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## PRO COMP SUSPENSION

Suspension Systems that Work!

57491 2006-2008 Toyota FJ 4WD 3" Lift Kit

This document contains very important information that includes warranty information and instructions for resolving problems you may encounter. Please keep it in the vehicle as a permanent record.

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# Optional Equipment Available from your Pro Comp Distributor!



4WD & 2WD Suspension Lift Kit: 57007/57007MX Coil Over Upgrade Kit: 57008MX

Also, Check out our outstanding selection of Pro Comp tires to compliment your new installation!

## **Introduction:**

- This installation requires a professional mechanic!
- We recommend that you have access to a factory service manual for your vehicle to assist in the disassembly and reassembly of your vehicle. It contains a wealth of detailed information.
- Prior to installation, carefully inspect the vehicle's steering and driveline systems paying close attention to the tie rod ends, ball joints, wheel bearing preload, pitman and idler arm. Additionally, check steering-to-frame and suspension-to-frame attaching points for stress cracks. The overall vehicle must be in excellent working condition. Repair or replace all worn or damaged parts!
- Read the instructions carefully and study the illustrations before attempting installation! You may save yourself a lot of extra work.
- Check the parts and hardware against the parts list to assure that your kit is complete. Separating parts according to the areas where they will be used and placing the hardware with the brackets before you begin will save installation time.
- Check the special equipment list and ensure the availability of these tools.
- Secure and properly block vehicle prior to beginning installation.
- <u>ALWAYS</u> wear safety glasses when using power tools or working under the vehicle!
- Use caution when cutting is required under the vehicle. The factory undercoating is flammable. Take appropriate precautions. Have a fire extinguisher close at hand.
- Foot pound torque readings are listed on the Torque Specifications chart at the end of the instructions. These are to be used unless specifically directed otherwise. Apply thread lock retaining compound where specified.
- Please note that while every effort is made to ensure that the installation of your Pro Comp lift kit is a positive experience, variations in construction and assembly in the vehicle manufacturing process will virtually ensure that some parts may seem difficult to install. Additionally, the current trend in manufacturing of vehicles results in a frame that is highly flexible and may shift slightly on disassembly prior to installation. The use of pry bars and tapered punches for alignment is considered normal and usually does not indicate a faulty product. However, if you are uncertain about some aspect of the installation process, please feel free to call our tech support department at the number listed on the cover page. We do not recommend that you modify the Pro Comp parts in any way as this will void any warranty expressed or implied by the Pro Comp Suspension company.

## **Important!**

Tire and wheel choice is crucial in assuring proper fit, performance, and the safety of your Pro Comp equipped vehicle. For this application, we recommend a 17" X 8" non hub-centric wheel with a maximum backspacing of 4 1/2" (PN 8089-7883). Additionally, a quality tire of radial design, not exceeding 33" tall X 12.5" wide tire (PN 27033) is recommended. Installation of larger wheels may be possible, but must not exceed 5" of backspacing. Be sure to check fit all wheel and tire combinations before purchasing and installation. Violation of these recommendations will not be endorsed as acceptable by Pro Comp Suspension and will void any and all warranties either written or implied.

# IMPORTANT!: 17" OR LARGER WHEELS MUST BE USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THIS LIFT KIT!

### **Please Note:**

- \* Front suspension and head light realignment is <u>necessary!</u>
- \* Speedometer and ABS recalibration will be necessary if larger tires (10% more than stock diameter) are installed.
- \* Always use NEW cotter pins on re-assembly! (These items are NOT supplied)
- \* IT IS ADVISABLE THAT YOU HAVE HELP AVAILABLE WHEN INSTALLING THIS KIT. SOME COMPONENTS ARE HEAVY AND AWKWARD. ADDITIONAL HELP IS GOOD INSURANCE AGAINST INJURY!

#### **Special Tools:**

Please refer to your service manual for more information.

A special removal tool is required for safe removal of the tie rods.

These tools may be purchased at your local Toyota dealer.

You may be able to rent any of these tools at your local parts store.

