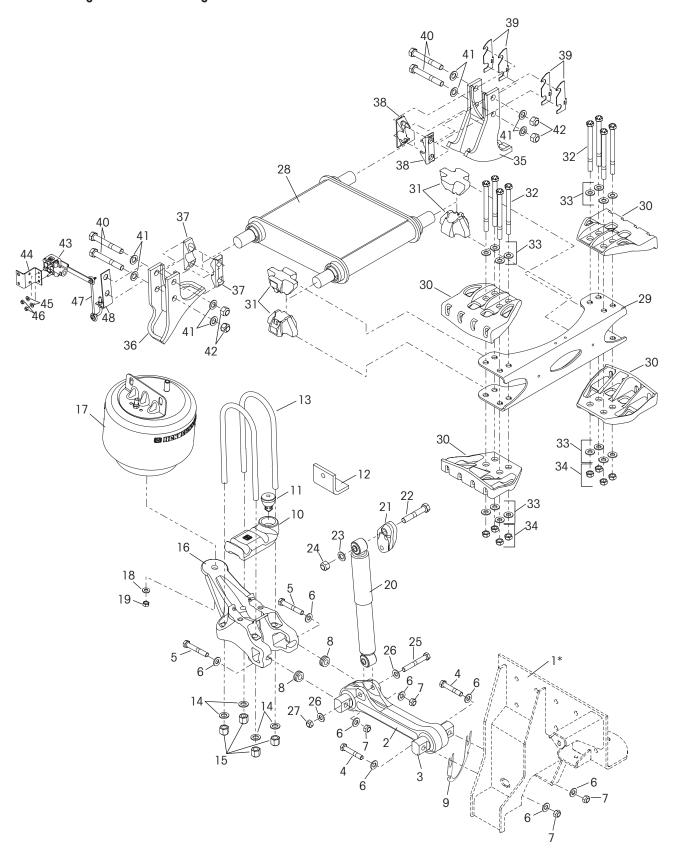
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K2 Rear Engine -2° Pinion Angle MM Rear Engine -4° Pinion Angle





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	49176-029	Torque Rod Fastener Service Kit, Axle (Includes Key Nos. 4-7)	Set
4	32043-009	5/8"-11 UNC Hex Bolt - 3.5"	4
5	32043-008	%"-11 UNC Hex Bolt - 4.0"	4
6	22962-004	5/8" Hardened Washer	16
7	47764-000	5/8"-11 UNC Locknut	8
8	66193-002	Air Spring Bracket Pinion Spacer - 16r (For K2 Only)	mm 4
9		Torque Rod Shim	As Req.
	66299-001	· 1⁄32" (0.030")	·
	66299-002	1/16" (0.060")	
	66299-003	1/8" (0.120")	
10	65708-000	Top Pad Assembly	2
		(Includes Key No. 11)	
11	64080-000	Axle Stop	1
12	66675-000	Axle Stop Spacer Plate	2
	48718-116	U-bolt Fastener Service Kit, Axle Set	
		(Includes Key Nos. 13-15)	
13	64102-002	34"-16 UNF U-bolt - 14.0"	4
14	22962-001	¾" Hardened Washer	8
_15	49685-000	34"-16 UNF U-bolt Locknut	8
16		Lower Air Spring Bracket 8°-10°	
	65698-001	RH	1
	65698-002	LH	1
_17	60977-002L	Air Spring Assembly (FS)	2 2 2 2 2
_18	22962-014	½" Hardened Washer	2
19	17700-010	½"-13 UNC Nylocknut	2
_20	66153-005L	Shock Absorber	2
21	65000-005	Shock Absorber Bracket	
	50754-024	Shock Absorber Fastener Service Kit, (Includes Key Nos. 22-27)	Axle Set
22	50764-010	3/4"-10 UNC Upper Shock Bolt - 4.25"	2
23	22962-001	34" Hardened Washer	2
24	49842-000	3/4"-10 UNC Locknut	2
25	32043-005	5/8"-11 UNC Lower Shock Bolt - 4.5"	2
26	22962-004	%" Hardened Washer	2 2 2 2 4 2
27	47764-000	5/8"-11 UNC Locknut	2

KEY	NO. PART NO.	DESCRIPTION NO.	.REQ.
	66175-002	Torque Box Cross Member Assembly (Includes Key Nos. 28-34)	1
28	64785-004	Torque Box Assembly w/Bar Pin Bushing	1
29	64970-000	Cross Member C-Channel	1
30	66698-000	Cross Member Gusset	4
31	65144-000	Cross Member Bar Pin Clamp	4
	66025-002	Cross Member Fastener Service Kit, One S	Side
		(Includes Key Nos. 32-34)	
_32	32043-016	5/8"-11 UNC Bolt - 8.0"	8
_33	22962-004	5/8" Hardened Washer	16
34	47764-000	5/8"-11 UNC Locknut	8
_35		***Axle Bracket (Long Arm Side)	1
_36		***Axle Bracket (Short Arm Side)	1
_37	66174-000	Axle Bracket Bar Pin Clamp, Non-Adjustab	
_38		Axle Bracket Bar Pin Clamp, Adjustable	2
39	65737-001	Axle Bracket Shim - 0.093"	4
	66027-001	Axle Bracket Fastener Service Kit, One Sic	de
		(Includes Key Nos. 40-42)	
40	50764-002	3/4"-10 UNC Bolt - 5.5"	4
41	22962-001	34" Hardened Washer	8
42	49842-000	3/4"-10 UNC Locknut	4
	57977-000	Height Control Valve Assembly	1
		(Includes Key Nos. 43-46)	
_43	60501-000	Height Control Valve	1
44		HCV Mounting Bracket	1
45		1/4" Hardened Washer	2
_46		1/4"-20 UNC Locknut	2
_47		***HCV Linkage Assembly	1
48	i	***Lower HCV Linkage Mounting Bracket	1

NOTE:

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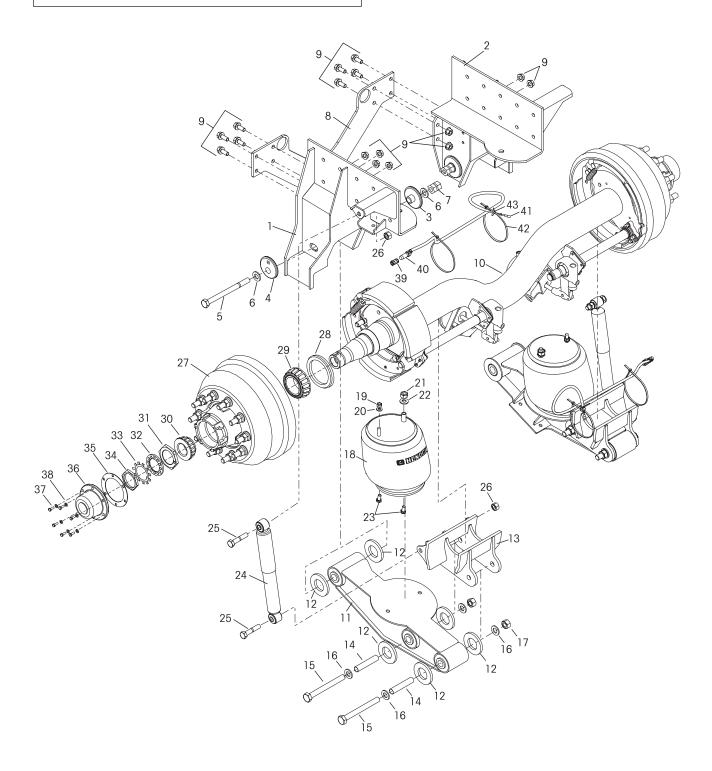
^{*} Supplied by Hendrickson Auxiliary Axle Systems. See Auxiliary Axle Drive Tag Parts List in this section.

^{**} HTB torque rod bushing replacement can be done using the Hendrickson Torque Rod Bushing Assembly Tool (Funnel) Part No. 66086-000.

^{***} Not Supplied by Hendrickson, used for reference only. Refer to vehicle manufacturer for more information.

Auxiliary Axle Drive Tag

The components illustrated on this page are supplied by Hendrickson Auxiliary Axle Systems. For information regarding component replacement or technical service call 1-800-660-2829.





Auxiliary Axle Drive Tag for Spartan Motorhome Chassis

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	NO.REQ.
1	006974-1	Hanger Bracket Assembly (Driver's Side) 1	
2	006974-2	Hanger Bracket Assembly (Passenger's Side) 1	
	A-21116	Front Pivot Bolt Kit, Quik-Align®	2
		(Includes Key Nos. 3-7)	
_ 3	C-20924	Flanged Concentric Inboard Washer	1
4	C-20925	Flanged Eccentric Washer	1
5	002548-1	7/8"-9 UNC Heavy Hex Screw - 10.0"	1
6	A-21024	Hardened Steel Washer	2
7	A-15122	Quik-Align Torq-Rite® Service Nut	1
8	006993	Cross Member, 34.25" F.W.	1
9	006912	Cross Member Bolt Kit	1
	006723	Axle Beam Assembly	1
		(Includes Key Nos. 10-13)	
10	006742	Axle - 6.0" Drop, 6.5" x 6.0" Brakes	1
		Beam Assembly	
11	006927-1	Driver's Side	1
	006927-2	Passenger's Side	1
12	B-14495	Wear Pad	12
13		` ,	
		*Axle Seat Weldment (DTSM) 1	
	006932	Axle Seat Bolt Kit 2	
		(Includes Key Nos. 14-17)	
14	002520	Plastic Liner	2 2 4 2 2 2
15	006907-4	7/8"-9 UNC Heavy Hex Bolt - 8.5"	2
16	006909-4	7⁄8" Washer	4
17	006908-5	7/8"-9 UNC Hex Nut	2
18	006994	Air Spring (Ride)	2
	006913	Air Spring Bolt Kit (Zinc)	2
		(Includes Key Nos. 19-23)	
19	006908-1	½"-13 UNC Hex Nut	1
20	006909-2	1/2" Lockwasher	1
21	006908-4	3/4"-16 UNF Hex Nut 1	
22	006909-3	3/4" Lockwasher	1
23	006907-1	½"-13 UNC Hex Bolt - 1.0"	2

K	EY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	IO.REQ.
	24	006797	Shock Absorber	2
		006921	Shock Absorber Bolt Kit (DTSM) (Zinc) (Includes Key Nos. 25-26)	2
	25	006907-3	34"-10 UNC HHB - 3.5"	2
	26	006908-3	3/4"-10 UNC Hex Nut	2 2 1
	27	003053	Hub / Drum ST20/22/UH/OUT/10/ABS	2
		006914	Wheel End Components Kit (Includes Key Nos. 28-38)	1
	28	A-11571	Hub Seal	2
	29	A-2717	Inner Bearing Cone	2
	30	A-2718	Outer Bearing Cone	
	31	A-1985	Inner Wheel Bearing Adj. Nut	1
	32	A-1987	Axle Lockwasher - Pin Type	1
	33	002653	Star Washer	1
	34	A-1986	Outer Wheel Bearing Nut	1
	35	A-1973	Hubcap Gasket	2
	36	003520	Hubcap Assembly w/Pipe Plug & Cap P	
	37	SA-1100-4	5/16"-18 UNC Hex Head Bolt	12
	38	SA-1600-7	5/16" Lockwasher	12
	39	006924	ABS Sensor Clip	2
	40	006910	ABS Sensor	2
	41	006929	ABS Conduit Sleeve	2
	42	006897	Cable Tie, Heavy Duty	4
	43	006969	Cable Tie, Light Duty	2

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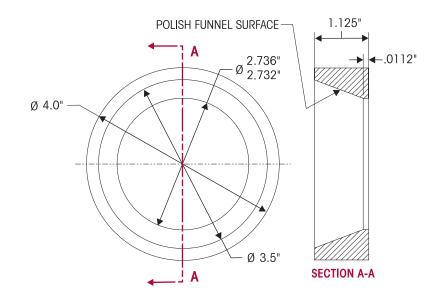
^{*} Axle seat brackets are welded to axle tube. Part not serviceable.



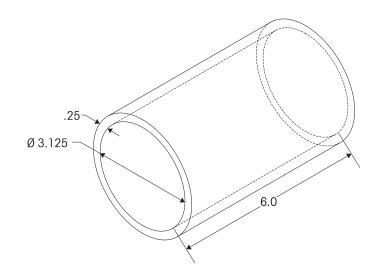
Special Tools

TORQUE ROD BUSHING ASSEMBLY TOOL (FUNNEL)

H PART NO. 66086-000



TORQUE ROD BUSHING RECEIVING TOOL





SECTION 6

Preventive Maintenance

VISUAL INSPECTION

A visual inspection of the suspension is necessary every 10,000 miles or annually, whichever comes first, to help ensure all such components function to their highest efficiency. Visual Inspection must include the following items and other components referenced in this section.

- Wear and Damage Inspect all parts of the suspension for wear and damage. Look for bent or cracked parts. Replace all worn or damaged parts.
- Air Spring Inspect air springs for chafing or any signs of air spring or component damage. Ensure that the upper bead plate is tight against the underside of the frame. Check for any lateral slippage at the lower air spring bracket. Slippage of 1/8" in either direction is acceptable. Replace all worn or damaged parts.
- Fasteners Look for any loose or damaged fasteners on the entire suspension. Make sure all fasteners are tightened to a torque value within the specified torque range. See Torque Specification Chart in this publication for Hendrickson recommended torque requirements. Use a calibrated torque wrench to check torque in the tightening direction. As soon as the fastener starts to move, record the torque. Correct the torque if necessary. Replace any worn or damaged fasteners fasteners.

NOTE

Hendrickson recommends the use of Grade 8 bolts with hardened flat washers and Grade C locknuts for all suspension component attachments.

- Air Spring Bracket Check the overall condition of the upper and lower air spring brackets for dents, dings, cracks or other damage. Check for any signs of looseness in the clamp group. Check all fasteners for proper torque. Replace all worn or damaged parts.
- Frame Hanger Bracket Inspect the frame hanger bracket for any signs of loosening or damage. Inspect all fasteners securing the frame hanger bracket to the frame rails as well as the longitudinal torque rod mounting fasteners. Check all fasteners for proper torque. Replace all worn or damaged parts.
- Cross Member and Gussets Inspect the cross member and gussets for any signs of loosening or damage. Inspect the bar pin clamp blocks for any signs of looseness or movement. Check all fasteners for proper torque. Replace all worn or damaged parts.
- Shock Absorbers Look for any signs of dents or leakage. Misting is not considered a leak. See Shock Absorber Inspection in this section.
- Tire Wear Inspect the tires for wear patterns that may indicate suspension damage or misalignment. Replace all worn or damaged parts. Verify proper alignment and correct as necessary.
- Height Control Valve and Air Lines Check the suspension air system for air leaks. Check all air lines for proper routing. Check for chafing or pinched air lines. Check the height control valve linkage for damage or interference with peripheral components. Replace all worn or damaged parts.
- Top Pad and Rubber Axle Stop Look for cracks and or missing rubber axle stops. The rubber axle stop is exposed to contact forces in extreme jounce conditions. It will be necessary to visually inspect the rubber axle stop for wear at the specified inspection interval. The rubber axle stop must be replaced when the contact rubber is worn down to a 1/16" above the bump stop pedestal. See the Component Replacement Section of this publication for replacement.

