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Symbols

The following symbols are used throughout these installation instructions:



TOOLS REQUIRED



TIGHTENING TORQUE



INSTALLATION TIP



CAUTION OR WARNING



USE BOLT SEALANT; Apply 3 to 4 small drops of bolt sealant onto the cleaned and degreased threads before tightening the bolts. **WARNING! Avoid contact with skin, eyes and mucous membranes. Do not inhale fumes. Keep out of the reach of children.**



USE ANTI-SEIZE LEAD-FREE COPPER PASTE (black tube); Provides trouble-free and long-lasting protection against seizing, corrosion and rusting of bolts, threaded ends, nuts, joints, etc. Also protects against vibration, wear and impact. **WARNING! Avoid eye contact. Avoid excessive skin contact. Keep out of reach of children.**



USE ANTI-SEIZING GREASE (white tube); Prevents seizing, corrosion and excessive wear between the titanium components of your exhaust system. **WARNING! Avoid eye contact. Avoid excessive skin contact. Keep out of reach of children.**



T-handle Torx E12 wrench
T-handle Torx TX15mm wrench
Socket 15mm wrench
Socket 18mm wrench
Socket 21mm wrench
Combination 8mm wrench
T-handle 7mm wrench
T-handle 13mm wrench
T-handle swivelling 15mm wrench



BEFORE INSTALLING, CHECK SCHEMATIC OF THE EXHAUST SYSTEM! THE LATEST VERSION OF THE PARTS LIST AND SCHEMATIC DRAWINGS OF THE PRODUCTS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEB PAGE.



IF ANY ITEMS IN THE AKRAPOVIČ EXHAUST SYSTEM PACKAGE ARE MISSING, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR AUTHORIZED DEALER. KEEP THE SCHEMATIC FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.



THESE INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS MUST BE READ CAREFULLY IN ORDER TO ENSURE PROPER INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF THE AKRAPOVIČ EXHAUST SYSTEM.



THE EXHAUST SYSTEM CAN BE EXTREMELY HOT. ALLOW THE EXHAUST AND ENGINE TO COOL DOWN BEFORE BEGINNING INSTALLATION.



WE ADVISE YOU TO LEAVE INSTALLATION TO A QUALIFIED SERVICEMAN. IMPROPER INSTALLATION MAY RESULT IN A SHORTER LIFETIME OF THE EXHAUST SYSTEM AND/OR DAMAGE TO THE VEHICLE.



THIS MANUAL IS SPECIFIC TO THE CORVETTE ZR1. THERE MAY BE SOME DIFFERENCES IN INSTALLATION PROCEDURES FOR OTHER MODELS.



WHEN INSTALLING AKRAPOVIČ'S AFTERMARKET OPTIONAL DOWN PIPES WITHOUT CATALYTIC CONVERTERS, WHICH ARE DEVELOPED FOR USE ON CLOSED TRACKS ONLY, REMAPPING OF THE ECU IS MANDATORY. THE AKRAPOVIČ COMPANY TAKES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR ECU REMAPPING OR ANY POTENTIAL ISSUES RELATED TO THE USE OF AKRAPOVIČ DOWN PIPES.



AT EACH ENGINE START, THE EXUP VALVE MAY VIBRATE FOR A FEW SECONDS UNTIL THE VACUUM SYSTEM REACHES OPERATING PRESSURE.

REMOVAL OF STOCK EXHAUST SYSTEM:

Put the vehicle onto a car lift.

! **WARNING:** make sure, that car lifting is safely and correctly done or you risk vehicle damage, injury or even death!

1. **For Slip-On and Evolution:** unscrew the marked bolts and nuts. Move the drag link out of the way (Figure 1, 2).

