

Rusty's XJ Cherokee Steering Box Brace RS-SB75-XJ INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

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Introduc. on:

Rusty's recommends that this installation be performed by a certified automotive technician or a person with professional mechanical knowledge. Installing this kit without this expertise may jeopardize the handling and safety of the vehicle.

Read instructions several times before starting. Be sure you have all the needed parts and know where they install. Read each step completely as you go. Exhaust modifications may be necessary. Prior to drilling or cutting, check behind the surface being worked on for any wires, lines, or hoses that could be damaged. After any drilling or cutting, remove burrs and grind smooth any surfaces. An inclinometer or similar tool may be needed to measure driveshaft angles before and after the installation.

Warning:

It is the owners' responsibility to inspect all Rusty's products for proper torque specs to prevent loosening of components. Seat belts and shoulder harnesses should be worn at all times. Re-check all bolts and nuts after the first 100 miles and after any off-road usage during the first 300 miles. Although all of our products are made from the highest quality materials possible, they are not a substitute for Safe and Careful driving. In other words, have good safe on-road / off-road sense. Know the terrain, the speed limitations, and any obstacles that may lie ahead. Please remember to preserve our right to enjoy public land through the proper use of off-road vehicles.

Before Starting Installation:

1. Carefully Read all warnings and instructions completely before beginning.
2. Verify all parts have been received in this kit by checking the parts list on page#2 of this document.
3. Only install this kit on the vehicle for which it is specified.
4. Park the vehicle on a clean, dry, flat, level surface and block the tires so the vehicle cannot roll in either direction.
5. Be certain the vehicle is safely secured on jack stands or a vehicle lift prior to working around or under a vehicle. Never rely on a jack alone to support a vehicle's weight; use appropriately rated stands to support the vehicle's frame and any other heavy components.

Parts List:

Note: Please be sure that you have all the provided parts listed below before continuing with the installation.

Part #	DESCRIPTION:	Quantity
RS-SB75-XJ	Rusty's XJ Cherokee Steering Box Brace	1
RS-SB75-XJ-CS	Rusty's Steering Box Brace Clamp Strap	2
74454620	3/8"-16 x 1-1/4" Length Grade 8 Hex Head Cap Screw	4
05724620	3/8" SAE Flat Washer	2
52593589	3/8" - 16 Grade 8 Hex Lock Nut	4
67425967	7/16"-14 x 1" Length Grade 8 Hex Head Cap Screw	1
05724638	7/16" SAE Flat Washer	1
52593597	7/16"- 14 Grade 8 Hex Lock Nut	1

Installation Instructions:

Note: Save all factory components and hardware for reuse, unless noted.

- 1.) Properly block and secure vehicle prior to installation.
- 2.) Remove the front of the rubber mud flap and skid plate if equipped.
- 3.) Place the tube brace to the passenger side of the frame, the one existing hole will need to be drilled to 3/8". Then mark the frame and drill the other 3/8" hole. On some early Cherokee's the hole on the front frame section is not there and will need to be drilled to 7/16".
- 4.) Loosely place the clamps around the steering box just above the pitman arm. The tube brace will bolt between the inside clamp. Torque the 3/8" bolts to 30-ft.lb. and the 7/16" to 50-ft.lb.
- 5.) Carefully turn the wheels to verify there is no interference or binding.
- 6.) Installation Completed!

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