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U-BOLT LOCKNUTS

- 1. U-bolt locknuts must be re-torqued to specification at preparation for delivery.
- 2. U-bolt locknuts must be re-torqued at 500 miles or first service interval.
- 3. Thereafter, follow annual or 10,000 mile inspection and re-torque interval.

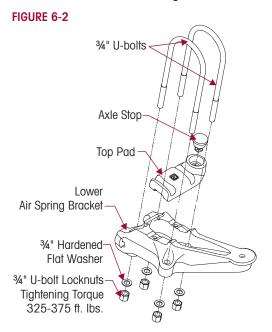
NOTE

Current Hendrickson Truck Suspension Systems U-bolt clamp group hardware for the HTB 210 suspension are 34"-16 UNF Grade C high locknuts with hardened flat washers and 34"-16 UNF Grade 8 U-bolts that are phosphate and oil coated.

Tighten the U-bolt locknuts evenly in 50 foot pound increments to 325-375 foot pounds torque in the proper pattern to achieve uniform bolt tension as shown in Figure 6-1.



IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE U-BOLT CONNECTION CLAMP GROUP PROPERLY ALIGNED AND HAVE THE PROPER TIGHTENING TORQUE VALUES MAINTAINED. METAL SURFACES CAN WORK AND WEAR AGAINST OTHER RELATED CLAMP GROUP COMPONENTS NOT PROPERLY ALIGNED PROPERLY TIGHTENED TO MAINTAIN THE PROPER CLAMP FORCE, FAILURE TO DO SO CAN CAUSE PREMATURE COMPONENT WEAR, POSSIBLE SEPARATION OF THE CLAMP GROUP, CAUSING LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR PERSONAL INJURY, SEE FIGURE 6-2.



TORQUE BOX

It is important to inspect the torque box during preventive maintenance service. Visually inspect the torque box for cracks, damage, torn or shredded rubber, or any signs of looseness at the bar pin clamps. Replace all worn or damaged parts. The torque box is a non-serviceable item and must be replaced as an assembly, if damaged, or the bushings are worn out. Check all fasteners for proper torque, see Tightening Torque Specifications Section of this publication.

LATERAL ALIGNMENT INSPECTION

The torque box maintains lateral alignment of the drive axles and controls axle walkout during cornering. If the lateral alignment of the drive axles is incorrect, it may be necessary to align the torque box and/or the axle. See Lateral Alignment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section of this publication.

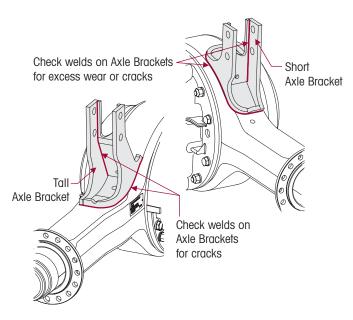


AXLE BRACKETS

Due to the importance of maintaining a proper connection between the axle housing and axle brackets, the axle brackets and axle housing require visual inspection. If the axle brackets show excessive wear, or the welds have cracks, the components will need to be repaired or replaced. If repair is needed, contact the vehicle or axle manufacturer for approved repair procedures.

- 1. Inspect the axle brackets for signs of excessive wear. Check the welds for signs of cracking, see Figure 6-3.
- 2. Inspect the axle bracket to axle weld for signs of cracking, see Figure 6-3.





LONGITUDINAL TORQUE RODS

The longitudinal torque rods, air spring brackets, pinion spacers (if equipped), and the torque box, maintain driveline angles while controlling acceleration, cornering, and braking forces. All torque rods and mounting hardware should be inspected for damage and proper fastener torque every 10,000 miles or annually. Follow the vehicle manufacturer's specifications for tightening torque values.



THE AIR SPRING TRANSFERS LOAD TO THE FRAME HANGER THROUGH THE LONGITUDINAL TORQUE ROD. PRIOR TO LONGITUDINAL TORQUE ROD REMOVAL THE SUSPENSION AIR SYSTEM MUST BE DEFLATED. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL CAUSE THE AXLE TO VIOLENTLY SHIFT, RESULTING IN POSSIBLE DAMAGE TO COMPONENTS AND/OR PERSONAL INJURY.

INSPECTION

- Chock the wheels.
- 2. Support the frame.



PRIOR TO AND DURING DEFLATION AND INFLATION OF THE AIR SUSPENSION SYSTEM, ENSURE THAT ALL PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ARE CLEAR FROM UNDER THE VEHICLE AND AROUND THE SERVICE AREA, FAILURE TO DO SO CAN CAUSE SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY, DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.



- 3. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- 4. Disconnect the height control linkage assembly from the height control valve arm. Lower the height control valve arm to exhaust the air in the air springs and deflate the rear suspension. (See vehicle manufacturer's instructions).
- 5. Visually inspect the following:
 - a. The torque rods for cracks, bends, breaks, or end hubs which are elongated or oval. Any of these conditions require torque rod replacement.
 - **b.** The torque rod bushings for torn or shredded rubber. Any of these conditions require torque rod bushing replacement
 - **c.** The torque rod assembly for movement while applying pressure with a long pry bar to each torque rod end. If movement is detected, replace torque rod bushings and/or torque rod as required.

To replace the torque rod, or the torque rod bushings, see the Component Replacement Section of this publication.



PRIOR TO AND DURING DEFLATION AND INFLATION OF THE AIR SUSPENSION SYSTEM, ENSURE THAT ALL PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ARE CLEAR FROM UNDER THE VEHICLE AND AROUND THE SERVICE AREA, FAILURE TO DO SO CAN CAUSE SERIOUS PERSONAL INJURY, DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

- 6. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- 7. Inflate the suspension by raising the height control valve arm.
- 8. Reconnect the height control linkage assembly to the height control valve arm by sliding the rubber grommet onto the stud.
- 9. Remove the frame supports.
- 10. Remove the wheel chocks.
- 11. Verify the vehicle is at the correct ride height. Correct as necessary. Refer to Ride Height Adjustment in the Alignment & Adjustment section of this publication.

RIDE HEIGHT INSPECTION

NOTE

All ride height measurements must be conducted on the axle spindle adjacent to the height control valve. Measuring at other points will cause an inaccurate reading.

- 1. Use a work bay with a level surface.
- 2. Relax the suspension by slowly moving the vehicle back and forth several times in a straight line without using the brakes. This will slacken or loosen the suspension as the vehicle is positioned. End with all wheels positioned straight ahead. Try to roll to a stop without the brakes being applied. **DO NOT** set the parking brake. Consult the vehicle manufacturer for parking brake override procedure.
- 3. Chock the front wheels of the vehicle.
- 4. Verify and maintain the air system at full operating pressure.
- 5. See Air Spring Cautions and Warnings in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to inflating or deflating the suspension system.



NOTE

The cycling of the height control valve will help make the adjustment more accurate. Be sure to maintain full system air pressure while setting or inspecting ride height.

NOTE

During cycle operation of the height control valve it is normal to experience a limited amount of exhaust noise.

6. Cycle the suspension using method A or B.

METHOD A — If equipped with a suspension dump system

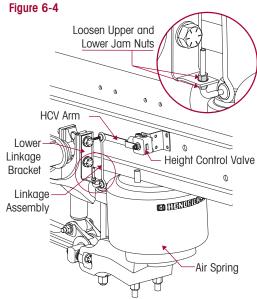
Cycle the suspension air system by using the cab dump valve. Completely exhaust air from the suspension system. Inflate the suspension air system and allow several minutes for the suspension to stabilize prior to measuring suspension ride height.

METHOD B

Disconnect the height control linkage assembly from the height control valve arm. Lower the height control valve arm to exhaust the air in the air springs and deflate the rear suspension. (See vehicle manufacturer's instructions). Reconnect the height control valve arm to the height control valve linkage assembly to inflate the suspension. Allow several minutes for the suspension to stabilize, see Figure 6-4.

7. Measure vehicle ride height using Method C or D.

METHOD C — Reference ride height measuring shock absorber length.



- a. Using a tape measure, measure the referenced ride height on the drive axle from the centerline of the upper shock mounting bolt to the centerline of the lower shock mounting bolt.
- b. Compare the referenced ride height measurement to the appropriate dimension "C" in the following matrix.
- c. If the referenced measured ride height measurement is not within the correct tolerance the ride height will need to be corrected. See Ride Height Adjustment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section of this publication.

METHOD D — Design ride height

- a. Measure from the bottom of the axle stop spacer to the axle centerline.
- b. The design ride height dimension should be 8½" ± 1/8". (See dimension "D" in Figure 6-5 and 6-6)
- c. If the design ride height is not within this range the ride height will need to be corrected. See Ride Height Adjustment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section of this publication.



	"C"	"D"
Vehicle	Shock Length (Referenced Ride Height)	Design Ride Height
Rear Engine (Figure 6-5)	18 ³ /16" ± ¹ /8"	
Mid Engine (Figure 6-6)	185/8" ± 1/8"	81/2"+ 1/8"
Drive Tag (MM)	19" ± 1/8"	072 ± 76
Drive Tag (K2)	19 5/8" ± 1/8"	

FIGURE 6-5 REAR ENGINE

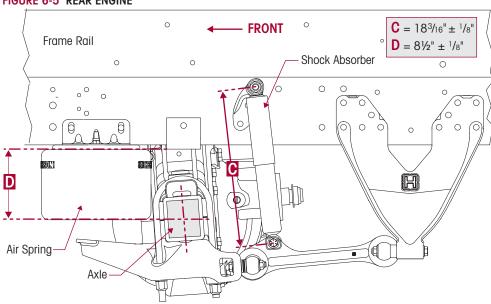
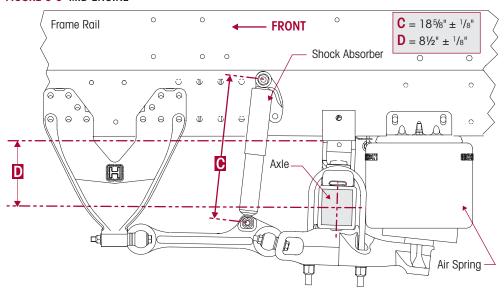


FIGURE 6-6 MID ENGINE





AIR FITTING INSPECTION

- 1. If an air leak is suspected, begin by building up the air system to normal operating pressure.
- 2. Spray all nylon tube air fittings with a soapy water solution to detect the leak location.

NOTE

Air lines and fittings may be inspected for leaks using a soapy water solution. The height control valve, however, cannot be inspected using this method. All height control valves have an allowable leakage rate. The only acceptable method for inspection of the height control valves is the height control valve test found in this section.

- 3. If an air leak is located, ensure the tubing end is clean and in good condition and the end is cut square. Check to see if the tubing is binding, being pulled upon or bent.
- 4. Visually inspect the air fittings for signs of damage or contamination.

HEIGHT CONTROL VALVE TEST

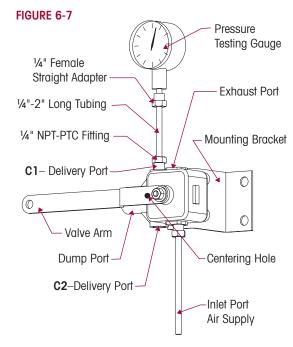
Height control valve Hendrickson Part No. 57977-000 can be tested with Barksdale Field Test Kit No. 52341 Series. If the Barksdale Inc. kit is used, follow their instructions.

If using shop tools you will need the following for proper testing:

- 160 pound minimum gauge that has 5 pound graduation marks with a ¼" male brass connection
- 2" long ¼" Tubing inserted into brass connection of gauge
- ¼" Female straight adapter that mates to ¼" air hose
- ¼" NPT-¼" PTC Fitting
- ¼" NPT Plug
- Centering Pin (¹/s" wooden dowel rod)
- Tool for air line removal

INSTRUCTIONS

- Disconnect the height control linkage from the height control valve arm.
- 2. Rotate valve arm down to exhaust air in the suspension.
- 3. Clean area around air fittings.
- Disconnect the air lines from the air springs to the valve, at C1 and C2.
- 5. Plug C2 port.
- 6. Attach gauge tubing on C1 port, as shown in Figure 6-7.
- 7. Apply lubricant on tubing end to facilitate installation.
- 8. Move valve arm up to FILL mode. This pressurizes the test valve/ gauge.

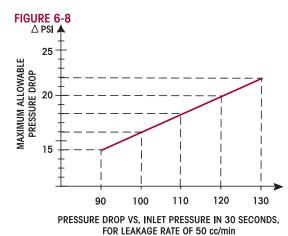




9. Move valve arm towards center and install centering pin in holes on the valve arm and the valve housing, as shown in Figure 6-7. Care must be exercised so as not to overshoot the center (blocked) mode of the valve as this will cause the test volume to be exhausted.



11. Observe pressure reading for a period of 30 seconds.



- 12. Refer to Figure 6-8 for maximum allowable pressure drop vs. inlet pressure in 30 seconds. Valve is good if pressure drop does not exceed maximum allowable.
- 13. Replace valve if maximum allowable pressure drop is exceeded.
- 14. Reconnect linkage and bag lines to valve cylinder ports.

NOTE

If valve meets all the above characteristics, the valve is operating properly. Do not attempt to disassemble or repair valve as this will void warranty.

SHOCK ABSORBER INSPECTION

Hendrickson uses a long service life, premium shock absorber on all HTB 210 suspensions. If shock absorber replacement is necessary, Hendrickson recommends that the shock absorbers be replaced with identical f H Hendrickson Genuine parts for servicing. Failure to do so will affect the suspension performance, durability, and will void the warranty.

Inspection of the shock absorber can be performed by doing a heat test, and a visual inspection. For instructions on shock absorber replacement see the Component Replacement Section of this publication. It is not necessary to replace shock absorbers in pairs if one shock absorber requires replacement.