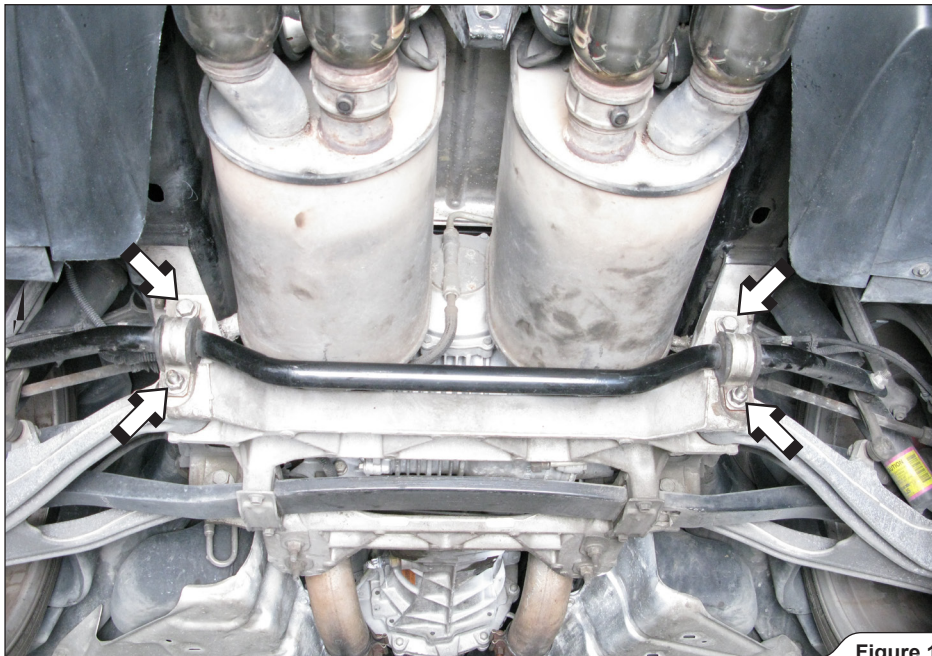


Figure 1

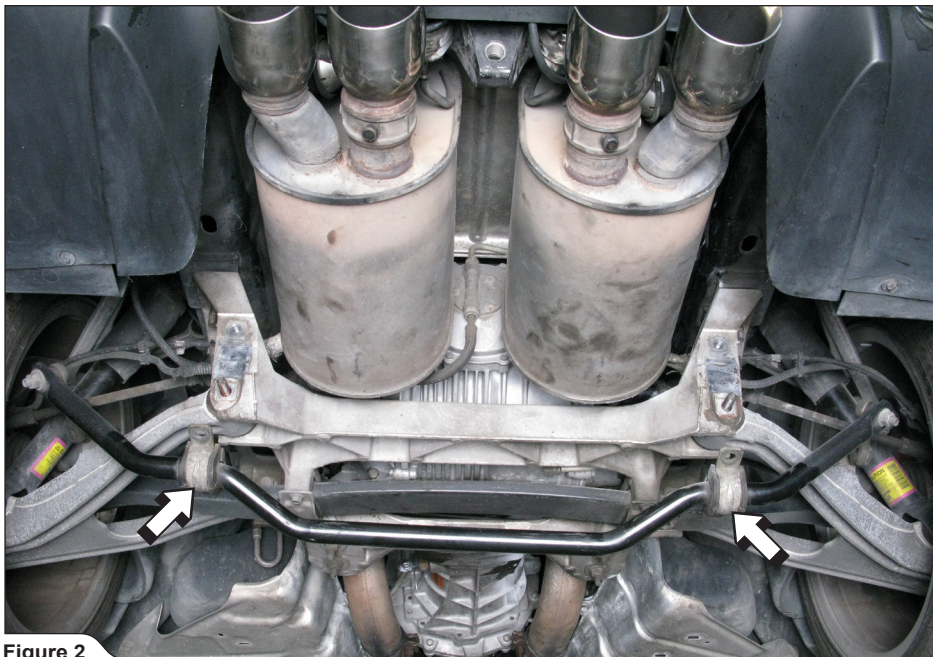


Figure 2

2. **For Slip-On and Evolution:** for easier dismounting and installation of exhaust system, untighten and lower the rear control arms brackets on both sides of the vehicle (**Figure 3, 4**).

! **WARNING:** do not fully unscrew the control arm bracket nuts!



Figure 3

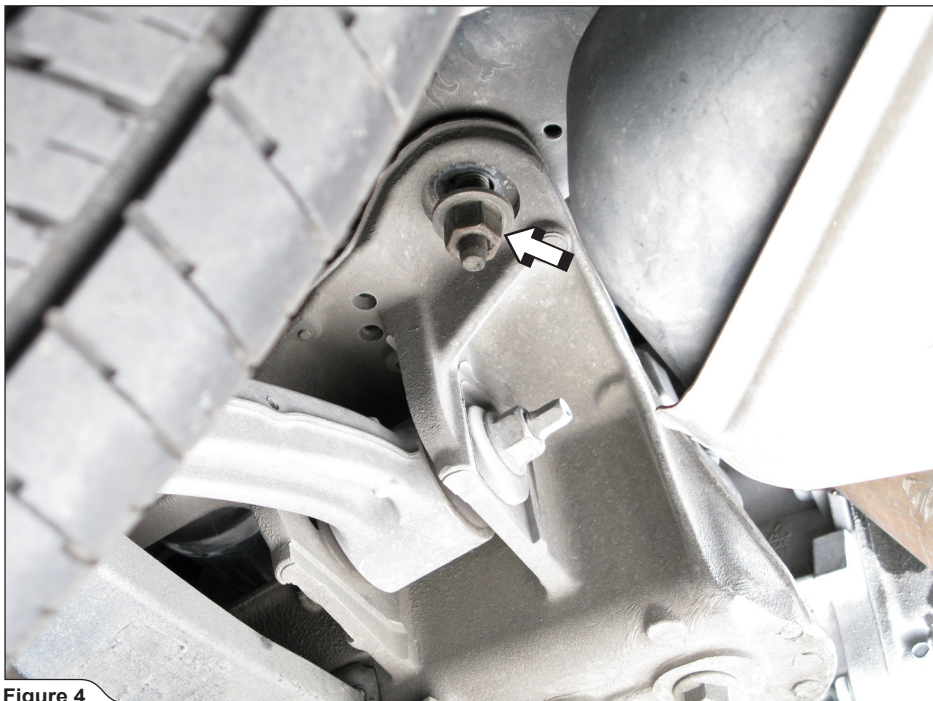


Figure 4

3. **For Slip-On and Evolution:** pull the vacuum tubes off the exhaust valves on both sides of the vehicle (**Figure 5**).



Figure 5

4. For Slip-On and Evolution: untighten the marked clamps (Figure 6).

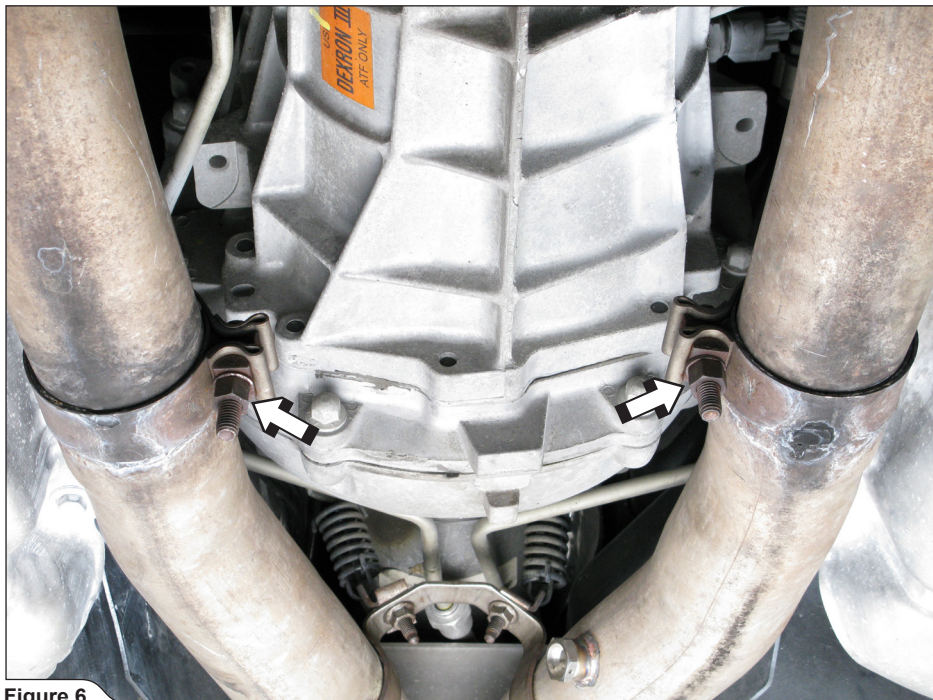


Figure 6

5. **For Slip-On and Evolution:** pull the marked rubber brackets off the mufflers. Remove the mufflers off the vehicle (**Figure 7**).

! **WARNING:** make sure, that you don't damage any part of the vehicle during this process!



Figure 7

6. **For Evolution only:** unscrew the marked bolts and nuts (**Figure 8**).

! **WARNING:** make sure, that you support the stock exhaust during this process or you could injure yourself or damage the vehicle!

