

2010-2015 Camaro SS / ZL1 / Z28 Header Installation Instructions



Do not attempt this installation if proper safety equipment isn't available to you. Seek the assistance of a professional installer.

Read and understand all instructions before beginning.

To install this system the following tools are suggested:

- -Vehicle Lift or Jack and 4 Jack Stands
- -Ratchet Set (1/4" & 3/8" Drive)
- -Metric Socket Set (1/4" & 3/8" Drive)
- -Extensions (1/4" & 3/8" Drive)
- Pry Bar Set
- -⁷/₈" O2 Socket (⁷/₈" Wrench)
- -Gasket Scraper
- -Metric Wrench Set

- -Standard Screwdriver Set
- -Safety Glasses
- -Paint Pen or Marker
- -Vehicle Service Manual
- -Thread Locker
- -WD-40 (Penetrating Oil)
- -Anti-seize
- -Zip Ties



VEHICLE PREPARATION

Raise and Support Vehicle (Refer to Owner's Manual for specified jacking points)

Always disconnect the negative battery terminal before performing this type of work on any vehicle

STOCK MANIFOLD AND CATALYTIC CONVERTER REMOVAL PROCESS

It is a good idea to spray WD-40 on the rusted hardware before you start to help loosen them. While the lube is doing its job, you can start the install.

STEP 1. Battery

• Disconnect the negative and positive battery terminal.

STEP 2. Spark Plugs and Spark Plug Wires

- Remove the engine cover, if so equipped.
- Disconnect spark plug wires.
- Remove spark plugs.

STEP 3. O2 Sensors

- Note and mark the position of each O2 sensor.
- Disconnect all O2 sensors from wiring harness.
- Remove O2 sensors (⁷/₈" wrench or O2 socket).

STEP 4. Dip Stick Tube

- Note the routing and orientation of the dip stick tube before removal.
- Remove dip stick tube.

STEP 5. Factory Catalytic Convertors

- Unbolt Factory Clamps connecting convertors to cat back system
- Slide pipes apart and separate them

STEP 6. Exhaust Manifolds

- Remove factory exhaust manifold heat shields.
- Remove factory exhaust manifolds.



KOOKS HEADER AND CONNECTION PIPE INSTALLATION PROCESS

All hardware should be tightened to factory specifications

STEP 1. Cleaning.

• Before installing your new Kooks Headers, make sure all gasket surfaces are clean and oil free.

STEP 2. Kooks Headers (Drivers Side and Passenger Side)

- Install headers into engine compartment, from the top or bottom.
- Align supplied gasket and start at least two of the header bolts.
- Align header and start remaining header bolts.
- Tighten headers to factory exhaust manifold torque specs using factory torque spec sequence.

STEP 3. Starter Power Wire

- Check for clearance around starter power wire. If needed follow below steps.
- Unclip wire in connector from factory frame location.
- Reinstall wire using zip ties, routing it for maximum clearance around the header

STEP 4. Dip Stick Tube

• Reinstall dip stick tube.

STEP 2. Steering Shaft

• Remove steering shaft rubber boot cover if necessary for header clearance.

STEP 5. Kooks Connection Pipes

- Loosely install connection pipes on vehicle using supplied hardware.
- Align system for maximum clearance.
- Tighten system from rear to front of the vehicle.

STEP 6. O2 Sensors

- Apply anti seize to the threads of all O2 sensors.
- Install O2 sensors noting their original location.
- Install supplied O2 extensions on front O2 sensors.



STEP 7. Spark Plugs and Spark Plug Wires

- Reinstall spark plugs.
- Reinstall spark plug wires
- For 2" Headers we do recommend using wires with 45° or 90° boots for clearance. We also recommend using heat sleeves for added protection.
- Reinstall the engine cover, if so equipped

STEP 8. Battery

- Ensure all above steps have been completed.
- Reconnect the positive then the negative battery terminal.

STEP 9. Inspection

- Start engine and check for any exhaust leaks.
- Allow vehicle to complete one heat cycle (Heat to temp and allow for cooling).
- Re-torque header bolts and header hardware.

Thank you for your purchase, we appreciate your business. If additional assistance is needed, please contact Kooks Headers and Exhaust Toll free at 1-866-586-KOOK or contact your local dealer.