HEAT TEST

1. Drive the vehicle at moderate speeds on rough road for a minimum of fifteen minutes.

MARNING

DO NOT GRAB THE SHOCK AS IT COULD POSSIBLY CAUSE PERSONAL INJURY.

- Lightly touch the shock body carefully below the dust cover, see Figure 6-9.
- Touch the frame to get an ambient reference. A warm shock absorber is acceptable, a cold shock absorber should be replaced.
- 4. To inspect for an internal failure, remove and shake the suspected shock. Listen for the sound of metal parts rattling inside. Rattling of metal parts can indicate that the shock has an internal failure.





VISUAL INSPECTION

Look for these potential problems when doing a visual inspection. Inspect the shock absorbers fully extended. Replace as necessary.

FIGURE 6-10



Damaged upper or lower mount



Damaged upper or lower bushing



Damaged dust cover and/or shock body



Bent or dented shock



Improper installation example: Washers installed backwards (if equipped)

LEAKING VS. MISTING SHOCK VISUAL INSPECTION

The inspection must not be conducted after driving in wet weather or a vehicle wash. Shocks needs to be free from water. Many shocks are often mis-diagnosed as failures. Misting is the process whereby very small amounts of shock fluid evaporate at a high operating temperature through the upper seal of the shock. When the "mist" reaches the cooler outside air, it condenses and forms a film on the outside of the shock body. Misting is perfectly normal and necessary function of the shock. The fluid which evaporates through the seal area helps to lubricate and prolong the life of the seal.

A shock that is truly leaking and needs to be replaced will show signs of fluid leaking in streams from the upper seal. These streams can easily be seen when the shock is fully extended, underneath the main body (dust cover) of the shock. Look for these potential problems when doing a visual inspection. Inspect the shock absorbers fully extended. Replace as necessary.

FIGURE 6-11 Misting Leaking OK replace shock Inspect with shocks fully extended

NOTE

The HTB 210 suspension is equipped with a premium seal on the shock, however this seal will allow for misting to appear on the shock body (misting is not a leak and is considered acceptable).

If the shock is damaged install new shock absorber and replace as detailed in the Component Replacement Section of this publication.



SECTION 7

Alignment & Adjustments

RIDE HEIGHT ADJUSTMENT

The HTB 210 suspension is equipped with a height control valve mounted on the inside of the frame rail. Please refer to the Plumbing Diagram Section of this publication.

- 1. Use a work bay with a level surface.
- 2. Relax the suspension by slowly moving the vehicle back and forth several times in a straight line without using the brakes. This will slacken or loosen the suspension as the vehicle is positioned. End with all wheels positioned straight ahead. Try to roll to a stop without the brakes being applied. **DO NOT** set the parking brake. Consult the vehicle manufacturer for parking brake override procedure.
- Chock the front wheels of the vehicle.
- 4. Verify and maintain the air system at full operating pressure.
- 5. See Air Spring Cautions and Warnings in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to inflating or deflating the suspension system.

NOTE

The cycling of the height control valve will help make the adjustment more accurate. Be sure to maintain full system air pressure while setting or inspecting ride height.

NOTE

During cycle operation of the height control valve it is normal to experience a limited amount of exhaust noise.

6. Cycle the suspension using Method A or B.

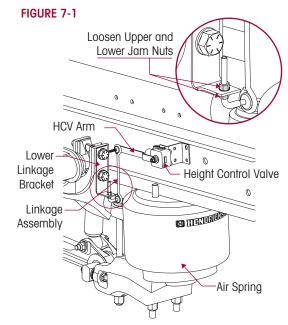
METHOD A — If equipped with a suspension dump system in the cab

Cycle the suspension air system by using the cab dump valve. Completely exhaust air from the suspension system. Inflate the suspension air system and allow several minutes for the suspension to stabilize prior to measuring suspension ride height.

METHOD B

Disconnect the height control linkage assembly from the height control valve arm. Lower the height control valve arm to exhaust the air in the air springs and deflate the rear suspension. (See vehicle manufacturer's instructions). Reconnect the height control valve arm to the height control valve linkage assembly to inflate the suspension. Allow several minutes for the suspension to stabilize, see Figure 7-1.

Measure vehicle ride height using Method C or D.





METHOD C — Reference ride height measuring shock absorber length.

- a. Using a tape measure, measure the referenced ride height on the drive axle from the centerline of the upper shock mounting bolt to the centerline of the lower shock mounting bolt.
- b. Compare the referenced ride height measurement to the appropriate dimension "C" in the following matrix.
- c. If the referenced measured ride height measurement is not within the correct tolerance the ride height will need to be corrected. See Ride Height Adjustment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section of this publication.

	"C"	"D"	
Vehicle	Shock Length (Referenced Ride Height)	Design Ride Height	
Rear Engine (Figure 7-2)	18 ³ /16" ± ¹ /8"		
Mid Engine (Figure 7-3)	185/8" ± 1/8"	8½"± 1/8"	
Drive Tag (MM)	19" ± 1/8"	O72 ± 78	
Drive Tag (K2)	19 ⁵ /8" ± ¹ /8"		

FIGURE 7-2 REAR ENGINE

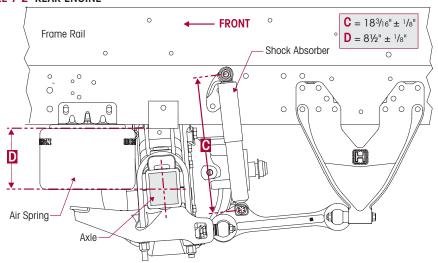
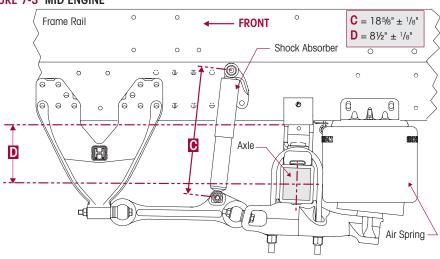


FIGURE 7-3 MID ENGINE





Method D — Design ride height

- a. Measure from the bottom of the axle stop spacer to the axle centerline.
- b. The design ride height dimension should be $8\frac{1}{8}$ " $\pm \frac{1}{8}$ ", (see dimension "D" in Figure 7-2 and 7-3).
- c. If the design ride height is not within this range the ride height will need to be corrected. See Ride Height Adjustment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section of this publication.

NOTE

If an adjustment is required, verify and maintain the air system at full operating pressure.



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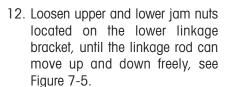
- 8. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- Disconnect the height control linkage assembly from the height control valve arm.
 Lower the height control valve arm to exhaust the air in the air springs and deflate the rear suspension, (See vehicle manufacturer's instructions).

FIGURE 7-4

Refill the suspension by raising the height control valve arm by hand until the suspension is at the proper ride height.

11. To set neutral position, use a wooden centering dowel (golf tee) in the alignment hole and engage in housing slot, as shown in Figure 7-4. **DO NOT**

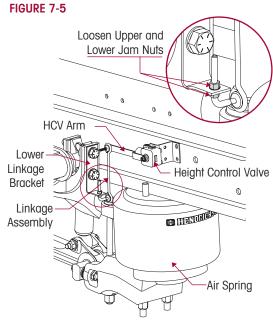
use a metal rod or nail as this may cause damage to the height control valve.



- 13. Adjust the linkage assembly until it can be connected to the valve arm.
- 14. Tighten the upper and lower jam nuts to the vehicle manufacturer's specifications, see Figure 7-5.
- Remove the wooden centering dowel (golf tee) from the height control valve.

The cycling of the height control valve will help make the adjustment more accurate. Be sure to maintain full system air pressure while setting or inspecting ride height.





To set neutral position align hole with hole

Centering Pin

in height control valve cover

NOTE



NOTE

During cycle operation of the height control valve it is normal to experience a limited amount of exhaust noise.

- 16. Cycle the suspension air system using Method A or Method B as detailed in step 6.
- 17. Recheck the ride height.
- 18. Repeat steps 8 through 17 until the ride height is within specification.

AXLE ALIGNMENT AND ADJUSTMENTS

ALIGNMENT

Checking and correcting alignment of the drive and tag axle involves performing the following steps in the sequence listed.

STEP	DESCRIPTION	COMMENTS
Α	Preparing the vehicle	
В	Measuring the lateral alignment of the torque box	
С	Correcting torque box lateral alignment	(if necessary)
D	Measuring the lateral alignment of the axle	
E	Correcting lateral alignment of the axle	(if necessary)
F	Measuring axle thrust angle	
G	Correcting axle thrust angle	(if necessary)
Н	Final torque of the drive axle	(if adjustments were made)
I	Measuring auxiliary axle alignment	
J	Correcting auxiliary axle alignment	(if necessary)

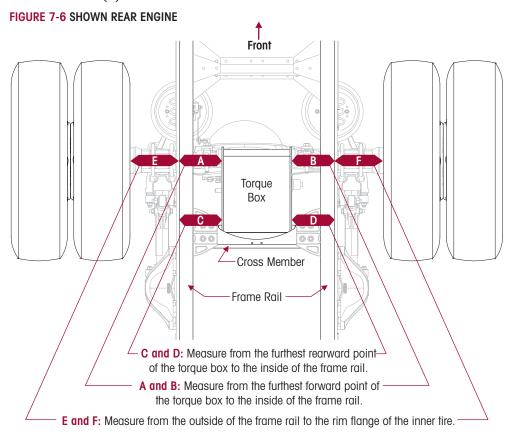
STEP A. PREPARING THE VEHICLE

- A-1. Use a work bay with a level surface.
- A-2. Relax the suspension by slowly moving the vehicle back and forth several times in a straight line without using the brakes. This will slacken or loosen the suspension as the vehicle is positioned. End with all wheels positioned straight ahead.
- A-3. **DO NOT** set the parking brake. Consult the vehicle manufacturer for parking brake override procedure. Chock the front wheels of the vehicle.
- A-4. Verify and maintain the air system at full operating pressure.
- A-5. Verify the vehicle is at the correct ride height. Correct as necessary. Refer to Ride Height Adjustment in this section.
- A-6. Verify all suspension components are in good condition. Repair or replace any worn or damaged suspension components before proceeding with the alignment process.
- A-7. Ensure all drive axle tires are the same size.
- A-8. Ensure all auxiliary axle drive tag tires are the same size.



STEP B. MEASURING TORQUE BOX LATERAL ALIGNMENT (See Figure 7-6)

- B-1. Measure the distance between the left front side of the torque box and the left inside frame rail (A). Record the measurement.
- B-2. Measure the distance between the right front side of the torque box and the right inside frame rail (B). Record the measurement.
- B-3. Measure the distance between the left rear side of the torque box and the left inside frame rail (C). Record the measurement.
- B-4. Measure the distance between the right rear side of the torque box and the right inside frame rail (**D**). Record the measurement.



- B-5. Calculate the difference between location A-B as shown in Figure 7-6.
- B-6. Calculate the difference between location C-D as shown in Figure 7-6.
- B-7. Calculate the difference between location A-C as shown in Figure 7-6.
 - a. If all the calculated differences in steps B-5 to B-7 are equal to or less then 1/4" then proceed to Step D "Measuring the Lateral Alignment of the Axle."
 - b. If any of the calculated differences in steps B-5 to B-7 are greater than ¼", this indicates the box is either offset or rotated. It will be necessary to correct the lateral alignment of the torque box. Proceed to Step C "Correcting Lateral Alignment of the Torque Box."



STEP C. CORRECTING TORQUE BOX LATERAL ALIGNMENT (IF NECESSARY)

NOTE

This step is only necessary if the torque box lateral alignment needs to be corrected as determined in Step B.

C-1. Support the frame at ride height.



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- C-2. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- C-3. Disconnect the height control linkage assembly from the height control valve arm. Lower the height control valve arm to exhaust the air in the air springs and deflate the rear suspension. (See vehicle manufacturer's instructions).
- C-4. Loosen the torque box clamp bolts at all four corners of the torque box.
- C-5. Using a pry bar, center the torque box in the frame rails. Measurements (A and B), (C and D) and (A and C) should be within 1/4" of each other. This will center the torque box and ensure parallelism of the torque box to the frame rails.

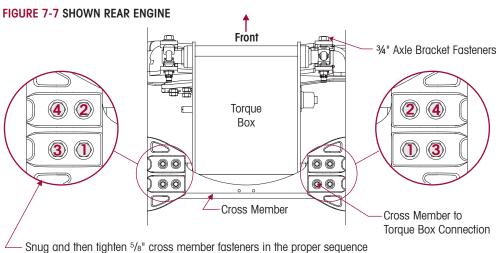


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THE TORQUE BOX CLAMP BOLTS MUST BE TIGHTENED WHEN THE VEHICLE IS AT RIDE HEIGHT. TIGHTENING THE CLAMP BOLTS WHEN THE VEHICLE IS NOT AT RIDE HEIGHT WILL PRODUCE A TWIST IN THE TORQUE BOX BUSHINGS RESULTING IN PREMATURE COMPONENT WEAR OF THE TORQUE BOX BUSHINGS, IMPROPER RIDE HEIGHT OF THE VEHICLE AND ALTER RIDE QUALITY.

C-6. First snug, and then tighten the torque box to cross member clamp bolts in the proper sequence (inboard fasteners first then outboard fasteners), to prevent cross member deformation, see Figure 7-7. Tighten the cross member locknuts to \$\bigselockless{150-205}\$ foot pounds torque.



(inboard side to outboard side) Tightening Torque 150-205 ft. lbs.



- C-7. Hand-tighten the torque box to axle bracket clamp bolts. **DO NOT** apply final tight-ening torque to the locknuts at this time as further adjustments may be required.
- C-8. Verify measurements, (A and B), (C and D) and (A and C) should be within 1/4" of each other.

STEP D. MEASURING THE LATERAL ALIGNMENT OF THE AXLE (See Figure 7-6)

- D-1. Measure the distance from the outside of the left frame rail to the rim flange of the left inner tire (E). Record the measurement.
- D-2. Measure the distance from the outside of the right frame rail to the rim flange of the right inner tire (F). Record the measurement.
- D-3. Calculate the difference between the two measurements (E-F).
 - **(E-F** \leq $\frac{1}{4}$ ") If the difference is $\frac{1}{4}$ " or less then proceed to Step F "Measuring Axle Thrust Angle."
 - (E-F > 1/4") If the difference is greater then 1/4", it will be necessary to correct the lateral alignment of the axle. Proceed to Step E "Correcting Lateral Alignment of the Axle".

