

# Installation instructions

Akrapovič Exhaust System

Slip-On

for the

Aprilia Shiver 900





Congratulations on purchasing the Akrapovič exhaust system. The Akrapovič exhaust system is a product of Akrapovič d.d., Malo Hudo 8a, 1295 Ivančna Gorica, Slovenia ("Akrapovič").

# Please read this entire installation manual carefully prior to installing and using the Akrapovič exhaust system.

Akrapovič exhaust system should only be installed by persons skilled in motorcycle exhaust system installation and performance. The instructions provided in this manual should be followed to ensure proper installation and safe use of the Akrapovič exhaust system. Akrapovič and/or its partners shall not be held liable for any damage or personal injury (including direct, indirect, or consequential damage) sustained as a result of improper installation of the Akrapovič exhaust system or its use and maintenance contrary to the instructions and warnings contained herein.

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For more information on the Akrapovič exhaust systems, see the official Akrapovič website at: http://www.akrapovic.com

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Your safety is our number one priority. Please ride your motorcycle responsibly, safely and always obey local traffic rules.

All statements made with regard to the exhaust system's compliance are made in respect of the exhaust system "as is". Any modifications of the Akrapovič exhaust system or its improper installation, use or maintenance that is not in accordance with this Installation manual, may result in severe damage to the exhaust system and/ or engine, as well as personal injury, and may affect the exhaust system's compliance with the legal requirements, such as exhaust system's air and/ or noise emissions (as an example, the motorcycle may not be suitable for use on public roads any longer), as well as warranty coverage.

The exhaust system may only be used in accordance with relevant laws and regulations, including state and federal, where applicable.

Damage caused by improper installation, use and maintenance of the Akrapovič exhaust system is not covered by the Akrapovič warranty. Please refer to the enclosed warranty with regard to the terms of our warranty.

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BEFORE REMOVING THE STOCK EXHAUST SYSTEM AND BEGINNING THE INSTALLATION OF YOUR NEW AKRAPOVIČ EXHAUST, PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT ALL ITEMS LISTED BELOW ARE VERIFIED:

- THIS MANUAL IS SPECIFIC TO THE MOTORCYCLE INDICATED ON THE COVER PAGE, FOR WHICH IT IS
  DESIGNED. INSTALLATION PROCEDURES VARY DEPENDING ON THE TYPE OF MOTORCYCLE. PLEASE
  VERIFY THAT THE AKRAPOVIČ EXHAUST SYSTEM AND THIS INSTALLATION MANUAL CORRESPOND
  TO THE TYPE OF YOUR MOTORCYCLE.
- THE EXHAUST SYSTEM CAN GET EXTREMELY HOT DURING AND AFTER IT IS USED. MAKE SURE NOT TO
  TOUCH THE EXHAUST SYSTEM UNTIL IT IS COMPLETELY COOL. ALLOW THE EXHAUST AND ENGINE TO
  COOL DOWN BEFORE BEGINNING INSTALLATION OR ANY OTHER WORK ON THE EXHAUST SYSTEM.
- MAKE SURE THE MOTORCYCLE IS SECURELY POSITIONED TO PREVENT TIPPING OVER AND DAMAGE TO YOURSELF AND OTHERS, OR THE MOTORCYCLE.
- PLEASE CHECK THE PARTS YOU RECEIVED AGAINST THE PARTS LIST AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE
  (PLEASE USE THE QR CODE ON THE FRONT PAGE OR LOOK FOR "SCHEMATIC VIEW" IN THE
  RESPECTIVE PRODUCT PAGE ON WWW.AKRAPOVIC.COM). MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE ALL THE
  PARTS NECESSARY FOR THE INSTALLATION OF YOUR NEW AKRAPOVIČ EXHAUST SYSTEM. IF ANY
  OF THE PARTS IS MISSING, PLEASE DO NOT PROCEED WITH UNINSTALLING YOUR STOCK EXHAUST
  SYSTEM/ INSTALLING THE AKRAPOVIČ EXHAUST SYSTEM AND CONTACT THE RETAILER WHERE YOU
  PURCHASED THE AKRAPOVIČ EXHAUST SYSTEM.
- ALWAYS SECURE YOUR MOTORCYCLE'S GROUND CLEARANCE. FOR ADVANCED USERS, WE RECOMMEND YOU CHECK THE MOTORCYCLE SPRING PRELOAD SETTINGS TO OPTIMIZE GROUND CLEARANCE WHERE POSSIBLE.
- EVERY EXHAUST SYSTEM MUFFLER HAS ITS UNIQUE SERIAL NUMBER, WHICH IDENTIFIES THE
  AUTHENTICITY OF THE PRODUCT. YOU CAN FIND THE SERIAL NUMBER ON THE MUFFLER'S INLET
  PIPE. PLEASE REFER TO THE PICTURE BELOW. PLEASE VERIFY THAT YOUR EXHAUST SYSTEM IS
  AN ORIGINAL AKRAPOVIČ PRODUCT. IF YOU HAVE ANY DOUBTS, PLEASE CONTACT THE RESELLER
  WHERE YOU PURCHASED THE EXHAUST SYSTEM OR AKRAPOVIČ PARTNERS. THIS MANUAL, ANY
  CERTIFICATES AND AKRAPOVIČ WARRANTY APPLY TO ORIGINAL PRODUCTS ONLY.





