

7225 - 2007-PRESENT, MERCEDES SPRINTER 2500, BAJA NORTE HIGH CLEARANCE AXLE BRACKET KIT

Version 1.2

General Notes

- For the most up to date and current instructions, please visit our website at www.vancompass.com
- Please read all instructions thoroughly before starting installing Van Compass products.
- This kit is designed to only be compatible with Van Compass Striker 2.0" Lift Kits which feature a 2.0" bump stop spacer installed.
- This kit requires the lower portion of the factory lower shock mount to be cut off.
- This kit is designed around the extended and collapsed lengths of the OEM shock. This kit is compatible with Van Compass Falcon <u>Adjustable</u> shocks only. We cannot guarantee compatibility of other shock brands not sold by Van Compass.

Parts List

3074 – 2007-PRESENT, MERCEDES SPRINTER 2500, HIGH CLEARANCE LOWER SHOCK MOUNT

- (2) 307401 MERCEDES SPRINTER 2500, HIGH CLEARANCE LOWER SHOCK MOUNT
- (2) 307402 MERCEDES SPRINTER 2500, OFFSET SPACER WASHER
- (2) 307403 MERCEDES SPRINTER 2500, SPACER BUNG
- (2) HM12-1.75-85-10.9 M12-1.75 X 85MM LONG, HEX HEAD BOLT, GR 10.9
- (2) NSM12-1.75 M12-1.75 STOVER NUT, CLEAR ZINC
- (4) WFM-12 M12 FLAT WASHER, YELLOW ZINC
- (2) HM10-1.50-80-10.9 M10-1.50 X 80MM LONG, HEX HEAD BOLT, GR 10.9
- (2) NSM10-1.50 M10-1.50 STOVER NUT, CLEAR ZINC
- (4) WFM-10 M10 FLAT WASHER, YELLOW ZINC

3072 – 2007-PRESENT, MERCEDES SPRINTER, HD REAR BUMP STOP BRACKET

- (1) 307201-LH MERCEDES SPRINTER BAJA BRACKET, LEFT HAND SIDE
- (1) 307201-RH MERCEDES SPRINTER BAJA BRACKET, RIGHT HAND SIDE

Tools Needed

- Quality Jack & Jack Stands
- 4-1/2" angle grinder with metal cut off wheel and metal sanding disc or similar cutting tool.
- Drill with metal cutting drill bit 25/64" (10mm) drill bit
- Simple hand tools:
 - \circ $\;$ Basic wrench and socket set:

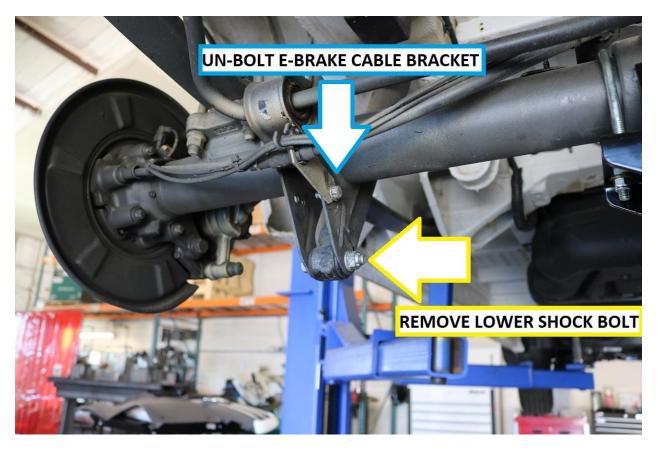
- Metric: 13mm, 17mm, 18mm, 19mm
- T-55 Torx
- Torque wrench

