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### Suspension Identification Tag

A (**606-**) **Installation/Assembly Number** is listed as the **Part Number** when other components are factory installed onto the suspension.

The **Suspension Number** and **Serial Number** on the Suspension ID Tag refer to the model and the date of manufacture of an individual suspension system.

Please refer to the suspension number/part number and serial number when contacting the Ridewell Customer Service Department for replacement parts and warranty information.

# **Self-Steering Option**

Self-steering suspensions are designed to steer only in the forward direction. The suspension must be raised off the ground or locked into a non-steering mode during reverse travel to avoid damage.

Ridewell Suspensions strongly recommends the use of automated systems that raise/lock the lift-axle during reverse travel.

Ridewell recommends the installation of a visual/ audible indicator that assists the driver in manual operation of the lift-in-reverse system.

Use caution when maneuvering in reverse with the steering lock engaged. The driver should maintain slow maneuvering speeds and avoid extreme turns.

ACAUTION Failure to lift the suspension and-or engage the steering-lock during reverse travel can cause component damage and void the warranty.

# Notes and Cautions

All work should be completed by a trained technician using the proper/special tools and safe work procedures. The guide uses two types of service notes defined as:

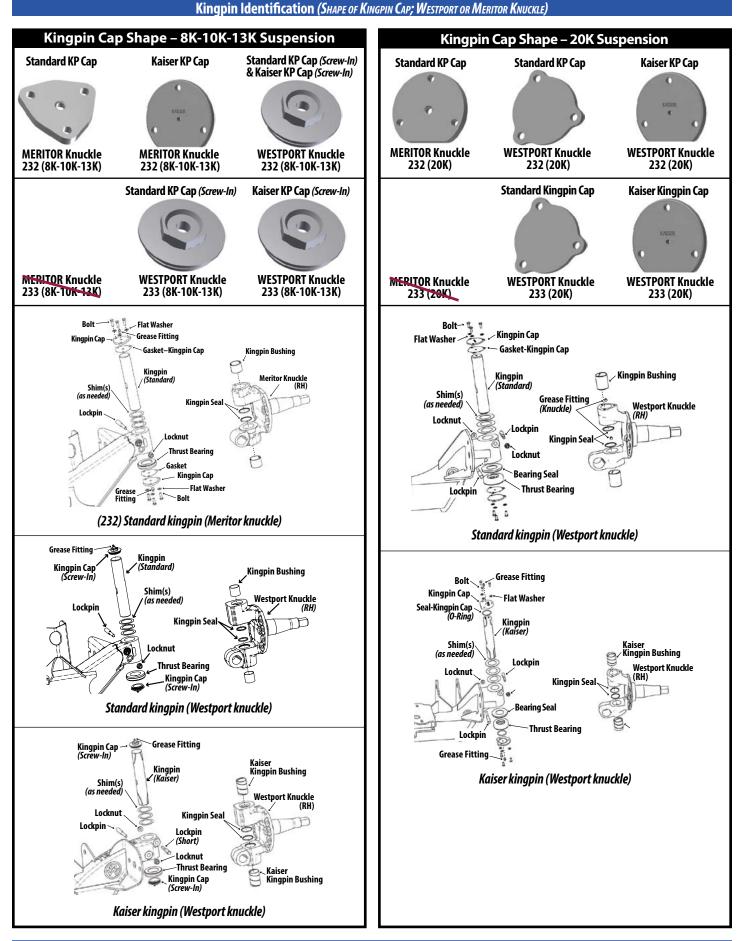
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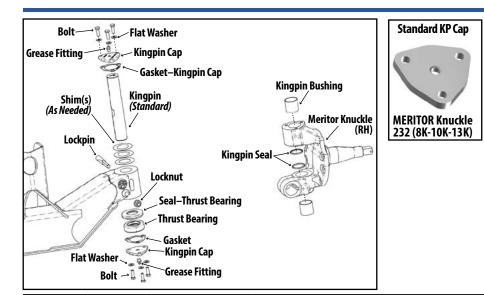
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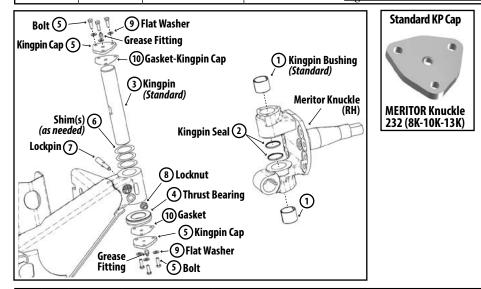
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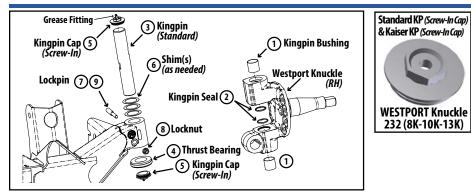
#### 232-8K TRUCK (MERITOR KNUCKLE; STANDARD KINGPIN)



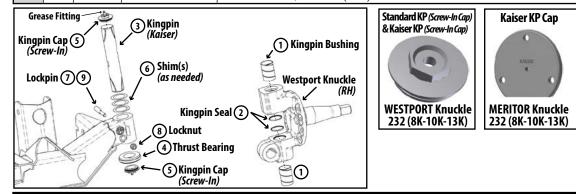


# 232-10K or 13K Truck/Trailer (Meritor Knuckle; Standard Kingpin)

DGM	No.	QTY/Axle	Part Number	Item Description
		(1)	1660106	Kingpin Replacement Kit
	1	4	1660241	KINGPIN BUSH FF/FG R210088 (Pg 12 - Standard KP bushing - bore reaming required)
Kit	2	4	1660131	SEAL ASY KINGPIN FG-941
ent	3	2	1660135	KINGPIN FF/FG STEMCO 105.21.03
Replacement	4	2	1660009	THRUST BRNG ASY T1822S 12/16K
lac	5	2	1660133	KINGPIN CAP KIT FG-941 MERITOR (2297T4752S; TWO CAPS; SIX HHCS)
Rep	6	2	1660136	SHIM - KINGPIN .005" FF/FG
in		2	1660137	SHIM - KINGPIN .010" FF/FG
led		2	1660138	SHIM - KINGPIN .015" FF/FG
Included	7	2	1660139	LOCK PIN .44/20 3.88" 13.2
<u> </u>	8	2	1150001	L'NUT 7/16" 20NF FL T-L GR5 (B)
	9	12	1160004	FLAT WASHER - 5/16" SAE PLTD
	10	4	1660132	GSKT KINGPIN CAP FG-941



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Diagra	m No.	QTY/Axle	Part Number	Item Description		
		(1)	1660317	Kingpin Replacement Kit		
	1	4	1660241	KINGPIN BUSH FF/FG R210088 (Pg 12 - Standard KP bushing - bore reaming required)		
t Kit	2	4	1660131	SEAL ASY KINGPIN FG-941		
Replacement	3	2	1660135	KINGPIN FF/FG STEMCO 105.21.03		
em	4	2	1660009	BRNG ASY T1822S 12/16K THRUST		
olac	5	4	1660014	KINGPIN CAP 12/16K SCREW IN		
Rep	6	2	1660136	SHIM - KINGPIN .005" FF/FG		
lin		2	1660137	SHIM - KINGPIN .010" FF/FG		
ded		2	1660138	SHIM - KINGPIN .015" FF/FG		
Included	7	2	1660139	LOCK PIN .44/20 3.88" (13K)		
	8	4	1150001	L'NUT 7/16" 20NF FL T-L GR5 (B)		
	9	2	1660216	LOCK PIN .44/20 3.18" (20K)		



#### 232 10K or 13K Truck/Trailer (Meritor or Westport Knuckle; Kaiser Kingpin)

Diagra	m No.	QTY/Axle	Part Number	Item Description
		(1)	1660261	Kingpin Replacement Kit FG-941 (Kaiser KP; Meritor Knuckle)
—				#KG931-R ( <u>Pg 14 - Kaiser KP bushing - No bore reaming needed)</u>
		(1)	1660319	Kingpin Replacement Kit (Kaiser KP; Westport Knuckle)
	1	4	1660322	KINGPIN BUSH KAI 13K (Pg 14 - Kaiser KP bushing - No bore reaming needed)
Kit	2	4	1660131	SEAL ASY KINGPIN FG-941
Replacement	3	2	1660314	KINGPIN FF/FG KAI #10M21-3 (1.8" OD)
eme	4	2	1660009	THRUST BRNG ASY T1822S 12/16K
lac	5	4	1660014	KINGPIN CAP 12/16K SCREW IN
Sep	6	2	1660136	SHIM - KINGPIN .005" FF/FG
<b>.</b>		2	1660137	SHIM - KINGPIN .010" FF/FG
led		2	1660138	SHIM - KINGPIN .015" FF/FG
Included	7	2	1660139	LOCK PIN .44/20 3.88" 13.2
<u> </u>	8	4	1150001	L'NUT 7/16" 20NF FL T-L GR5(B)
	9	2	1660216	LOCK PIN .44/20 3.18" 20K

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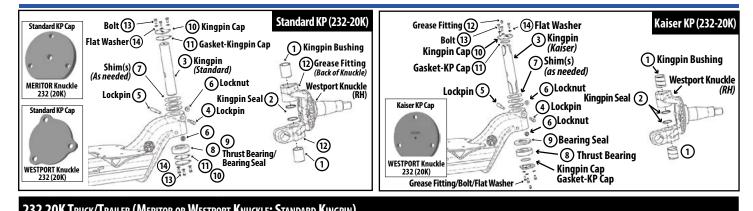
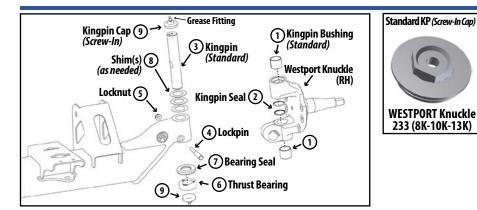