SERIAL NUMBER POSITION

# **NOISE AND EMISSION WARNINGS**

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### **USA WARNING**

Various U.S. states and the U.S. federal government have individual laws regulating the use of aftermarket exhaust parts and systems, especially as those parts and systems modify, remove, or replace original equipment catalysts. Please consult the appropriate laws in your area before installing any aftermarket part or system on your vehicle to ensure compliance with all applicable laws. Neither Akrapovic d.d. nor any of their subsidiaries or the sellers of the parts or systems make any representation that any of their parts or systems comply with any such laws.

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### **GENERAL NOTE**

Photographs and other illustrations in this manual are symbolic and are intended to help represent individual steps for proper installation and use, as well as for a general overview. The actual component parts of the Akrapovič exhaust system may not entirely correspond to the photographs and other illustrations.

### **SYMBOLS**

The following symbols are used throughout these installation instructions:



TOOLS AND PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT REQUIRED



**TIGHTENING TORQUE** 



LUBRICATION



**HAND TIGHTEN** 



**INSTALLATION TIP** 



**CAUTION OR IMPORTANT** 

### **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 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. 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. Keep out of reach of children.

# Tools & equipment T-handle 10 mm wrench T-handle 12 mm wrench T-handle 13 mm wrench T-handle 3 mm three hexagon key wrench T-handle 4 mm three hexagon key wrench T-handle Torx 45 wrench T-handle Torx 45 wrench Spring puller

# **PARTS LIST**

The following parts should be found in the box:

- Installation Manual
- Homologation certificate/ compliance documents if applicable
- Warranty
- Fitting material
- Muffler and pipes

Detailed list of parts can be found on the Akrapovič website (please use the QR code on the front page or look for "Schematic view" in the respective product page on www.akrapovic.com).

### REMOVAL OF STOCK EXHAUST SYSTEM:

The process of uninstalling the original exhaust system may vary depending on the existing exhaust system. Please follow the original exhaust system manufacturer's instructions for uninstalling the original exhaust system.

If you for any reason decide otherwise, please note that any information provided in this respect herein should be considered as general information provided for your convenience only. Akrapovič shall not assume any liability or responsibility with regard to uninstalling your existing exhaust system, warranty coverage of such exhaust system or vehicle or their further fitness for use.

In case your Akrapovič exhaust system may not be used on certain roads or under certain conditions, please keep the stock or other exhaust system that you can use in such circumstances legally.