Approximate Installation Time

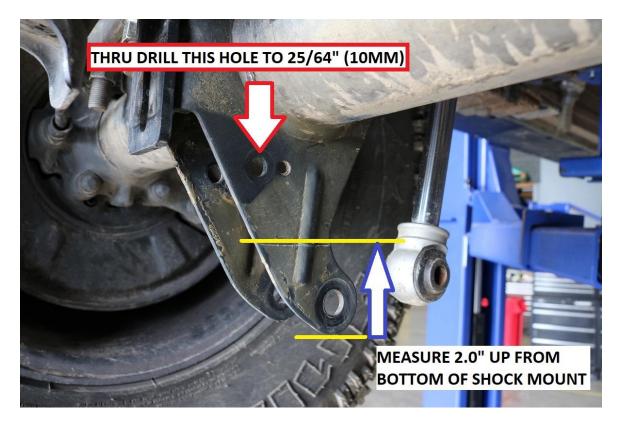
- Professional shop: 1-2 hours
- Driveway install: 1-2 hours

Installation

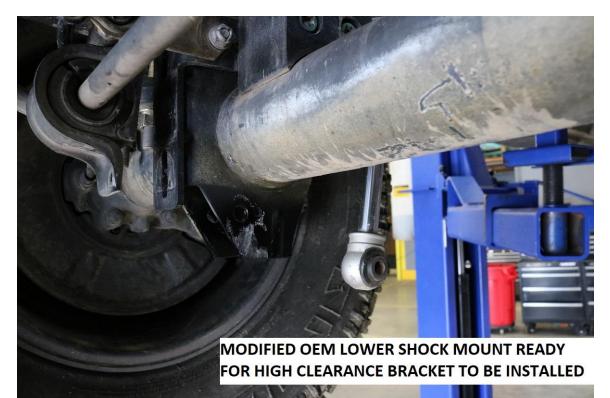
- 1) Begin by safely supporting the vehicle so that the rear suspension can hang free.
- 2) These instructions will document installation on the driver (left hand) side of the vehicle. Installation on the passenger side is identical. Both shock brackets can be installed simultaneously on each side of the vehicle.
- 3) Remove the lower shock bolt.
 - a. Use an 18 mm socket / wrench for shock bolt removal.
 - b. If the Striker lift kit has not been installed yet, remove the M8 bolt securing the E-brake cable / ABS wiring to the axle. Use a 13mm socket / wrench for removal.



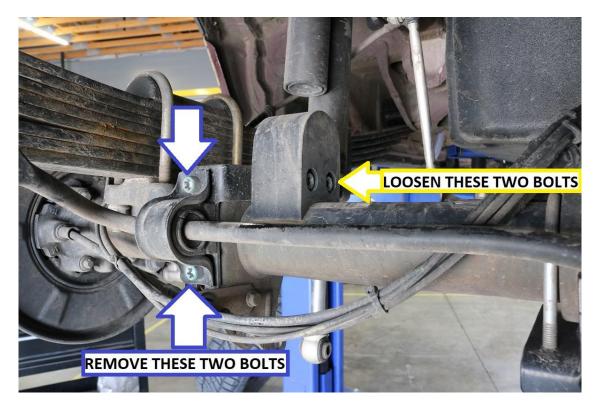
- 4) With the lower shock bolt removed, pull the shock out from the lower mount on the axle and position the shock forward so it is out of the way.
- 5) Use a square to measure 2.0" up from the bottom of the factory shock mount. Mark a horizontal line on both tabs of the lower shock mount. This is our cut line.



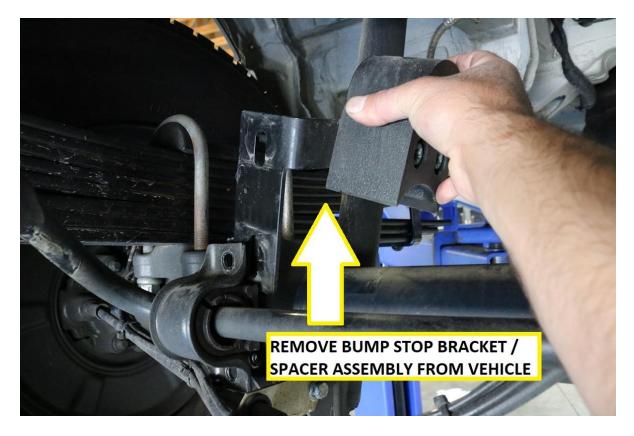
- 6) Cut on the marked line from the previous step. Use a 4-1/2" angle grinder with metal cut off wheel or similar cutting tool. Deburr any sharp or rough edges after cutting with a flap disc or similar metal sanding tool.
- 7) Use a 25/64" (10mm) drill bit to drill out the 8mm hole previously securing the E-brake cable bracket to the factory lower shock mount. See image above for reference.
- 8) At this time, paint any exposed areas of metal on the lower shock mount with a quality paint to prevent corrosion.
 - a. Completed cut / drilled mount should appear as shown below.