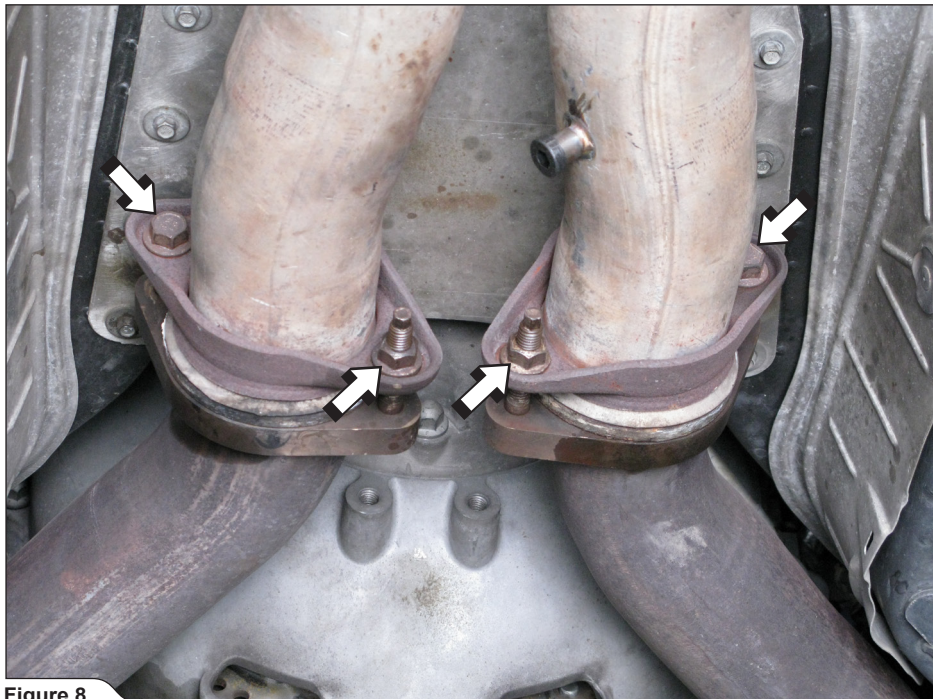


Figure 8

7. **For Evolution only:** unscrew the marked nuts. Remove the front exhaust tubes off the vehicle (Figure 9).

! **WARNING:** make sure, that you don't damage any part of the vehicle during this process!

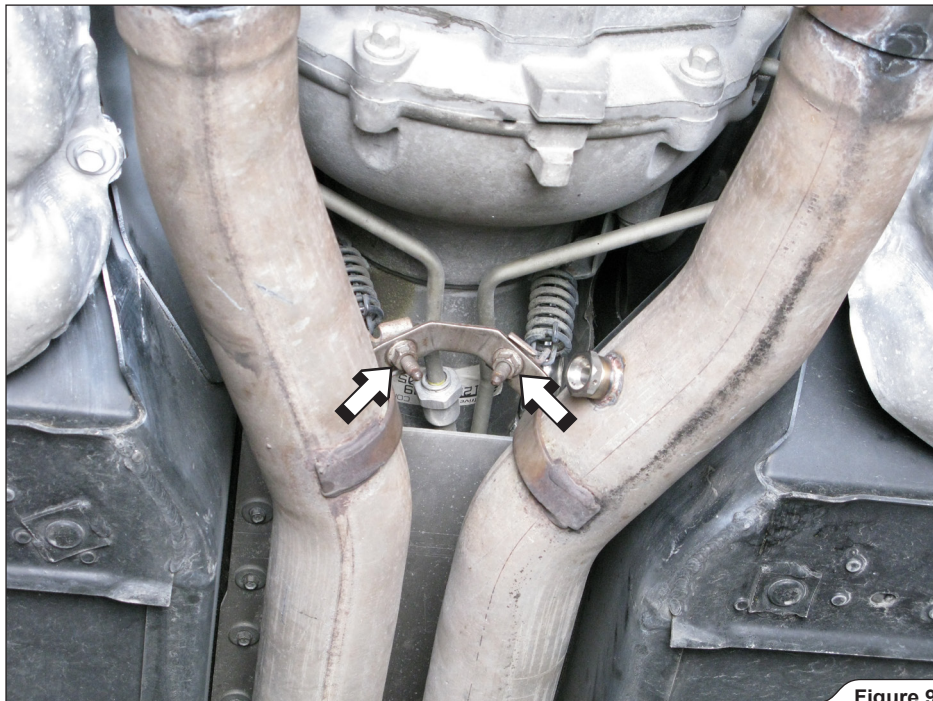


Figure 9

INSTALLATION OF THE AKRAPOVIČ EXHAUST SYSTEM:

1. **For Evolution only:** correctly assemble the clamps onto Akrapovič front tubes and tighten the front tubes bracket (**Figure 10**).

! **WARNING:** use anti-seize copper paste on all nut threads!

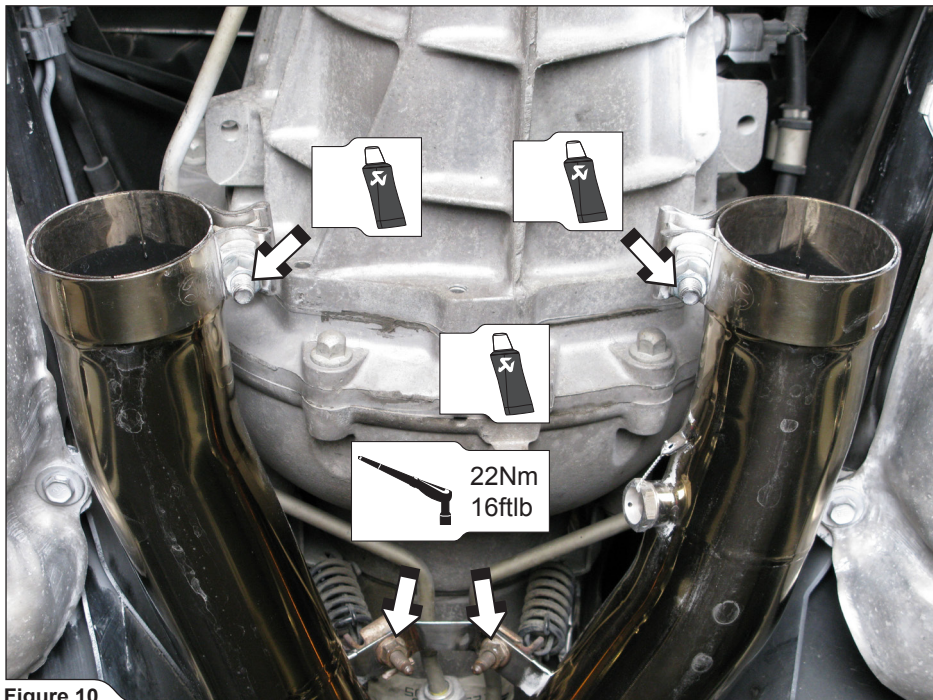


Figure 10

2. **For Evolution only:** tighten the Akrapovič front tubes flanges to a specified torque (**Figure 11**).