# **REMOVAL OF STOCK EXHAUST SYSTEM:**

- 1. Put the motorcycle on a side stand, we recommend a racing stand. Make sure, that surface is solid and flat.
- 2. Remove the seat. Cut the two plastic tie wraps from the rear lighting electrical cable. Unscrew the marked bolts and remove the plastic connector cover (F 01).
- IMPORTANT: be careful not to damage any part of the motorcycle during this procedure!



- Unscrew all marked bolts and disconnect the two marked electrical connectors. Remove the passenger handle (F 02).
- ! IMPORTANT: make sure not to damage any part of the motorcycle during this process!
- CAUTION: be careful not to injure yourself and any part of the motorcycle during this process!



- 4. Unscrew the marked bolts and remove the license plate bracket with tail lamp (F 03, 04).
- ! IMPORTANT: make sure not to damage any part of the motorcycle during this process!





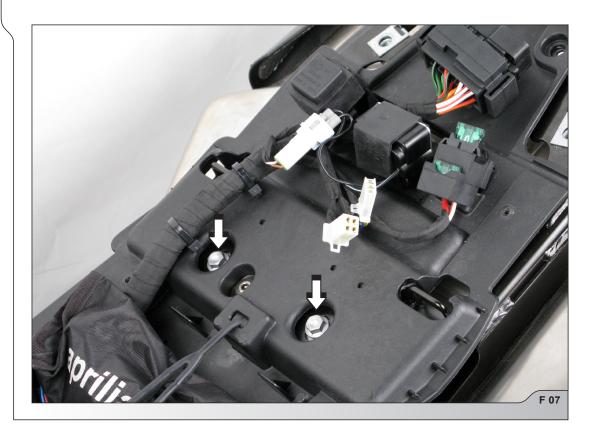


- 5. Unscrew the marked bolts on both sides of the motorcycle. Unhook the seat lock cable from the left side muffler cowling and remove the muffler cowlings from the motorcycle (F 05, 06).
- ! IMPORTANT: make sure not to damage any part of the motorcycle during this process!

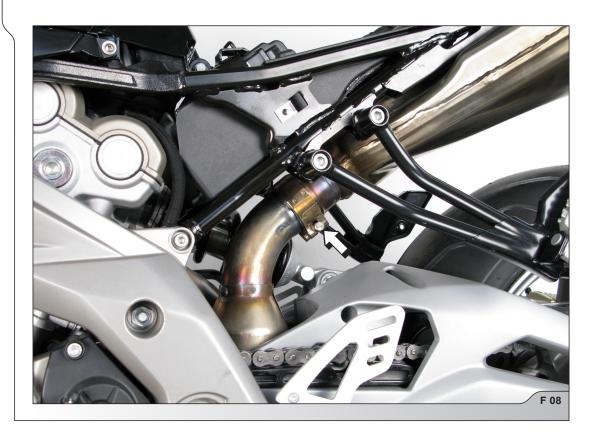




6. Unscrew the marked muffler bracket bolts (F 07).



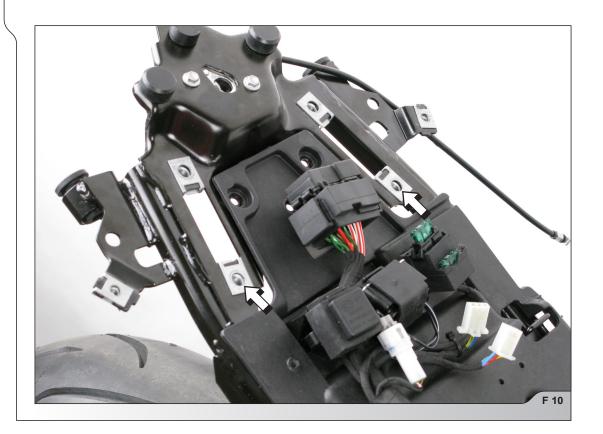
- 7. Loosen the metal clamp at the muffler-link pipe joint and pull the stock muffler off the motorcycle (F 08, 09).
- ! IMPORTANT: support the muffler during this procedure to prevent it from falling off, and damaging you or the motorcycle!