- 9) Use a T-55 Torx to loosen the OEM bump stop spacer from the bracket securing it to the axle.
- 10) With the OEM bump stop spacer bolts loosened, use a T-55 Torx bit to remove the two bolts securing the sway bar clamp to the axle.



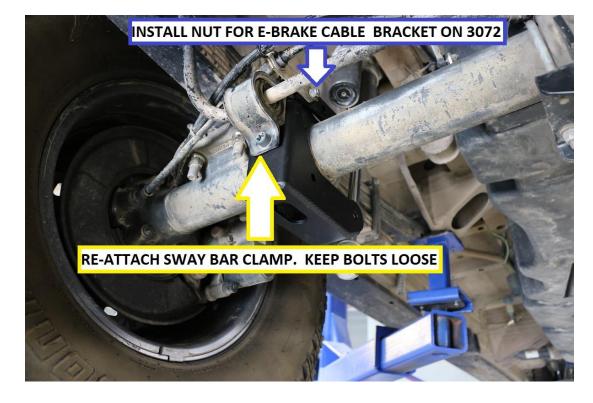
- 11) Remove the OEM rear bump stop mounting bracket from under the rear sway bar mounting clamp.
 - a. Remove the OEM bump stop spacer from the OEM mounting bracket. Retain the hardware as it will be reused.



12) Replace the OEM rear bump stop mounting bracket with the new 3072 HD rear bump stop brackets.a. Fit the M8 bolt previously removed in step 3 to the bump stop bracket as shown below.

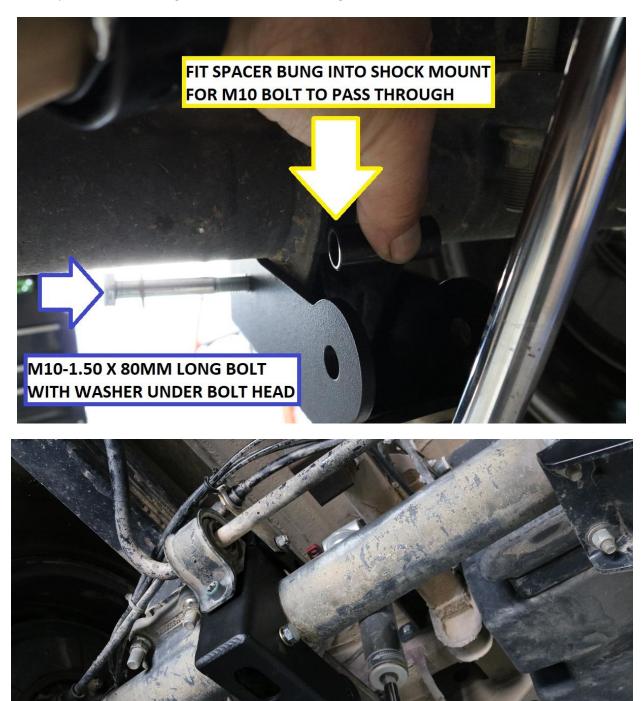


- 13) Re-route the E-brake cable / bracket between the sway bar clamp and axle so it is in the upper position as shown above.
- 14) Fit the 3074 High Clearance Shock Mount between the OEM rear sway bar clamp and the 3072 HD bump stop bracket. Utilize the OEM hardware removed in step 5 and loosely reattach the sway bar clamp through both new brackets.