! **WARNING:** use anti-seize copper paste on all bolt and nut threads!

! **CAUTION:** use new exhaust gaskets in Akrapovič front tubes - stock header tubes joints!

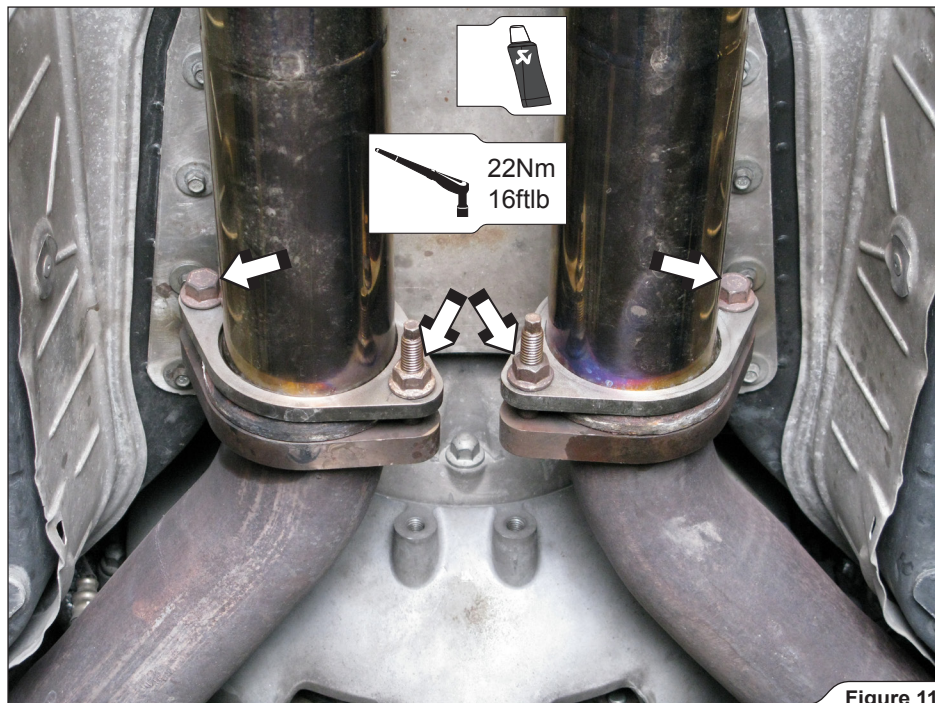


Figure 11

3. **For Slip-On and Evolution:** displace the stock vacuum actuators from stock mufflers to Akrapovič mufflers (**Figure 12**).

! **CAUTION:** do not swap the left and right side vacuum actuators (they are not symmetrical)!

! **WARNING:** use anti-seize copper paste on all nut threads and vacuum actuator ball joints!

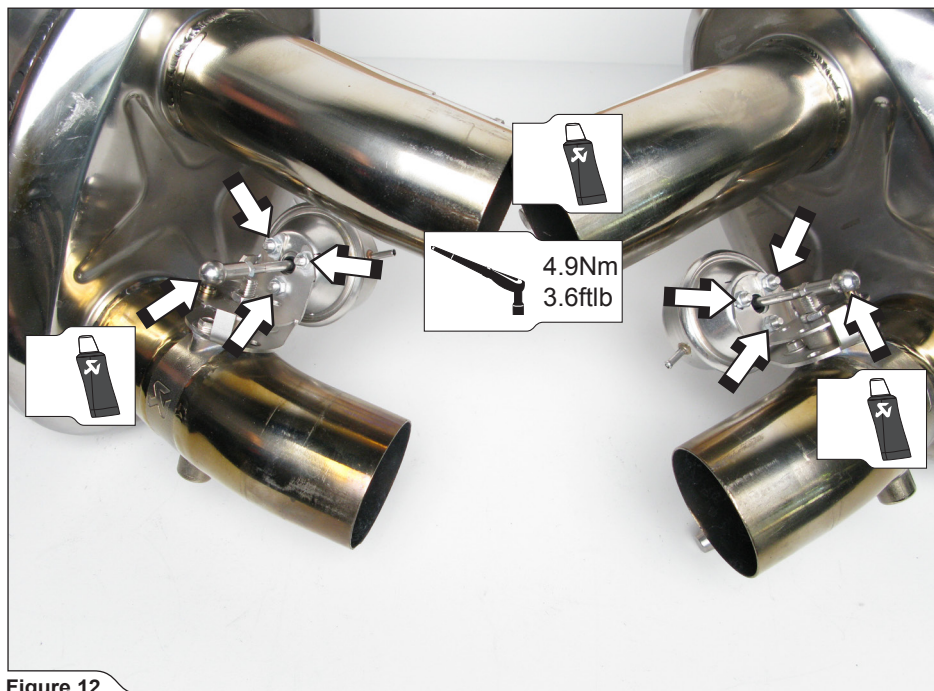


Figure 12

4. **For Slip-On and Evolution:** route the muffler inlet tubes over the differential and hang the mufflers onto the stock rubber brackets. Connect the vacuum tubes with vacuum actuators (**Figure 13, 14**).

✘ INSTALLATION TIP: for easier mounting, lubricate the stock rubber brackets.

! WARNING: make sure, that you don't damage any part of the vehicle during this process!