### FRONT INSTALLATION:

1. Prior to installing this kit, with the vehicle on the ground. Measure the height of your vehicle. This measurement can be recorded from the center of the wheel, straight up to the top of the inner fender lip. Record the measurements below.

RF:
RR:

- 2. Ensure that your work space is of adequate size and the work surface is level. Place the vehicle in park. Place your floor jack under the front cross member and raise vehicle. Place jack stands under the frame rails behind the front wheel wells and lower the frame onto the stands. Remove the jack and place the vehicle back in gear, set the emergency brake, and place blocks both in front of and behind the rear wheels.
- 3. Remove the front wheels. Save the hardware for reinstallation.
- 4. Remove the front skid plate if applicable.
- 5. Disconnect the ABS lines.
- 6. Disconnect the sway bar end links and remove the lower ball joint cotter pin and nut.
- 7. Loosen but do not remove the lower aarm bolts to allow the lower control arm to pivot on the bushings.
- 8. Remove the (2) bolts from the lower ball joint bracket. Save bolts for reinstallation.
- 9. Remove the lower strut bolt from the lower control arm and remove the strut assembly from the vehicle.

# NOTE: the direction of the bolt for reinstallation

10. Remove upper strut tower nuts holding the strut assembly to the strut tower (3) on each side of the vehicle. Save for rein-

stallation.

11. Scribe an index mark on the top of the **OE** coil spring to the upper strut mounting plate.

CAUTION: The coil is under extreme pressure and severe bodily injury may occur if the coil spring is disassembled without using a coil spring compressor.

12. Compress the coil spring on the strut assembly with a suitable coil spring compressor so that the coil spring has about 3/8" play in the strut and remove the upper strut isolator retaining nut.

NOTE: Do not use an impact gun to remove the retaining nut. It will damage the strut shaft.

13. Remove the **OE** coil spring isolator from the upper strut mounting plate. See IL-LUSTRATION 1.

NOTE: Inspect the front shock assembly for any damage or fluid leakage. Replace if necessary.

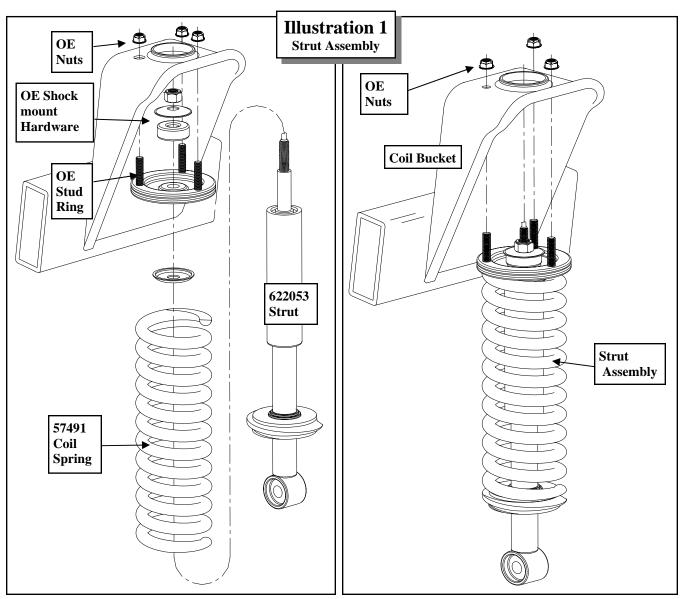
- 14. Install the new compressed coil spring (57491) and **OE** isolator onto the new strut assembly (622053) and re-attach the upper strut mount plate using the stock hardware. Torque the upper strut mounting plate retaining nut to 20 ft./lbs. See ILLUSTRATION 1.
- 15. Decompress the coil spring on the strut assembly. Make sure that the spring is seated correctly into the strut assembly and aligned with the previously scribed index mark on the upper strut mounting plate. See ILLUSTRATION 1.
- 16. Install the lower strut bolt in the original position and torque to 100 ft./lbs.
- 17. Install the strut assembly into the strut tower and start the upper three **OE** nuts. (Make sure that the bottom of the strut is aligned as well). See ILLUSTRATION 1.

