

# **Installation Instructions**

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Rear Anti-Sway Bar Kit for the Freightliner XC Chassis

part #1209-115 1-1/2" diameter

### INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing this rear anti-sway bar kit. This kit is designed to improve the handling characteristics of your Freightliner by reducing the body roll and balancing the weight transfer during cornering. The anti-sway bar kit is engineered for long life and trouble-free performance. The anti-sway bar mounts in front of the rear axle. The arms of the bar point to the rear of the chassis.

All the hardware needed for installation is included in this kit. Refer to the PARTS LIST in these instructions to identify the parts.

### **SUGGESTED TOOLS**

The following tools are suggested to complete the installation procedures:

- General hand tools
- 1/2" drill

- Drill bits
- Torque wrench
- Center punch

# WARNING

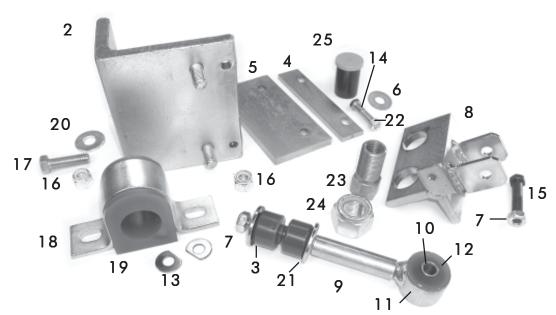
- If raising the vehicle to install the anti-sway bar, always support
  the vehicle with jack stands at both frame rails or at the rear axle
  before working underneath. Ensure that the jack stands are securely
  positioned, and are rated at or above the weight of the vehicle.
- The installer must read the instructions and use all bolts and parts supplied. Use only the parts supplied by ROADMASTER to install this kit.
- Minor modifications are sometimes necessary due to slight vehicle variations, even for the same year, make and model.
- If running changes were made by the manufacturer after this kit was designed, there may be weldments, braces, gussets, or other structural items which interfere with the installation. It is the installer's responsibility to allow for these running changes without sacrificing the structural integrity of the anti-sway bar. Failure to securely fasten the anti-sway bar could result in property damage,

- personal injury or even death.
- ROADMASTER will not be responsible for any damage or injury resulting from any modification or alteration.
- Check ALL the fasteners for tightness before and after road testing the vehicle.
- Do not use this document for custom fabrication, as it may not show all parts or structural components.
- Do not use an air impact wrench when re-installing bolts, as stripped threads may result.
- This anti-sway bar is only warranteed for the original installation. Installing a used anti-sway bar on another vehicle is not recommended and will void the warranty.



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## **PARTS LIST**



Part #1209-115

Part #		Description	Qty
1.	580044-00	Anti-sway bar, 1-1/2"	1
2. 3.	B250M	Bracket, sway bar mount	2
3.	205381-00	Grommet, poly	4
4.	B252	Bracket, spacer plate	4
5.	B251	Bracket, clamp plate	2
6.	350304-80	Washer, cut 3/8"	8
7.	350256-02	Locknut, 7/16" NC	4
8.	B409	Bracket, rear endlink	2
9.	205506-00	Spacer, 2" long	2
10.	. 205510-00	Spacer, 1-1/4" long	2
11.	. B408	Endlink, 5" long	2
12.	. 205223-00	Poly bushing, hat	4
13.	. 350304-30	Washer, "D" cut	4
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Part #	Description	Qty
14. 350058-80	Bolt, 3/8" x 1-3/4" NC	4
15. 350079-80	Bolt, 7/16" x 2-1/4" NC	2
16. 350259-00	Nut, Nylok 1/2" NC	8
17. 350096-80	Bolt, 1/2" x 1-3/4" NC	4
18. B141	Bracket, U-clamp	2
19. 205217-10	Bushing, split poly	2
20. 350308-00	Washer, cut 1/2"	12
21. 357434-00	Washer, cup	4
22. 350272-00	Locknut, 3/8" NC	4
23. 350252-60	Sleeve nut	4
24. 357463-00	Nut, 1-1/8" NF	4
25. 350314-20	Washer, 3/4"	1
26. 400011-30	AQUALUBE Grease	1

\*Sway bar not shown

### INSTALLATION

The following instructions must be followed in the order listed to ensure a proper installation and to preserve the ROADMASTER warranty.

#### 1. Apply the parking brake.

The following procedures can be done with the wheels of the vehicle on level ground.

