

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

REV-04



VW T5 – 4 Corner (Van Version) 1540kg Front Axle Load

FULL AIR INTELLIRIDE ECAS

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Thank you for purchasing a Driverite-Firestone Air Suspension System.

All work should be carried out in a properly equipped workshop with due regard to Health and Safety Regulations. No further reference to Health and Safety Regulations will be made, but they must be considered at all times.

The kit should be opened and the contents checked against the kit contents provided. Identify the various components and familiarise yourself with them using pictures and information provided.

WARNING

Do not inflate this assembly when it is unrestricted.

IMPORTANT

This kit is not designed to increase the GVW of your vehicle. For your safety and to prevent possible damage to your vehicle, do not exceed the maximum load recommended by the vehicle manufacturer.

Pre-Assembly Information

The fitting of the Driverite Air Suspension System must be carried out by Driverite trained personnel in an authorized workshop, equipped with appropriate equipment and tools.

When routing the tubing avoid sharp bends as these can lead to airline blockages in the long term. All tubing must be cut at right angles with a sharp blade. Do not use a pliers to cut the tubing as this will lead to deforming the tubing and can cause air leaks. **Secure the tubing to the vehicle where necessary and ensure it is not fastened to brake lines.**

If it is necessary to route the tubing through sheet metal then you must protect it from abrasion against the metal edges using rubber grommets or conduit.

If the paintwork or corrosion protection layer is damaged it must be re-coated immediately. This can be done using corrosion prevention paint. Ensure only the metal work is coated and protect all other items within close proximity from any paint spray.

Any OEM parts that have been removed in order to fit the air suspension must be replaced back in their original position and condition. If there are any parts that require a torque setting (such as the shock absorbers) then the vehicle manual must be referred to in order to establish the correct torque setting.

Only tighten and torque the shock absorber bolts when the vehicle is at ride height. If the torque setting in this fitting instructions differs from the torque setting stated by the vehicle manufacturer always use the one recommended by the vehicle manufacturer.

Ensure that surrounding components on the vehicle can still be maintained and the air suspension components cannot inhibit servicing these components.

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Kit Contents-



1.	Left Hand Rear Airpring Assembly	(x1)
2.	Right Hand Rear Airspring Assembly	(x1)
3.	Left Front Strut	(x1)
4.	Right Front Strut	(x1)
5.	Hardware Assembly	(x1)
6.	Right Rear Height sensor Assembly	(x1)
7.	Left Rear Height sensor Assembly	(x1)
8.	Right Front Height sensor Assembly	(x1)
9.	Left Front Height sensor Assembly	(x1)
10.	Shock Absorbers	(x2)
11.	Air Tubing	(x10M)
12.	Air Tank Assembly	(x1)
13.	Harness	(x1)

For clarity purposes only the main items have been listed above

Rear Axle Preparation





Fitting the Rear Air Spring Assembly-Identify the left air spring assembly and the right air spring assembly. Right Left NOTE: There should be a sticker on each assembly to tell you which side is left and which side is right. For ease of installation the assembly can be compressed. Insert a short length of tubing into the elbow. To prevent it from returning to its original position the opposite end is plugged using one of the inflation valves (Circled). Remove the rubber grommet in the wishbone. CHECK



There is a tubular recess in the upper bracket (circled with the solid line). The upper bump stop tube (circled with the broken line) must sit inside this cavity in the upper bracket when in position.





Release the air from the airspring assembly and rest the front face of the upper bracket against floor plate.

Bolt in place using the M8 x 40 bolt, spring washer and penny washer with the spring washer situated between the penny washer and the head of the bolt



NOTE: Due to tolerances there may be a gap between the front face of the upper bracket and the floor plate when tightening.

If this occurs do not continue to tighten the bolt as this will cause the floor plate to deform. The space must be filled using the 4mm spacer washers..

Remove the bolt and insert spacer washer between the Driverite bracket and the floor plate to fill the gap.

Ensure the rear of the upper bracket is firmly clamping the rear floor plate.











