General fitting instructions for Whiteline swaybars.



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Universal swaybar fitting guide for replacement and full kit swaybars, to be used whenever specific fitting instructions are not supplied or as a supplementary fitting instruction sheet.

Sound motor vehicle mechanical knowledge is expected. In some countries and states, fitment may only be legally performed by a licenced mechanic. Check the regulations in your area.

Swaybar fitting kit components will vary depending on the individual product and application. Fitment can be separated into 3 stages; swaybar fitment, swaybar link fitment and adjustment, and post installation check and maintenance.

Stage 1. Swaybar fitment.

- Swaybar installation should be done with the vehicle at normal ride height. If not, <u>always</u> tighten at ride height. To enable better access to the undercarriage, drive-on hoist/ramp may be used.
- For replacement type swaybars, take note of the fitment, alignment and clearances of OEM swaybar, endlink and any other associated components before removing.
- Apply grease to the contact surfaces of new polyurethane bushes.
- Place the swaybar in position and connect to the chassis. Parts supplied, procedure to follow and configuration type will vary between individual swaybars.
- In some cases, it may be necessary to raise the vehicle and/or remove road wheels and/or suspension, drive-train or exhaust system components. It is critical that vehicle is safely secured on hoist or on chassis stands.

If suspension components need to be removed, it may be beneficial to measure original wheel alignment settings before continuing.

- Proper safety procedures must be followed, and care taken. Be extra careful when working with hot components.
- Always use new hardware if supplied.
- Only tighten fittings with the vehicle at ride height.

Stage 2. Swaybar link assembly fitment and adjustment.

- Swaybar endlink assembly, fitment and tensioning must be done with the vehicle at normal ride height to ensure correct alignment, clearance and operation. In most cases, endlinks should be kept as close to vertical as possible.
- Fit the swaybar link assembly in place. Parts supplied, procedure to follow and configuration type will vary between individual swaybars.
- For replacement type swaybars supplied without links, re-use factory links and hardware.
- For swaybars supplied with new links and hardware, refer to Figures 1 to 4 for most common endlink types and their correct assembly.
- Whiteline Blade adjustable swaybars vary between 2, 3 and 4 holes per side, depending on application. Refer to Fig. 5 to work out the desired setting on how to connect the endlink. If multi-hole endlink brackets are supplied, choose the hole that maintains the endlink close to vertical.

Caution: Always start with softer setting rather than harder.

- Always use new hardware if supplied.

- Tighten all fittings with the vehicle at ride height.

<u>Caution</u>: Do not over tighten swaybar pin type link bushes, refer Fig 1. Nuts should be tightened until washer meets the bush & stops rotating. Then tighten a further $\frac{2}{3}$ of a turn. Over tightening compresses and pre-loads the polyurethane bush which reduces articulation and may cause premature failure.

Stage 3. Post installation check and maintenance.

- Depending on the application and the removal of suspension components during installation in stages 1 and 2, wheel alignment settings may have been altered. Check wheel alignment settings, and adjust as required.
- Re-tension all fittings after a settling-in period, but not later than 100kms (60miles) after installation.
- For noise and friction free operation, carry out periodic inspections and maintain proper bush lubrication.
- Some swaybar lateral movement is acceptable. For excessive movement, Whiteline swaybar lateral lock kit should be used.





Warning: Please drive carefully while you accustom yourself to the changed vehicle behaviour.

Installation Guide ADJUSTABLE SWAYBAR LINKS

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(Always refer to the current catalogue for complete application listings)

N.B: This installation guide should be used in conjunction with the workshop manual.

1. Drive the vehicle up on ramps (if available) or alternatively raise the vehicle evenly on both sides and support with jack stands.

2.Loosen and remove the existing OE sway bar links.

3.Use a ruler or tape measure to check and confirm your OE link length.

4. Please remember to leave at least 10mm of ball link thread in the lock nut, you can check this by completely removing the ball link and marking the thread. (REFER FIG 1)

5. Once the length is determined, hand tighten all lock nuts with fingers. (REFER FIG 3)

Note : Studs can point in any direction to suit application.

6.After installing one side check that the other link's studs line up with the sway bar and control arm holes. If you find the studs won't easily slide in then you now have the ability to fine tune the length of the adjustable ball link to remove any unwanted sway bar pre load.

7. Once both links are installed and there are no visible clearance issues, then tighten all lock nuts with appropriate spanners.

8. Check all fittings after test drive and recheck after initial 100km.



FIGURE 2





FIGURE 3

Warning: Please drive carefully after fitting any suspension modifications while you accustom yourself to the vehicles changed behaviour.

Note: It is recommended that a licensed workshop or trades person carry out the above procedure and that the workshop manual be used in conjunction with the above.

FIGURE 1

Instruction Sheet Rear Swaybar Kit Suits: Honda Civic FN2 '07 - '10

N.B: This instruction sheet should be used in conjunction with the workshop manual

1. Raise the vehicle evenly and support with jack stands.

2.Place the supplied U bolts over the suspension beam as per fig 2, then grease I.D. of 'D' bush and secure the swaybar loosely as per fig 1 and 2. 3.In fig 2 place 39.5mm O.D. washer over top of lower spring seat, place 10mm capscrew through the washer and secure bracket from underneath using large O.D. washer and nut. Finally secure the bracket with 8mm cap screw making sure handbrake cable bracket is secured under head of bolt as per fig 3. 4.When replacing plastic aero tray it will need to have material removed for a depth of 25mm to fit correctly as shown in fig 4.

5. Tighten all nuts and bolts and set swaybar link to softest setting (see included instruction) before driving vehicle.



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