- 18. Using the floor jack, raise the lower control arm and connect the lower ball joint bracket to the knuckle using the (2) previously removed **OE** bolts. Apply thread locking compound to the bolts. Torque the bolts to 118 ft./lbs.
- 19. Reconnect the sway bar end links using the previously removed **OE** hardware. Torque the nut to 52 ft./lbs.
- 20. Reconnect the ABS lines.
- 21. Reinstall the front skid plate if applicable.
- 22. Reinstall the front wheels. Reinstall the

wheels and lower the vehicle to the ground. Torque the lug nuts according to the wheel manufacturers recommendations.

NOTE: Trimming of the wheel well liner on the backside of the fender well may be necessary depending on the tire/wheel combination.

- 23. Lower the vehicle onto the ground and tighten the upper strut tower **OE** nuts to 47 ft./lbs.
- 24. With the vehicle on the ground, torque the lower A-arm cam bolts to 100 ft./lbs.



25. Recheck all hardware for proper installation and torque at this time.

IMPORTANT! BE SURE TO BRING THE VEHICLE TO A REPUTA-BLE ALIGNMENT SHOP TO BE ALIGNED!

IMPORTANT!: IF THE STEERING WHEEL IS NOT CENTERED PROPERLY IT WILL TRIGGER THE ANTI-LOCK BRAKE AND TRACTION CONTROL WARNING LIGHTS.

#### **NOTES:**

- ⇒ On completion of the installation, have the suspension and headlights re-aligned.
- ⇒ After 100 miles recheck for proper torque on all newly installed hardware.
- ⇒ Recheck all hardware for tightness after off road use.

#### **REAR INSTALLATION**

- 1. Block the front tires and raise the rear of the vehicle. Support the frame with jack stands forward of the rear springs.
- 2. Remove the rear wheels.
- Remove the shocks on both sides of the vehicle. It may be necessary to slightly raise the axle to unload the shocks for removal.
- 4. Lower the rear axle enough to remove the coil springs from the front spring pockets. Save the factory isolators for re-use.

# NOTE: Be sure to support the axle while the springs and shocks are removed.

- 5. Unbolt the track bar from the rear axle mount and secure up and out of the work area. Save the hardware for reinstallation.
- 6. Unbolt the sway bar end links from the sway bar. Save the hardware for reuse.
- 7. On both sides of the vehicle support the rear end with a jack and unbolt the lower control arm at the axle.
- 8. Carefully lower the rear end to ease in the new coil spring installation. Using the factory isolators install the Pro Comp coil springs (57492) into the spring buckets and raise the rear axle into place. Make sure the coil spring seats properly on the lower spring perch.
- 9. Install your new Pro Comp shocks (923553 w/shaft end up) to the OE shock mounts. Torque the upper mounting hardware to 18 ft./lbs. and the lower OE mounting bolt to 72 ft./lbs.
- 10. Reattach the sway bar end links to the sway bar using the previously removed OE hardware. Torque the nut to 52 ft./ lbs.
- 11. Repeat the installation on the other side of the vehicle.
- 12. Check all hardware at this time to ensure

- that everything is tight. Check for adequate clearance on all repositioned brake lines and emergency brake cables. Make sure you check with the suspension fully extended, and compressed.
- 13. Reinstall the wheels and lower the vehicle to the ground. Torque the lug nuts according to the wheel manufacturers recommendations.
- 14. With the vehicle on the ground reinstall the track bar to the rear axle using the previously removed **OE** hardware. Torque the **OE** hardware to 96 ft./lbs. See IL-LUSTRATION 26.

#### **NOTES:**

- ⇒ On completion of the installation, have the suspension and headlights re-aligned.
- ⇒ After 100 miles recheck for proper torque on all newly installed hardware.
- ⇒ Recheck all hardware for tightness after off road use.

Use this only as a guide for hardware without a called out torque specification in the instruction manual.

