

# 2009-2015 Cadillac CTS-V Axle Back Installation Instructions



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

Requires cutting of the factory exhaust system.

Read and understand all instructions before beginning.

To install this system the following tools are suggested:

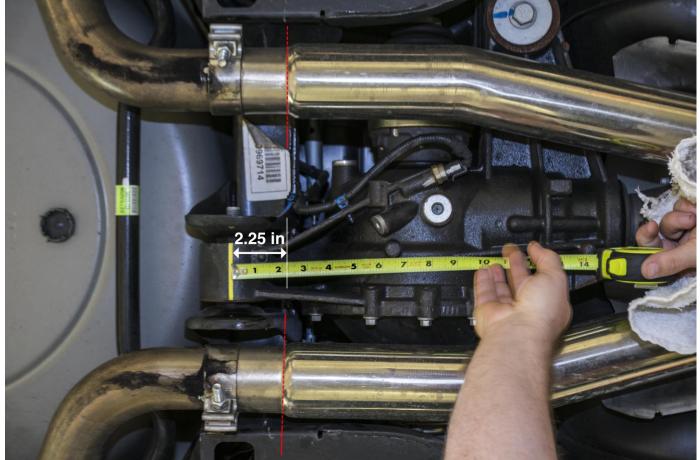
-Vehicle Lift or Jack and 4 Jack Stands	-Standard Screwdriver Set
-Ratchet Set ( <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> " & <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> " Drive)	-Safety Glasses
-Metric Socket Set (1/4" & 3/8" Drive)	-Paint Pen or Marker
-Extensions $(1/4" \& 3/8"$ Drive)	-Vehicle Service Manual
- Pry Bar Set	-Thread Locker
$-\frac{7}{8}$ " O <sup>2</sup> Socket ( $\frac{7}{8}$ " Wrench)	-WD-40 (Penetrating Oil)
-Gasket Scraper	-Anti-seize
-Metric Wrench Set	-Zip Ties

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## STOCK AXLE BACK REMOVAL PROCESS

\*\*Use the below picture as a reference when cutting the factory system\*\*



#### **STEP 1.** Factory Axle Back

- Measure 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" forward from the center line of the differential mount and make a mark horizontal across the pipe.
- Cut factory pipe on that line.
- Carefully Remove the factory axle back



## KOOKS AXLE BACK INSTALLATION PROCESS

\*\*Clamps should be torqued to 40-45 ft. lbs.\*\*

**STEP 1.** Kooks Axle Back

- Slip front pipes and clamps over factory exhaust (do not tighten clamps yet)
- Attach and hang the remainder of the axle back.

**STEP 2.** Exhaust Alignment

- Align the exhaust clear of all obstructions
- Tighten all clamps to specified torque

### STEP 3. 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.

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