#### 2. Mark the location for the holes.

Hold the mount on the frame. The front of the bracket must touch the back of the trailing arm bracket. The bracket must be against the bottom of the frame rail. From the outboard side of the frame, use a center punch to mark the frame at the center of both holes of the mount bracket. Repeat this step for the other side of the vehicle (Figure 1, 2).

Note: check inside the frame rail for possible interference before drilling.

3. Drill the holes in the frame.

Use a 1/2" drill to drill the holes in the vehicle frame. Drill the holes for the other mounting bracket on the other side of the vehicle.

#### 4. Install the mounting hardware.

Insert the bolts through the bracket and frame. Install the washers and lock nuts. Tighten the lock nuts to 75 ft.-lbs. (Figure 3).

#### 5. Install the spacer plates and clamp plate.

Align the holes of the spacers and clamp plate with the holes in the mount bracket. Install the bolts from below using the D-cut washers on the bottom, through the clamp plate and spacer. Install the upper washers and lock nuts. Tighten the nuts to 35 ft.-lbs. (Figure 3).

#### 6. Substitute sleeve nuts (350252-60) on front u-bolts.

Remove and replace the four FRONT u-bolt nuts ONE AT A TIME with the sleeve nut. On the passenger side, disconnect the leveling valve link from its lower bracket, leaving the stud attached. Remove the bracket and install the 350314-20 washer in its place. Install the sleeve nut with the hex toward the bottom. Thread lock and torque to factory specifications.

Install the end link brackets on these nuts and secure, using large nuts (357463-00). Torque to 125 ft.-lbs. Shorten the leveling valve link approximately 1-1/4", (on both sides if necessary) and reconnect to the tab on the endlink bracket (B409), making sure the stud points toward the center of the chassis (Figure 4).

#### 7. Install the endlink assembly to the angle bracket.

Install the cup washers, grommets, link sleeves, and links to the axle brackets as shown. Tighten to 25-30 ft. lbs. (Figure 4).

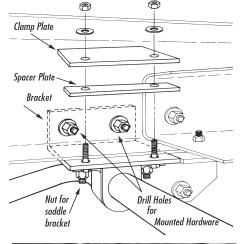
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Figure 3



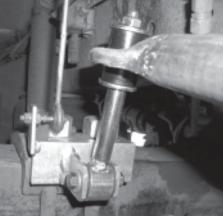


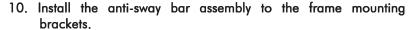
Figure 4

#### 8. Weave the anti-sway bar into roughly the final position under frame brackets.

The dip in the center of the bar goes down to clear other chassis components (Figure 5, 6).

9. Install the saddle brackets and split bushings.

Lubricate the inside of the split bushings and install them on the antisway bar near the arms. Slide the saddle brackets over the split bushings (Figure 7).



Lift the anti-sway bar and align the holes of the saddle brackets with the studs of the mounting bracket on the vehicle frame. Install the washers and nuts on the studs. Tighten the nuts to 45 ft.-lbs. (Figure 8).

Figure 6



Figure 5



Rotate the anti-sway bar arms up and connect the endlink to the antisway bar. Install the sleeves, cup washers and grommets as shown (Figure 9). Tighten the nuts just enough to eliminate any play. Do NOT deform the grommets (Figure 10).

## **NWARNING**

Over-tightening the grommets may cause premature failure of the grommets and/or the end links. If the grommets fail, the anti-sway bar will not stabilize the vehicle at full capacity, which may cause reduced cornering ability or other reductions in vehicle handling or performance.

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Figure 8



Figure 9

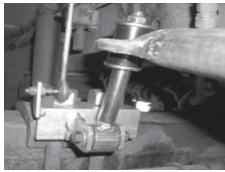
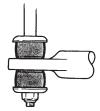


Figure 10





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#### 12. Test drive and re-inspect the installation.

## **NWARNING**

After road testing, re-check all fasteners for proper tightness — if a fastener has worked loose or fallen off, re-tighten or replace it. Without all kit components properly tightened or in place, the anti-sway bar will not stabilize the vehicle at full capacity, which may cause reduced cornering ability or other reductions in vehicle handling or performance.

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#### The anti-sway bar is not a load-bearing component

Do not tow or hoist the vehicle using the anti-sway bar or its mounting brackets as attachment points. The anti-sway bar is not designed to carry the weight of the vehicle and may collapse, which will damage the anti-sway bar components, the suspension, or other components. The vehicle will detach or fall, which may cause severe personal injury.

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