Bolt Torque and ID								
Decimal System			Metric System					
	All Torques in Ft. Lbs. Maximums							
Bolt Size	Grade 5	Grade8	Bolt Size	Class 9.8	Class 10.9	Class 12.9		
5/16	15	20	M6	5	9	12		
3/8	30	45	M8	18	23	27		
7/16	45	60	M10	32	45	50		
1/2	65	90	M12	55	75	90		
9/16	95	130	M14	85	120	145		
5/8	135	175	M16	130	165	210		
3/4	185	280	M18	170	240	290		
1/2-13x 1.75 HHCS Grade 5 Grade 8 M12-1.25x50 HHCS  (No. of Marks+2)								
G = Grade (Bolt Strength)  P = Prop erty Class (Bolt Strength)								
1			D = Nominal Diameter (Millimeters)					
T = Thread Count (Threads per Inch)  T = Thread Pitch (Thread Width, mm)  L = Length (Millimeters)								
L = Length (Inches)  L = Length (Millimeters)  X = Description (Hex Head Cap Screw)  X = Description (Hex Head Cap Screw)								

#### Notice to Owner operator, Dealer and Installer:

Vehicles that have been enhanced for off-road performance often have unique handling characteristics due to the higher center of gravity and larger tires. This vehicle may handle, react and stop differently than many passenger cars or unmodified vehicles, both on and off-road. You must drive your vehicle safely! Extreme care should always be taken to prevent vehicle rollover or loss of control, which can result in serious injury or even death. Always avoid sudden sharp turns or abrupt maneuvers and allow more time and distance for braking! Pro Comp reminds you to fasten your seat belts at all times and reduce speed! We will gladly answer any questions concerning the design, function, maintenance and correct use of our products.

# Please make sure your Dealer/Installer explains and delivers all warning notices, warranty forms and instruction sheets included with Pro Comp product.

Application listings in this catalog have been carefully fit checked for each model and year denoted. However, Pro Comp reserves the right to update as necessary, without notice, and will not be held responsible for misprints, changes or variations made by vehicle manufacturers. Please call when in question regarding new model year, vehicles not listed by specific body or chassis styles or vehicles not originally distributed in the USA.

Please note that certain mechanical aspects of any suspension lift product may accelerate ordinary wear of original equipment components. Further, installation of certain Pro Comp products may void the vehicle's factory warranty as it pertains to certain covered parts; it is the consumer's responsibility to check with their local dealer for warranty coverage before installation of the lift.

#### Warranty and Return policy:

Pro Comp warranties its full line of products to be free from defects in workmanship and materials. Pro Comp's obligation under this warranty is limited to repair or replacement, at Pro Comp's option, of the defective product. Any and all costs of removal, installation, freight or incidental or consequential damages are expressly excluded from this warranty. Pro Comp is not responsible for damages and / or warranty of other vehicle parts related or non-related to the installation of Pro Comp product. A consumer who makes the decision to modify his vehicle with aftermarket components of any kind will assume all risk and responsibility for potential damages incurred as a result of their chosen modifications. Warranty coverage does not include consumer opinions regarding ride comfort, fitment and design. Warranty claims can be made directly with Pro Comp or at any factory authorized Pro Comp dealer.

**IMPORTANT!** To validate the warranty on this purchase please be sure to mail in the warranty card.

#### Claims not covered under warranty-

- Parts subject to normal wear, this includes bushings, bump stops, ball joints, tie rod ends and heim joints
  Discontinued products at Pro Comp's discretion
- Bent or dented product
- Finish after 90 days
- Leaf or coil springs used without proper bump stops
- · Light bulbs
- Products with evident damage caused by abrasion or contact with other items
- Damage caused as a result of not following recommendations or requirements called out in the installation manuals
- Products used in applications other than listed in Pro Comp's catalog
- Components or accessories used in conjunction with other manufacturer's systems
- Tire & Wheel Warranty as per Pro Competition Tire Company policy
- · Warranty claims without "Proof of Purchase"
- Pro Comp Pro Runner coil over shocks are considered a serviceable shock with a one-year warranty against leakage only. Rebuild service and replacement parts will be available and sold separately by Pro Comp. Contact Pro Comp for specific service charges.
- Pro Comp accepts no responsibility for any altered product, improper installation, lack of or improper maintenance, or improper use of our products.

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