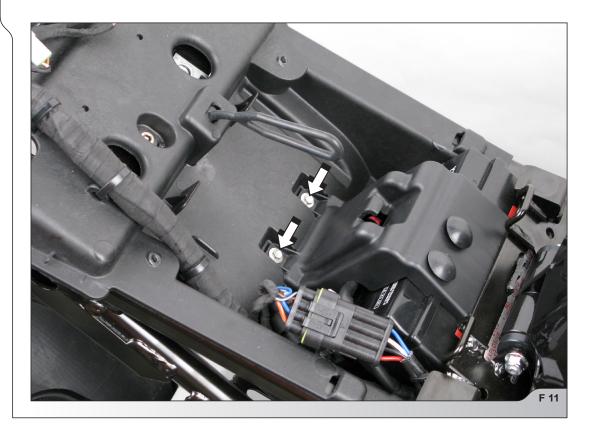




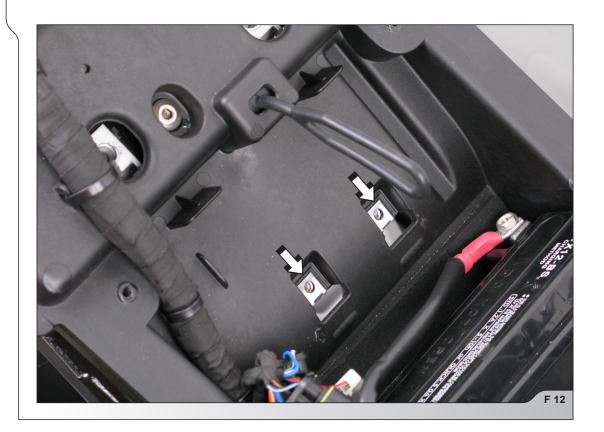
8. Remove the two marked press on nuts (F 10).



9. For optional mudguard only: unscrew and remove the battery cover (F 11).



10. For optional mudguard only: remove the two marked press on nuts (F 12).



# INSTALLATION OF THE AKRAPOVIČ EXHAUST SYSTEM:

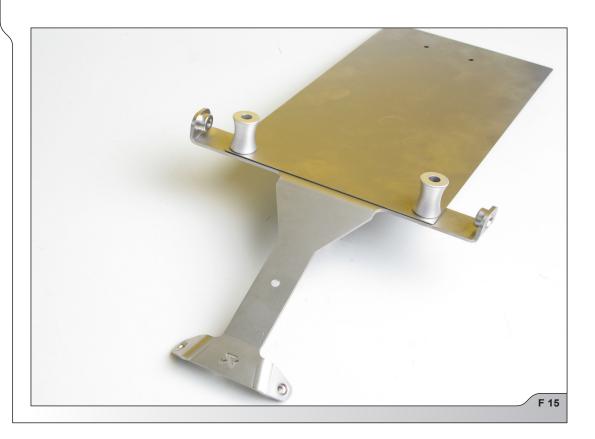
1. Install Akrapovič graphite gasket into the link pipe and correctly install the stock clamp onto the link pipe (F 13).



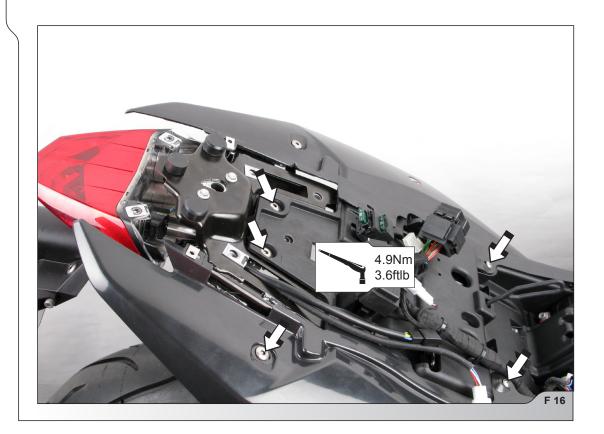
- 2. Correctly assemble the Akrapovič mufflers bracket (F 14).
- ! IMPORTANT: make sure, that aluminium spacers grooves are oriented toward mufflers bracket!