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-		(1)	1660326	Kingpin Replacement Kit FL-941 (Meritor Knuckle; Standard KP)
_	_			Meritor #R201312 (Pg 12 - Standard KP bushing - bore reaming required)
		(1)	1660324	Kingpin Replacement Kit (Westport Knuckle; Standard KP)
	1	4	1660323	KINGPIN BUSH WSTPT 20K FL (Pg 12 - Standard KP bushing - bore reaming required)
	2	4	1660316	SEAL ASY KINGPIN FL-941
	3	2	1660221	KINGPIN FL943 WP #143660-0006 (2" OD)
	4	2	1660216	LOCK PIN .44/20 3.18" 20K
Cit	5	2	1660217	LOCK PIN .44/20 4.75" 20K
ntk	6	4	1150001	L'NUT 7/16" 20NF FL T-L GR5(B)
mei	7	2	1660218	SHIM KINGPIN005"THK FL-943
Replacement Kit		2	1660219	SHIM KINGPIN015"THK FL-943
pla		2	1660220	SHIM KINGPIN030"THK FL-943
	8	2	1660224	BRNG ASY T-208 FL-943 (THRUST)
d in	9	2	1660225	KINGPIN BRNG SEAL T-208 FL
Included	10	4	1660222	KINGPIN CAP WP 20K
Iclu	11	4	1660223	KINGPIN CAP GSKT WP 20K
L	12	4	1660134	GREASE FITTING 1/8"(FF/FG)
	13	12	1140064	HEX HEAD CAP SCREW 5/16" 18NC GR8 3/4" LGTH
	14	12	1160004	FLAT WASHER 5/16" SAE PLTD

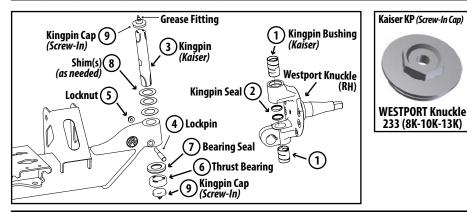
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			Part Number	Item Description
		(1)	1660189	Kingpin Replacement Kit (Meritor Knuckle; Kaiser KP)
_	_			Meritor #KH931-L (Pg 14 - Kaiser KP bushing - No bore reaming needed)
		(1)	1660325	Kingpin Replacement Kit (Westport Knuckle; Kaiser KP)
	1	4	1660315	KINGPIN BUSH KAI 20K FL (Pg 14 - Kaiser KP bushing - No bore reaming needed)
	2	4	1660316	SEAL ASY KINGPIN FL-941
	3	2	1660231	KINGPIN FL SER. KAI 20K (2" OD)
Kît	4	2	1660216	LOCK PIN .44/20 3.18" 20K
t z	5	2	1660217	LOCK PIN .44/20 4.75" 20K
Replacement	6	4	1150001	L'NUT 7/16" 20NF FL T-L GR5 (B)
Cer	7	2	1660218	SHIM KINGPIN005"THK FL-943
pla		2	1660219	SHIM KINGPIN015"THK FL-943
		2	1660220	SHIM KINGPIN030"THK FL-943
Included in	8	2	1660224	BRNG ASY T-208 FL-943 (THRUST)
de	9	2	1660225	KINGPIN BRNG SEAL T-208 FL
clu	10	4	1660232	KINGPIN CAP FL SER KAI 20K
드	11	4	1660233	O-RING CAP SEAL FL SER. KAI
	12	4	1660134	Grease Fitting 1/8"(FF/FG)
	13	12	1140064	Hex Head Cap Screw 5/16" 18NC GR8 3/4" Lgth
	14	12	1160004	Flat Washer 5/16" SAE PLTD



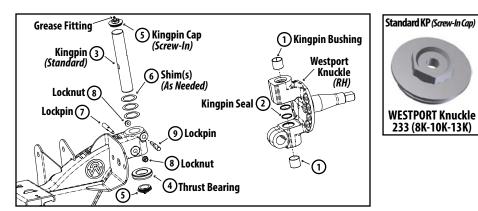
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Diagra	m No.	QTY/Axle	Part Number	
		(1)	1660534	Kingpin Replacement Kit (Standard KP; Westport Knuckle)
	1	4	1660545	KINGPIN BUSH WSTPT 8K (Pg 12 - Standard KP bushing - bore reaming required)
t Kit	2	4	1660544	SEAL KINGPIN WSTPT 8K
cement	3	2	1660469	KINGPIN FC/8K WP #143660-0013 (1.5" OD)
me	4	2	1660139	LOCK PIN .44/20 3.88" 13.2
lac	5	2	1150001	L'NUT 7/16" 20NF FL T-L GR5(B)
Repla	6	2	1660473	BRNG ASY T-149 FC/8K (THRUST)
<b>.</b>	7	2	1660474	KINGPIN BRNG SEAL T-149 FC
nded	8	2	1660475	SHIM KINGPIN005"THK "FC"
Includ		2	1660476	SHIM KINGPIN010"THK "FC"
		2	1660477	SHIM KINGPIN015"THK "FC"
	9	4	1660472	KINGPIN CAP FC/8K SCREW IN



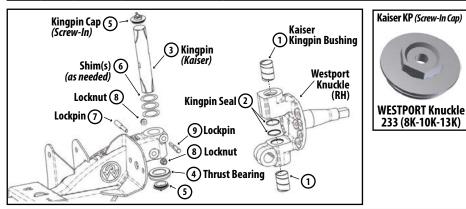
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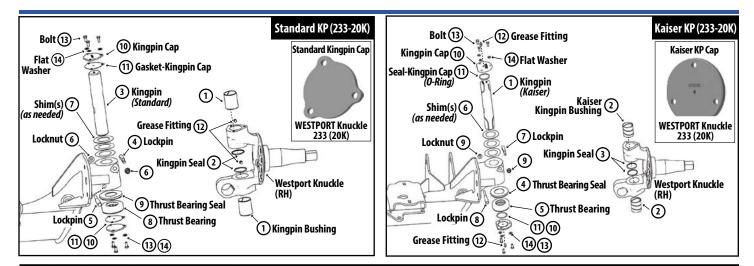
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Diagra	m No.	QTY/Axle	Part Number	Item Description
		(1)	1660317	Kingpin Replacement Kit (Westport Knuckle; Standard KP)
t	1	4	1660241	KINGPIN BUSH FF/FG (Pg 12 - Standard KP bushing - bore reaming required)
: Kit	2	4	1660131	SEAL ASY KINGPIN FG-941
Replacement	3	2	1660135	KINGPIN FF/FG 13K (1.8" OD)
em	4	2	1660009	BRNG ASY T1822S 12/16K THRUST
lac	5	4	1660014	KINGPIN CAP 12/16K SCREW IN
sep	6	2	1660136	SHIM - KINGPIN .005" FF/FG
in F		2	1660137	SHIM - KINGPIN .010" FF/FG
ed		2	1660138	SHIM - KINGPIN .015" FF/FG
Included	7	2	1660139	LOCK PIN .44/20 3.88" 13.2
lnc	8	4	1150001	L'NUT 7/16" 20NF FL T-L GR5 (B)
	9	2	1660216	LOCK PIN .44/20 3.18" 20K



#### 233 10K-13K TRUCK/TRAILER (WESTPORT KNUCKLE; KAISER KINGPIN)

Diagra	m No.	QTY/Axle	Part Number	Item Description
		(1)	1660319	Kingpin Replacement Kit (Westport Knuckle; Kaiser KP)
	1	4	1660322	KINGPIN BUSH KAI 13K (Pg 14 - Kaiser KP bushing - No bore reaming needed)
Kit	2	4	1660131	SEAL ASY KINGPIN FG-941
Replacement	3	2	1660314	KINGPIN FF/FG KAI #10M21-3 (1.8" OD)
Ĕ	4	2	1660009	BRNG ASY T1822S 12/16K THRUST
ac	5	4	1660014	KINGPIN CAP 12/16K SCREW IN
ep	6	2	1660136	SHIM - KINGPIN .005" FF/FG
		2	1660137	SHIM - KINGPIN .010" FF/FG
eq		2	1660138	SHIM - KINGPIN .015" FF/FG
pn	7	2	1660139	LOCK PIN .44/20 3.88" 13.2
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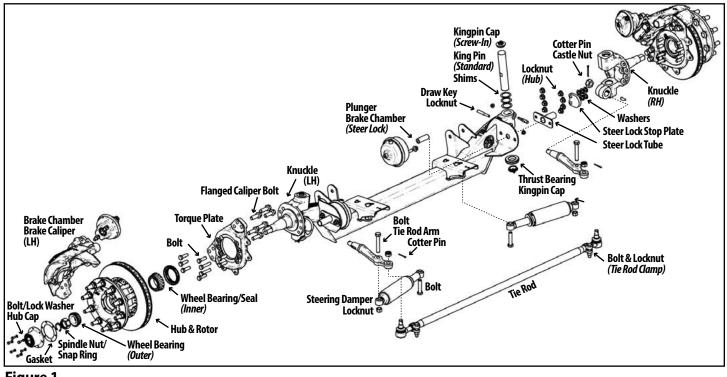
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		(1)	1660324 – Kingpin R	eplacement Kit (Westport Knuckle; Standard KP)
	1	4	1660323	KINGPIN BUSH WSTPT 20K (Pg 12 - Standard KP bushing - bore reaming required)
	2	4	1660316	SEAL ASY KINGPIN FL-941
	3	2	1660221	KINGPIN FL943 WP #143660-0006
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	12	4	1660134	GREASE FITTING 1/8"(FF/FG)
	13	12	1140064	HEX HEAD CAP SCREW 5/16" 18NC GR8 3/4" LGTH
	14	12	1160004	FLAT WASHER 5/16" SAE PLTD

### 233 20K TRUCK/TRAILER (WESTPORT KNUCKLE; KAISER KINGPIN)

Diagra	m No.	Qty/Axle	Part Number	Item Description
		(1)	1660325 - Kingpin Rej	olacement Kit (Westport Knuckle; Kaiser KP)
			1660231	KINGPIN FL SER. KAI 20K
	2	4	1660315	KINGPIN BUSH KAI 20K (Pg 14 - Kaiser KP bushing - No bore reaming needed)
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ij	4	2	1660225	KINGPIN BRNG SEAL T-208 FL
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Cen		2	1660219	SHIM KINGPIN015"THK FL-943
pla	<b>2</b> 1660220 SHIM		1660220	SHIM KINGPIN030"THK FL-943
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	8	2	1660217	LOCK PIN .44/20 4.75" 20K
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Ğ	10	4	1660232	KINGPIN CAP FL SER KAI 20K
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	12	4	1660134	GREASE FITTING 1/8"(FF/FG)
	13	12	1140064	HEX HEAD CAP SCREW 5/16" 18NC GR8 3/4" L
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#### KINGPIN /KNUCKLE/TIE-ROD COMPONENTS – DRUM/DISC BRAKE AXLE





ADB Axle Components (Reference only) 233T-13K Suspension – Westport Knuckle; Standard Kingpin.

