



Part # 13040297 - Mopar LX Platform HQ Series Air Suspension

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Front Components

13042501 Front ShockWave Kit

Rear Components

13134110 Rear CoolRide Kit



Recommended Tools



Mopar LX Platform HQ Series Air Suspension 05-08 Magnum / 05-Up 300C / 06-Up Charger / 08-Up Challenger

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Part # 13042501 - Mopar LX Platform HQ Front ShockWaves



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Mopar LX Platform HQ Series Front ShockWaves

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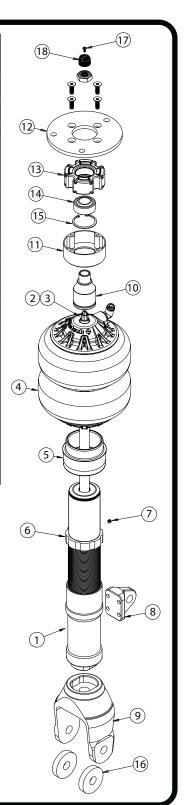


Major ComponentsIn the box

Item #	Part #	Description	QTY
1	24159997	5.2" Stroke HQ Series Shock	2
2	70012160	2.0" Stud Top Metering Rod (Installed in stud top)	2
3	90009988	2.0" Stud Top Assembly	2
4	24090199	6.5" Diameter Double Convoluted Air Spring	2
5	90003649	Air Spring Spacer	2
6	234-00-153	Air Spring Locking Ring	2
7	99055000	8 x 5mm set screw - installed in locking ring	2
8	90003603	Shock Sway Bar Tab	2
9	90003604	Lower Shock Mount Clevis	2
10	90003605	Air Spring Cap To Upper Bearing	2
11	90003590	Strut Isolator Retaining Cup	2
12	90003606	Upper Shock Mounting Plate	2
13	70016907	Upper Strut Isolator	2
14	90001042	Upper Strut Bearing	2
15	90000805	Upper Strut Bearing Retaining Ring	2
16	90003607	Lower Shock Mount Spacer - 2005-2010 LX's	2
17	90009969	4-40 x 1/4" Pan Head Torx Cap - Adjuster Knob	2
18	210-35-120-0	Adjuster Knob	2

HARDWARE LIST - Kit # 99010249

Part #	Description			
TOP PLATE TO CAR TOWER				
99371007	3/8"-16 X 1 1/2" Hex Bolt	6		
99372001	3/8"-16 Nylok Nut	6		
99373002	3/8" SAE Flat Washer	12		
SHOCK TO LOWER CONTROL ARM				
99561012	9/16"-18 x 4 1/2" Hex Bolt	2		
99562001	9/16"-18 Nylok Nut	2		
99566003	9/16" Flat Washer	4		







Disassembly

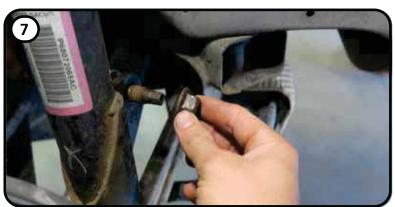
- **1.** Raise the vehicle to a safe and comfortable working height with the suspension hanging freely. You will need a jack under the lower control arm to help support it during the installation.
- 2. Remove the front wheels to allow access to the front suspension.
- 3. The front OEM struts will need to be removed from the front of the car.
- **4.** Due to 2 possible lower mount options on this platform, included in the kit are spacers for the narrower width. The lower shock mount is setup for the wide width. If your car is a 2010 or older, it will require a spacer to be used on each side of the OEM lower shock mount. See **Page 5** for more details.



5. Remove the OEM upper strut cap from the top of the strut tower.



6. Remove the 3 upper strut mounting nuts.



7. Disconnect the sway bar linkage from the strut. Retain the OEM hardware for reassembly later.





Disassembly and ShockWave Installation



8. Remove the lower strut mounting bolt.



- **9.** The upper ball joint will need to be disconnected from the spindle so the strut can be removed from the car. You need to put a jack under the lower control arm to help support it. You do NOT want to put and stress on the brake line or ABS wires. Remove the ball joint nut. Remove the ball joint nut and disconnect the ball joint from the spindle. You can use a ball joint separator or tap the spindle with a hammer.
- **10.** Remove the OEM strut from the car.