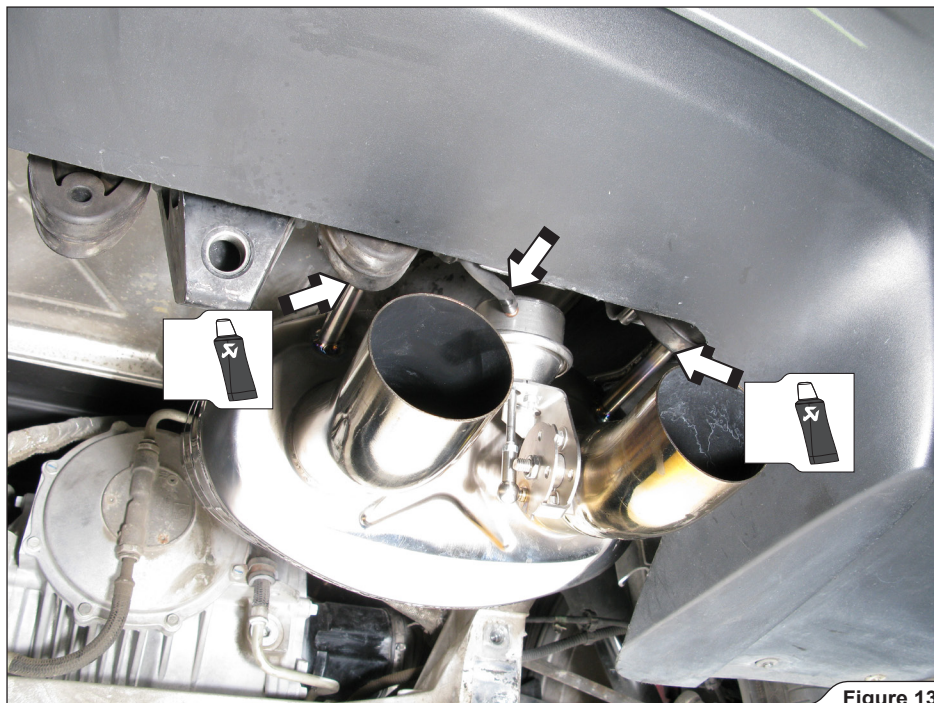


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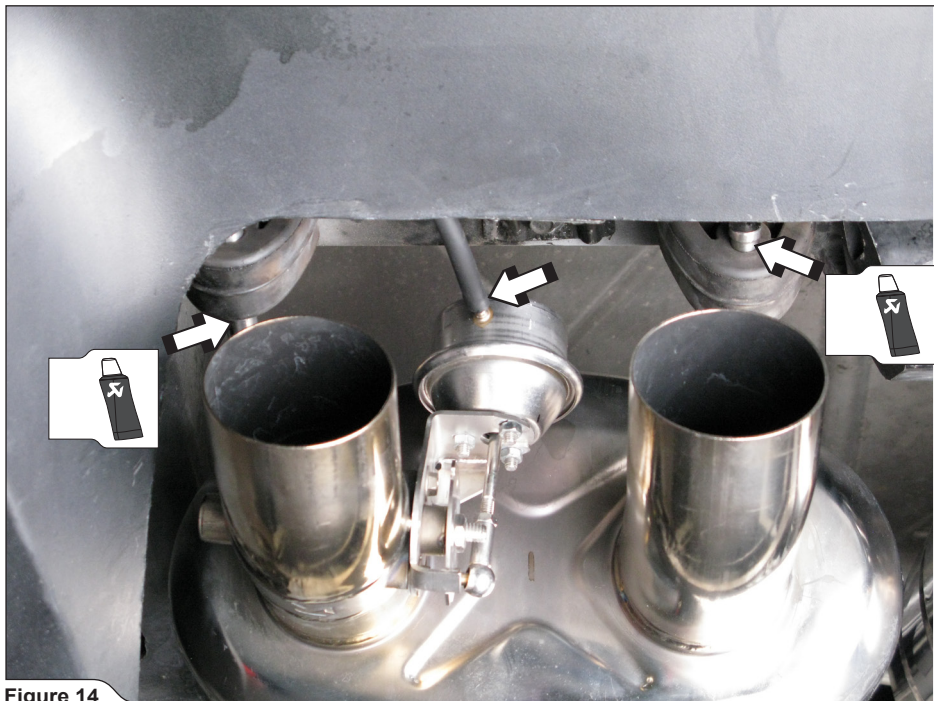


Figure 14

5. **For Slip-On and Evolution:** slide the muffler inlet tubes into the front tubes and tighten the metal clamps to a specified torque (**Figure 15**).

✂ INSTALLATION TIP: in case of Evolution titanium exhaust system option, coat the interior of the outlet bushes of the front tubes with ceramic grease (white tube).

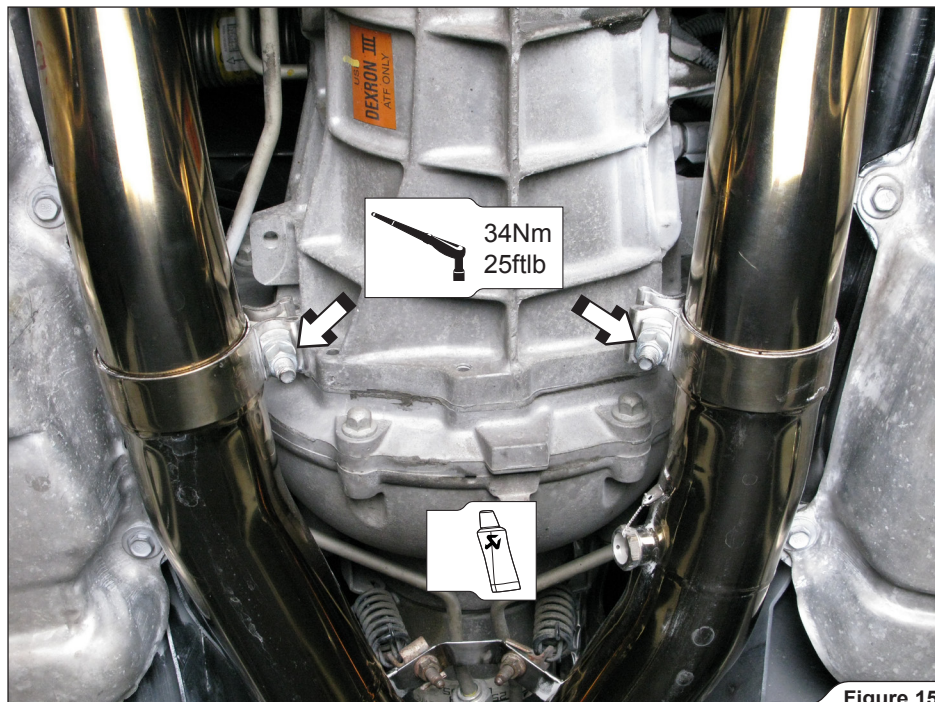


Figure 15

6. **For Slip-On and Evolution:** tighten the rear control arms brackets and drag link on both sides of the vehicle, to specified torques (**Figure 16, 17**).

! **WARNING:** use anti-seize copper paste on all bolt and nut threads!