3. For optional mudguard only: correctly assemble the Akrapovič mufflers bracket with optional mudguard (F 15).

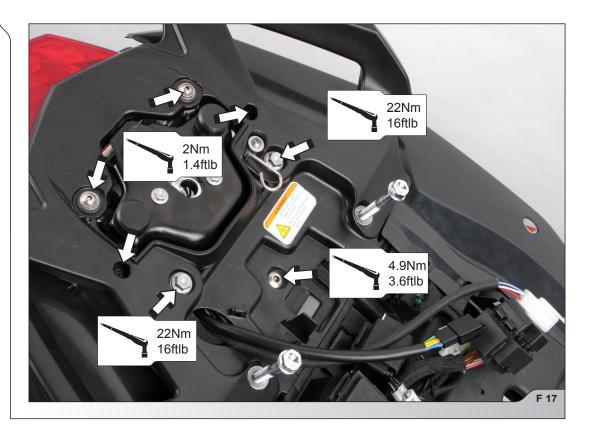


- 4. Assemble the license plate bracket with tail lamp and muffler cowlings back onto the motorcycle as shown (F 16).
- IMPORTANT: make sure, that you attach the seat lock cable back onto the left side muffler cowling lock!

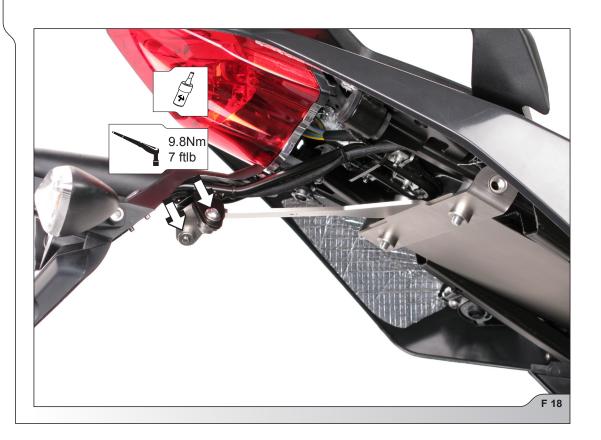




5. Install the stock passenger handle back onto the motorcycle. Tighten the mark bolts (F 17).



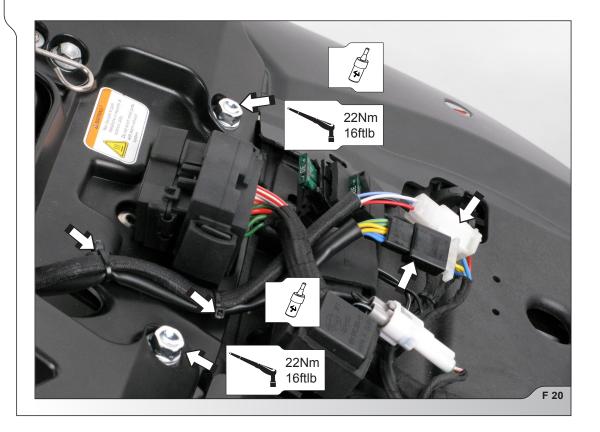
- 6. Install the Akrapovič muffler bracket (check Figures 14, 15 for correct assembly) onto the motorcycle (F 18).
- IMPORTANT: use Akrapovič bolt sealant on the marked bolt threads!



7. **For optional mudguard only:** assemble the battery cover and tighten it together with optional mudguard, using stock M4 bolts and Akrapovič M4 nuts and washers **(F 19)**.