STEP E. CORRECTING LATERAL ALIGNMENT OF THE AXLE (IF NECESSARY)

NOTE

This step is only necessary if the lateral alignment of the axle needs to be corrected as determined in Step D.

NOTE

It is important to ensure the torque box is centered and parallel to the frame rails before correcting lateral alignment on an axle. Refer to Step B.

E-1. Support the frame at ride height.



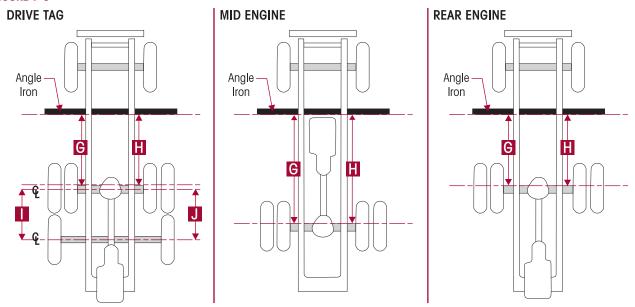
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- E-2. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- E-3. Disconnect the height control linkage assembly from the height control valve arm. Lower the height control valve arm to exhaust the air in the air springs and deflate the rear suspension. (See vehicle manufacturer's instructions).
- E-4. Using the measurements from Step D "Measuring the Lateral Alignment of the Axle" determine which direction the axle needs to be moved to center the axle under the vehicle.
- E-5. Loosen the torque box to axle bracket clamp bolts. The bolts may already be loose from step C-7. **DO NOT** loosen the torque box to cross member bolts.
- E-6. Move the axle in the direction required to center the axle under the vehicle. Measurements (E) and (F) should be within 1/4" of each other.
- E-7. Hand-tighten the torque box to axle bracket clamp fasteners. **DO NOT** final torque the bolts at this time.
- E-8. Verify measurement (**E**) and (**F**) are within 1/4" of each other.



STEP F. MEASURING AXLE THRUST ANGLE

FIGURE 7-8



F-1. If axle alignment equipment is not available, using "C" clamps, securely clamp a six-foot piece of straight bar stock or angle iron across the lower frame flange as shown in Figure 7-8. Select a location as far forward of the drive axle as possible where components will not interfere.

NOTE

A six-foot minimum length piece of straight bar stock must be used to ensure proper measurement to the axle. Axle alignment equipment must be used if components of body installation prevent the use of a six-foot piece of straight bar stock.

- F-2. Accurately square straight edge to frame using a carpenter's square.
- F-3. Using a measuring tape, measure from the straight edge to the forward face of the drive axle arm at the centerline of the axle top pad assembly on both sides of vehicle as shown in Figure 7-8, (G) and (H).
 - a. If measurements (G) and (H) are within the vehicle manufacturer's specifications then the thrust alignment of the drive axle is acceptable. If equipped with a auxiliary axle drive tag, proceed to H-1.
 - b. If measurements (G) and (H) are not within the vehicle manufacturer's specifications, it will be necessary to correct the drive axle's thrust angle. Proceed to Step G "Correcting Axle Thrust Angle."

STEP G. CORRECTING DRIVE AXLE THRUST ANGLE (IF NECESSARY)

NOTE

The HTB 210 is a parallelogram suspension. When correcting the drive axle's thrust angle, the shims on both the torque box and longitudinal torque rod must be adjusted in order to maintain parallelism and the drive axle pinion angle.

G-1. Support the frame at ride height.



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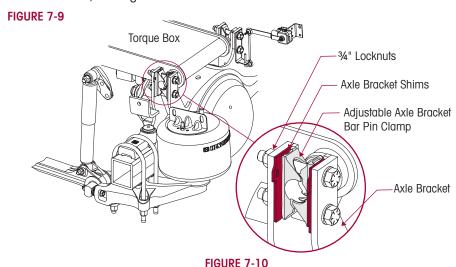


- G-2. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- G-3. Disconnect the height control linkage assembly from the height control valve arm. Lower the height control valve arm to exhaust the air in the air springs and deflate the rear suspension. (See vehicle manufacturer's instructions).
- G-4. Loosen the torque box to axle bracket clamp bolts. The bolts may already be loose from step C-7. **DO NOT** loosen the torque box to cross member bolts.

MARNING

THE DRIVE AXLE HAS ONE (1) AXLE BRACKET WITH ADJUSTABLE BAR PIN CLAMPS AND FOUR (4) AXLE BRACKET SHIMS, AND ONE (1) AXLE BRACKET WITH NON-ADJUSTABLE BAR PIN CLAMPS. THE BAR PIN CLAMP PAIRS MAY BE CHANGED FROM SIDE TO SIDE BUT MUST NOT BE MIXED. ALL FOUR (4) SHIMS MUST BE USED WITH THE ADJUSTABLE BAR PIN CLAMPS, WHICH ARE THINNER THAN THE NON-ADJUSTABLE BAR PIN CLAMPS. FAILURE TO DO SO CAN RESULT IN THE DEFORMATION OF PARTS, LOSS OF CLAMP FORCE, BOLT FAILURE, LOSS OF THE AXLE'S ALIGNMENT, LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR PERSONAL INJURY.

G-5. Locate the axle bracket that contains the adjustable bar pin clamps and axle bracket shims, see Figure 7-9.



- G-6. Remove all the axle bracket shims from the axle bracket connection with the adjustable bar pin clamps. **DO NOT** remove adjustable axle bracket bar pin clamps, it is not necessary to remove the adjustable bar pin clamps or the axle bracket connection clamp bolts to perform adjustment.
- G-7. Loosen the longitudinal torque rod fasteners and remove the torque rod shims from both ends of the longitudinal torque rod. **DO**

Shock
Absorber

Shock

Absorber

Longitudinal
Torque Rod
Torque Rod Shim

Pinion Spacer (If equipped)

NOT remove the pinion spacer (if equipped), see Figure 7-10.



- G-8. Adjust the axle in the direction necessary to correct the thrust angle.
- G-9. Fill any gap between the longitudinal torque rod and lower air spring bracket with longitudinal torque rod shims, see Figure 7-10. Longitudinal torque rod shims should only be placed on one side of the axle to adjust the thrust angle. Adding longitudinal torque rod shims to both sides of the axle will affect the axle pinion angle.
- G-10. Tighten the longitudinal torque rod locknuts to **1**150-205 foot pounds torque.



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G-11. Fill the gap between the axle bracket and the adjustable bar pin clamps with the axle bracket shims removed in step G-6. All four axle bracket shims must be re-installed. **DO NOT** force the axle forward or backwards to install the axle bracket shims. The axle bracket shims may be arranged in any order to achieve an easy fit.

EXAMPLE

The axle bracket shim arrangement may end up being three shims in front and one behind the adjustable bar pin clamps, or no shims in front and four behind the adjustable bar pin clamps, etc.

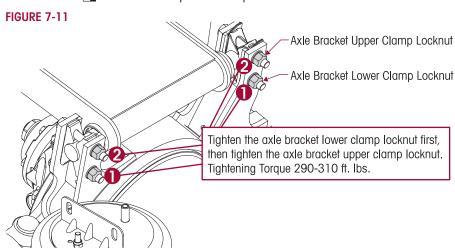
G-12. Verify measurements (**G**) and (**H**) are within the vehicle manufacturer's specifications.

STEP H. FINAL TORQUE AXLE BRACKET CLAMP BOLTS



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H-1. Tighten the axle bracket clamp locknuts in the proper sequence. Tighten the lower clamp locknut first, then the upper clamp locknut, see Figure 7-11. Tighten the locknuts to 290-310 foot pounds torque.







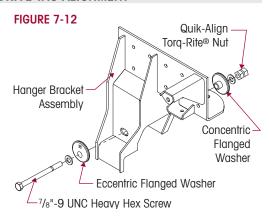
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- H-2. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- H-3. Connect the height control arm to the height control valve linkage assembly to inflate the suspension.
- H-4. Remove the frame supports. Verify the ride height is correct, refer Ride Height Adjustment in this section.

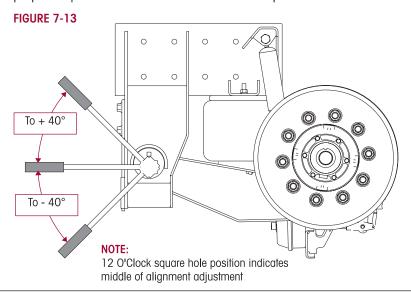
When alignment of the drive axle is within the manufacturer's specification and all final torques are completed, proceed to Step I - Measuring Auxiliary Axle Drive Tag Alignment.

STEP I. MEASURING AUXILIARY AXLE DRIVE TAG ALIGNMENT

The Quick-Align alignment feature incorporates two flanged washers that are inserted into slots located on each side of the frame bracket. The outboard flanged washer is eccentric (Figure 7-12). Its outside diameter is position controlled by an adjustment guide. Rotating the eccentric washer clockwise or counter clockwise provides fore and aft movement of the suspension's axle (Figure 7-13). The pivot connection is clamped together with



a heavy hex cap screw, hardened washers and a Torq-Rite® nut. The Torq-Rite nut ensures proper torque and eliminates the need for a torque wrench.

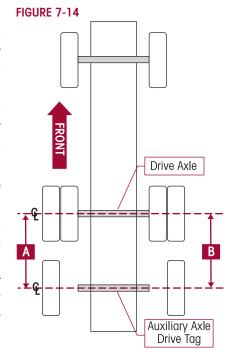


NOTE

Since the auxiliary axle drive tag will be aligned relative to the drive axle, it is essential that the drive axle is aligned within the manufacturer's specifications prior the auxiliary axle drive tag alignment.



- Using a Trammel Bar, measure the distance between the drive axle spindle center to the auxiliary axle drive tag spindle center on the left side of the vehicle (A).
- Using a Trammel Bar, measure the distance between the drive axle spindle center to the auxiliary axle drive tag spindle center on the right side of the vehicle (B).
- I-3. Calculate the distance between the two measurements (A-B).
 - a. If the difference is 1/16" or less, the auxiliary axle drive tag alignment is acceptable. Proceed to step J-9.
 - b. If the difference is greater than V_{16} ", it will be necessary to align the auxiliary axle drive tag. Proceed to Step J -Correcting Auxiliary Axle Drive Tag Alignment.



NOTE

The alignment of the auxiliary axle drive tag should be adjusted such that the auxiliary axle drive tag centerline is parallel to the centerline of the front axle and drive axle, see Figure 7-14

STEP J. CORRECTING AUXILIARY AXLE DRIVE TAG ALIGNMENT (IF NECESSARY)

- J-1. Determine which side of the auxiliary axle drive tag needs to be adjusted to correct alignment.
- J-2. Remove the fasteners from the Quik-Align connection leaving the concentric washer (inboard) and eccentric washer (outboard) in place, see Figure 7-15.

NOTE

Hendrickson Auxiliary Axle recommends using a new Quik-Align pivot fastener kit for any axle alignment or when ever the pivot connection is disassembled.

- J-3. Install new fasteners in the Quik-Align connection. Tighten the fasteners tight enough to keep the eccentric washer against the adjustment guide, but loose enough to permit the hardened washers to rotate freely, see Figure 7-16.
- J-4. Ensure the ½" square hole on the eccentric washer is at the 12:00 O'clock position, see Figure 7-17.



FIGURE 7-16



FIGURE 7-17





Using a 1/2" square drive breaker bar, rotate the eccentric washer to adjust the axle alignment until the axle is aligned, see Figure 7-18.

NOTE

Be sure axle alignment occurred without compressing the pivot bushing.

- Repeat steps J-2 through J-4 on the opposite pivot connection if necessary to accu-J-6. rately complete the alignment of the auxiliary axle drive tag.
- J-7. Snug the pivot connection fasteners and recheck alignment, see Figure 7-19.
- J-8. Using a shallow socket, apply torque only to the outer hex of the Torq-Rite nut until it shears off, see Figure 7-20.



EXCEEDING TORQUE SPECIFICATIONS MAY RESULT IN FASTENER FAILURE.

- Recommended torque value for the Torq-Rite Nut is \$\infty\$ 500-600 foot pounds until the outer hex shears off.
- J-9. Engage the parking brake.
- J-10. Remove the wheel chocks.

FIGURE 7-18



FIGURE 7-19



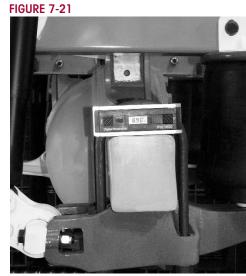
FIGURE 7-20



PINION ANGLE

The vehicle manufacturer establishes drive axle pinion angles(s). Contact the vehicle manufacturer for the proper drive axle pinion angle(s) for your vehicle.

- 1. Use a work bay with a level surface.
- 2. Relax the suspension by slowly moving the vehicle back and forth several times in a straight line without using the brakes. This will slacken or loosen the suspension as the vehicle is positioned. End with all wheels positioned straight ahead. Try to roll to a stop without the brakes being applied. DO NOT set the parking brake. Consult the vehicle manufacturer for parking brake override procedure.
- 3. Chock the front wheels of the vehicle.
- 4. Verify and maintain the air system at full operating pressure.
- 5. Verify the vehicle is at the correct ride height. If the vehicle is not at the correct ride height it will be necessary to correct the ride height before proceeding.





- 6. Place the digital protractor on the frame rail, at the centerline of the axle, and zero the digital protractor.
- 7. Place the digital protractor on the axle housing as shown in Figure 7-21.
- 8. Record the pinion angle for each drive axle. Determine if the pinion angles are within the vehicle manufacturer's specified range.
- 9. If drive axle pinion angle is out of specification:
 - **a.** Verify the correct torque rod, lower air spring bracket, and pinion spacers (if equipped) are installed, refer to the Parts List Section of this publication.
 - b. If the correct components are installed and a correction to the drive axle pinion angle is required, it will be necessary to adjust the torque rod shims on both sides (left hand and right hand) of the axle in equal amounts. This will maintain axle alignment while correcting the pinion angle.
- 10. Determine which direction the axle needs to be tilted in order to achieve the correct pinion angle.
- 11. Add/remove shims at the longitudinal torque rod connections as required to achieve the proper pinion angle. Adjustments must be equal on both sides of the axle in order to maintain axle alignment.
- 12. When the pinion angle is correct tighten torque rod fasteners to **150-205** foot pounds torque and recheck the pinion angles.
- 13. Remove wheel chocks.

AUXILIARY AXLE WHEEL BEARING ADJUSTMENT*

This procedure follows the guidelines of TMC RP 618.

