



Rear Strut Bar Installation Guide v1.0 (Dec 2014)

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Applications

VW Mk7 Golf, GTI, Golf R
Audi 8V A3, S3

List of Parts Included

- (1) Strut Bar Rod
- (2) Strut Bar Rod Ends
- (2) Rod End Jam Nuts
- (2) Strut Bar Mounts
- (6) M8 x 25mm long bolts
- (6) M8 Washers

List of Required Tools

Flat Head Screwdriver No.1
13mm Socket
No. 6 Allen Socket
No. 8 12 pt Socket
15/16" wrench
21mm Wrench
Torque Wrench

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STEP

1

Remove the two cargo hooks in the trunk of the car. Pry open the bolt cover using a no. 1 screw driver.



STEP

2

Use a no. 8, 12 point, socket to remove the bolt.



STEP

3

Install the Strut Bar Mounts using M8 Allen head cap screws, 25mm long, and washers. Dab a small amount of Loctite (not included) on the threads.



STEP

4

Install the rodends on to the rod. Note that the left hand thread rod end should be installed on the side of the rod with an "L" stamped on a wrench flat. Leave a quarter inch gap between the rodend and the jam nut. Leave the jam nuts loose for now.



STEP

5

Install the assembled rod on to the mounts using the Allen head cap screws (M8 x 25mm long) and washers. Dab a small amount of Loctite (not included) on the threads. Install and hand tight the bolts. The mounts may need to be slightly rotated and the rod ends may be adjusted to get the proper alignment of the rod to the strut mounts.



STEP

6

Rotate the rod such that the rod ends extend. Stop turning as soon as resistance is felt. Tighten all bolts to 12 ft-lbs (16 Nm). (Access the mount bolt by removing one of the rod end bolts closest to the mount.)



STEP

7

Preload the strut mounts by turning the rod 1/8 to 1/4 turn (45 to 90 deg) in the same the direction as in step 6. Tighten the jam nuts on both ends using a 15/16" wrench. Torque to 15 ft-lbs (20 Nm).



The VW cargo net can be attached to the strut bar mounts as shown.



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