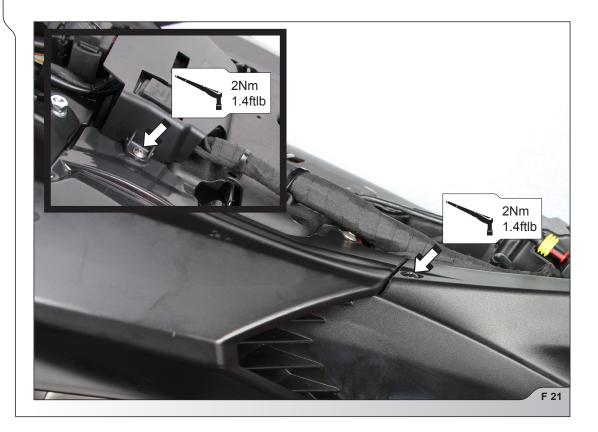


- 8. Tighten the mufflers bracket bolts to a specified torque, reconnect the electrical connectors and secure the electrical wires as shown, using plastic tie wraps (F 20).
- IMPORTANT: use Akrapovič bolt sealant on the marked bolt threads!





9. Reinstall the the plastic connector cover and tighten the lower muffler cowling bolts on both sides of the motorcycle (F 21).



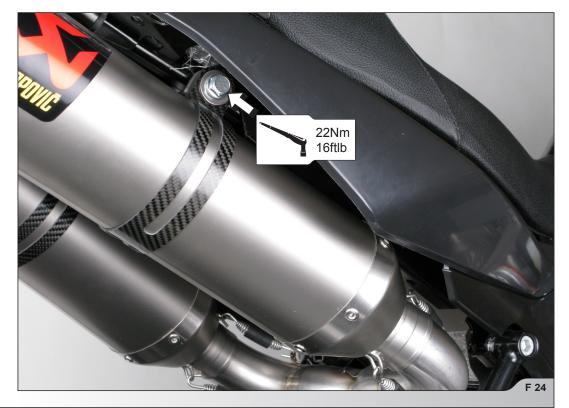
- 10. Correctly position and slide the link pipe onto the stock collector and hand tighten the stock metal clamp (F 22).
- ! CAUTION: be careful not to injure yourself and any part of the motorcycle during this process!



- 11. Correctly position the carbon-fiber clamps, as shown and slide them onto the mufflers (F 23).
- IMPORTANT: use TD42 clamp for the left muffler and TD36 clamp for the right one. The yellow stickers should be oriented as shown!
- IMPORTANT: when sliding onto the mufflers, open the clamps slightly wider than the diameter of the outer sleeves of the mufflers do not scrape them along the muffler outer sleeves!

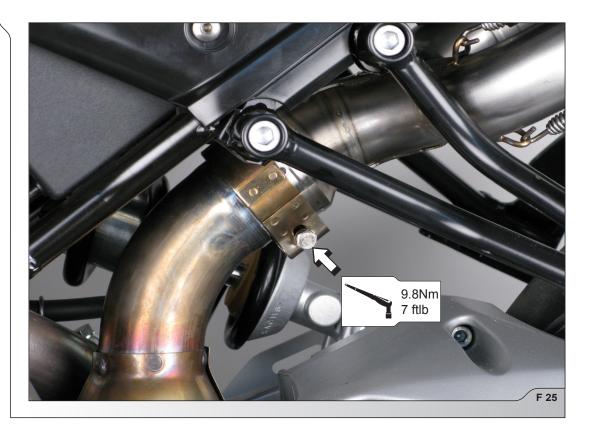


- 12. Position the mufflers correctly and slide them onto the outlet sides of the link pipe. Attach the springs, align the mufflers in respect to the motorcycle and tighten the carbon fiber clamps onto the mufflers bracket, using M8x20 bolts and washers (F 24).
- ! IMPORTANT: before tightening the muffler clamp bolts, make sure, that springs pull the mufflers all the way onto the link pipes use rubber mallet if necessary to tap the connections into place!

