

5" LIFT KIT - CHEVROLET EXPRESS/GMC SAVANA

WARNING! READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE BEGINNING INSTALLATION CONFIRM MEASUREMENTS BEFORE DRILLING ANY HOLES

PARTS LIST:

FRONT

2 WTD - 3" LIFT SPINDLE

- ALLEN BOLT OTY 2
- CLAMP QTY 2
- 2 FOX 2.0 IFP SHOCK (FRONT)
- 2" ALUMINUM COIL SPACERS

REAR

2 FOX 2.0 IFP SHOCK (REAR)

2 PROGRESSIVE LEAF SPRINGS

TOOLS NEEDED:

FRONT:

10MM SOCKET

13MM SOCKET

15MM SOCKET

18MM SOCKET

19MM SOCKET

21MM SOCKET

24MM SOCKET

1/8 ALLEN WRENCH

3/8" AND/OR 1/2" RATCHET

TAPE MEASURER

HAMMER

VISE GRIPS

PRY BAR

LOCTITE

SHARPIE

BLUE PAINTERS TAPE

REAR:

10MM

3/8 RATCHET

13MM SOCKET

18MM WRENCH

21MM SOCKET/WRENCH

24MM SOCKET

1/4" DRILL BIT

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS



DISASSEMBLY

Be sure to measure ride height before and after install for a true measurement of the total height lifted. We recommend using a piece of blue painters' tape on the front and back fenders. To find the before measurement, take a tape measurer and measure from the ground to the bottom of the fender well lip. Write that measurement on the blue tape. This step will be repeated once the lift is installed.

STEP 1:

Jack up front of van so the front wheels are off the ground and place jack stands under the frame behind the front bumper. This is for safety while you are completing the installation of this lift kit. Remove front wheels using a 22mm socket.



STEP 2:

Put jack under LCA so the coil spring does not pop out.

Disconnect the ABS line

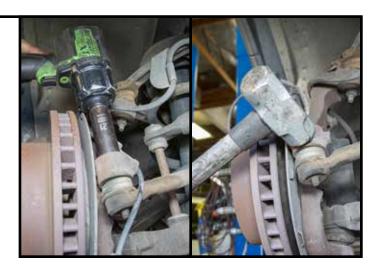
*Note: Do not remove shock until spindle is installed



STEP 3:

Remove tie rod end from spindle 21mm

Break tie rod loose with hammer





DISASSEMBLY

STEP 4:

Remove brake caliper bolts 21mm

Place brake caliper aside on hanger toward rear of vehicle

Before moving 10mm bolt holding brake line to spindle, remove bracket from brake line by bending it open



STEP 5:

Remove brake rotor



STEP 6:

Loosen lower spindle ball joint nut 24mm, leave nut threaded





DISASSEMBLY

STEP 7:

Loosen upper spindle ball joint nut 18mm, leave threaded



STEP 8:

Break ball joints free with hammer

*Note: Must hit REALLY hard



STEP 9:

Remove upper and lower spindle nuts





DISASSEMBLY

STEP 10:

Place a jack under the lower control arm.

Loosen upper shock nut with 15mm and a pair of vise grips to hold shock still

*Note: You may need to use prybar or tap with hammer from backside



STEP 11:

Un-bolt lower shock bolts 13mm remove shock

Remove swaybar link

Remove coil.



STEP 12:

Put spacer on top of coil and put both inside coil bucket.

Jack up lower arm to get coil in place





DISASSEMBLY

STEP 13:

Place new shock in place

Thread top nut in place

Tighten lower 13 mm shock bolts



STEP 14:

Tighten upper shock nut 19mm (if installing a new fox shock) 15mm if old shock is being used

*Note: Top shock mount should be snug! Do not crush bushings. This will lead to shock failure.

Double check on ground



STEP 15:

Place on bench and remove hub from spindle bolts using a 15mm





ASSEMBLY

STEP 16:

Separate hub from spindle.