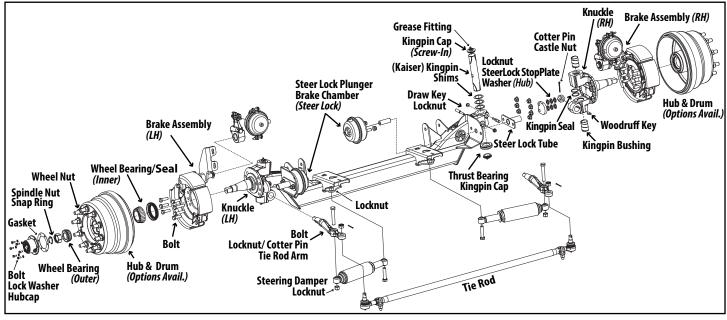
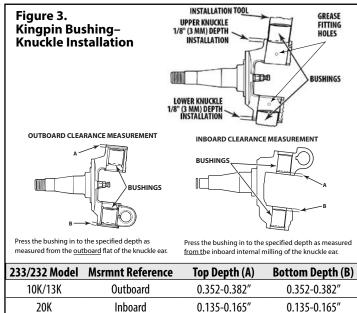


Figure 2.

Drum Brake Axle Components (Reference only) 233-13K Suspension – Westport Knuckle; Kaiser Kingpin.

# Standard Kingpin Replacement Procedure – 233/232 Suspension



# Kingpin bushings should be replaced on both sides of the axle at the same time.

#### **Top Bushing**

Place the new bushing into the upper knuckle bore. Use a bushing installation tool, if needed, to start the bushing straight into the upper bore. Press top bushing to the depth indicated for the suspension.

NOTE: Bushing hole for grease must be aligned with grease fitting hole in knuckle side (Figure 3).

#### **Bottom Bushing**

Turn the knuckle over so that the bottom of the knuckle is UP. Place the new bushing into the lower knuckle bore. Use a bushing installation tool, if needed, to start the bushing straight into the lower bore. Press bottom bushing to the depth indicated for the suspension.

NÔTE: Bushing hole for grease must be aligned with grease fitting hole in knuckle side (Figure 3).

Both the top and bottom bushing must be reamed before installing kingpin seals.

#### Ream the bushings:

Do not hone or burnish bushings before reaming. Use a fixed-size reamer tool to ream kingpin bushings.

Place the knuckle into a vise with brass jaws. Slide the pilot of the reamer through the top bushing until the reamer blades touch the bushing.

Rotate the reamer tool with a light DOWNWARD pressure. Continue rotating the tool until the top bushing is reamed out. Do not allow the reamer tool to drop through onto the bottom bushing.



Guide the pilot of the reamer into the bottom bushing until the reamer blades touch the bushing. Rotate the reamer with a light DOWNWARD pressure until the bottom bushing is reamed out (Figure 4).

Slide the reamer out of the bottom bushing. NOTE: Rotate the reamer tool in the opposite cutting direction if the tool must be removed through the top bushing.

Clean all material from inside of the bushings.

#### **Steering Knuckle - Kingpin Seal Installation**

Place the top of the knuckle into a vise with brass jaws. The bottom of the knuckle must be TOWARD you. Place the kingpin seal into the bottom of the top knuckle bore. The lip of the seal must be AWAY from the bore (Figure 5).

Figure 5.

Figure 6.

Place kingpin seal in knuckle.

Place the knuckle end cap on top of the seal. Slide the kingpin through the opposite knuckle bore. Use the kingpin to install the seal. The bottom of the seal must touch the bushing.

Turn the knuckle over in the vise. The jaws of the vise must hold the bottom of the knuckle, and the top of the knuckle must be towards the installer. Place the seal into the top of the bottom knuckle bore.

The seal lip must be AWAY from the bore (Figure 5).

Place endcap for the knuckle on top of the seal. Slide kingpin through the opposite knuckle bore. Use kingpin to install the seal (Figure 6).

#### Steering knuckle installation

Clean the bores of the knuckle and the axle beam.

**CAUTION** Use a brass or leather mallet for assembly/disassembly procedures. Do not hit steel parts with a steel hammer. Pieces of the steel part can break off.

Install the seal onto thrust bearing. The surface with the inner diameter seal must be on top. The surface with outer diameter seal must be on bottom (Figure 7).

- Cover-type seals: Install seal over the open end of the bearing.
- Flat-type seals: Install seal over the closed part of the bearing.

Install the seal and thrust bearing assembly on the inner knuckle. The seal faces upward towards beam; top inner diameter contacts the bottom of the beam.

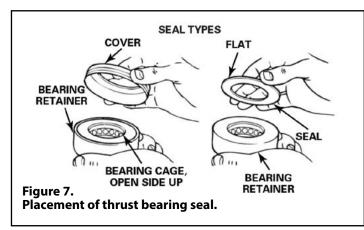
NOTE: One-piece thrust bearing with an integrated grease seal is completely interchangeable with two-piece design. It has a specified top and bottom orientation.

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Both upper and lower inside seal lips must be away from bore.

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#### **Install Shims**

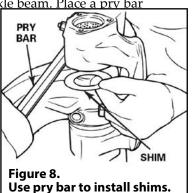
Inspect the shims for damage before installation.

- Replace damaged shims with the same size shims or a combination of sizes that allow the least amount of knuckle-end play.
- If a new shim pack is required, select the number of shims for installation that provide the least amount of knuckle-end play.
- Place the shims on top of the axle beam bore machined <u>surface</u>. Align the shims for kingpin installation.

**CAUTION** Shims have sharp edges. Wear gloves to install.

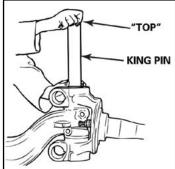
Place the knuckle onto the axle beam. Place a prv bar

between the steering arm boss and the axle beam. Lift the knuckle and slide the shim pack between the top of the beam and the knuckle (Figure 8). Align all the bores. NOTE: If the bores are not aligned, the parts will be damaged when kingpin is installed. Remove pry bar.



#### Install kingpin

Apply multi-purpose grease onto the bottom half of the kingpin before installing.



Verify "TOP" is stamped on the top of kingpin. Rotate the kingpin so that the two draw key slots of the pin correctly align with the draw key slots in the knuckle.

Install the kingpin into the TOP of the knuckle and through the area where the shims are located.

Do not force the pin through the top bushing. If required,

use a hammer and a brass drift to apply direct force to the kingpin for seating it into the lower knuckle bore.

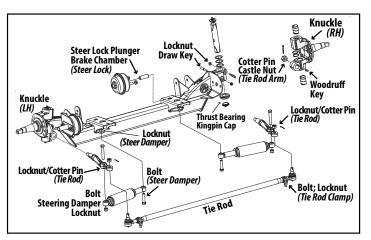
Seat the top draw key into the front of the beam. Seat the bottom draw key into the back of the beam by striking it with a hammer and drift.

The keys must align with the slots of the kingpin. Check the knuckle end play before installing or tightening locknuts.

Install the draw key locknut(s). Torque draw key locknut(s) to 30-45 ft-lbs.

Install new gaskets and caps on the top and bottom of the kingpin.

- Meritor kingpin caps: Install bolts and washers. Torque to 20-30 ft-lbs.
- Westport caps: Install threaded cap and gaskets. Torque to 70-90 ft-lbs.
- Install kingpin cap grease fittings. Torque to 10 ft-lbs.



# Assemble the Tie-Rod

Place a Woodruff key into the tie-rod arm. Attach arm to the axle knuckle with nuts.

- Torque 233 8K/13K (1" nuts) to 550-1025 ft-lbs.
- Torque 233 20K (1 1/4" nuts) to 775-1450 ft-lbs.

Tighten nut slightly, if necessary, to align the holes. Install a  $3/16'' \ge 2 \cdot 1/4''$  cotter pin.

If removed, install the cross tube into the tie-rod ends to the position marked during removal. Thread the ends equally into the cross tube to the required length and secure with clamp and bolts.

NOTE: The tie-rod cross tube has right-hand threads on one end and left-hand threads on the other end.

Attach tie-rod ends through the tapered holes of tie-rod arms with 7/8'' nuts. Torque nuts to 160-300 ft-lbs. Tighten nut slightly, if necessary, to align the holes. Install a  $9/64'' \times 1-3/4''$  cotter pin.

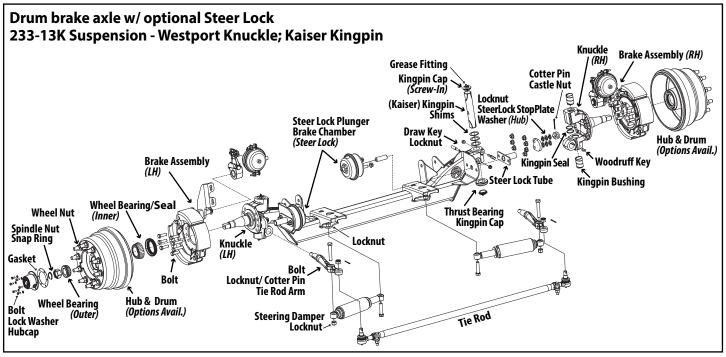
Adjust tie-rod length to attain wheel toe-in between 1/32" and 3/32". Torque clamp bolts at tie-rod end to 40-60 ft-lbs. NOTE: Toe-in is the negative difference in measurement across the inside of each hub, at the leading edge compared to the trailing edge.

#### Lubrication

Grease top and bottom of knuckles until grease appears near axle to knuckle interface. Grease camshaft support tube until grease appears at slack adjuster.

Refer to Meritor Maintenance Manual 2 "Front Non-Drive Steer Axles" for additional information.

# Kaiser Kingpin Replacement Procedure – 233/232 Suspension



**Kaiser Kingpin - Bushing Installation Procedure** Kaiser kingpin bushings do not need the bushing bores reamed after installation (Figure 9).

- Drive out existing bushings and seals from the knuckle(s) with a bushing driver and a brass hammer or dead blow hammer. NOTE: Do not use a punch or chisel, this could result in damaging the spindle eyes.
- 2. Use a brake hone attached to a hand drill to lightly hone the axle spindle eye until smooth. Install two (2) lip seals in each kingpin assembly:
  - One lip seal is placed at the bottom of the top spindle bore (near axle).
  - One lip seal is placed at the top of the bottom spindle bore (near axle).

**Grease Fitting** Kingpin Cap (Screw-In) Kaiser Kingpin **Kingpin Bushing** (Kaiser) Shim(s) (as needed Westport Knuckle (RH) Locknut **Kingpin Seal** Lockpin Lockpin (Short) Locknut Thrust Bearing Kaiser Kingpin Cap **Kingpin Bushing** (Screw-In)

Lip opening of the rubber seal should face the axle eye.