Fitting The Rear Height Sensors-



Check that the distance from the centre of the upper ball joint to the centre of the lower ball joint is 55mm as shown.	55mm
Repeat on the opposite side	

Fitting The Rear Shock Absorbers

Front Axle Preparation-

Fitting the New Front Struts -Before installing the new front struts ensure the brake lines are on the outboard side of the strut. Install the new strut and re-attach the rubber brake lines back in their original position. CHECK Re-attach the stabiliser link to the new strut. CHECK Note: Do not torque at this stage. This process will be carried out when the vehicle is at ride height. (Refer to the "Torque Settings" section"). Fit the airline support bracket to the body of the vehicle as outlined in the following page. **Air Line Bracket Air Line Hole** Rivet the air line bracket to the channel on the chassis at a position where it is 60mm from the foreword end as indicated in the picture on the right. 60mm 70mm Drill a 20mm hole in the plastic shroud 70mm to the rear of the air line bracket so the air line can be routed back to the valve block. CHECK

Fitting The Front Height Sensors -

Identify the left and right hand front height sensor assemblies. The photo on the right shows the right assembly. Place the bracket over the chassis so the top flange rests on the top of the chassis and the bottom flange rests on the bottom face of the chassis.

Align the hole on the Driverite bracket with the 6mm insert on the chassis and bolt in place using an M6 bolt and spring washer.

The lower end of the height sensor linkage is attached to the base of the stabiliser link on the anti-roll bar.

Remove the nut.

Place the flange of the Driverite bracket outboard and facing down. Secure the nut back in place.

Ensure the top of the Driverite bracket is running parallel with the anti roll bar as indicated by the white lines on the photo on the right.

Note:

These brackets are handed. The flange should always be facing outboard and the end containing the 6mm ball joint should always be facing the rear.

Do not torque at this stage. This process will be carried out when the vehicle is at ride height. (Refer to the "Torque Settings" section").

Check that the distance from the centre of the upper ball joint to the centre of the lower ball joint is 120mm as shown. Raise and lower to front suspension to ensure the height sensor is not interfering with and other vehicle components. Repeat this procedure with the steering on full lock in both directions.

Repeat on opposite side.

Fitting the Compressor Assembly

Fitting the Air Tank-

Fitting the Horizon Levelling Sensor (if supplied)

The horizon levelling sensor is an optional extra, if it is not supplied please skip to the following page. If it is supplied it will be located to the floor of the vehicle using the 2 bolts circled in the picture on the right.

Temporarily remove the indicated bolts.

There are 2 labels on the horizon levelling sensor. One of these labels indicates the side of sensor which must face foreword and an arrow indicating the "up" direction. This label must be facing the front of the vehicle. If the sensor is not mounted in the correct orientation the function will not work.

CHECK

Pneumatic Diagram

through the inflation value it is not going through the air drier so moist air can enter the value block and air springs and damage the system. If a problem occurs only If using the inflation valves they are installed along the airlines (A), (B), (C) and (D). use the inflation valves to bring the vehicle to ride height so it can be driven to a dealer for repairs. Do not use the inflation valves for long periods of time. the airsprings if there is a problem with the system such as a dead battery. The inflation valves should only be used for a short period of time. If air enters the system

Height Sensor Template -

The height sensor arrangement has already been tested for this kit to ensure it is working within its tolerance.

When the axle is hanging (max rebound) the height sensor arm must not enter the lower red section on the template.

When the suspension is compressed onto the bump stops in the shock absorbers (max jounce) the height sensor arm must not enter the upper red section on the template.

Connecting/Routing the Harness

Connecting The Handbrake Wire —

Connecting The Speed Signal Wire (Option 1)-

Connecting The Speed Wire (Option 2)-

Connecting the +Ve and –Ve wires -

Replace the battery base and battery. Feed the +Ve and –Ve wires from the harness into the battery compartment. Attached the red wire to the +Ve terminal on the battery and the black wire to the -Ve terminal. Replace the plastic cover.

Torque Settings-

Bring the vehicle to ride height using jack stands or the PC tool. The recommended heights are listed below.

(Note: The measurements below are taken from the centre of the wheel to the wheel arch.)

Ride height	=450mm
Access height	=385mm
Raised height	=460mm on the front axle and 480mm on the rear axle

It is now possible to torque all remaining fasteners.