*Note: You may need to use prybar or tab with hammer from backside



STEP 17:

Red thread locker on all 4 hub bolts and bolt new spindle to hub using a15mm



STEP 18:

Install hub on new WeldTec Designs 3" lift spindle





FRONT INSTALLATION (START ON DRIVER SIDE)

STEP 19:

Place new spindle in lower control arm

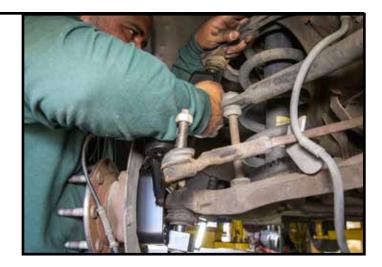
Thread lower ball joint nut

Note: Before installing upper ball joint, move brake caliper back so brake line is behind spindle



STEP 20:

Use a prybar to push upper arm down to install ball joint in spindle



STEP 21:

Thread upper ball joint and tighten





FRONT INSTALLATION

STEP 22:

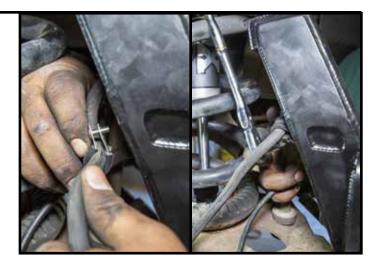
Torque upper and lower ball joints upper 18mm lower 24mm

Torque Specs:



STEP 23:

Bolt brake line hanger using supplied allen bolt and supplied clamp to back of spindle



STEP 24:

Assemble brake rotor and caliper in place

Bolt 21mm caliper bolts





STOCK COMPONENT REASSEMBLY

STEP 25:

Install tie rod using a 21mm

Double check that everything is tight



STEP 26:

Put wheels/tires back on front and lower front of vehicle.

Congratulations! You have now installed the WTD Chevrolet Express 5" Lift Kit.

Now it's time to move to the rear of the vehicle...





REAR INSTALLATION - PROGRESSIVE LEAF SPRINGS

STEP 1:

Remove rear wheel

Place jack under side of rear axle you are working on.



STEP 2:

Remove brake line bracket on frame 13mm.

Move to bottom of frame. Drill new hole using a 1/4" drill bit. Cut off excess below frame



STEP 3:

Remove rear shock bolt

Upper: 13mm

Lower (New Models): both 21mm Lower (Older Models): 18mm-21mm

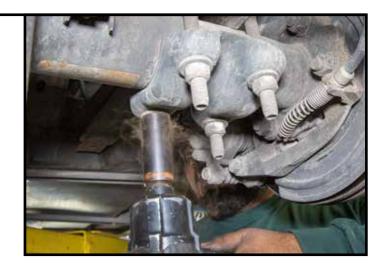




REAR INSTALLATION - PROGRESSIVE LEAF SPRINGS

STEP 4:

Remove u- bolts 24mm



STEP 5:

To remove stock leaf springs use a 21 mm wrench 10mm socket with a 3/8 ratchet

Break lose and remove hardware on front and rear of leaf spring



STEP 6:

To fully remove bolts Use a punch or screwdriver to push the bolts completely out

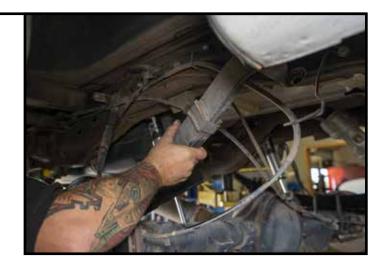




REAR INSTALLATION - PROGRESSIVE LEAF SPRINGS

STEP 7:

Lower rear end to free up stock leaf spring and remove



STEP 8:

Remove stock shackle on original leaf spring with 21mm wrench and 21mm ratchet



STEP 9:

Install stock shackle on new leaf springs be sure not to over tighten





REAR INSTALLATION - PROGRESSIVE LEAF SPRINGS

STEP 10:

To enable the front of the leaf springs to fit, the leaf spring perch will need to be cut.

With a marker and ruler to mark 1 3/4" on front leaf perch. Use cut off wheel to cut front perch.

Use a sanding disk to grind smooth. Spray paint to avoid rust in the future



STEP 11:

Install new leaf springs with stock hardware. When reinstall hardware use screw driver or punch to guide bolt through

Snug all hardware on leaf springs. You will fully tighten bolts once vehicle is back on the ground







REAR INSTALLATION - PROGRESSIVE LEAF SPRINGS

STEP 13:

Place new U bolts in place with nuts threaded on u-bolt carriage

Tighten u-bolts with 24mm



STEP 14:

Place new shocks in place and tighten top upper bolts with a 13mm



STEP 15:

Tighten lower shock bolts when you are done installing both sides with a 21mm.





REAR INSTALLATION - PROGRESSIVE LEAF SPRINGS

STEP 16:

Put the rear wheels and tires back on and lower the jacks. Once on ground tighten leaf spring hardware a final time

Now take the tape measurer and measure from the ground to the bottom of the fender lip and write the new ride height on the blue painter's tape that was placed on the fenders before started the install. If everything was done correctly, a true 5 inches of lift should be the result.



You are now ready to take your van to the alignment shop.