11. Insert the Ridetech assembly into the car. The sway bar tab should point to the engine. Align the upper mounting holes with the OEM holes of the strut tower. Install a 3/8" flat washer on each of (3) 3/8"-16 x 1 1/2" hex bolts. Insert the bolt in from the bottom with the threads pointing up. You will have to hold each bolt in place while putting a flat washer and nut on them.

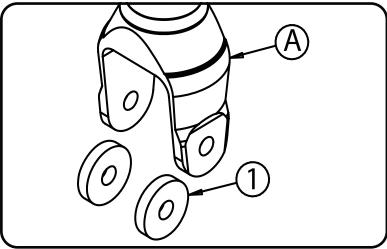




ShockWave Installation



12. Install a 1/2" flat washer and 3/8"-16 nylok nut on the threads of each bolt. Torque to 35 ft-lbs.



The LX platform had 2 different width lower shock mounts depending on the year of the car. 2005-2010 have a narrow mount. The 2011 and newer have a wide lower shock mount. The lower mount on the Ridetech shock is the width of the wide lower mount. If your car has the narrow lower mount, spacers are supplied for it. A spacer will need to be used on each side of the OEM lower mount.



13. Align the lower shock mount with the OEM mount in the lower control arm. If your car has a narrow lower mount, insert a spacer in each side. Install a 9/16" flat washer on a 9/16"-18 x 4 1/2" hex bolt. Insert the bolt in the aligned mounting holes.





ShockWave Installation



14. Install a 9/16" flat washer and 9/16"-18 nylok nut on the threads of the bolt. Torque to 128 ft-lbs.



15. Reattach the upper ball joint to the spindle. Torque the nut to 35 ft-lbs + 90 degrees.



16. Attach the sway bar linkage to the new shock mount. Torque the nut to 45 ft-lbs.



17. The strut cover can be reinstalled on the new shock setup. Keep in mind, the cap will need to be removed to adjust the shock.





ShockWave Installation

- **18.** Apply thread sealant to an elbow air fitting and screw it into the top of the Shockwave.
- **19.** Route the airline. Allow slack for suspension movement.
- **20.** Check air spring clearance through full suspension travel. Allowing the Shockwave to rub on anything will result in air spring failure and in not a warrantable situation.
- **21.** Reinstall the front wheels and tires and set the front of the vehicle back on the ground.
- **22.** Ride height on this car is approximately 2" lower than factory. On most vehicle this will occur around 100psi, but will vary per vehicle.



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PLEASE READ



The air spring locking ring <u>IS NOT</u> adjustable. This ring is set to a specific position at the factory to optimize the air spring stroke with the shock stroke. Attempting to adjust this ring will void your warranty.



DO NOT attempt to remove the press-in air fitting. It may result in damage to the composite cap and void your warranty.



DO NOT drive the vehicle with the air springs fully deflated. Severe damage to the internal bumpstop, shock bushings, and shock mounts may occur.

- Avoid driving the vehicle with the air springs overinflated or "topped out". Over time the shock valving may suffer severe damage or total failure. Our recommended ride-height range is between 40-60% of total suspension travel.
- Do not allow the air spring bellows to rub on or interfere with any surrounding objects. Ensure the ShockWaves are adequately distanced from the exhaust system. Damage or total failure may occur.
- Do not use harsh or abrasive chemicals or solvents to clean your ShockWaves. A mild soap and water solution is sufficient.
- When working around or near your shocks, avoid allowing overspray of harsh chemicals or solvents to make contact with your ShockWaves.
- When attempting to clock the air fitting, you may rotate the air spring assembly on the shock. Ensure the fitting does not contact the vehicle frame or other surrounding objects.





Part # 13044110 - Mopar LX Platform HQ Rear CoolRide



Recommended Tools





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Major ComponentsIn the box





HARDWARE LIST - Kit # 99010251

Item #	Part #	Description	QTY
	UPPER MOUNT TO CAR		
21	99371003	3/8"-16 X 1" Hex Bolt	4
22	99372002	3/8"-16 Nylok Nut	4
23	99373002	3/8" SAE Flat Washer	8
	AIR SPRING TO UPPER MOUNT		
22	99372002	3/8"-16 Nylok Nut	4
23	99373002	3/8" SAE Flat Washer	4
	AIR SPRING TO LOWER PLATE		
24	99371017	3/8"-16 X 1" Button Head	2
25	99373005	3/8" Split Lock Washer	2
23	99373003	3/8" SAE Flat Washer	2