Figure 9. 233-13K Drum brake axle (Westport knuckle; Kaiser KP)

- Place kingpin seal on the end of bushing driver with beveled edge of seal facing out. NOTE: Metal portion of the lip seal should be placed against the metal of the lip seal installation tool (bushing driver).
- 4. Use a brass hammer or dead-blow hammer to drive the seal into spindle eye until the driver and seal are flush with the bottom of the spindle eye.

Seal should be positioned far enough into the spindle bore to accommodate the bushing, but should not extend out of the bore.

The lip seal is properly installed when it is in the correct position with the seal lip opening facing the appropriate direction. This will allow grease to pass through the seal during greasing, but will prevent dirt, grit, and water from entering the bushing area.

5. Wipe a small amount of grease into each spindle bore. Hold the spiral steel bushing in one hand, tilted slightly, and insert into the bore.

Turn the bushing in a clockwise direction to twist the spiral bushing into the spindle eye. Install the bushing as far into the spindle bore as you can by hand.

- Grip bushing wall with a "T" wrench (recommended) or narrow-nose pliers about 1" away from the tip. Continue the clockwise rotation, using the wrench or pliers, until the bushing is within 1/8" of the bushing bore surface.
- 7. Tap bushing down flush to surface with a brass mallet, starting at heaviest part of the wrap and tapping clock-wise around the bushing until bushing is in position. *continued on next page*

# Kaiser Kingpin Replacement Procedure (Continued from previous page)

# Kaiser Kingpin - Axle Knuckle Installation

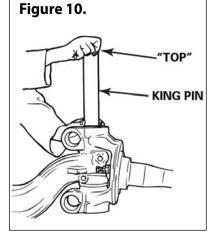
- 1. Check kingpin fit in both the top and bottom bore of the knuckle. Slide the kingpin through both knuckle bores to test spindle alignment (Figure 10).
- 2. The spindle should be replaced if the kingpin will not go into and through both spindle eyes.
- 3. Pack thrust bearing with grease before installation.
- Select number of shims to give the least amount of endplay in the knuckle. Shim thicknesses are .005", .010" and .015" (.030" thickness for 20K axles).
- Verify the word "TOP" on top of kingpin is facing towards the end of the spindle. Place kingpin into top spindle eye and slide through until <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-inch of kingpin comes out the bottom.

Place shim(s) onto the bottom of the kingpin.

6. Carefully place knuckle with kingpin and shim(s) on the axle. Let the

the axle. Let the kingpin drop into the bottom hole. Push kingpin down through knuckle until it is flush with bottom of the axle.

 Using the palm of the hand, install the thrust bearing with the open side down. If bearing cannot be installed, take knuckle assembly apart and remove



the 0.005" shim(s) from the kingpin bottom. If bearing can easily be installed with fingers, take the

assembly apart and add a 0.005" shim to the stack.

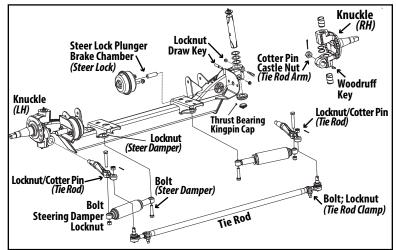
- 8. Install lockpin(s). Make sure the flat side of the lock pin is facing the kingpin. Install nuts and washers. Torque the lockpin locknut to 30-45 ft.lb.
- 9. Install top and bottom kingpin cap and tighten.

# Lubrication

1. Attach grease gun to the top grease fitting (top of cap). Move the spindle from side-to-side while pumping grease into the fitting until grease comes out between spindle and axle.

If the spindle does not move smoothly, there may be too many shims installed or the thrust bearing may have been damaged.

2. Attach grease gun to the bottom cap grease fitting. Move the spindle from side-to-side while pumping grease into the fitting until grease comes out the top of the bearing.



# Assemble the Tie-Rod

Place a Woodruff key into the tie-rod arm. Attach arm to the knuckle with nuts.

- Torque 233 8K/13K (1" nuts) to 550-1025 ft-lbs.
- Torque 233 20K (1 1/4" nuts) to 775-1450 ft-lbs.

Tighten nut slightly, if necessary, to align the holes. Install a  $3/16'' \times 2-1/4''$  cotter pin.

If removed, install the cross tube into the tie-rod ends to the position marked during removal. Thread the tie-rod ends into the cross tube to the required length and secure with clamp and bolts.

NOTE: Tie-Rod cross tube has right-hand threads on one end and left-hand threads on the other end.

Attach tie-rod ends through the tapered holes of tie-rod arms with 7/8'' nuts. Torque nuts to 160-300 ft-lbs. Tighten nut slightly, if necessary, to align the holes. Install a  $9/64'' \times 1-3/4''$  cotter pin.

Adjust the tie-rod length to attain wheel toe-in between 1/32" and 3/32". Torque the clamp bolts at each tie-rod end to 40-60 ft-lbs.

NOTE: Toe-in is the negative difference in measurement across the inside of each hub, at the leading edge compared to the trailing edge.

# Complete the axle assembly

Install wheels and other components to complete the fabricated axle re-assembly.

#### **BUSHING REPLACEMENT KITS/BUSHING REPLACEMENT PROCEDURES**

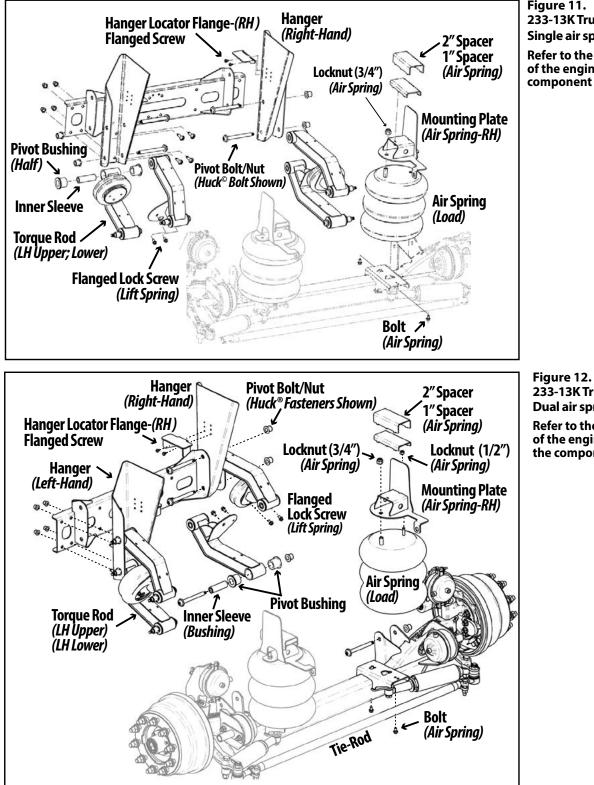


Figure 11. 233-13K Truck Components– Single air spring mounting stud

Refer to the SteerLock (S) version of the engineering drawing for the component part number.

233-13K Truck Components – Dual air spring mounting stud Refer to the SteerLock (S) version of the engineering drawing for the component part number.

Diagram No. QTY/Axle Part Numl		Part Number	Item Description		Torque (foot-pound/Newton-meter)		
		(1)	6040134	Bushing Replacement Kit (Traditional Hardware)	310 ft-lb	420 N-m	
	1	16	1120023	BUSH URE 2X1.31X1.80L 95 DURO	BUSH URE 2X1.31X1.80L 95 DURO		
t ed	2	8	1140049	HHCS 3/4" 16NF 6"L GR8 P&O			
Included in Kit	3	8	1150016	L'NUT 3/4" 16NF FL-TL GR8 ZN			
<u>, n</u>	4	8	9090079	BUSHING SLEEVE 1.31"ODX.813"ID X 4.111"L	G		
	—		1980013	URETHANE BUSHING SERVICE LUBE FOR	MULA 5		
_	_	(1)	6040133	Bushing Replacement Kit (No Hardware)	310 ft-lb	420 N-m	
it ed	1	16	1120023	BUSH URE 2X1.31X1.80L 95 DURO	]		
Included in Kit	4	8	9090079	BUSHING SLEEVE 1.31"ODX.813"ID X 4.111"L	G		
<u> </u>	_		1980013	URETHANE BUSHING SERVICE LUBE FOR	URETHANE BUSHING SERVICE LUBE FORMULA 5		
-		(1)	6040215	Bushing Replacement Kit (Huck® Hardware)			N/A
	1	16	1120023	BUSH URE 2X1.31X1.80L 95 DURO			
Lt ed	2	8	1130053	HUCK BOLT 3/4" 4.5x4.87 GL GR8 (BOBTAIL)			
Included in Kit	3	8	1150059	HUCK COLLAR 3/4" (BOBTAIL)			
<u>=</u>	4	8	9090079	BUSHING SLEEVE 1.31"ODX.813"ID X 4.111"LG		_	
	_	—	1980013	URETHANE BUSHING SRVC LUBE FORMU	LA 5		
		Fasteners	;	Locknut - (Air Spring)	3/4"-16NF	50 ft-lb	68 N-m
				Locknut - (Air Spring)	1/2"-13NC	25 ft-lb	35 N-m
				Flanged Lock Screw - (Lift Spring; Air Spring, Lower)	3/8"-16NC	25 ft-lb	35 N-m
	Locknut - (Steering Damper) 3/4"-10NC						217 N-m

**CAUTION** Torque values reflect a lubricated thread condition (Nuts are pre-lubed). Do not overtorque. Failure to install and maintain fasteners at torque specifications could result in suspension failure and void the warranty.

#### Vehicle Preparation

Park vehicle on a level surface. Chock wheels to keep the vehicle from moving.

Exhaust all air from the air controls system. Disassemble suspension, if necessary.

**CAUTION** Failure to chock wheels and exhaust the air system could allow vehicle/suspension movement that could result in serious injury.

#### **Bushing Replacement Procedure**

- 1. Replace all bushings at the same time. Cut away Huck<sup>®</sup> Collar. Discard pivot hardware (Fig 13).
- 2. Remove bushing assembly from rod eye. Clean rod eye of foreign debris/corrosion.
- 3. Apply Energy Suspensions<sup>®</sup> Formula 5 Prelube to bore (inside) of each bushing half. Press bushing into pivot connection.

NOTE: Do not substitute lubricant. Urethane lubricant included with all bushing replacement kits. Rubber mallet may be needed to install bushing.

- Press the bushing sleeve into the center opening of the installed bushing. NOTE: Rubber mallet may be needed.
- Check that internal sleeve is flush with both sides of
- replacement bushing.
- 6. Install new pivot hardware. Torque to specifications. Reassemble suspension, if necessary.

Check wheel toe-in setting is between 1/32" and 3/32".