- 1. Lubricate the bearing with clean axle lubricant of the same type used in the hub assembly.
- 2. After the wheel hub and bearings are assembled on the spindle, tighten the inner wheel bearing adjusting nut to 200 foot pounds torque while rotating the wheel hub assembly.
- 3. Back off the inner wheel bearing adjusting nut one full turn. Rotate the wheel.
- 4. Re-tighten the inner wheel bearing adjusting nut to \$\bigset\$ 50 foot pounds torque while rotating the wheel hub assembly.
- 5. Back off the inner wheel bearing adjusting nut one third turn.
- 6. Install the locking washer. If dowel pin and washer are not aligned, remove the washer and turn it over and reinstall. If required, loosen the inner wheel bearing adjusting nut just enough for alignment.



NEVER TIGHTEN THE INNER WHEEL BEARING ADJUSTING NUT FOR ALIGNMENT AT THIS POINT OF THE PROCEDURE. THIS CAN PRE-LOAD THE BEARING AND CAUSE PREMATURE FAILURE.

- 7. Install and tighten the outer (jam) nut to **3** 300-400 foot pounds torque.
- 8. Verify end play with a dial indicator, see Figure 7-22. Wheel end play is the free movement of the wheel assembly along the spindle axis.
 - a) Attach a dial indicator with its magnetic base to the hub.
 - b) Adjust the dial indicator so that its plunger or pointer is against the end of the spindle with its line of action parallel to the axis of the spindle.



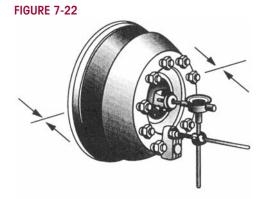
c) Grasp the hub assembly at the 3 o'clock and 9 o'clock positions. Push the hub in and pull out while oscillating it to seat the bearings. Care must be taken not to rotate the hub assembly. Read bearing end play as the total indicator movement.

NOTE

If end play is not within specification of 0001" to 0.005", a readjustment is required.

9. Re-adjustment Procedure

Excessive End Play — If the end play is too loose, remove the outer (jam) nut and pull the washer away from the inner wheel bearing adjusting nut, but not off the spindle. Tighten the inner wheel bearing adjusting nut to the next alignment hole of the washer. Reassemble the washer and re-tighten the outer (jam) nut to 300-400 foot pounds torque. Verify end play with a dial indicator.



With indicator mounted at bottom push/pull at sides of drum

- Insufficient End Play If end play is not present, remove the outer (jam) nut and pull the washer away from the inner wheel bearing adjusting nut, but not off the spindle. Loosen the inner wheel bearing adjusting nut to the next alignment hole of the washer. Re-assemble the washer and re-tighten the outer (jam) nut to 300-400 foot pounds torque. Verify end play with a dial indicator.
- Fine Tuning Adjustment If after performing the readjustment procedures, end play is 0.001"-0.005" range, if less play is desired, repeat the appropriate procedures, removing the washer from the spindle, tighten or loosen the inner wheel bearing adjusting nut the equivalent of ½ of an alignment hole, or reversing the alignment washer, and re-installing it onto the spindle. Reassemble and re-tighten the outer (jam) nut to 300-400 foot pounds torque. Verify end play with a dial indicator.

Secure outer nut by bending one washer tang over the outer nut.



BEFORE OPERATING THE VEHICLE, THE WHEEL HUB CAVITIES AND BEARINGS MUST BE LUBRICATED TO HELP PREVENT FAILURE.

^{*} For technical assistance regarding wheel bearing adjustment, call Hendrickson Auxiliary Axle at 1-800-660-2829.



SECTION 8

Component Replacement

FASTENERS

Hendrickson recommends when servicing the vehicle, replace all removed fasteners with new equivalent fasteners. Maintain correct torque values at all times. Check torque values as specified. See Hendrickson's Tightening Torque Specifications Section of this publication. If non-Hendrickson fasteners are used, follow torque specifications listed in the vehicle manufacturer's service manual.

AIR SPRING

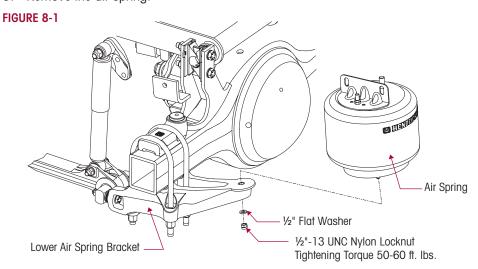
DISASSEMBLY

- 1. Chock the wheels.
- 2. Support the frame at ride height.



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- 3. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- 4. Disconnect the height control linkage assembly from the height control valve arm. Lower the height control valve arm to exhaust the air in the air springs and deflate the rear suspension. (See vehicle manufacturer's instructions).
- 5. Remove the air line from the air spring.
- 6. Lubricate the lower air spring mounting stud with penetrating oil. This will help prevent the air spring mounting stud from breaking during the removal process.
- 7. Using **HAND TOOLS ONLY**, remove the lower locknut and washer from the lower air spring stud.
- 8. Remove the fasteners from the upper air spring mounting bracket to the frame rail.
- 9. Remove the air spring





INSPECTION

- 1. Inspect all mounting surfaces and mounting brackets for any damage, replace as necessary.
- 2. Inspect air spring flex member for signs of damage or chaffing. Replace as necessary.

ASSEMBLY

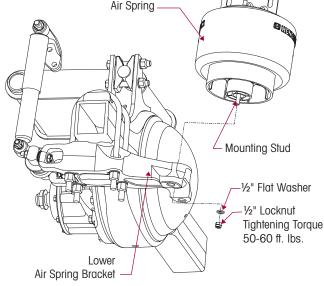
1. Install the air spring between the frame and the lower air spring bracket, see Figure 8-2.



FAILURE TO PRESS THE AIR SPRING AGAINST THE UNDERSIDE OF THE FRAME RAIL WHILE TIGHTENING THE UPPER AIR SPRING BRACKET CAN CAUSE COMPONENT DAMAGE AND PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

FIGURE 8-2

- 2. While holding the top of the air spring against the bottom of the frame rail, tighten the upper mounting fasteners to the frame rail. Tighten the fasteners to vehicle manufacturer's torque specifications.
- 3. Insert the lower mounting stud through the mounting hole in the lower air spring bracket.
- 4. Using HAND TOOLS, tighten the lower air spring mounting fastener
- to 3 50-60 foot pounds torque.
- 5. Connect the air line to the air spring.





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- 6. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- 7. Inflate the suspension by raising the height control valve's height control arm.
- 8. Connect the height control linkage assembly to the height control valve's height control arm by sliding the rubber grommet onto the stud.
- 9. Remove the frame supports.
- 10. Verify the vehicle is at the correct ride height. Correct as necessary. Refer to Ride Height Adjustment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section of this publication.
- 11. Remove the wheel chocks.



HEIGHT CONTROL VALVE

DISASSEMBLY

1. Chock the wheels of the vehicle.



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- 2. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- Disconnect the height control linkage assembly from the height control valve arm by sliding the rubber grommet off the height control valve arm's stud. Lower the leveling valve arm to exhaust the air in the air springs and deflate the rear suspension.
- 4. Remove the air lines from the height control valve.
- 5. Remove the 1/4" locknuts and washers that attach the height control valve to the frame mounting bracket.
- 6. Remove the height control valve, see Figure 8-3.
- 7. Remove the air line fittings from the height control valve.

ASSEMBLY

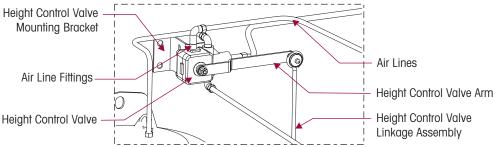
- 1. Install the air line fittings into the height control valve using Teflon thread seal.
- 2. Install the height control valve to the frame mounting bracket by attaching the ¼" washers and locknuts. Tighten to **1** 7-10 foot pounds torque.
- 3. Connect the air lines to the height control valve. Reference the Plumbing Diagrams Section of this publication.



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- 4. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- 5. Inflate the suspension by raising the height control valve's height control arm.
- 6. Connect the height control linkage assembly to the height control valve's height control arm by sliding the rubber grommet onto the stud.
- 7. Verify proper ride height adjustment, (see ride height adjustment in the Preventive Maintenance Section of this publication).

FIGURE 8-3





SHOCK ABSORBER

DISASSEMBLY

- 1. Chock the wheels of the vehicle.
- 2. Remove the fasteners from the lower shock absorber mount, see Figure 8-4.
- 3. Remove the locknut from the upper shock absorber through bolt.
- 4. Slide the shock absorber out of the lower mount.
- 5. Remove the shock absorber from the upper mounting though bolt.

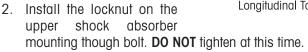
FIGURE 8-4 DRIVE TAG SHOCK ABSORBER SHOWN

INSPECTION

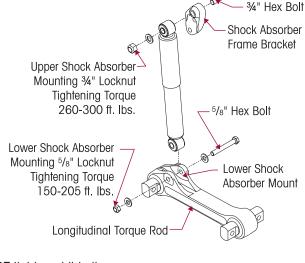
Inspect the shock absorber mounting brackets and hardware for damage or wear, and replace as necessary, see Preventive Maintenance Section of this publication.

ASSEMBLY

- 1. Install the shock absorber onto the upper mounting through bolt.
- upper shock absorber mounting though bolt. **DO NOT** tighten at this time.



- 3. Install the lower shock absorber into the lower shock absorber mount on the longitudinal torque rod, see Figure 8-4.
- 4. Install the fastener through the lower shock mount. Install the locknut on the through bolt, see Figure 8-4. Tighten the lower shock absorber locknut to <a>150-205 foot pounds torque.
- 5. Tighten the upper shock absorber locknut to 3 260-300 foot pounds torque, see Figure 8-4.
- 6. Remove the wheel chocks.





LONGITUDINAL TORQUE ROD



THE AIR SPRING TRANSFERS LOAD TO THE FRAME HANGER THROUGH THE LONGITUDINAL TORQUE ROD. PRIOR TO LONGITUDINAL TORQUE ROD REMOVAL THE SUSPENSION AIR SYSTEM MUST BE DEFLATED. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL CAUSE THE AIR SPRING TO VIOLENTLY SHIFT, RESULTING IN POSSIBLE DAMAGE TO COMPONENTS AND/OR PERSONAL INJURY.



THIS PROCEDURE FOR SERVICING A LONGITUDINAL TORQUE ROD IS PERFORMED WITH THE TORQUE ROD ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF THE VEHICLE PROPERLY CONNECTED TO THE FRAME HANGER AND LOWER AIR SPRING BRACKET. FAILURE TO DO SO CAN CAUSE THE AXLE TO ROTATE AND/OR SHIFT, RESULTING IN POSSIBLE DAMAGE TO COMPONENTS AND/OR PERSONAL INJURY. IF THE TORQUE RODS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE VEHICLE ARE TO BE REMOVED IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO SUPPORT THE AXLE PINION TO KEEP THE AXLE FROM SHIFTING.



FAILURE TO INSTALL THE TORQUE ROD SHIMS AND PINION SPACERS (IF EQUIPPED) IN THE SAME ORIENTATION AND LOCATION WILL REQUIRE A VEHICLE ALIGNMENT. IMPROPER VEHICLE ALIGNMENT CAN INCREASE TIRE WEAR.

DISASSEMBLY

- 1. Chock the wheels.
- 2. Support the frame at ride height.



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- 3. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- 4. Disconnect the height control valve linkage assembly from the height control valve arm. Lower the height control valve arm to exhaust the air in the air springs and deflate the rear suspension. (See vehicle manufacturer's instructions).
- 5. Remove the fastener from the lower shock absorber mount, see Figure 8-5.
- 6. Slide the shock absorber out of the lower shock absorber mount.

NOTE

Prior to disassembly of the longitudinal torque rod fasteners, note the orientation and quantity of torque rod shims and pinion spacers (if equipped), see Figure 8-5. It is required that the longitudinal torque rod shims be installed in the same orientation and location as removed to preserve the existing alignment and pinion angles.



FAILURE TO INSTALL THE TORQUE ROD SHIMS IN THE SAME ORIENTATION AND LOCATION WILL REQUIRE A VEHICLE ALIGNMENT. IMPROPER VEHICLE ALIGNMENT CAN INCREASE TIRE WEAR.

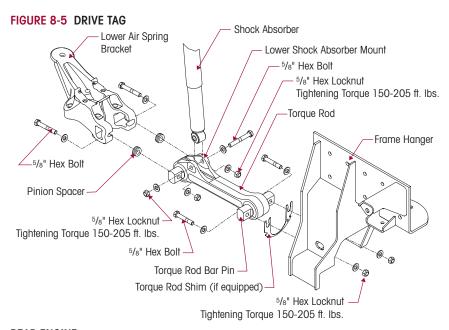
- 7. Remove the pinion spacers (if equipped) and fasteners connecting the longitudinal torque rod to the lower air spring bracket.
- 8. Remove the fasteners, pinion spacers (if equipped) and torque rod shim(s) (if equipped) connecting the torque rods to the frame hanger.

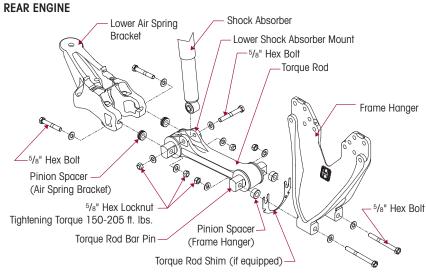
SERVICE HINT

It may be necessary to pry the longitudinal torque rod down away from the frame hanger.

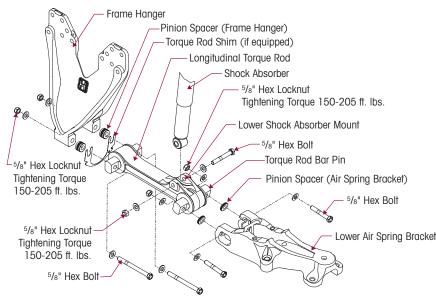
9. Remove the longitudinal torque rod.







MID ENGINE





INSPECTION

Inspect all mating components for damage or wear. Replace as necessary.

ASSEMBLY

1. Install the torque rod fasteners in the lower air spring bracket slots, see Figure 8-5.

NOTE

It is required that the longitudinal torque rod shims and pinion spacers (if equipped) be installed in the same orientation and location as removed to preserve the existing alignment and pinion angles.

2. Install any pinion spacers (if equipped) and torque rod shims between the longitudinal torque rod and lower air spring bracket.

NOTE

The longitudinal torque rod must be installed with the shock absorber mount facing upward adjacent to the lower air spring bracket, see Figure 8-5.