Item #	Part #	Description	QTY
	LOWER PLATE		
26	99371017	3/8"-16 X 1" Button Head	2
22	99372002	3/8"-16 Nylok Nut	2
23	99373002	3/8" SAE Flat Washer	2
27	99431001	7/16"-14 x 1 Hex Bolt	2
28	99433002	7/16" SAE Flat Washer	2
29	99433003	7/16" Split Lock Washer	2

Disassembly

- **1.** Raise the vehicle to a safe and comfortable working height with the suspension hanging freely. You will need a jack under the lower control arm to help support it during the installation.
- 2. Remove the rear wheels to allow access to the front suspension.
- **3.** The OEM shocks and springs will need to be removed from the rear of the car. Retain the OEM hardware for installation of the new Coil Over.

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4. Remove the OEM upper shock mounting bolts. Retain them for reassembly.



5. Remove the OEM lower shock mounting bolt. Retain them for reassembly.





Disassembly



6. Disconnect the sway bar linkage from the suspension knuckle. Retain the OEM hardware for reassembly later.



7. Push down on the brake rotor to pop the coil spring out of the car.



8. Be sure to remove the upper and lower coil spring isolators from the car.

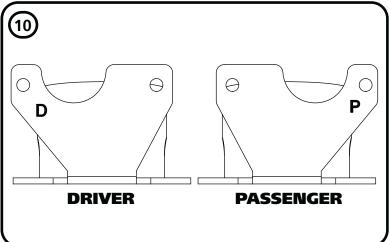




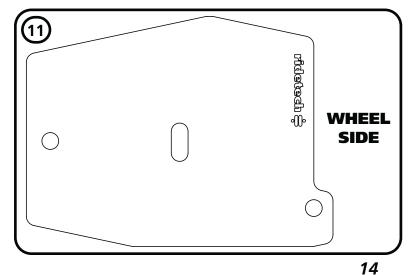
Air Spring Installation



9. The hole being tapped in the picture will be used to bolt the lower air spring plate. A 7/16"-14 USS tap will be needed.



10. The upper air spring brackets are side specific. They are stamped with the letter D = Driver, P= Passenger.



11. The lower brcket is the same for each side. It will get attached to the air spring with the Ridetech logo on the same side as the air spring.





Air Spring Installation



12. Apply thread sealant to the air fitting and screw it into the top of the air spring. Assemble the upper cup bracket to the air spring, using 3/8"-16 Nylok nuts and 3/8" flat washers. Torque the 3/8" nuts 15-20 ft-lbs.



13. Use **Images 13 & 14** for a reference for bolting the lower plate to the air spring. The air spring will be attached to the lower plate using a 3/8"-16 x 1" button head bolt, lock washer and flat washer. It will get bolted to the middle slot of the lower plate. Leave the attaching bolt loose. It will get tightened later.



14. The lower mounting plate has 2 mounting holes that align with holes in the OEM lower control arm. The holes on the wheel side, aligns with the hole taped 7/16"-14 in **Step 9** and uses a 7/16"-14 x 1" hex bolt, 7/16" split lock washer, & 7/16" SAE flat washer. The inner hole will use a 3/8"-16 x 1" hex bolt, (2) 3/8" SAE flat washers, & 3/8"-16 nylok nut.

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Air Spring Installation



15. Insert the air spring/brakcet assembly into the car. Make sure you have the correct upper bracket on the correct side of the car. These are illustrated in **Step 10**. The "cup" part of the bracket will insert into the coil spring pocket with the vertcal tabs resting against the wheel side of the wheel well.



16. The lower plate will align with the holes in the OEM lower control arm. Insert the attaching bolts into the lower plate mounting holes. Again, the outer holes uses a 7/16"-14 x 1" hex bolt, 7/16" split lock washer, & 7/16" SAE flat washer. Install the split loack washer & flat washer on the bolt and thread it into the control arm. Install a 3/8" flat washer on a 3/8"-16 button head bolt and insert it into the inner hole. Install a 3/8" flat washer and 3/8"-16 nylok nut on the threads of the bolt that is sticking through the control arm. Torque the 7/16" bolt to 17 ft-lbs and the 3/8" hardware to 23 ft-lbs.



17. The vertical tabs will sit against the flat aea on each side of the recess of the wheel well. Clamp the bracket in place with the tabs against the body and the cup sitting tight in the coil spring pocket. The mounting holes will need to be drilled in the body of the car. Use the bracket as a template to drill the 2 mounting holes using a 3/8" drill bit. With the holes are drilled, install a 3/8" flat washer on each of (2) 3/8"-16 x 1" hex bolt. Insert the bolt/washer in the mounting holes. Install a 3/8" flat washer ans 3/8"-16 nylok nut. Torque the hardware to 23 ft-lbs.