**CAUTION** Failure to torque pivot hardware can result in suspension failure and void the warranty.

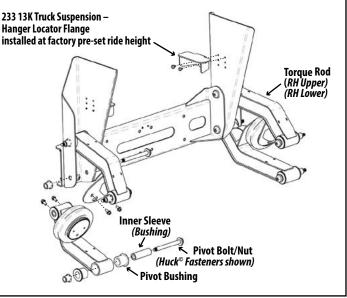
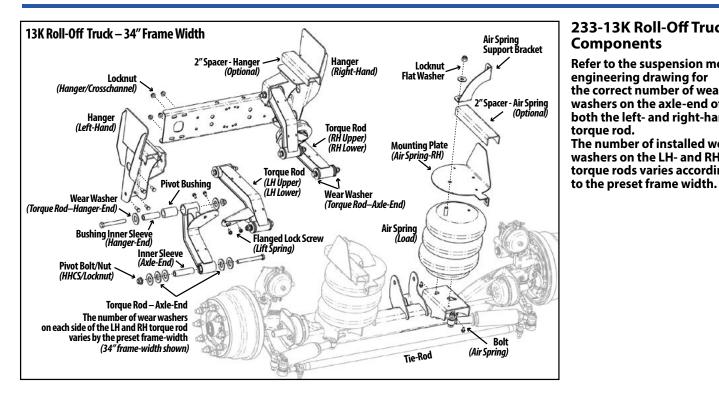


Figure 13.

Bushing replacement kits include wear washers and hardware components for eight pivot connections.



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Refer to the suspension model engineering drawing for the correct number of wear washers on the axle-end of both the left- and right-hand torque rod. The number of installed wear washers on the LH- and RHtorque rods varies according

Diagram No.	QTY/Axle	Part Number	Item Description	Torque (foot-pound/Newton-meter)		
_	1	6040218	Bushing Replacement Kit-Traditional Hardware		310 ft-lb	420 N-m
	8	1120047	BUSH 2.020x1.314x3.325L 88D			
Ľ.	4	1140049	HHCS 3/4" 16NF 6"L GR8 P&O			
Ÿ	4	1140050	HHCS 3/4" 16NF 6.5"L GR8 P&O			
iq	8	1150016	L'NUT 3/4" 16NF FL-TL GR8 ZN			
nde	4         1140049         1111CS 3/4" 16004 0 E CROTACO           4         1140050         HHCS 3/4" 1600 F 6.5"L GR8 P&O           8         1150016         L'NUT 3/4" 1600 F FL-TL GR8 ZN           4         9090079         SLV 1.31"ODX.813"ID X 4.111"LG           4         9090103         SLV 1.31"ODX.813"ID X 4.61" (Axle-End)				]	
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-	<b>28 1160033</b> WASH 215x2.625x1.35 233 13K					
		1980013	URETHANE BUSHING SRVC LUBE FORMULA 5			
	(1)	6040217	Bushing Replacement Kit-No Hardware		310 ft-lb	420 N-m
	8	1120047	BUSH 2.020x1.314x3.325L 88D			
Included in Kit	4	9090079	SLV 1.31"ODX.813"ID X 4.111"LG			
۲ Ki	4	9090103	SLV 1.31"ODx.813"IDx4.861" (Axle-End)			
i. D	28	1160033	WASH 215x2.625x1.35 233 13K			
– <b>1980013</b> URETHANE BUSHING SRVC LUBE FORMULA 5		A 5				
	Fastener	'S	Flanged Lock Screw - (Lift Spring; Lower Air Spring)	3/8"-16NC	25 ft-lb	35 N-m
			Locknut - (Air Spring)	3/4"-16NF	50 ft-lb	68 N-m
			Locknut - (Crosschannel)	1/2"-13NC	25 ft-lb	35 N-m
			Locknut - (Steering Damper)	3/4"-10NC	160 ft-lb	217 N-m

**CAUTION** Torque values reflect a lubricated thread condition (Nuts are pre-lubed). Do not overtorque. Failure to install and maintain fasteners at torque specifications could result in suspension failure and void the warranty.

#### **Vehicle Preparation**

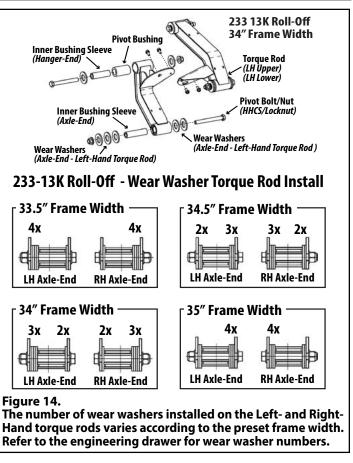
Park the vehicle on a level surface. Chock wheels to keep vehicle from moving. Exhaust all air from the air system. Disassemble suspension to reach pivot connections.

**CAUTION** Failure to properly chock wheels and exhaust air system could allow movement resulting in serious injury.

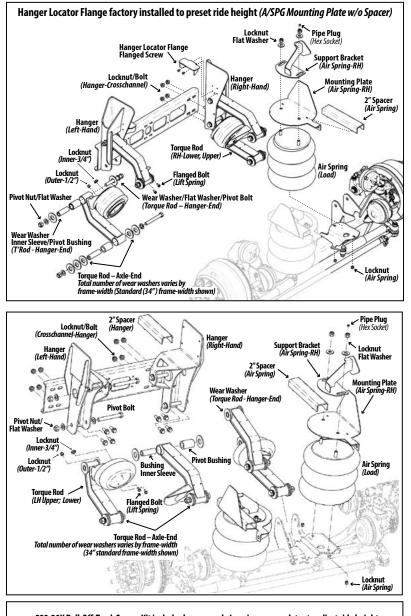
#### **Bushing Replacement Procedure**

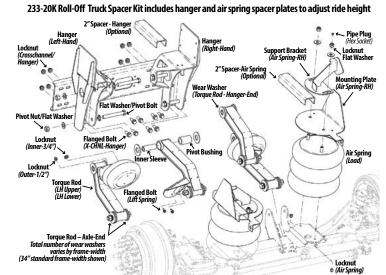
- 1. Count the number of wear washers installed on the Axle-End of the Left- and Right-Hand Torque Rods (Fig 14).
- 2. Remove pivot hardware and discard. Remove bushing and wear washers and discard. NOTE: Pivot hardware/ wear washers included with the Bushing Replacement Kit.
- Clean rod eye. Apply Energy Suspensions<sup>®</sup> Formula 5 Prelube to the bore (inside) of new bushings. NOTE: Do not substitute. Urethane lubricant included with Bushing Replacement Kit.
- 4. Install new bushing into the eye of the torque rod. NOTE: Mallet /press needed to install bushing.
- 5. Torque Rod Hanger-End (Bushing Sleeve 4.1") Press inner sleeve into installed bushing. Center sleeve so that both ends extend slightly past bushing sides. Assemble pivot connection with one wear washer on each side of the bushing. Sleeve must be flush with or extend past outside of wear washers on both ends.
- 6. Torque Rod Axle-End (Bushing Sleeve 4.8") Press inner sleeve into the installed bushing. Position inner sleeve - one end extends further past bushing on appropriate side as set by the frame width. Assemble pivot connection with appropriate number of wear washers on either end of the inner sleeve on the axle-end of the torque rod (Figure 14).

NOTE: Inner sleeve must be flush with or slightly past the outside of installed wear washers on both sides of torque rods. Adjust sleeve if necessary.



- 7. Torque pivot nut to specification (500 ft-lb 678 N-m).
- 8. Reassemble suspension. Torque to specifications.
- 9. Check wheel toe-in setting (between 1/32" and 3/32"). Adjust, if necessary.





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Drum/Disc Brake Fabricated Axle Assembly The number of wear washers installed on each side of the axle-end pivot connection varies by the factory preset frame width.

Refer to the suspension model engineering drawing for the correct number of wear washers.

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The number of installed wear washers on each side of the axle-end pivot connection varies by the factory preset frame width.

Refer to the suspension model engineering drawing for the correct number of wear washers.

Diagra	m No.	QTY/Axle	Part Number	Item Description		Torque (foot-pou	nd/Newton-meter)	
— (1) 6040145 Bushing Replacement Kit-Traditional Hardware		500 ft-lb	678 N-m					
	1	8	1120043	BUSH 2.140X1.428X3.300L 90A	USH 2.140X1.428X3.300L 90A			
	2	8	1140088	HHCS 7/8" 14NF 6-3/4"LG GR8				
_ [	3	8	1150052	L'NUT 7/8" 14NF TP-LK GR C PO	NUT 7/8" 14NF TP-LK GR C PO			
it de	4	28	1160026	WEAR WASHER .25X3.25X1.50				
Included in Kit	5	4	9090082	BUSHING SLEEVE 1.44"ODX.938"IDX4.111"LC	BUSHING SLEEVE 1.44"ODX.938"IDX4.111"LG			
<u> </u>	6	4	9090083	Sleeve 1.44"OD x .938"ID x 4.861" LG (Axle-End	Sleeve 1.44"OD x .938"ID x 4.861" LG (Axle-End)			
	7	16	1160868B100	FLAT WASHER 7/8" A-325				
	_	_	1980013	Urethane Bushing SRVC Lube Formula 5	Jrethane Bushing SRVC Lube Formula 5			
_	_	(1)	6040142	Bushing Replacement Kit-No Hardware		500 ft-lb	678 N-m	
	1	8	1120043	BUSH 2.140X1.428X3.300L 90A				
it de	4	28	1160026	WEAR WASHER .25X3.25X1.50 233		]		
Included in Kit	5	4	9090082	BUSHING SLEEVE 1.44"ODX.938"IDX4.111"L0	G	]		
<u> </u>	6	4	9090083	Sleeve 1.44"OD x .938"ID x 4.861" LG (Axle-End	d)	]		
	—	—	1980013	Urethane Bushing SRVC Lube Formula 5				
		Fastene	rs	Locknut - (Air Spring; Upper)	3/4"-16NF	50 ft-lb	68 N-m	
				Locknut - (Air Spring; Lower)	1/2"-13NC	25 ft-lb	35 N-m	
				Locknut - (Lift Spring; Outer)	1/2"-20NF	25 ft-lb	35 N-m	
				Locknut - (Lift Spring; Inner)	3/4"-16NF	50 ft-lb 68 N-m		
				Flanged Lock Screw - (Lift Spring)	3/8"-16NC	25 ft-lb	35 N-m	
		Bolt/Locknut - (Crosschannel) 5/8"-11NC 160 ft-lb		217 N-m				
				Locknut - (Tie-Rod/Steering Damper)	3/4"-10NC	160 ft-lb	217 N-m	

**CAUTION** Torque values reflect a lubricated thread condition (Nuts are pre-lubed). Do not overtorque. Failure to install/maintain fasteners at torque specifications could result in suspension failure and void the warranty.