Rear shock absorber upper bolt	=70Nm
Rear shock absorber lower bolt	=120Nm
Front strut upper nut	=80Nm
Front strut lower nuts	=75Nm
Front stabiliser link upper nut	=60Nm
Front stabiliser link lower nut	=60Nm
Rear anti-roll bar chassis bolts	=60Nm

Check all connections. Ensure all bolts are securely fastened Follow the instructions on the following pages to programme and calibrate the heights.

NOTE:

There is a time delay in the system.

Replace the protective rubber cover over the nut and washer on the front struts.

NOTE:

Ensure the upper stud is centrally located in the hole. If it is not in the centre the nut will not tighten sufficiently and it will cause a knocking noise when driving.

Replace the metal cover and re-assemble the air filter housing.

Programming the System-

To connect the PC to the ECU: Connect serial cable to the PC and to the ECU through the wire harness. Start the vehicle. Start the tool. Click on the 'ECU Enter Service Mode' button (1). Press the 'Read Features' button (2) to see what features are programmed in the ECU.

Door		Sensor Feedback	
	Read Features	LF RF Accelerometer Reservoir Tolerance	s Exit
Door Active High	Write Features (2)	X-Asis 0.000 V	
Hand Brake		ECU I	Enter
Hand Brake Active H	igh	Volts mm/psi	(1
Hand Brake Active Lo	w	Raised LE RE mm//ht	Exit
Compressor		Set In mm/Volt LF RF	Mode
Reservoir	Save Feature		ntrols
Pressure Sensor	Lond Frankers	Standard LF RF Compressor	Front
Compressor In Reservoi	Load Feature	LR RR On PSI Off PSI	Down
Pressure Sensor In Rese	avoir	Highway LF RF LF	BEIID
Accel X-axis		Set LR RR	
Overload Detection	Available Heights	Access LF RF OF MALE WAREN	RF Down
Ambulance	Raised Height Present	Set LR BR Set	
Telemetry	Highway Height Present	LR Up	RR Up
Aux Exhaust	Access Height Present	LB Down	BB Down
Aux		Cross d Carstrolo	
Brake	Height Sensor Features	Speed (Auses/Unit Distance) Rear UP	Rear Down
Cross Link	LF Present LF Invent	Set	
Engine Engine	RF Present RF Invert	Speed (Access Oct) Speed (Access Tine) Horizon Leveling (Controls
5 Station Manifold	RR Present RR Invert	Set Set Contraction	int Y-asie
Lateral Accel Detect		Speed (Raised Out) Speed (Raised Time) Set	
Load Sensing	Values Present	Set Set	
Longitudinal Accel Detec		Valve PWM Controls	ensor Value R P
Temperature	LR Present RR Present	EX IN XL LF	
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Volts

(3)

mm/psi

Collecting data

- Write down the voltage values in the red boxes below for each corner:
- Measure (in millimetres) from a point on the frame to the suspension in each corner a height sensor exists.
- Write down mm values in the left millimetres box (E.G-Box (A) for the Left Front height sensor, Box (C) for the Right Front height sensor, etc)
- Move the suspension down until the height sensors voltage drops 1 volt.
- Re-measure from the same points on the frame to the suspension in each corner.
- Write down the new mm values in the right millimetres box (E.G-Box B for the Left Front Height sensor, Box (D) for the Right Front height sensor, etc)

Voltage

Left Front			
Voltage			
Millimeters	(A)	(B)	

Left Rear			
Voltage			
Millimeters	(E)	(F)	

Millimeters	(C)	(D)
R	ight Rea	r

Right Front

Right Rear			
Voltage			
Millimeters	(G)	(H)	

Calibration Calculations

Subtract the millimetres reading as shown below

Calibration Results				
Left Front	(A) - (B)	=	(mm)	
Right Front	(C) - (D)	=	(mm)	
Left Rear	(E) - (F)	=	(mm)	
Right Rear	(G) - (H)	=	(mm)	

Enter the calibration results into the corresponding corner boxes under the mm/V heading.

Press the **'Set'** button (4) to save the values.

Programming heights Enable the mm display in the sensor feedback window by clicking "**mm/psi**" (5).

Move the vehicle with the valve controls to the desired height. (Can program any height which is enabled.)

