

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

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# 50185 FRONT ANTI-SWAYBAR 1992-1996 HONDA PRELUDE

Congratulations! You were selective enough to choose a SUSPENSION TECHNIQUES PRODUCT. We have spent many hours developing our line of products so that you will receive maximum performance with minimum difficulty during installation.

Note: Confirm that all of the hardware listed in the parts list is in the kit. Do not begin

installation if any part is missing. Read the instructions thoroughly before beginning

this installation.

Warning: Do not work under a vehicle supported by only a jack. Place support stands securely

under the vehicle in the manufacturer's specified locations unless otherwise instructed.

Do not drive vehicle until all work has been completed and checked. Torque all Warning:

hardware to values specified.

Proper use of safety equipment and eye/face/hand protection is absolutely necessary Reminder:

when using these tools to perform procedures!

Note: It is very helpful to have an assistant available during installation.

## **RECOMMENDED TOOLS:**

- Properly rated floor jack, support stands, and wheel chocks
- Combination wrench set
- Ratcheting socket wrench and socket sets
- Safety Glasses

#### KIT INSTALLATION

- 1. Open the hardware kit and remove all of the contents. Refer to the part list (Page 3) to verify that all parts are present.
- 2. Park the vehicle on a smooth, level concrete or seasoned asphalt surface and activate the parking brake. Block the REAR wheels of the vehicle with appropriate wheel chocks; making sure the vehicle's transmission is in 1<sup>st</sup> gear (manual) or "Park" (automatic).
- 3. Using a properly rated floor jack, lift the front wheels of the vehicle off the ground. Place support stands, rated for the vehicle's weight, and in the factory specified locations. Refer to the vehicle Owner's Manual. Prior to lowering the vehicle onto the stands, make sure the supports will securely contact the chassis.
- 4. It is very important that the vehicle is properly supported during this installation to prevent personal injury and chassis damage! Make sure that the supports stands are properly placed prior to performing the following procedures. We DO NOT recommend using wheel ramps while performing this installation.

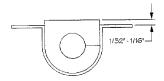
- 5. Slowly lower the vehicle onto the stands and, before placing the vehicle's entire weight on them, again check that they properly and securely contact the chassis as described above. Check for possible interference with any lines, wires, cables, or other easily damaged components.
- 6. CAUTION! Removal and installation of front anti-swaybar may require disconnecting the catalytic converter from the exhaust manifold collector pipe. This will allow more room for the sway bar removal\ installation if vehicle is not on a car lift. Exhaust must be allowed to cool before attempting installation. If car is on a vehicle lift, this procedure is not needed.
- 7. Remove the end links from the ends of the original equipment anti-swaybar. Remove the pivot bushing brackets as well. Note the position of the anti-swaybar in the vehicle to ease in the installation of your new Suspension Techniques anti-swaybar. Remove the original equipment anti-swaybar from the vehicle.
- 8. Thoroughly lubricate the **inside** of your new urethane bushings using the lubricant supplied in the kit. Place the bushings on the new anti-swaybar. Refer to the original anti-swaybar for proper bushing location.
- 9. Position your new Suspension Techniques anti-swaybar on the vehicle in the original equipment location and secure it with the new bushing brackets and original equipment bolts. (Slightly longer bolts have been supplied if needed). Tighten the bolts to approximately 18 ft/lbs. of torque.
- 10. The kit uses the original end links. Attach them to the sway bar in the original manner and tighten the nuts.
- 11. Reconnect the shift linkage back to the base of the shift lever and the shift stabilizer bar to the rear of the transmission. Reconnect the exhaust pipe up to the rear of the catalytic converter and tighten the nuts to manufacturer's specification.
- 12. Assemble the end links as shown in the diagram. Tighten the assembly until the grommets begin to bulge, but do not crush them.
- 13. Check that all components and fasteners have been properly installed, tightened and torqued.
- 14. Check brake hoses, steering and other components for any possible interference.
- 15. Lift vehicle and remove support stands. Carefully lower vehicle to ground.
- 16. Immediately test-drive the vehicle in a remote location so that you can become accustomed to the revised driving characteristics and handling. Be aware that the vehicle will handle substantially different now that it has been modified.
- 17. Installation is complete. Check all of the hardware and re-torque at intervals for the first 10, 100, 1000 miles.

## PARTS LIST FOR ANTI-SWAY BAR KIT

| PART No.  | DESCRIPTION               | QTY. |
|-----------|---------------------------|------|
| 50185-300 | Front ASB                 | 1    |
| 113165    | 1" Urethane Pivot Bushing | 2    |
| 114020    | Pivot Bushing Bracket     | 2    |
| 110635    | 8mm Flat Washer           | 4    |
| 112004    | 8mm - 1.25 x 25mm HHCS    | 4    |
| 55000-10  | Grease Pack               | 1    |
| 114042    | Bushing Support Plate     | 2    |

#### INSTALLATION

Make sure a maximum of 1/32" to 1/16" of the bushing showing when you install the it into the bracket. See the diagram below. If the bushing is showing more than 1/16" then use a belt sander or a sheet of coarse grit sand paper to shave it down to the proper height. In most applications you may refer to your original equipment antiswaybar to locate the proper place the new bushing belongs on your new Anti-swaybar.



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