#### Bushing Replacement-Standard/Wide Frame Width

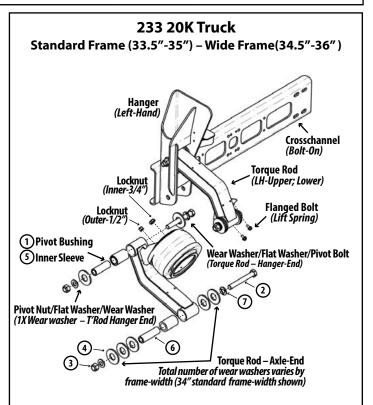
Park vehicle on a level surface. Chock wheels to keep vehicle from moving. Exhaust all air from the air system.

**CAUTION** Failure to properly chock wheels and exhaust air could allow movement resulting in serious injury.

- 1. Replace all bushings at the same time. Disassemble suspension to reach the pivot connections (Fig. 15).
- 2. Count the number of wear washers on each side of the Torque Rod(s) on the Axle-End. The number of wear washers varies according to the frame width set by the distance between the frame hangers (Fig. 16).
- Remove pivot hardware and discard. Inspect wear washers for excessive wear/damage. Replace if necessary. NOTE: Pivot hardware and wear washers are included with bushing replacement kit.
- 4. Remove bushing assembly from the torque rod and discard. Clean the rod eye of any debris/corrosion.
- Apply Energy Suspensions<sup>®</sup> Formula 5 Prelube to the bore (inside) of replacement bushings. Install new bushing into the eye of the torque rod.
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NOTE: Do not substitute lubricant - special urethane bushing lubricant included with all Replacement Kits.. Mallet /press may be needed to install the urethane bushing into the torque rod eye.

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#### Figure 15.

The number of wear washers at the torque rod axle-end connection varies by the preset frame-width of the suspension. Refer to the supension model engineering drawing for the correct number of washers to install.

### 233 20K Truck Bushing Replacement (continued from previous page)

6. Wear Washer Installation

Torque Rod - Hanger-End (Bushing Sleeve - 4.1") Press inner sleeve into the installed bushing. Center the sleeve so that both ends extend slightly past the sides of the bushing.

Assemble the pivot connection with one wear washer on each side of the bushing. Inner sleeve must be flush with or extend slightly past the outside of the wear washers on both ends.

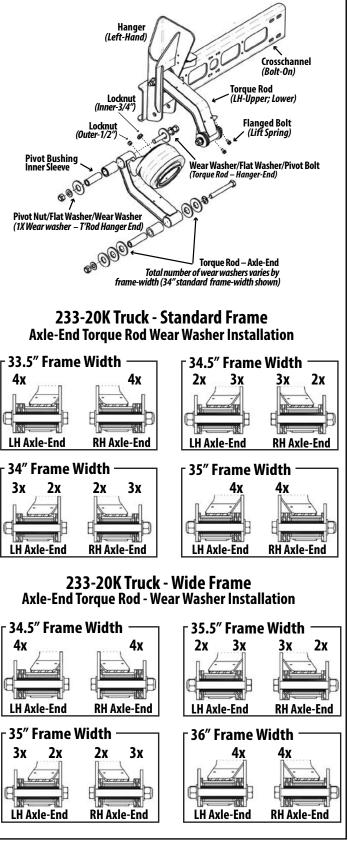
7. Wear Washer Installation

Torque Rod - Axle-End (Bushing Sleeve - 4.8") Press inner sleeve into the installed bushing. Position the inner sleeve so that one end extends further past the bushing than the other end.

Assemble pivot connection with the number of wear washers on either end of the inner sleeve. Inner sleeve must be flush with or slightly past the outside of the wear washers on both ends (Figure 16).

- 8. Torque pivot nut to specification (500 ft-lb 678 N-m).
- 9. Reassemble the suspension if necessary. Torque components to specifications.
- 10. Check the wheel toe-in setting (between 1/32" and 3/32") and adjust if necessary.

**CAUTION** Failure to torque pivot hardware to specifications can result in suspension failure and void the warranty.



#### Figure 16.

Refer to the suspension model engineering drawing for the number of wear washers to install on the axle-end of the torque rods. The number varies by the pre-set frame width.

QTY/Axle (1)		Part Number	Item Description		Torque (foot-pound/Newton-mete	
		6040161	Bushing Replacement Kit-Traditional Hardware		500 ft-lb	678 N-m
	8	1120043	BUSH 2.140X1.428X3.300L 90A			
Ę	8	1140088	HHCS 7/8" 14NF 6-3/4"LG GR8			
in l	8	1150052	L'NUT 7/8" 14NF TP-LK GR C PO			
led	16	1160026	WEAR WASHER .25 X 3.25 X 1.50			
Included in Kit	8	9090082	BUSHING SLEEVE 1.44"ODX.938"IDX4.111"LG			
	16	1160868B100	FLAT WASHER 7/8" A-325			
	_	1980013	URETHANE BUSHING SRVC LUBE FORMULA 5			
(1)		6040160	Bushing Replacement Kit-No Hardware	500 ft-lb	678 N-m	
<b>D</b>	8	1120043	BUSH 2.140 X 1.428 X 3.300L 90A			
inciuaea in Kit	16	<b>1160026</b> WEAR WASHER .25 X 3.25 X 1.50				
⊒.g	8	9090082	BUSHING SLEEVE 1.44"ODX.938"IDX4.111"LG			
=	—	1980013	URETHANE BUSHING SRVC LUBE FORMULA 5	9		
	l	Fasteners	LOCKNUT - (A/SPG LOAD)	3/4"-16NF	50 ft-lb	68 N-m
			LOCKNUT - (A/SPG LOAD)	1/2″-13NC	25 ft-lb	35 N-m
			FLANGED LOCK SCREW - (A/SPG LOAD)	3/8″-16NC	25 ft-lb	35 N-m
			LOCKNUT - (A/SPG LIFT)	3/4"-16NF	50 ft-lb	68 N-m
			LOCKNUT - (A/SPG LIFT)	1/2"-20NF	25 ft-lb	35 N-m
			HHCS/LOCKNUT - (CROSSCHANNEL)	5/8"-11NC	160 ft-lb	217 N-m
			LOCKNUT - (LOAD BEAM AXLE ASSEMBLY)	3/4"-16NF	310 ft-lb	420 N-m
			LOCKNUT - (STEERING DAMPER)	3/4"-10NC	160 ft-lb	217 N-m
			LOCKNUT - (U-BOLT STEERING DAMPER MT)	3/8″-16NC	30 ft-lb	41 N-m

**CAUTION** Suspension is shipped with minimal torque applied to fasteners. All fasteners must be re-torqued after first 6,000 miles of operation. Failure to install and maintain fasteners at torque specifications could result in suspension failure and void the warranty.

#### **Vehicle Preparation**

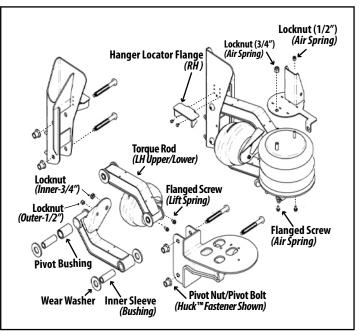
Park the vehicle on a level surface. Chock wheels to keep vehicle from moving.

Exhaust all air from the air system. Disassemble suspension to reach pivot connections.

**CAUTION** Failure to properly chock wheels and exhaust the air system could allow vehicle movement that could result in serious injury.

#### **Bushing Replacement Procedure**

- 1. Remove pivot hardware by cutting/grinding away the Huck® Collar. Discard pivot hardware (Figure 21).
- 2. Inspect wear washers for damage. Replace if necessary.
- Clean the rod eye of debris/corrosion. Apply Energy Suspensions<sup>®</sup> Formula 5 Prelube to inside of new bushings. NOTE: Do not substitute - special urethane lubricant included in bushing replacement kit.
- 4. Install bushing in the eye of the torque rod. NOTE: Mallet/press may be needed for install.
- 5. Press inner sleeve into the installed bushing. Center sleeve inside the bushing so that both ends of bushing extend slightly past the sides of the bushing equally.
- 6. Assemble pivot connection with one wear washer on each side of the bushing. The inner sleeve of the bushing must be flush with or extend slightly past the outside of the wear washers (Figure 17).
- 7. Torque pivot nut to specs (500 ft-lb 678 N-m).
- 8. Reassemble suspension, if necessary. Torque components to specifications (see chart).
- 9. Check wheel toe-in setting (between 1/32" and 3/32") and adjust, if necessary.



#### Figure 17.

Bushing Replacement Kits include wear washers and traditional hardware components for eight pivot connections.

Diagra	nm No.	o. QTY/Axle Part Number		Item Description		Torque (foot-pound/Newton-meter	
		(1)	6040188	Bushing Replacement Kit-Traditional Hardware		310 ft-lb	420 N-m
Ļ	1	<b>1 8 1120047</b> BUSH 2.020 x 1.314 x 3.325 L 88D (H-D RED)					
iXi	2	8	1140049	HHCS 3/4" 16NF 6"L GR8 P&O			
Included inKit	3	8	1150016	L'NUT 3/4" 16NF FL-TL GR8 ZN			
nde	4	16	1160033	WASH 215X2.625X1.35 233 13K			
וק	5	8	9090079	BUSHING SLEEVE 1.31"ODX.813"ID X 4.111"I	_G		
-	—	_	1980013	URETHANE BUSHING SRVC LUBE FORMU	JLA 5		
_	_	(1)	6040187	Bushing Replacement Kit-No Hardware		310 ft-lb	420 N-m
5	1	8	1120047	BUSH 2.020 x 1.314 x 3.325 L 88D (H-D RED)	BUSH 2.020 x 1.314 x 3.325 L 88D (H-D RED)		
inkit	4	16	1160033	WASH 215x2.625x1.35 233 13K			
inKit	5	8	9090079	BUSHING SLEEVE 1.31"ODX.813"ID X 4.111"LG			
=	—	_	1980013	URETHANE BUSHING SRVC LUBE FORMULA 5			
_	_	(1)	6040216	Bushing Replacement Kit-Huck® Replacement Hardware		NA	
<u>ب</u>	1	8	1120047	BUSH 2.020 x 1.314 x 3.325 L 88D (H-D RED)			
Included inKit	2	8	1130053	HUCK BOLT 3/4" 4.5X4.87 GL GR8 (BOBTAIL)			
ibs	3	8	1150059	HUCK COLLAR 3/4" (BOBTAIL)			
pn	4	16	1160033	WASH 215 X 2.625 X 1.35 233 13K			
<b>V</b>	5	8	9090079	BUSHING SLEEVE 1.31"ODX.813"ID X 4.111"I	BUSHING SLEEVE 1.31"ODX.813"ID X 4.111"LG		
-		_	1980013	URETHANE BUSHING SRVC LUBE FORMU	JLA 5		
		Fasten	ers	Hex Head Cap Screw (Air Spring; Lower)	1/2"-13NC	50 ft-lb	68 N-m
				Flanged Lock Screw (Lift Spring; Upper, Lower)	3/8"-16NC	25 ft-lb	35 N-m
				Locknut - (Air Spring; Upper)	3/4"-16NF	50 ft-lb	68 N-m
				Locknut - (Steering Damper)	3/4"-10NC	160 ft-lb	217 N-m

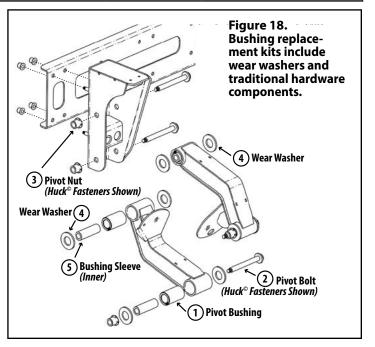
**CAUTION** Torque values reflect a lubricated thread condition (Nuts are pre-lubed). Do not overtorque. Failure to install and maintain fasteners at torque specifications could result in suspension failure and void the warranty.