- 3. Install the longitudinal torque rod onto the lower air spring bracket.
- 4. Loosely install the lower air spring bracket locknuts. **DO NOT** tighten at this time.
- 5. Pivot the longitudinal torque rod in line with the mounting holes of the frame hanger.

NOTE

It is required that the longitudinal torque rod shims and pinion spacers (if equipped) be installed in the same orientation and location as removed to preserve the existing alignment and pinion angles.

- 6. Install the torque rod fasteners through the frame hanger; and install torque rod shims and pinion spacers (if equipped) that may have been removed from this connection.
- 7. Install the shock absorber into the lower shock absorber mount on the longitudinal torque rod.
- 8. Install the lower shock absorber fasteners and tighten to 150-205 foot pounds torque.
- 9. Tighten torque rod fasteners to **1** 150-205 foot pounds torque.



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- 10. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- 11. Inflate the suspension by raising the height control valve's height control arm.
- 12. Connect the height control linkage assembly to the height control valve's height control arm by sliding the rubber grommet onto the stud.
- 13. Remove the frame supports.
- 14. Verify the vehicle is at the correct ride height. Correct as necessary. Refer to Ride Height Adjustment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section of this publication.
- 15. Remove the wheel chocks.



LONGITUDINAL TORQUE ROD BUSHING

DISASSEMBLY

You will need:

- A vertical press with a capacity of at least 10 tons.
- Torque Rod Bushing Receiving Tool (see Section 5, Special Tools)
- Torque Rod Bushing Assembly Tool (Funnel) ① Part No. 66086-000 (see Section 5, Special Tools)



DO NOT USE HEAT OR USE A CUTTING TORCH TO REMOVE THE BUSHINGS FROM THE LONGITUDINAL TORQUE ROD. THE USE OF HEAT WILL ADVERSELY AFFECT THE STRENGTH OF THE LONGITUDINAL TORQUE ROD. HEAT CAN CHANGE THE MATERIAL PROPERTIES. A COMPONENT DAMAGED IN THIS MANNER CAN RESULT IN THE LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL AND POSSIBLE PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

- 1. Remove the longitudinal torque rod as detailed in this section.
- Install the longitudinal torque rod in the press. Support the longitudinal torque rod end hub on the receiving tool with the end hub of the longitudinal torque rod centered on the tool. Be sure the longitudinal torque rod is squarely supported on the press bed.
- 3. Push directly on the bar pin until the bushing clears the longitudinal torque rod end hub.

INSPECTION AND CLEANING

1. Inspect the longitudinal torque rod for straightness, wear, or cracks. Replace as necessary.

NOTE

Care must be used when servicing the aluminum longitudinal torque rod and aluminum bar pin components to avoid damaging them.

Clean and inspect the inner diameter of the longitudinal torque rod end tubes. Break any sharp edges and remove any nicks with an emery cloth or a rotary sander (See Figure 8-6).

FIGURE 8-6



FIGURE 8-7



ASSEMBLY

NOTE

DO NOT use a petroleum or soap base lubricant. Such lubricants can cause adverse reactions with the bushing, such as deterioration of the rubber, causing premature failure.

1. Lubricate the inner diameter of the torque rod end hub and the assembly funnel, and the new rubber bushing with P-80® or vegetable base oil (cooking oil), see Figure 8-7.



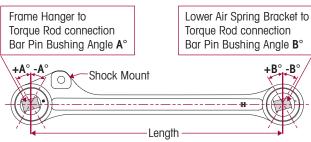
- 2. Support the torque rod end hub on the receiving tool with the end hub of the torque rod centered on the receiving tool.
- 3. Place the assembly funnel centered on the torque rod end hub, see Figure 8-8.





4. Place the torque rod bushing centered in the assembly funnel, see Figure 8-9. The bar pin must have the mounting flats positioned as indicated in Figure 8-10.

FIGURE 8-10



TORQUE ROD PART NO.	BAR PIN BUSHING ANGLE A°	BAR PIN BUSHING ANGLE B°
66797-001 Drive Tag	+4°	0°
66797-002 Rear Engine	-2°	-6°
66797-003 Mid Engine	+13°	0°

- 5. Press the bar pin through the assembly funnel into torque rod end hub until the rubber clears the assembly funnel. When pressing in the new bushings overshoot the desired final position by approximately 3/16", see Figure 8-11.
- 6. Remove the assembly funnel.
- 7. Press the bar pin again from the opposite side to center the bar pin within the torque rod end hub, see Figure 8-12. The rubber bushing and the bar pin must be centered within the torque rod end hubs.

FIGURE 8-11



FIGURE 8-12





8. Wipe off any excess lubricant. Allow the lubricant a minimum of four hours to dissipate before operating the vehicle.



IF THE TORQUE ROD ASSEMBLY IS NOT ALLOWED THE ALLOTTED TIME FOR THE LUBRICANT TO DISSIPATE, THE BUSHING WILL SLIDE FROM THE LONGITUDINAL TORQUE ROD END HUB. IF THIS OCCURS, THE BUSHING MAY BE DAMAGED AND THE BUSHING WILL THEN NEED TO BE REMOVED AND A NEW BUSHING RE-INSTALLED.

9. Install longitudinal torque rod assembly as detailed in this section.

TORQUE BOX

It is important to inspect the torque box during preventive maintenance service. Visually inspect the torque box for cracks, damage, torn or shredded rubber, or any signs of looseness at the bar pin clamps. Replace all worn or damaged parts. The torque box is a non-serviceable item and must be replaced as an assembly, if damaged, or the bushings are worn out. Check all fasteners for proper torque, see Tightening Torque Specifications Section of this publication.

DISASSEMBLY

- 1. Chock the wheels.
- Support the frame at ride height.



THE TORQUE BOX ALONG WITH THE TORQUE RODS RESTRAIN THE AXLE, PREVENTING AXLE MOVEMENT. PRIOR TO TORQUE BOX AND/OR TORQUE ROD DISASSEMBLY VERIFY THAT THE AXLE BEING SERVICED IS SUPPORTED UNDER THE PINION HOUSING/DIFFERENTIAL, SO THAT THE AXLE DOES NOT MOVE OR ROTATE. FAILURE TO DO SO CAN ALLOW THE AXLE TO ROTATE AND/OR SHIFT, CAUSING COMPONENT DAMAGE, AND/OR SEVERE PERSONAL INJURY.

3. Support the axle housing and pinion on the axle being serviced.



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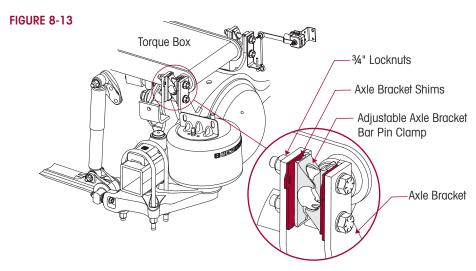
- 4. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- Disconnect the height control linkage assembly from the height control valve arm. Lower the height control valve arm to exhaust the air in the air springs and deflate the rear suspension. (See vehicle manufacturer's instructions).

NOTE

Prior to disassembly of the torque box clamp connections, note the orientation and quantity of axle bracket shims and bar pin clamps, see Figure 8-13. It is required that the axle bracket shims and bar pin clamps be installed in the same orientation and location as removed to preserve the existing alignment and pinion angles.

Remove the torque box to axle bracket fasteners.





WARNING

THE DRIVE AXLE WILL HAVE ONE AXLE BRACKET WITH ADJUSTABLE BAR PIN CLAMPS AND FOUR (4) AXLE BRACKET SHIMS, AND ONE (1) AXLE BRACKET WITH NON-ADJUSTABLE BAR PIN CLAMPS. THE BAR PIN CLAMP PAIRS MAY BE CHANGED FROM SIDE TO SIDE BUT MAY NOT BE MIXED. ALL FOUR (4) SHIMS MUST BE USED WITH THE ADJUSTABLE BAR PIN CLAMPS, WHICH ARE THINNER THEN THE NON-ADJUSTABLE BAR PIN CLAMPS. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN THE DEFORMATION OF PARTS, LOSS OF CLAMP FORCE, BOLT FAILURE, LOSS OF THE AXLE'S ALIGNMENT, LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR PERSONAL INJURY.

- 7. Loosen the eight (8) cross member bolts (four per side), connecting the torque box to the cross member. DO NOT remove at this time.
- 8. Pivot the torque box up and out of the axle brackets. Retain the shims and bar pin clamps from the axle brackets.
- 9 Remove the eight (8) previously loosened bolts from the cross member.



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 Slide the torque box out of the cross member. Retain the clamp blocks from the cross member.

INSPECTION

- 1. Inspect all mating components including torque box, torque box bushings, and bar pin clamps for cracks, damage or wear. Replace as necessary.
- 2. Inspect cross member C-channel, cross member gussets, and bar pin clamps for cracks, signs of damage, or wear. Replace as necessary.
- 3. Inspect the axle brackets and axle welds for cracks, signs of damage, or wear. If the axle brackets show excessive wear, or the welds have cracks, the components will need to be repaired or replaced. If repair is needed, contact the vehicle or axle manufacturer for approved repair procedures.

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ASSEMBLY



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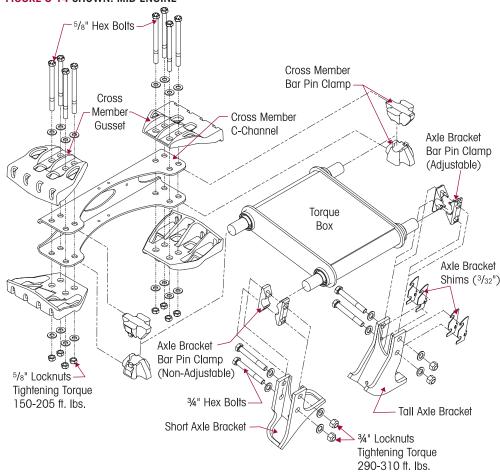
- 1. Maneuver the torque box into position by first sliding the torque box bar pin into the cross-member, then into the axle brackets.
- Slide the cross member bar pin clamps onto the torque box bar pin from the side. Loosely install the eight cross member bolts through the cross member and cross member bar pin clamps, see Figure 8-14. Install the washers and locknuts. DO NOT tighten at this time.



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 Install the axle bracket bar pin clamps and all four (4) shims that were removed during disassembly. Ensure all axle bracket shims are installed in the same position as noted upon disassembly. Loosely install the axle bracket clamp bolts, see Figure 8-14.

FIGURE 8-14 SHOWN: MID ENGINE







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- 4. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- 5. Connect the height control arm to the height control valve linkage assembly to inflate the suspension.
- 6. Remove the frame and the axle housing/differential supports.
- 7. Verify proper ride height adjustment, (see Ride Height Adjustment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section of this publication). Correct as necessary.
- 8. Perform an axle alignment that includes the final torque box fastener tightening to torque specification. See Alignment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section of this publication that also contains final tightening torque values. Correct as necessary.

CLAMP GROUP - TOP PAD, LOWER AIR SPRING BRACKET, U-BOLTS



IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE U-BOLT CLAMP GROUP CONNECTION BE PROPERLY ALIGNED AND HAVE THE PROPER TIGHTENING TORQUE VALUES MAINTAINED. METAL SURFACES CAN WORK AND WEAR AGAINST OTHER RELATED CLAMP GROUP COMPONENTS IF NOT PROPERLY ALIGNED OR PROPERLY TIGHTENED TO MAINTAIN THE PROPER CLAMP FORCE. FAILURE TO DO SO CAN CAUSE PREMATURE COMPONENT WEAR, POSSIBLE SEPARATION OF THE CLAMP GROUP, CAUSING LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR PERSONAL INJURY.



THIS PROCEDURE TO SERVICE THE CLAMP GROUP IS PERFORMED WITH THE CLAMP GROUP, FRAME HANGER, AND TORQUE RODS ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF THE VEHICLE PROPERLY CONNECTED. FAILURE TO DO SO COULD ALLOW THE AXLES TO SHIFT RESULTING IN POSSIBLE DAMAGE TO COMPONENTS AND/OR PERSONAL INJURY. IF COMPONENTS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE VEHICLE ARE TO BE REMOVED IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO SUPPORT THE AXLE AND AXLE PINION TO KEEP THE AXLE FROM SHIFTING.

DISASSEMBLY

- Chock the wheels.
- 2. Support the frame at ride height.



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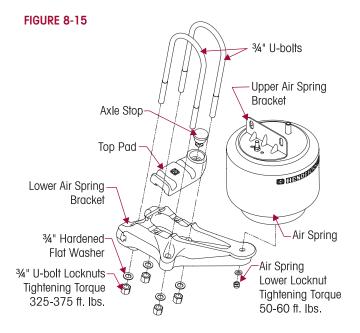
- 3. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- 4. Disconnect the height control linkage assembly from the height control valve arm. Lower the height control valve arm to exhaust the air in the air springs and deflate the rear suspension. (See vehicle manufacturer's instructions).
- 5. Remove the air line from the air spring.
- Lubricate the lower air spring mounting stud with penetrating oil. This will help prevent the air spring mounting stud from breaking during the removal process.



- 7. Using HAND TOOLS ONLY, remove the lower locknut and washer from the lower air spring stud.
- 8. Remove the fasteners from the upper air spring mounting bracket to the frame rail. See Figure 8-15.
- 9. Remove the air spring.



Prior to disassembly of the longitudinal torque rod asteners, note the orientation and quantity of torque rod shims and

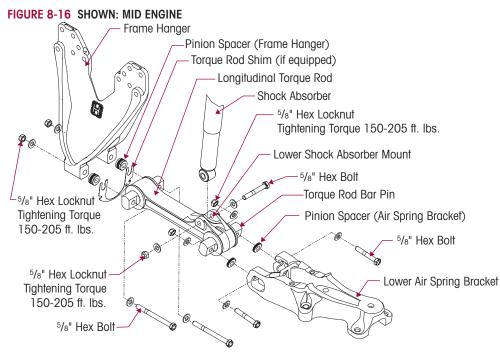


pinion spacers (if equipped). It is required that the longitudinal torque rod shims and pinion spacer be installed in the same orientation and location as removed to preserve the existing alignment and pinion angles.



FAILURE TO INSTALL THE TORQUE ROD SHIMS IN THE SAME ORIENTATION AND LOCATION WILL REQUIRE A VEHICLE ALIGNMENT. IMPROPER VEHICLE ALIGNMENT CAN INCREASE TIRE WEAR.