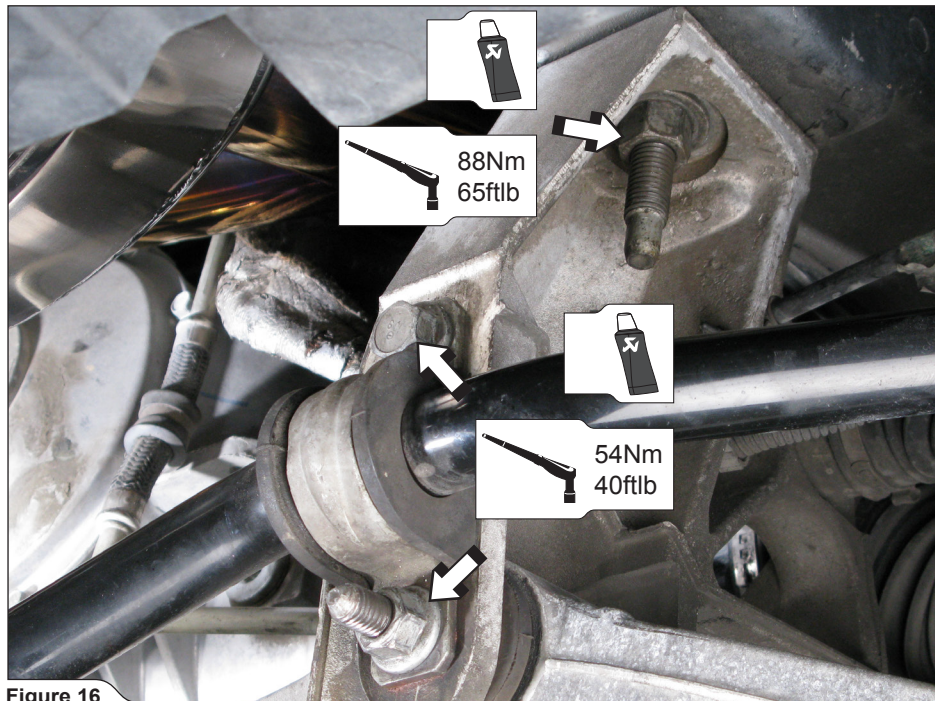


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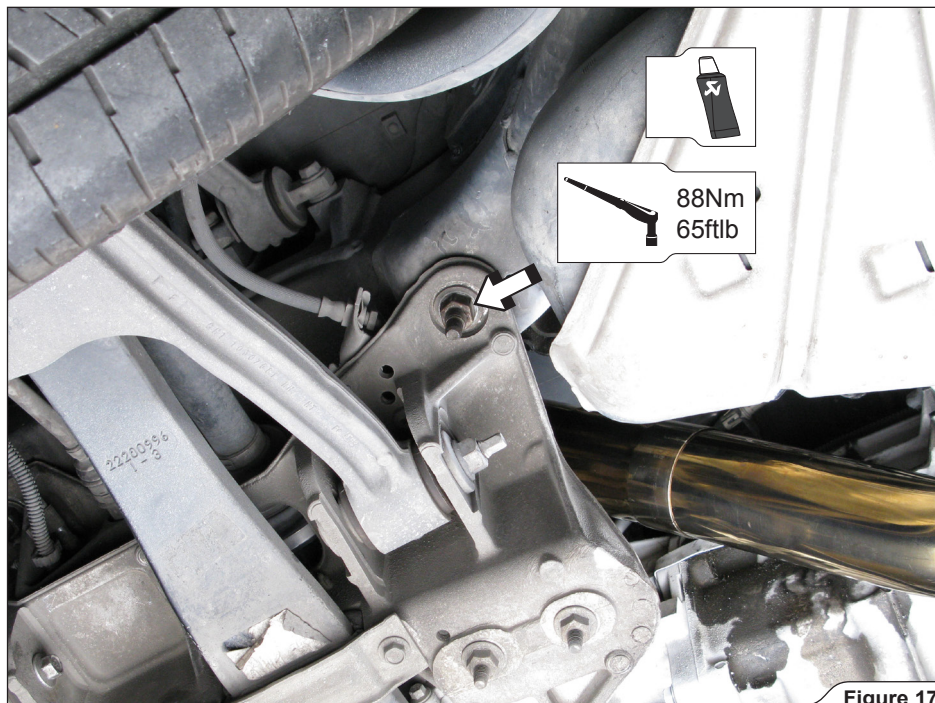


Figure 17

7. **For Slip-On and Evolution:** adjust the position of the mufflers (note proper gaps) and tighten the mufflers connection, using Akrapovič M8x16 bolt and nut (**Figure 18**).

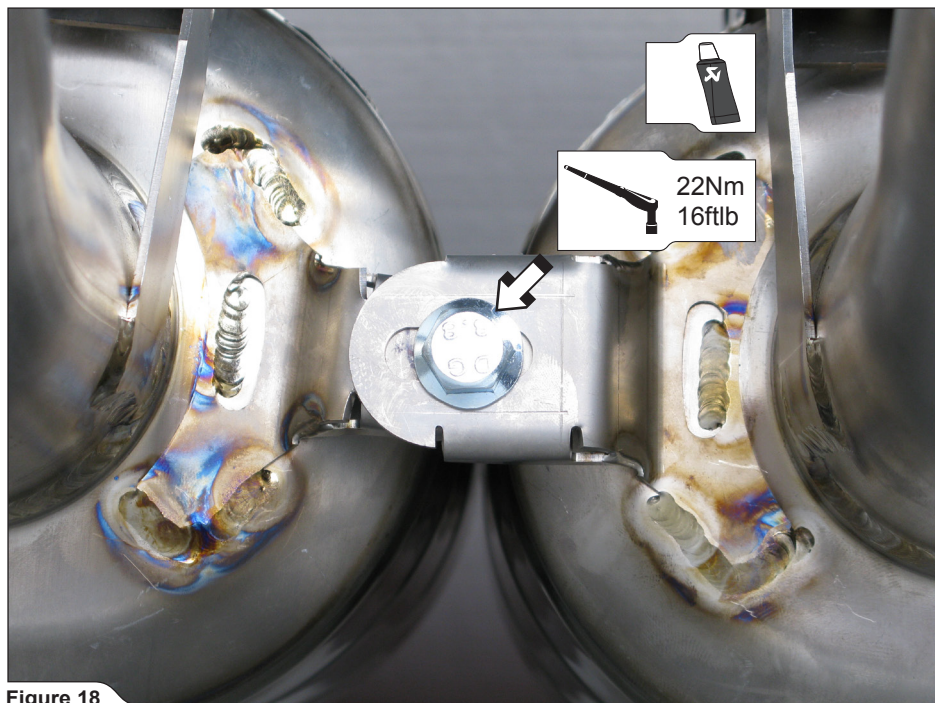


Figure 18

8. **For Slip-On and Evolution:** secure the hand brake cables with tie wraps, as shown (Figure 19).
! WARNING: make sure, that hand brake cables don't touch any part of the exhaust!