#### **Bushing Replacement Procedure**

Park the vehicle on a level surface. Chock wheels. Exhaust all air from the air system. Disassemble suspension to reach the pivot connections.

**CAUTION** Failure to properly chock wheels and exhaust air system could allow movement resulting in serious injury.

- 1. Replace all bushings at the same time. Cut/Grind away Huck<sup>®</sup> Collar. Take pivot connection apart. Discard pivot hardware and wear washers (Fig 17).
- 2. Remove bushing assembly and discard. NOTE: Bushing assembly before October 2018 consists of two bushing halves and inner sleeve.
- 3. Clean torque rod eye of foreign debris/corrosion with wire brush before installing new bushing.
- 4. Apply Energy Suspensions<sup>®</sup> Formula 5 Prelube to the bore (inside) of the replacement bushing. NOTE: Do not substitute urethane bushing lubricant is included with all bushing replacement kits.
- 5. Install (press) bushing into the torque rod eye. NOTE: Mallet/press needed to install bushing.
- 6. Press inner sleeve into bushing. Center sleeve inside bushing so that ends extend slightly past bushing sides.
- Assemble pivot connection with one wear washer on each side of torque rod. Inner sleeve must be flush with or extend slightly past the outside of wear washers after assembly. NOTE: Wear washers are included in all 233 Bushing Replacement Kits.



- 8. Torque pivot hardware (see chart).
- 9. Reassemble suspension. Torque to specifications.
- 10. Check wheel toe-in setting (between 1/32" and 3/32") and adjust if necessary.

**CAUTION** Failure to torque pivot hardware can result in suspension failure and void the warranty.

Diagra	m No.	QTY/Axle	Part Number	Item Description		TORQUE (foot-poun	d Newton-meter)	
		(1)	6040161	Bushing Replacement Kit-Traditional Hardware		310 ft-lb	420 N-m	
	1	8	1120043	BUSH 2.140 x 1.428 x 3.300L 90A	BUSH 2.140 x 1.428 x 3.300L 90A			
Kit	2	8	1140088	HHCS 7/8" 14NF 6-3/4"LG GR8				
Included in Kit	3	8	1150052	L'NUT 7/8" 14NF TP-LK Gr C PO				
led	4	16	1160026	WEAR WASHER .25 X 3.25 X 1.50	WEAR WASHER .25 X 3.25 X 1.50			
Unc	5	8	9090082	BUSHING SLEEVE 1.44"ODX.938"IDX4.11	BUSHING SLEEVE 1.44"ODX.938"IDX4.111"LG			
ľ	-	16	1160868B100	FLAT WASHER 7/8" A-325	LAT WASHER 7/8" A-325			
	-	_	1980013	URETHANE BUSHING SRVC LUBE FOR	URETHANE BUSHING SRVC LUBE FORMULA 5			
_	— (1) 6040160 Bushing Rep		6040160	Bushing Replacement Kit-No Hardware		310 ft-lb	420 N-m	
q	1	8	1120043	BUSH 2.140 x 1.428 x 3.300L 90A				
Included in Kit	4	16	1160026	WEAR WASHER .25 x 3.25 x 1.50				
פ ק	5	8	9090082	BUSHING SLEEVE 1.44"ODX.938"IDX4.11	1″LG			
-	Ι		1980013	URETHANE BUSHING SRVC LUBE FOR	MULA 5			
		Faster	ners	Hex Head Cap Screw (Air Spring)	1/2"-13NC	50 ft-lb	68 N-m	
				Locknut - (Air Spring)	1/2"-20NF	25 ft-lb	35 N-m	
				Locknut - (Air Spring)	3/4"-16NF	50 ft-lb	68 N-m	
				Locknut - (Crosschannel)	5/8"-11NC	160 ft-lb	217 N-m	
				Locknut - (Steering Damper)	3/4"-10NC	160 ft-lb	217 N-m	

**CAUTION** Torque values reflect a lubricated thread condition (Nuts are pre-lubed). Do not overtorque. Failure to install and maintain fasteners at torque specifications could result in suspension failure and void the warranty.

#### **Bushing Replacement Procedure**

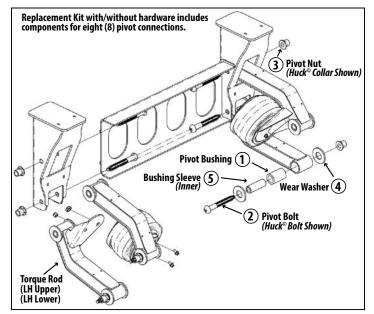
Park the vehicle on a level surface. Chock wheels to keep vehicle from moving.

Exhaust all air from the air system. Disassemble suspension to reach pivot connections.

**CAUTION** Failure to properly chock wheels and exhaust air system could allow movement resulting in serious injury.

- 1. Cut/Grind away Huck<sup>®</sup> Collars. Take pivot connection apart. Discard pivot hardware and wear washers (Fig18).
- 2. Remove bushing assembly from the torque rod and discard. Clean rod eye of any foreign debris or corrosion.
- Apply Energy Suspensions<sup>®</sup> Formula 5 Prelube to the bore (inside) of new bushings. NOTE: Do not substitute - urethane bushing lubricant included with all kits.
- 4. Install bushing into the eye of the torque rod. NOTE: Mallet/press needed to install bushing.
- 5. Press inner sleeve into the installed bushing. Center the sleeve inside the bushing so that both ends extend slightly past the sides of the bushing.
- Assemble pivot connection with one wear washer on each side of the bushing. Bushing inner sleeve should be flush with or extend slightly past the outside of the wear washers.
- 7. Torque pivot nut to specifications (500 ft-lb).
- 8. Reassemble suspension. Torque to specifications
- 9. Check the wheel toe-in setting (between 1/32" and 3/32") and adjust, if necessary.

**CAUTION** Failure to torque pivot hardware can result in suspension failure and void the warranty.





Bushing Replacement Kits include wear washers and traditional hardware components for eight pivot connections.

232/232	232/232T 8K-10K-13K (Bushing Replacement/Torque Specifications)					
QTY/Axle	Part No.	Item Description		TORQUE (foot-pou	nd Newton-meter)	
1	6040132	232 8/10/13K Truck (Bushing Replacement Kit w/ Hardwa	350 ft-lb	475 N-m		
1	6040084	232 8/10/13K Truck (Bushing Replacement Kit w/o Hardw	are-includes Wear Washers)			
1	6040152	232T 8/10/13K Trailer (Bushing Replacement Kit w/ Hardv	350 ft-lb	475 N-m		
1	6040151	232T 8/10/13K Trailer (Bushing Replacement Kit w/o Hardware -includes Wear Washers)				
Fast	teners	Bolt/Lock Washer/Nut (Air Spring)	1/2"-13NC	25 ft-lb	35 N-m	
		Locknut - (Air Spring)	3/8"-16NC	25 ft-lb	35 N-m	
		Locknut - (Air Spring)	3/4"-16NF	50 ft-lb	68 N-m	
		Bolt/Locknut - (Crosschannel)	5/8"-11NC	50 ft-lb	68 N-m	
		Locknut - (Steering Damper)	3/4"-10NC	160 ft-lb	217 N-m	

**CAUTION** Torque values reflect a lubricated thread condition (Nuts are pre-lubed). Do not overtorque. Failure to install and maintain fasteners at torque specifications could result in suspension failure and void the warranty.

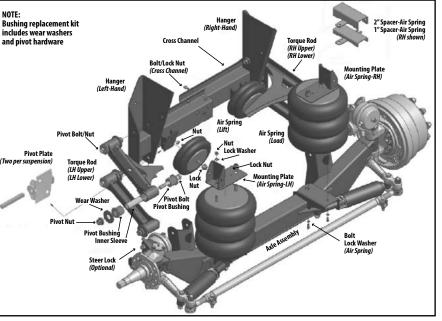
#### **Bushing Replacement Procedure**

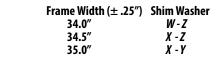
Park vehicle on level surface. Chock wheels to keep vehicle from moving. Exhaust all air from the air system.

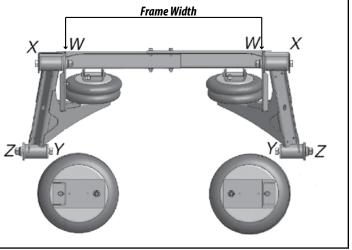
**CAUTION** Failure to chock wheels and exhaust the air system could allow movement resulting in serious injury.

- 1. Disassemble suspension to reach the pivot connections.
- 2. The number of wear washers on each side of the Torque Rod Assembly will vary according to preset frame-width (Figure 19).
- Remove the pivot hardware and discard. Remove bushing assembly and wear washers and discard. NOTE: Wear washers included with bushing replacement kits.
- 4. Clean the rod eye with wire brush to remove foreign debris/corrosion.
- Apply Energy Suspensions<sup>®</sup> Formula 5 Prelube to bore (inside) of new bushings. NOTE: Do not substitute lubricant special urethane bushing lubricant included with all Bushing Replacement Kits.
- 6. Install new bushing into the eye of the torque rod. NOTE: Mallet/bushng press needed to install.
- Torque Rod Hanger-End Press inner sleeve into the installed bushing. Center the sleeve so that both ends extend slightly past the sides of the bushing/wear washer. Assemble the pivot connection with wear washer on appropriate side of the bushing.
- 8. Torque Rod Axle-End Press inner sleeve into the installed bushing. Center the sleeve so that both ends extend slightly past the sides of the bushing. Assemble the pivot connection with wear washer on appropriate side of the bushing.
- 9. Tighten pivot hardware to torque (350 ft-lb 475 N-m).
- 10. Reassemble suspension, if necessary. Torque all components to specifications.
- 11. Check wheel toe-in setting (between 1/32" and 3/32") and adjust if necessary.