- 10. Remove the locknuts connecting the longitudinal torque rod to the lower air spring bracket, see Figure 8-16.
- 11. Remove the four U-bolt locknuts and washers. Discard the fasteners.
- 12. Pry the longitudinal torque rod down and remove the lower air spring bracket.
- 13. Remove the U-bolts and top pad.





INSPECTION

Inspect the air spring bracket, top pad, rubber axle stop, longitudinal torque rod for cracks, damage, or excessive wear. Replace as necessary. See Preventive Maintenance Section of this publication.

ASSEMBLY

1. Install the two longitudinal torque rod bolts in the slots of the air spring bracket, see Figure 8-17.

NOTE

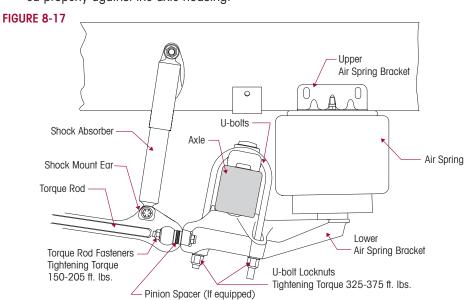
It is required that the longitudinal torque rod shims and pinion spacers (if equipped) be installed in the same orientation and location as removed to preserve the existing alignment and pinion angles.

- 2. Install any pinion spacers (if equipped) and shims between the longitudinal torque rod and air spring bracket that were removed.
- 3. Install the lower air spring bracket onto the torque rod bar pin. Loosely install the locknuts on the longitudinal torque rod bolts. **DO NOT** tighten at this time.

NOTE

Verify the longitudinal torque rod is installed correctly. The lower shock mount on the longitudinal torque rod should be facing up, adjacent to the lower air spring bracket, see Figure 8-17.

- 4. Install the top pad on top of the axle housing. Verify the axle stop is on the inboard side. Ensure that the top pad has engaged the dowel pin on the the axle housing.
- 5. Install new U-bolts over the top pad and through the lower air spring bracket. Verify U-bolts sit in the channels of the top pad.
- 6. Install hardened flat washers and locknuts on U-bolts.
- 7. Snug U-bolt locknuts evenly, see Figure 8-17. Verify the lower air spring bracket is seated properly against the axle housing.



8. Tighten the U-bolt locknuts evenly in 50 foot pounds increments to 325-375 foot pounds torque in the proper pattern to achieve uniform bolt tension, see Figure 8-18.



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9. Tighten the longitudinal torque rod fasteners to **1** 150-205 foot pounds torque.

FAILURE TO PRESS THE AIR SPRING AGAINST THE UNDERSIDE OF THE FRAME WHILE TIGHTENING THE UPPER AIR SPRING BRACKET CAN RESULT IN COMPONENT DAMAGE AND PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

- 10. While holding the top of the air spring against the bottom of the frame rail, tighten the upper mounting fasteners to the frame rail. Tighten the fasteners to vehicle manufacturer's torque specifications.
- 11. Insert the lower mounting stud through the mounting hole in the lower air spring bracket.
- 12. Using **HAND TOOLS**, tighten the lower air spring mounting fastener to **3** 50-60 foot pounds torque.
- 13. Connect the air line to the air spring.



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- 14. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- 15. Inflate the suspension by raising the height control valve's height control arm.
- 16. Connect the height control linkage assembly to the height control valve's height control arm by sliding the rubber grommet onto the stud.
- 17. Remove the frame supports.
- 18. Verify the vehicle is at the correct ride height. Correct as necessary. Refer to Ride Height Adjustment in the Alignment & Adjustment section of this publication.
- 19. Remove the wheel chocks.

AXLE STOP

The axle stops are rubber plugs installed in the top pad assembly. They may be renewed without disassembly of the suspension.

DISASSEMBLY

- 1. Chock the wheels.
- Insert a small pry bar between the top pad and the axle stop. Pry axle stop up and out of the top pad.



ASSEMBLY

NOTE

DO NOT use a petroleum or soap base lubricant. Such lubricants can cause adverse reactions with the bushing, such as deterioration of the rubber, causing premature failure.

- 1. Lubricate the new axle stop with P-80® or vegetable base oil (cooking oil).
- 2. Place axle stop over the mounting hole in the top pad, see Figure 8-19.
- 3. Using a rubber mallet, lightly tap the axle stop to seat it in the top pad.
- Remove the wheel chocks.



A DANGER

FRAME HANGER (MID-ENGINE AND REAR-ENGINE)

THE AIR SPRING TRANSFERS LOAD TO THE FRAME HANGER THROUGH THE LONGITUDINAL TORQUE ROD. PRIOR TO LONGITUDINAL TORQUE ROD REMOVAL THE SUSPENSION AIR SYSTEM MUST BE DEFLATED. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL CAUSE THE AIR SPRING TO VIOLENTLY SHIFT, RESULTING IN POSSIBLE DAMAGE TO COMPONENTS AND/OR PERSONAL INJURY.



THIS PROCEDURE TO SERVICE THE FRAME HANGER IS PERFORMED WITH THE CLAMP GROUP, FRAME HANGER, AND TORQUE RODS ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF THE VEHICLE PROPERLY CONNECTED. FAILURE TO DO SO COULD ALLOW THE AXLES TO SHIFT RESULTING IN POSSIBLE DAMAGE TO COMPONENTS AND/OR PERSONAL INJURY. IF COMPONENTS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE VEHICLE ARE TO BE REMOVED IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO SUPPORT THE AXLE AND AXLE PINION TO KEEP THE AXLE FROM SHIFTING.

DISASSEMBLY

- 1. Chock the wheels.
- Support the frame at ride height.



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- 3. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- 4. Disconnect the height control linkage assembly from the height control valve arm. Lower the height control valve arm to exhaust the air in the air springs and deflate the rear suspension. (See vehicle manufacturer's instructions).

NOTE

Prior to disassembly of the longitudinal torque rod fasteners, note the orientation and quantity of torque rod shims and pinion spacers (if equipped). It is required that the longitudinal torque rod shims and pinion spacer be installed in the same orientation and location as removed to preserve the existing alignment and pinion angles.

- 5. Remove the fasteners securing the longitudinal torque rod to the frame hanger.
- 6. Remove the fasteners securing the frame hanger to the frame rail. Remove frame hanger.

INSPECTION

 Inspect the frame hanger, frame rail, longitudinal torque rods and cross member gussets for any signs of excessive wear, cracking or damage. See Preventive Maintenance section in this publication. Replace as necessary.

ASSEMBLY

NOTE

There are several different length fasteners used to connect the frame hanger to the frame rail. Verify the proper fastener length is used in the proper location. Refer to the vehicle manufacturer's specifications.

1. Position the frame hanger against the frame and loosely install the fasteners through the frame hanger, frame rail, and cross member gussets.

NOTE

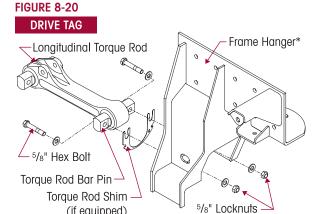
It is required that the longitudinal torque rod shims and pinion spacers (if equipped) be installed in the same orientation and location as removed to preserve the existing alignment and pinion angles.



- Install the longitudinal torque rod bolts through the torque rod bar pin holes, torque rod shims, pinion spacers (if equipped) and frame hanger. Verify the alignment shims are reinstalled in the same position as noted upon disassembly, see Figure 8-20. Loosely install the locknuts on the longitudinal torque rod bolts.
- 3. Tighten the frame hanger fasteners to vehicle manufacturer's specifications.
- 4. Tighten the longitudinal torque rod fasteners to 150-205 foot pounds torque.

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- 5. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- 6. Connect the height control arm to the height control valve linkage assembly to inflate the suspension.
- 7. Remove the frame supports.
- 8. Verify proper ride height adjustment, (see Ride Height Adjustment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section of this publication). Correct as necessary.



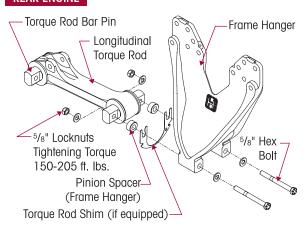
Tightening Torque

150-205 ft. lbs.

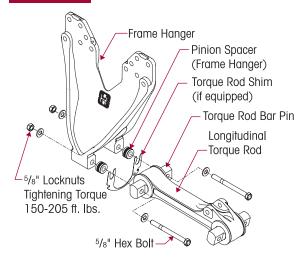
REAR ENGINE

(if equipped)

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MID ENGINE

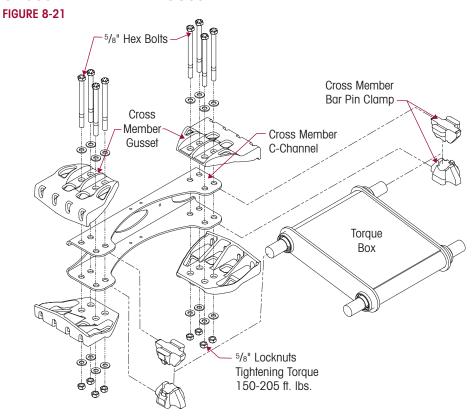


- 9. Verify proper alignment of the axle. See Alignment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section of this publication. Correct as necessary.
- 10. Remove the wheel chocks.





CROSS MEMBER AND GUSSET



DISASSEMBLY

- 1. Chock the wheels.
- 2. Support the frame at ride height.



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- 3. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- 4. Disconnect the height control linkage assembly from the height control valve arm. Lower the height control valve arm to exhaust the air in the air springs and deflate the rear suspension. (See vehicle manufacturer's instructions).

WARNING

THE TORQUE BOX ALONG WITH THE TORQUE RODS RESTRAIN THE AXLE, PREVENTING AXLE MOVEMENT. PRIOR TO TORQUE BOX AND/OR TORQUE ROD DISASSEMBLY VERIFY THAT THE AXLE BEING SERVICED IS SUPPORTED UNDER THE PINION HOUSING/DIFFERENTIAL, SO THAT THE AXLE DOES NOT MOVE OR ROTATE. FAILURE TO DO SO CAN ALLOW THE AXLE TO ROTATE AND/OR SHIFT, CAUSING COMPONENT DAMAGE, AND/OR SEVERE PERSONAL INJURY.

- 5. Support the axle housing and pinion on the axle being serviced.
- 6. Remove the vertical fasteners which connect the torque box to the cross member, see Figure 8-21.
- 7. Remove the cross member bar pin clamps.



- 8. Remove the cross member C-channel.
- 9. Remove the fasteners securing the cross member gussets to the frame rails.
- 10. Remove the cross member gussets, see Figure 8-21.

INSPECTION

Inspect the cross member C-channel and gussets, frame rails, and frame hanger for signs of wear, cracking or damage. Replace as necessary. See Preventive Maintenance Section of this publication.

ASSEMBLY

NOTE

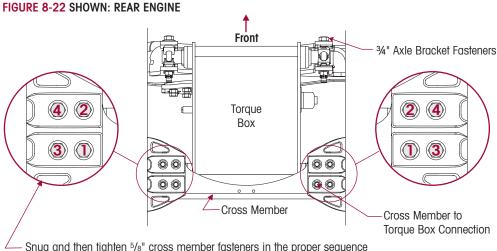
There are several different length fasteners used to connect the frame hanger and cross member gussets to the frame rail. Verify the proper fastener length is used in the proper location. Refer to the vehicle manufacturer's specifications.

- 1. Position the cross member gussets against the frame rail. Loosely install the proper length fasteners through gussets, frame rail, and frame hangers.
- 2. Position the C-channel of the cross member between the cross member gussets.
- 3. Install the cross member bar pin clamps onto the torque box bar pin shaft.
- 4. Install the vertical clamp bolts through the cross member C-channel. Ensure the cross member bar pin clamps are between the vertical clamp bolts.
- 5. Tighten cross member gusset fasteners to the frame rail at **1**50-205 foot pounds torque.

MARNING

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE TORQUE BOX CLAMP CONNECTIONS BE TIGHTENED IN THE PROPER SEQUENCE AND HAVE THE PROPER TIGHTENING TORQUE VALUES MAINTAINED. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN THE DEFORMATION OF PARTS, RESULTING IN THE LOSS OF CLAMP FORCE, BOLT FAILURE, LOSS OF THE AXLE'S ALIGNMENT, LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR PERSONAL INJURY.

6. First snug, and then tighten the torque box to cross member clamp bolts in the proper sequence (inboard fasteners first then outboard fasteners), to prevent cross member deformation, see Figure 8-22. Tighten the locknuts to 150-205 foot pounds torque.



Snug and then tighten $^{5/8}$ " cross member fasteners in the proper sequence (inboard side to outboard side) Tightening Torque 150-205 ft. lbs.



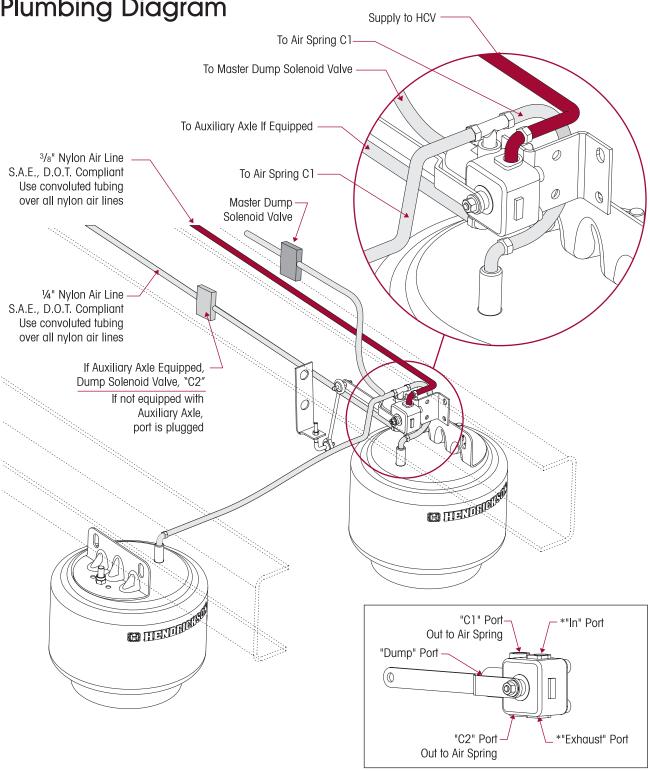
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- 7. See additional Air Spring Warnings and Instructions in the Important Safety Notice Section of this publication prior to deflating or inflating the suspension system.
- 8. Connect the height control arm to the height control valve linkage assembly to inflate the suspension.
- 9. Remove the frame and the axle housing/differential supports.
- 10. Verify proper ride height adjustment, (see Ride Height Adjustment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section of this publication). Correct as necessary.
- 11. Verify proper alignment of the axle. See Alignment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section of this publication. Correct as necessary.
- 12. Remove the Wheel chocks.