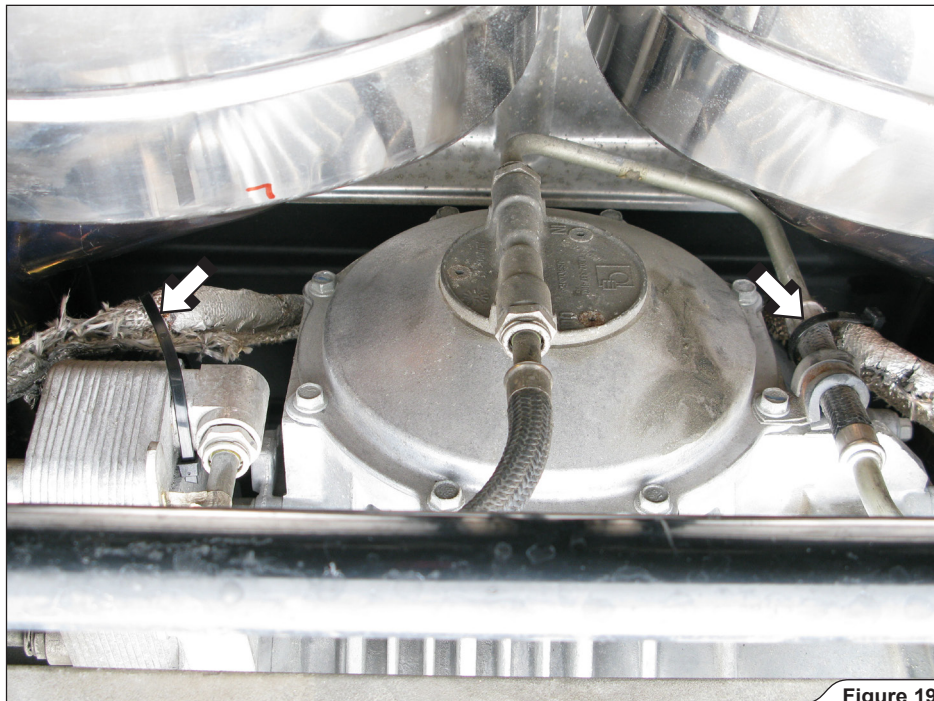


Figure 19

9. **For Slip-On and Evolution:** assemble the clamps and spherical rings onto the tail pipes as shown (Figure 20).

! **WARNING:** use anti-seize copper paste on clamp bolt threads!



Figure 20

10. **For Slip-On and Evolution:** slide the tail-pipes onto the muffler outlets. Center them in respect to rear bumper (**Figure 21**).



Figure 21

11. For Slip-On and Evolution: tighten the tail pipe clamps to a specified torque (Figure 22).

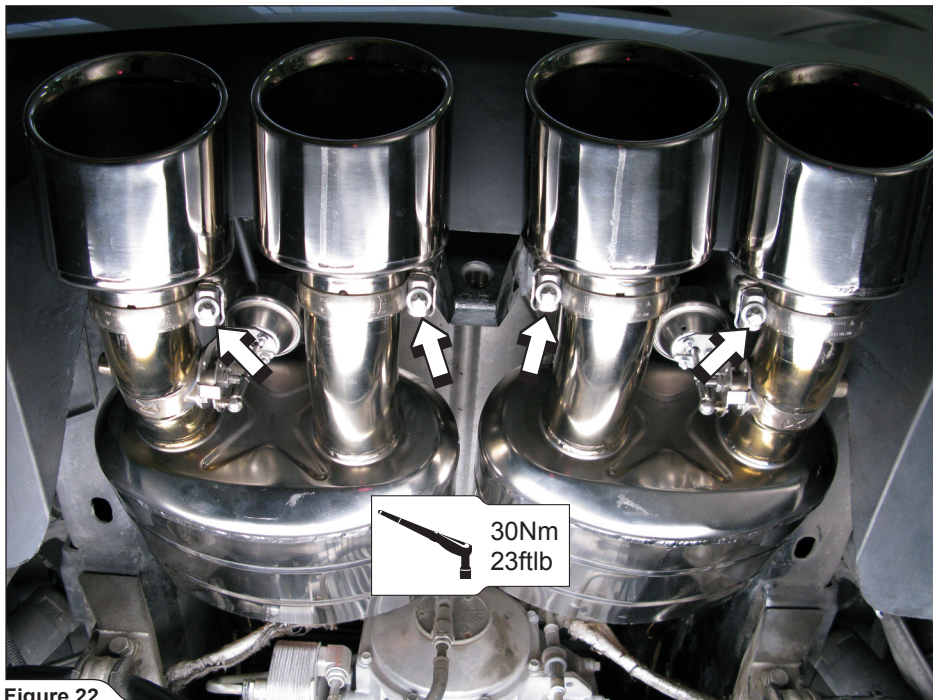


Figure 22

INSTALLATION OF THE OPTIONAL WIRELESS KIT FOR CONTROL OF EXHAUST FLAPS:

1. Transmitter with installation fittings: red wire-fuse tab, grey wire-connector, black wire-ground (Figure 23).

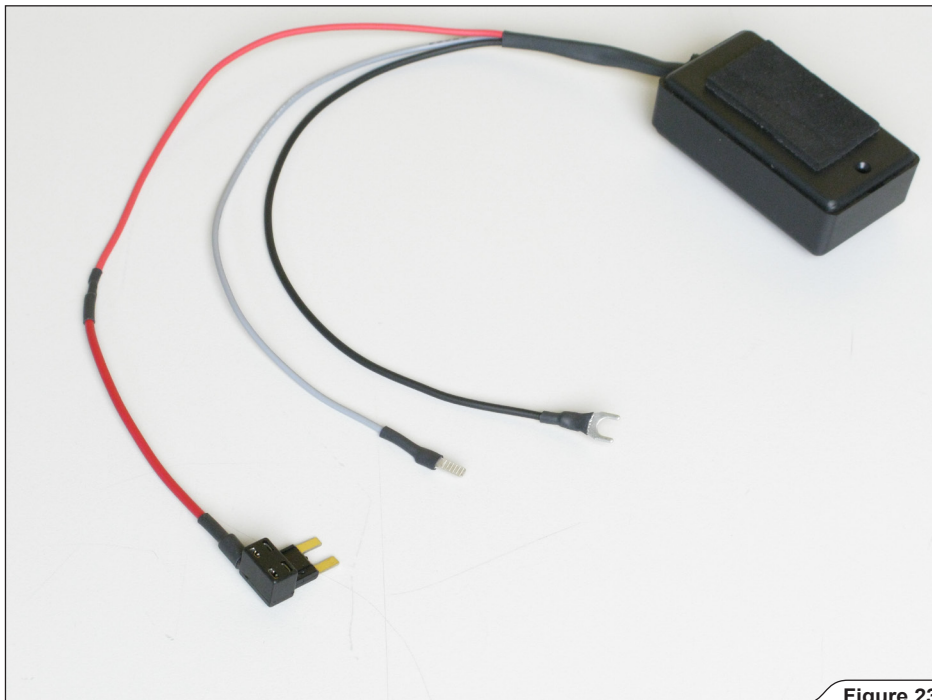


Figure 23

- Remove the passenger side floor mat and pull down the floorboard to access the fuse block. Remove the two marked fuses (upper: seat heater ; lower: exhaust flaps) and untighten the marked bolt (Figure 24). Displace both fuses into the Akrapovič fuse tab (Figure 25).



