

Add-A-Leaf Installation Instructions I-AAL

Note: Check U-Bolt length prior to disassembly, Longer U-Bolts may be required.

- 1. Park the vehicle on flat level ground. Set the emergency brake and block the tires.
- 2. Raise the vehicle so that the tires slightly touch the ground. Support the frame rails using jack stands.
- 3. Remove the U-Bolts from one side only. Remove the spring eye bolts and remove the leaf spring from the vehicle.
- 4. Place 2 C-Clamps around the leaf spring as shown in Photo #1. Tighten C-Clamps against the leaf spring.
- 5. Add-a-Leaf will install into the spring pack according to length, (longest to shortest). It may be necessary to bend open the spring clamps if add-a-leaf installs into the middle of the spring pack.
- 6. With C-Clamps tightened onto leaf spring, remove the center tie bolt using a pair of vice grips to hold the head of the bolt. "Slowly" remove the C-Clamps to release the spring tension.
- 7. Note the location of the tie bolt hole in the add-a-leaf. If the hole is not centered, measure the factory spring to determine the long end and short end. Be sure to install the add-a-leaf with the long end towards the long end of the leaf spring. Install the new add-a-leaf into the spring pack based upon its length, (longest to shortest). See Photo #2.
- 8. Use a screw driver to line up the tie bolt hole in the leaves. It is recommended to leave the screw-driver in to help keep the leaves aligned as you tighten the C-Clamps. Tighten until there is enough space to install the new tie bolt. With tie bolt installed, tighten the nut by hand. Then continue to tighten the C-Clamps. Repeat this process until leaves are pulled together. DO NOT USE THE TIE BOLT TO PULL THE LEAVES TOGETHER. THIS CAN RESULT IN AN EXPLOSIVE DISASSEMBLY AND POSSIBLE INJURY!
- 9. Tighten the center tie bolt to torque specifications provided.
- 10. Reinstall leaf spring into the vehicle. Install U-bolts. Repeat this process on the opposite side.

Torque Specifications:

3/8" Tie Bolt = 17 Ft. Lbs.

7/16" Tie Bolt = 27 Ft. Lbs.

1/2" Tie Bolt = 41 Ft. Lbs.

