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Part #919 – Pro-Touring Rear Sway Bar

1978-1987 GM G-Body

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Remove your stock rear sway bar.
2. Jack up the rear of the car and place jack stands under rear end housing. Let jack down so the weight of the car is on the rear housing. This will place the rear suspension at ride height. (Note: Place jack stands in the area of the LCA mounts so they do not interfere with sway bar installation.)
3. It's time to prepare the sway bar for installation. Note that when orientating the sway bar, the center bend faces down. Remove the poly bushings from their shell. Using the supplied grease packs apply silicone grease liberally to the inside of both sway bar bushings. Install the poly bushings onto each end of the sway bar, and re-install the bushing shells.
4. From here on out, this is a two person job as the amount of things that need to be done exceed two hands, not to mention the weight of the bar! Place a u-bolt on one end of the rear housing. Now slide a spacer saddle over the u-bolt and hold it in place. The second person can now hold the sway bar in position. Slide the bushing shell onto the u-bolt. Install the flat washers and then the lock nuts, only make hand tight at this time (start them as far as you can by hand). Now you can let this end hang down until it rests on the u-bolt. Repeat the same procedure on the other end of the sway bar.
5. Tighten all four of the u-bolt lock nuts until you have them barely snug, do not fully tighten. Now you want to make sure the sway bar is centered on the rear side to side, and front to back. Position the sway bar side to side until you have the same distance from the outside of the bar to the shock on both ends. Position the bar front to back so that the bar runs along the center line of the bottom of the axle tubes.
6. The rod ended end links have already been set at the proper length, do not change the length. Keep the end link mounted to the sway bar as shipped.
7. Next you want to install the upper end link mounts. These bolt to the underside of the frame channel. Hold the end link so it is running straight up and down. Mark the two holes with a marker (repeat on other side). Center punch the marks and then drill the holes to 3/8". After drilling the holes, place the upper support plate inside of the top of the frame channel and install and tighten all four of the 3/8" bolts. Tighten the upper and lower end link bolts that run through the rod ends. The further back you mount the end link on the sway bar the stiffer the rate. Front hole = soft, middle hole = medium, rear hole = stiff.
8. With both end links installed and tightened, you can now fully tighten the lock nuts on the u-bolts.
9. Jack the car up and remove the jack stands, place vehicle back on the ground.

Note: If installing on a Grand National 8.5" rear you will need to use 1/2" thick spacers between the bushings and the saddles to clear the lower ears on your rear end.