Copy the desired height measurement from the sensor feedback window into the corresponding corners. Press the **"Set"** (6) button to save the settings. Repeat for all other heights.

Saving Information

Press the "Write Features" (7) button to store all the information to the ECU.

Features		
Door	Read Features	
Door Active High	Write Features) (7)
🖂 Hand Brake		
🔽 Hand Brake Active High		

Speed Control Programming

If a hardware speed signal is available and if the feature is enabled, the pulses per mile/km must be set in order for the speed function to work appropriately. The figure for the T5 is 4000.

- Speed Controls Speed (Pilses/Unit Distance)					
Set	125582				
Speed (Acce	ess Out)	Speed (Ac	cess Time)		
Set	5	Set	5		
Speed (Rais	ed Out)	Speed (Raised Time)			
Set	25	Set	5		

Now you will be able to set the speed in which the vehicle will automatically return to the standard (ride) height for access and the raised height.

For example, access out speed is set for 5mph/kph for 5 seconds. So the speed must be above 5mph/kph for 5 seconds in order for the system to return to standard height.

Speed (Access Out)		Speed (Access Time)		
Set	5		Set	5

Saving Information

Press the "Write Features" button to store all the information to the ECU.

Horizon Levelling Programming (Only applicable if horizon levelling sensor is supplied)

To use this feature, the Horizon Level sensor must be attached to a 4-corner system. The sensor must be mounted onto the surface for which you are trying to level.

Note: the mm/V value must be set first before setting horizon levelling calibrations.

First set the 'min height sensor value' by deflating the vehicle until the vehicle is at its lowest possible height. Then read the mm values from the sensor feedback window and enter them under the 'min height sensor value' windows and press 'set'.

Now set the 'Max height sensor value' by inflating the vehicle until the vehicle is at its highest possible height. Then read the mm values from the sensor feedback window and enter them under the 'Max height sensor value' windows and press 'set'.

Max Height Sensor Value				
Cot	LF 65535	65535	RF	
J.CL	LR 65535	65535	RR	

Now you are ready to set the centre point. Place a builder's level on the surface you wish to keep level. Use the valve controls to adjust the vehicle until it is level. Once levelled, read the X-axis and Y-axis values from the 'sensor feedback' and enter them under 'centre point' and press set.

Checklist ——

Heigl	nt Sensor Checklist	CHECK		
1.	Height sensor orientation is correct			
2.	Is the threaded bar set to the correct length?			
Gene	ral Checklist	CHECK		
1.	Ride, access and raised heights have been set at the correct measurement			
2.	Shock absorbers have been adjusted to the correct setting			
3.	Shock absorbers have been torqued at ride height and to the correct torque setting			
4.	Front struts have been torque at ride height and to the correct torque setting			
5.	All other nuts and bolts are secure and torqued where stated			
6.	Harness, air-line and connectors are secure			
7.	The system was checked for air leaks			
8.	There is 15mm clearance around the airsprings			
9.	The ECU, compressor and valve blocks have been connected to the harness. An aud	li-		
	ble click is heard when the connection is sealed.			
10.	Height sensors connection are in their correct side and have been connected to the			
	harness. An audible click is head when the connection is sealed.			
11.	When the airsprings are fully deflated the arm of the height sensor does not come into			
	contact with the vehicles body.			
12.	When the axle is hanging the arm of the height sensors are not under tension and car	ו		
	not invert.			
13.	Air Suspension Stickers have been applied			
14.	The back page titled "Service Information" on the User Operation Manual (which will b			
	kept in the vehicles glove box) has been completed.			
15.	User Operation Manual has been placed in the glove box			
For troubleshooting please refer to the "User Operation Manual" supplied with this kit.				
Note:				
The "User Operation Manual" should be stored in the vehicle that has been installed with the air suspension. This can be referred to by the end user for reference.				

Height Settings

Height Sensor Interference Check

Check that the front height sensors do not come into contact with any of the vehicle components throughout the full suspension travel.

- The height sensor components must not touch the stabiliser link at any point through the suspension travel or at any point during full steering lock in both directions.
- There should always be a gap between the height sensor ball joint and the stabiliser link as indicated by the white line in the picture on the right. **CHECK**

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