SECTION 9 Plumbing Diagram



NOTE: * Air supply line can be connected to either "exhaust" or "in" port. For the mid engine application, the supply line is attached to the "exhaust" port.



SECTION 10 Troubleshooting Guide

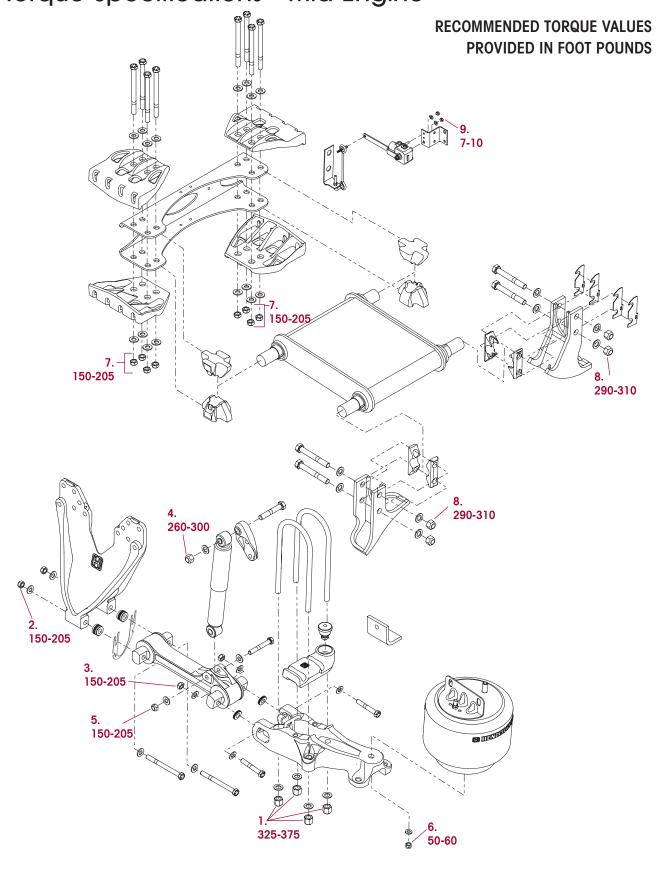
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CONDITION	POSSIBLE CAUSE	CORRECTION			
Suspension has harsh or bumpy ride	Air spring not inflated to specification or damaged	Repair air system and check ride height. See Ride Height Adjustment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section.			
	Ride height set incorrectly	Adjust ride height to proper setting. See Ride Height Adjustment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section.			
	Suspension is overloaded	Redistribute load to eliminate overload condition.			
	Incorrect tire inflation pressure	Correct tire pressure per vehicle manufacturer and tire manufacturer specifications.			
Irregular tire wear	Axle Alignment	Check vehicle alignment. Adjust if necessary. See Alignment & Adjustments Section.			
	Worn torque box bushings	Replace torque box as necessary.			
	Worn torque rod bushings	Replace torque rod bushings as necessary.			
	Incorrect pinion angle	Adjust pinion angle, refer to the vehicle manufacturer for specifications.			
Excessive driveline vibration	Ride height set incorrectly	Adjust ride height to proper setting. See Ride Height Adjustment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section.			
	Air spring not inflated to specification or damaged	Repair air system and check ride height. See Ride Height Adjustment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section.			
	Broken shock or loose shock	Check fasteners for proper torque requirements and inspect for damage. See Preventive Maintenance Section of this publication. Replace as necessary.			
Suspension is noisy	Worn torque box bushings	Replace torque box as necessary.			
Holoy	Loose U-bolt	Tighten U-bolt to specifications, see Preventive Maintenance Section.			
	Worn torque rod bushings	Replace torque rod bushings as necessary.			
Vahiala haunaina	Damaged or leaking shock absorber	Replace shock absorber.			
Vehicle bouncing excessively	Ride height set incorrectly	Adjust ride height to proper setting. See Ride Height Adjustment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section.			
	Incorrect tire inflation pressure	Correct tire pressure per vehicle manufacturer and tire manufacturer specifications.			
	Load not centered	Redistribute load to eliminate load imbalance.			
	Frame twisted	Straighten the frame per vehicle manufacturer guidelines.			
Vehicle leaning	Air spring not inflated to specification or damaged	Repair air system and check ride height. See Ride Height Adjustment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section.			
	Axle housing bent or broken	Replace axle housing per vehicle manufacturer guidelines and align vehicle.			
	Loose U-bolt	Tighten U-bolt to specifications, see Preventive Maintenance Section.			
	Front suspension	Inspect and repair front suspension.			

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SECTION 11 Torque Specifications - Mid Engine





HTB 210 for Spartan Mid Engine Motorhome Chassis

HENDRICKSON RECOMMENDED TORQUE SPECIFICATIONS

NO	COMPONENT	QTY.	SIZE	*TORQUE (in foot pounds)
1	U-bolt	4	34"-16 UNF U-bolt Locknut	325-375
2	Torque Rod to Frame Hanger	4	⁵ /8"-11 UNC Locknut	150-205
3	Torque Rod to Lower Air Spring Bracket	8	⁵ /8"-11 UNC Locknut	150-205
4	Shock Absorber to Upper Hanger	4	3/4"-10 UNC Locknut	260-300
5	Shock Absorber to Torque Rod	4	5/8"-11 UNC Locknut	150-205
6	Air Spring to Lower Air Spring Bracket	4	½"-13 UNC Locknut	50-60
7	Torque Box to Cross Member C-Channel	16	5/8"-11 UNC Locknut	150-205
8	Torque Box to Axle Bracket	8	3/4"-10 UNC Locknut	290-310
9	Height Control Valve to HCV Bracket	2	1/4" -20 UNC Locknut	7-10

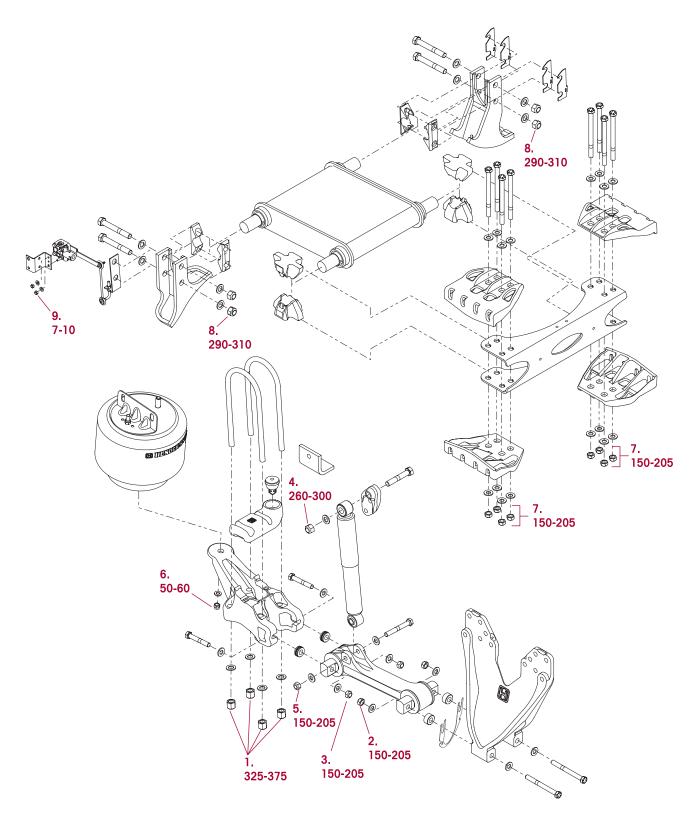
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Torque Specifications - Rear Engine

RECOMMENDED TORQUE VALUES PROVIDED IN FOOT POUNDS





HTB 210 for Spartan Rear Engine Motorhome Chassis

HENDRICKSON RECOMMENDED TORQUE SPECIFICATIONS

COMPONENT	QTY.	SIZE	*TORQUE (in foot pounds)
U-bolt	4	34"-16 UNF U-bolt Locknut	325-375
Torque Rod to Frame Hanger	4	⁵ /8"-11 UNC Locknut	150-205
Torque Rod to Lower Air Spring Bracket	8	5/8"-11 UNC Locknut	150-205
Shock Absorber to Upper Hanger	4	3/4"-10 UNC Locknut	260-300
Shock Absorber to Torque Rod	4	5/8"-11 UNC Locknut	150-205
Air Spring to Lower Air Spring Bracket	4	½"-13 UNC Locknut	50-60
Torque Box to Cross Member C-Channel	16	5/8"-11 UNC Locknut	150-205
Torque Box to Axle Bracket	8	3/4"-10 UNC Locknut	290-310
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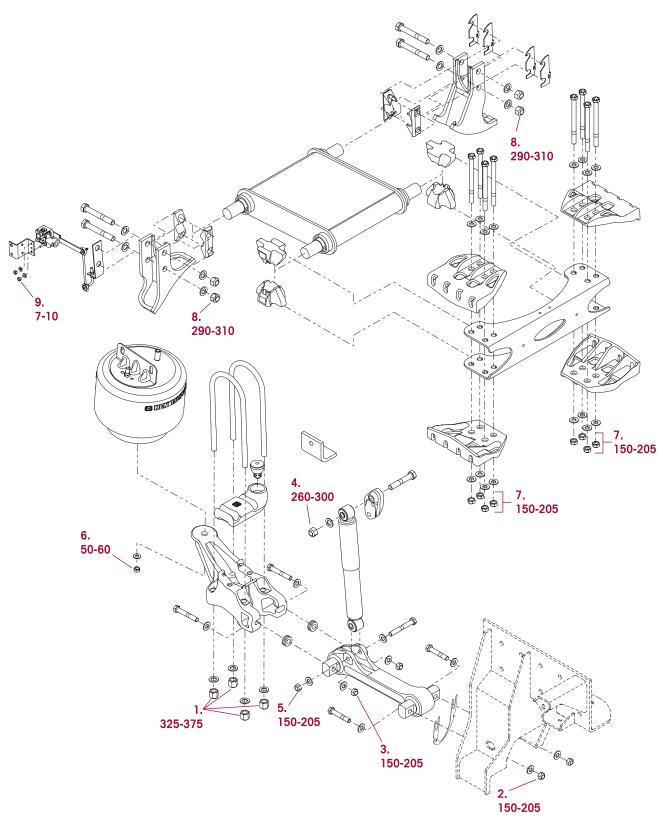
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Torque Specifications - Drive Tag

RECOMMENDED TORQUE VALUES PROVIDED IN FOOT POUNDS





HTB 210 for Spartan Drive Tag Motorhome Chassis

HENDRICKSON RECOMMENDED TORQUE SPECIFICATIONS

NO	COMPONENT	QTY.	SIZE	*TORQUE (in foot pounds)
1	U-bolt	4	34"-16 UNF U-bolt Locknut	325-375
2	Torque Rod to Frame Hanger	4	⁵ /8"-11 UNC Locknut	150-205
3	Torque Rod to Lower Air Spring Bracket	8	⁵ /8"-11 UNC Locknut	150-205
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8	Torque Box to Axle Bracket	8	3/4"-10 UNC Locknut	290-310
9	Height Control Valve to HCV Bracket	2	1/4" -20 UNC Locknut	7-10

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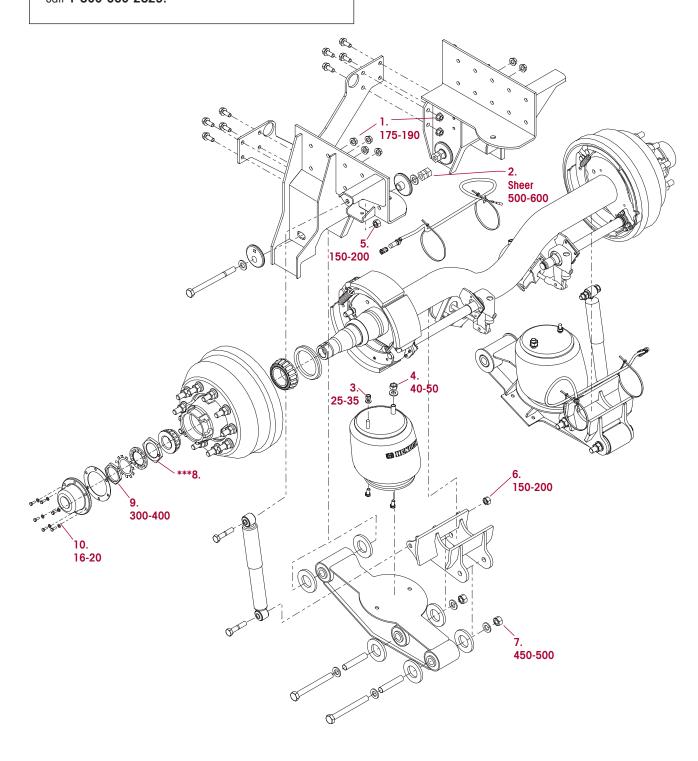
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Torque Specifications - Auxiliary Axle Drive Tag

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*Auxiliary Axle Drive Tag for Spartan Motorhome Chassis

HENDRICKSON RECOMMENDED TORQUE SPECIFICATIONS

NO	COMPONENT	QTY.	SIZE	**TORQUE (in foot pounds)
1	Hanger Bracket Assembly to Crossmember	8	5⁄ક"-11 Hex Nut	175-190
2	Quik-Align® Torq-Rite® Nut	2	7/8"-9 Sheer Nut	Sheer 500-600
3	Air Spring to Outboard Hanger Bracket Assembly	2	½"-13 Hex Nut	25-35
4	Air Spring to Inboard Hanger Bracket Assembly	2	³ ⁄ ₄ "-16 Hex Nut	40-50
5	Upper Shock Absorber to Hanger Bracket Assembly	2	³ ⁄ ₄ "-10 Hex Nut	150-200
6	Lower Shock Absorber to Beam Axle Assembly	2	34"-10 Hex Nut	150-200
7	Axle Seat Weldment to Beam Assembly	4	%"-9 Hex Nut	450-500
8	Inner Wheel Bearing Adjusting Nut	2	25/s"-16 Nut	***
9	Outer Wheel Bearing Nut	2	25/s"-16 Nut	300-400
10	Hub Cap	12	5/16"-18 UNC Hex Bolt	16-20

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^{***} See Wheel Bearing Adjustment in the Alignment & Adjustments Section of this publication for proper torque procedure.

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