**CAUTION** Failure to torque pivot hardware can result in suspension failure and void the warranty.









Adjust frame width by securing crosschannel at the desired width. Install washers at marked locations for correct alignment.

232/232	232/232T – 20K (Bushing Replacement/Torque Specifications)					
QTY/Axle	Part No.	Item Description		Torque (foot-po	und Newton-meter)	
1	6040112	232 20K Truck (Bushing Replacement Kit w/ Hardware)			678 N-m	
1	6040086	232 20K Truck (Bushing Replacement Kit w/o Hardware-in	232 20K Truck (Bushing Replacement Kit w/o Hardware-includes Wear Washers)			
1	6040111	232T 20K Trailer (Bushing Replacement Kit w/ Hardware)		500 ft-lb	678 N-m	
1	6040085	232T 20K Trailer (Bushing Replacement Kit w/o Hardware-	includes Wear Washers)			
Faste	eners	Bolt/Lock Washer/Nut (Air Spring)	1/2"-13NC	25 ft-lb	35 N-m	
		Locknut - (Air Spring)	3/4"-16NF	50 ft-lb	68 N-m	
		Bolt/Locknut - (Crosschannel) 1/2"-13NC		50 ft-lb	68 N-m	
		Locknut - (Steering Damper)	3/4"-10NC	160 ft-lb	217 N-m	

 $\underline{M}$  CAUTION Torque values reflect a lubricated thread condition (Nuts are pre-lubed). Do not overtorque. Failure to install and maintain fasteners at torque specifications could result in suspension failure and void the warranty.

#### Vehicle Preparation

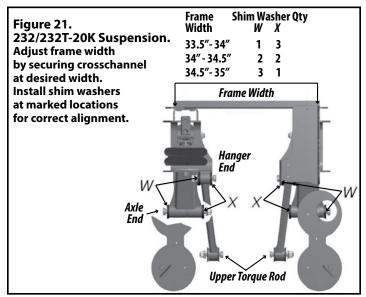
Park the vehicle on a level surface. Chock wheels to keep vehicle from moving. Exhaust all air from the air system. Disassemble suspension to reach pivot connections.

**CAUTION** Failure to properly chock wheels and exhaust air system could allow movement resulting in serious injury.

#### **Bushing Replacement Procedure**

Bushing replacement kits include both soft and hard urethane bushings for hanger end of lower torque rods. Wear washers included in all Bushing Replacement Kits.

- 1. Count and note the number of wear washers on each side of the upper torque rod (Hanger-End) and the lower torque rod (Axle-End). The number of wear washers will vary with the frame width (Figure 20).
- 2. Remove and discard pivot hardware; bushing assemblies; wear washers. Clean the torque rod eye of foreign debris/corrosion.
- Apply Energy Suspensions<sup>®</sup> Formula 5 Prelube to the bore (inside) of new bushings. NOTE: Do not substitute - special lubricant included with Bushing Replacement Kits.
- 4. Lower Torque Rod (Axle-End)
  - 4.1-Press the replacement hard and soft bushings into axle end of the lower torque rod.
  - 4.2-Press inner sleeve into the installed bushings. Check to make sure that bushing ends are flush with the eye of the torque rod.
  - 4.3-Position inner sleeve to extend slightly past the right or left side of the torque rod eye, depending on the number of wear washers needed. NOTE: Trim bushing ends flush to torque rod eye.
  - 4.4-Assemble pivot connection with the number of wear washers on either side of the torque rod. Torque pivot hardware to specifications.
- 5. Lower Torque Rod (Hanger-End)
  - 5.1-Install soft bushings into the hanger end of the lower torque rod. Check to make sure that bushing ends are flush with torque rod eye.
  - 5.2-Press inner sleeve into the installed bushing. Center the inner sleeve so that both ends extend past the sides of the torque rod eye. Assemble the pivot connection with one wear washer on either side of the bushing. Torque pivot hardware to specifications. NOTE: Trim the ends of the bushing flush to the rod eye, if necessary.



6. Upper Torque Rod (Hanger-End)

6.1-Install soft bushing into the upper torque rod eye.

6.2-Press inner sleeve into installed bushing. Position sleeve to extend past the right or left side of the torque rod eye, depending on the number of wear washers needed.

NOTE: Check that bushing ends are flush with the torque-rod eye.

- 6.3-Assemble pivot connection with correct number of wear washers. Torque pivot hardware to specs.
- 7. Upper Torque Rod (Axle-End)
  - 7.1-Install soft bushing into the hanger end of the lower torque rod. Check that bushing ends are flush with torque rod eye. Trim bushing ends flush to eye.
  - 7.2-Press inner sleeve into the installed bushing. Center inner sleeve so that both ends extend slightly past sides of torque rod eye. Assemble pivot connection with one wear washer on either side of the bushing. Torque pivot hardware to specifications.
- 8. Reassemble suspension, if necessary. Torque components to specifications.
- 9. Check wheel toe-in setting (between 1/32" and 3/32") and adjust if necessary.

**CAUTION** Failure to torque pivot hardware can result in parts failure and void the warranty.

# MAINTENANCE

# **Recommended Service Intervals**

Ridewell Suspensions recommends these minimum service intervals for standard duty, on-highway usage suspension applications.

More frequent service intervals are recommended for off-highway/heavier duty applications.

# **Daily/Pre-Trip Inspections**

\_\_\_\_\_Visually inspect suspension structure for signs of damage or excessive wear.

- Check for loose or missing bolts/nuts. Check for irregular movement in suspension system components.
- Check tires for proper inflation, road damage or excessive wear.
- \_\_\_\_ Check wheel-ends for obvious signs of lubricant leakage. Check for missing components.
- <u>Make sure air controls are operating properly.</u> Drain all moisture from air reservoirs.

#### First 6,000 miles of use

\_\_\_\_ Torque all fasteners to spec. (ENG Drawing).

#### Every 12,000 miles of use

- \_\_\_\_ Lubricate Brake Cam and Slack Adjuster.
- Grease kingpin thrust bearings. Apply grease in upper and lower grease fittings until new grease is visible at the purge location. Wipe the excess grease from purge areas and grease fittings.
- \_\_Inspect steering damper for damage/wear.
- Inspect air springs for damage/excessive wear. Torque bolts/nuts to spec. (ENG Drawing).
- \_\_\_ Check air system for leaks.

#### First 50,000 miles of use

- \_\_\_\_Check wheel-end/knuckle for excessive play.
- Inspect tie-rod and tie-rod ends for excessive damage/wear. Lubricate tie-rod ends. Verify tie-rod boot is in place and completely over the end of tie-rod. Replace entire tie-rod end if boot is damaged.
- \_\_\_\_Check pivot bushings for wear.
- Torque all suspension system component bolts/ nuts to specifications (ENG Drawing).
- \_\_\_\_ Check (reverse) steer lock operation (if equipped).
- \_\_\_\_\_Verify operation of manual/automatic lift-inreverse control system (if equipped).

#### Annual/100,000 Miles Inspection

- Inspect pivot connections for worn bushings/ wear washers. Replace if necessary. Torque pivot hardware to spec. (ENG Drawing).
- Check lubrication level in wheel-ends. Refill/ Replace lubricant as needed.
  - (TMC RP 631-Wheel End Lubrication Procedure)
- Check frame hanger and air spring mounting plate connections to frame.
- \_\_\_\_Check air system for leaks.
- \_\_\_\_ Test air tank pressure protection valve (PPV) if equipped.
- \_\_\_\_ Check brakes/brake chambers for damage/function.

**CAUTION** Failure to exhaust all pressure from the air system before vehicle work can cause serious injury.

**CAUTION** Failure to torque suspension components to specifications can result in suspension failure and void the warranty.

#### Refer to these Technology & Maintenance Council (TMC) Recommended Procedures for additional information:

- RP 609 Self-Adjusting/Manual Brake Adjuster Removal, Installation and Maintenance
- RP 618 Wheel Bearing Adjustment Procedure
- RP 619 Air System Inspection Procedure
- RP 622 Wheel Seal and Bearing Maintenance
- RP 631 Wheel End Lubrication Procedures
- RP 643 Air Ride Suspension Maintenance Guidelines
- RP 645 Tie-Rod End Inspection/Maintenance
- RP 651 Steer Axle Maintenance Guidelines

Available Wheel-End Lubricants					
Lubricant Type	Part No.	Item Description			
Mineral Oil	380008G	(CITGO) MP GearOil 631310001-80W-90			
Synthetic Oil	1980006	(SHELL) Synthetic API GI-5 75W-90 Oil			
Synthetic Hard-Pack Grease	1980007	(CITGO) Synthetic Grease			

# WARRANTY

#### Terms and coverage in this warranty apply only to the United States and Canada.

Ridewell Suspensions warrants the suspension systems manufactured by it to be free of defects in material and workmanship. Warranty coverage applies only to suspensions that have been properly installed, maintained and operated within the rated capacity and recommended application of the suspension. The responsibility for warranty coverage is limited to the repair/replacement of suspension parts. The liability for coverage of purchased components for suspensions is limited to the original warranty coverage extended by the manufacturer of the purchased part.

All work performed under warranty must have prior written approval from the Ridewell warranty department. Ridewell has the sole discretion and authority to approve or deny a claim and authorize the repair or replacement of suspension parts. All parts must be held until the warranty claim is closed.

Parts that need to be returned for warranty evaluation will be issued a Returned Materials Authorization (RMA). Parts must be returned to Ridewell with the transportation charges prepaid. The charges for parts transportation will be reimbursed if the warranty claim is approved.

This non-transferable warranty is in lieu of all other expressed or implied warranties or representations, including any implied warranties of merchantability or fitness or any obligations on the part of Ridewell. Ridewell will not be liable for any business interruptions, loss of profits, personal injury, any costs of travel delays or for any other special, indirect, incidental or consequential losses, costs or damages.

Contact the Ridewell Warranty Dept. at 417.833.4565 - Ext. 135, for complete warranty information.