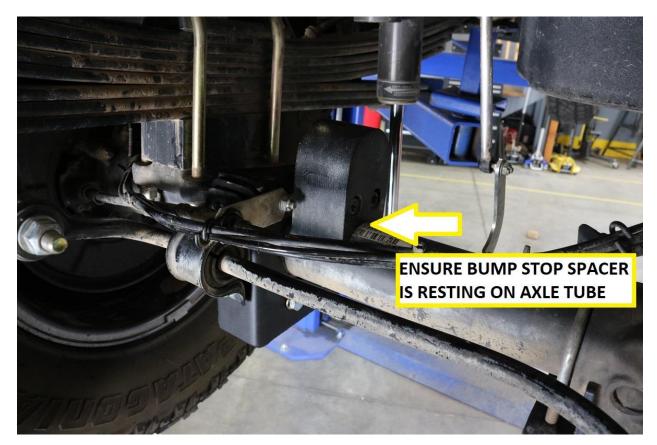
a. Snug the hardware just to the point where the 3072 bracket can still be moved vertically.

- 15) Install the M10-1.50 x 80mm long hex head bolt through the original E-brake cable bracket location. Be sure to us a washer under the bolt head.
 - a. Simultaneously fit the 307403 spacer bung to the lower shock mount. See image below for reference.
 - b. Once bolt is through both sides of the new lower shock mount, install the washer and stover nut provided. Do not tighten bolt at this time though.

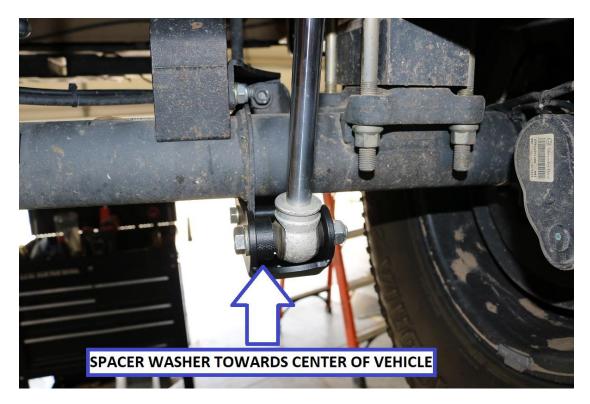


16) Fit the OEM bump stop spacer to the axle. Secure using the same T-55 torx bolts previously removed in step 6.

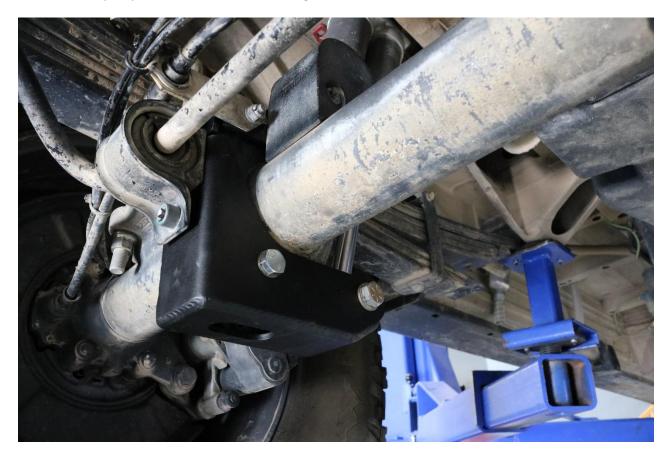
- a. Ensure the OEM bump stop spacer is resting firmly on the axle.
- b. Torque the torx bolts securing the sway bar clamp to the axle first. Torque to 52 ft-lbs (70 N.m)
- c. Torque the bump stop spacer bolts to 52 ft-lbs (70 N.m)



- 17) Fit the lower end of the shock into the new high clearance lower shock mount. Utilize the included M12-1.75 x 80mm long bolt. Be sure to use a washer under the bolt head.
 - a. Position the spacer washer towards the center of the vehicle as shown below. This is for improved clearance to the chassis with our Falcon shock packages.
 - b. Install an M12 washer and stover nut as shown.



- 18) Torque M10 hardware with a 17mm socket / wrench to 52 ft-lbs (70 N.m)
- 19) Torque the lower shock bolt with a 19mm socket / wrench to 80 ft-lbs (108 N.m)
- 20) Repeat installation on the passenger side of the vehicle.
- 21) Re-check torque specs after 100 miles of driving.



Installation is Complete

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