Note: The air line must be routed at this time.





Air Spring & Shock Installation



18. Make sure the bottom of the air spring is inline with the top of the air spring. Torque the lower air spring bolt to 15-20 ft-lbs.



19. Insert the shock assembly into the OEM location. Align the mounting holes of the upper plate with the OEM shock mounting holes. Install the OEM hardware that you removed during disassembly. Torque to 46 ft-lbs.



20. It helps to put a jack under the lower control arm to help support the suspension during the installation of the lower shock bolt. Align the mounting holes with the lower shock bearing/spacers. Insert the OEM bolt from the front side with the threads pointing to the rear of the car.





Shock Installation



21. Install the OEM nut on the bolt. Torque to 96 ft-lbs.



22. Reattach the sway bar linkage to the suspension knuckle. Align the mounting holes and insert the OEM bolt.



23. Install the OEM nut on the sway bar linkage bolt. Torque the nut to 45 ft-lbs.





Finishing

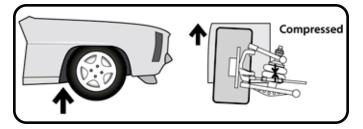
- **24.** Reinstall the rear wheels.
- **25.** Set the vehicle back on the ground.
- **26.** Double-check air spring clearance through full suspension travel. Allowing the air spring to rub will cause air spring failure and is not a warrantable situation.
- **27.** Ride height on this air spring is 5" tall. This will be achieved at around 100psi but will vary to driver preference & vehicle weight.



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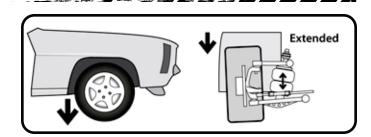


The Basics...



COMPRESSION

This typically occurs when you hit a bump in the road. The bump forces the wheel/tire/suspension assembly to "compress" or move upwards into the car.



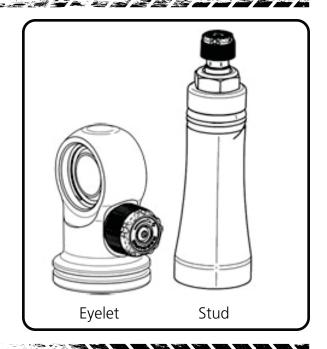
REBOUND

Rebound is the opposite of compression. This occurs when the wheel/tire/suspension assembly falls into a pothole, or simply "rebounds" from being compressed.

Where Are The Knobs?

HQ Series Shocks

- The adjustment knob is located on the top of the shock, either protruding from the side of the eyelet, or atop the stud.
- This knob provides rebound adjustment only.



Knob Function







Clockwise

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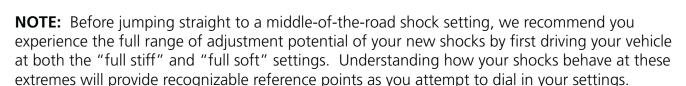




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Initial Rebound Setting



1. Begin by setting your shocks to the "full stiff", or minimal rebound position. You do this by turning the adjustment knob clockwise until it stops.



- **2.** Now turn the adjustment knob counterclockwise 12 clicks. This is the approximate center of the adjustment range.
- **3.** Take the vehicle for a test drive. Try to determine if you are experiencing any of the unwanted behaviors found at the extremes of the adjustment range. If you are satisfied with the ride quality and handling, you're all set. Enjoy the ride!



4. If the vehicle feels too "floaty" or soft, turn the knob a few clicks clockwise to increase the damping effect.

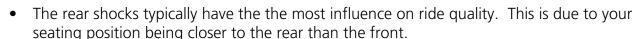


If the ride quality is still too harsh or stiff, turn the knob a few more clicks counterclockwise to decrease the damping effect.

5. Take the vehicle for another test drive. If necessary, repeat the steps above until your desired optimal ride quality has been acheived.



General Guidelines



- Adjustments to the front shocks will generally require 3-4 clicks in any direction to be noticable, while adjustments to the rear shocks may only require 1-2 clicks to be felt.
- Don't be afraid to turn the knobs and experience the full adjustment range. You are not going to hurt anything and you can always go back if you adjust too far one way or the other.