Figure 24

! CAUTION: in case of broken supplied fuse, use only 10A automotive mini-blade fuses (Figure 25)!

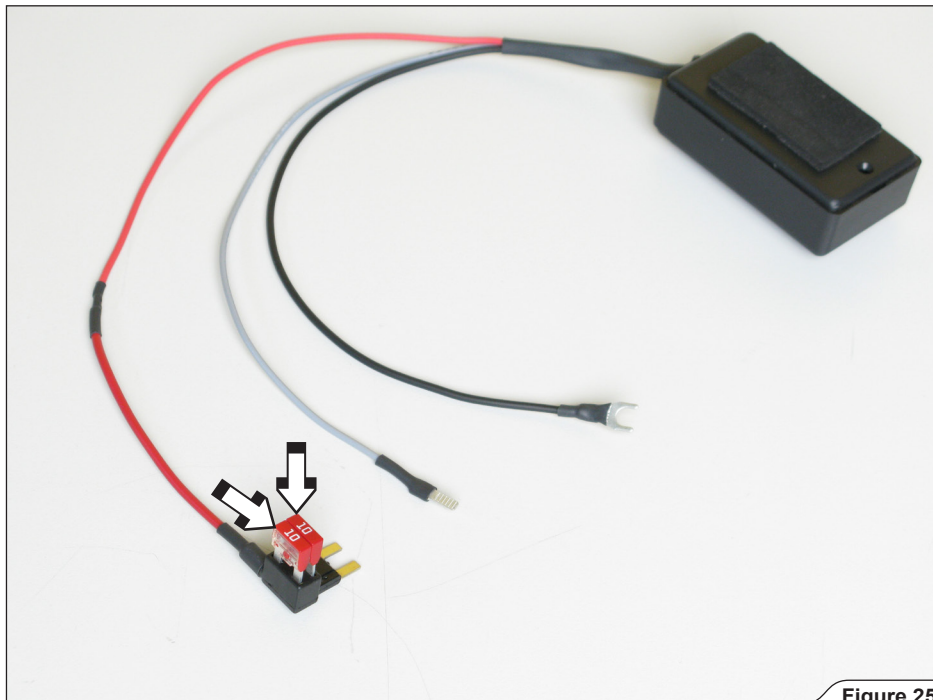


Figure 25

3. Install the fuse tab (red wire) in the seat heater spot, the connector (grey wire) in the exhaust flaps spot (left!) and tighten the ground wire connector (black wire) with marked bolt (**Figure 26**).

! **WARNING:** make sure, that you install the grej wire connector to the **LEFT SIDE** of the exhaust fuse spot!

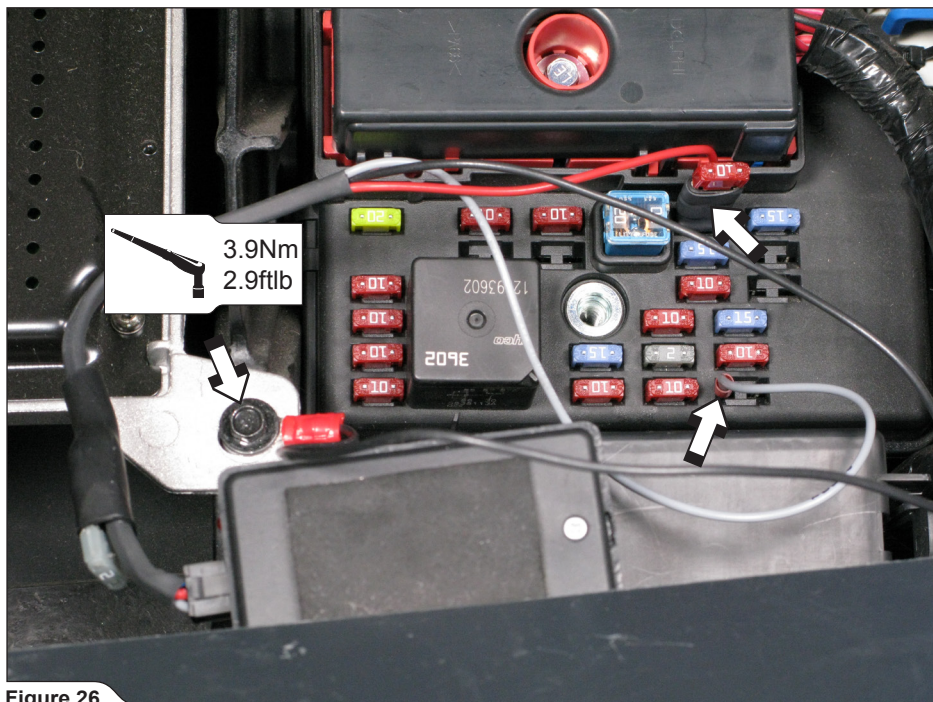


Figure 26

5. Insert the transmitter under the fuse block as shown **and** tuck in all wires, fold back the floor board and reinstall floor mat (**Figure 27**).

! **CAUTION:** make sure not to damage any part of wireless kit or vehicle during this process!



Figure 27

! CAUTION: secure all vacuum tubing connections, using clamps from Akrapovič installation kit! Install the clamps with corresponding tube clamp pliers (Figure 28).



Figure 28

Final installation:

- ! **WARNING: check vehicle manufacturer manual for tightening torques (for dismantled stock parts)!**
- ! **WARNING: make sure all the nuts and bolts are sufficiently tightened. In case the exhaust system touches the cowling or other parts, repeat the adjustment of the exhaust system or contact your authorized dealer.**

MAINTENANCE OF THE AKRAPOVIČ EXHAUST SYSTEM:

1. Clean the titanium exhaust components with a multi-purpose spray lubricant (WD-40 or equivalent), carbon fiber exhaust components with soft and dry cloth and stainless steel components with soft cloth sprayed with contact cleaner, then wipe with soft and dry cloth. A change in the color of the exhaust system is normal due to high temperatures.
2. Periodically make sure all the bolts and springs are sufficiently tight.

- ! **WARNING: clean all exhaust components before the first start of the engine or the stains will burn onto the surfaces!**
- ! **IT IS NORMAL FOR WHITE SMOKE TO COME OUT OF THE MUFFLER AT FIRST OPERATION.**
- ! **DO NOT STAND BEHIND THE MUFFLER AT FIRST OPERATION.**
- ! **DO NOT USE AUTOMOTIVE WHEEL CLEANERS OR ANY CLEANING PRODUCTS WHICH CONTAIN ACIDIC ADDITIVES TO CLEAN THE AKRAPOVIČ EXHAUST SYSTEMS.**

WARNING

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