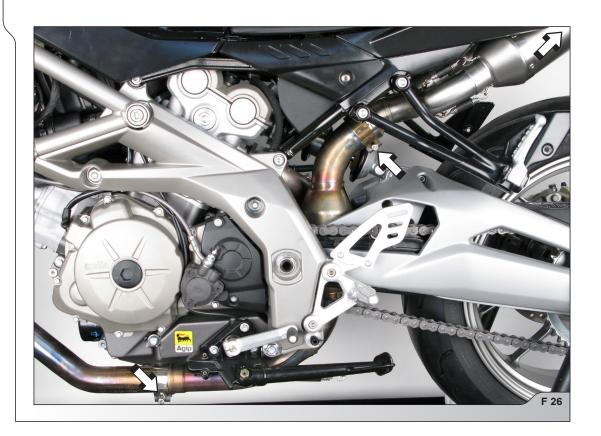




13. Tighten the stock metal clamp to the specified torque (F 25).



14. In case the mufflers can't be centred in respect to the motorcycle, loosen the bolts of all exhaust clamps (metal and carbon fiber), adjust all exhaust components and then tighten all clamps (F 26).



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### **FINAL INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE:**

Clean grease spots off all exhaust system surfaces, when installation is finished. Cleaning will prevent spots from burning onto the surface. Do not use aggressive chemical cleaners, because they can damage the surface or sticker.

- 1. Muffler titanium outer sleeve: use a soft cloth sprayed with a multi-purpose spray lubricant (WD-40<sup>®</sup> or equivalent)\*.
- 2. Muffler carbon-fiber outer sleeve: use a soft dry cloth sprayed with all purpose foam cleaner, then wipe with a soft dry cloth.
- 3. Muffler carbon-fiber outlet cap: use a soft dry cloth sprayed with all purpose foam cleaner, then wipe with a soft dry cloth.
- 4. Painted mufflers and parts use a soft cloth sprayed with all purpose foam cleaner, then wipe with a soft dry cloth.
- 5. Chrome plated mufflers and parts: use a soft cloth sprayed with all purpose foam cleaner, then wipe with a soft dry cloth.
- 6. Stainless steel pipes: use a soft cloth sprayed with a contact cleaner, then wipe with a soft dry cloth.
- 7. Titanium pipes: use a soft cloth sprayed with a multi-purpose spray lubricant (WD-40<sup>®</sup> or equivalent)\*.

Periodically make sure all the bolts and springs are sufficiently tight.

- IMPORTANT: make sure all the 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!
- CAUTION: after running engine for 30 minutes, retighten the bolts of the Akrapovič carbon-fiber heat shield!
- INSTALLATION TIP: IT IS NORMAL IF WHITE SMOKE COMES OUT OF THE MUFFLER DURING THE FIRST 100 KM AFTER REPLACEMENT.
- INSTALLATION TIP: A CHANGE IN THE COLOR OF THE EXHAUST SYSTEM IS NORMAL DUE TO THE HIGH TEMPERATURES.
- CAUTION: DO NOT STAND BEHIND THE MUFFLER AT ANY TIME.
- IMPORTANT: DO NOT USE AUTOMOTIVE WHEEL CLEANERS OR ANY CLEANING PRODUCTS
  WHICH CONTAIN ACIDIC ADDITIVES TO CLEAN AKRAPOVIČ EXHAUST SYSTEMS.

<sup>\*</sup>WD-40<sup>®</sup> is a trademark of the WD-40 Company.

# **TROUBLESHOOTING:**

Problem	Possible cause	Solution
Exhaust gas leaks out of the muffler/pipe clamp connections	loosened clamp	tighten the clamp to specified torque
	connection is not completely joined	tap the connection into place and tighten the clamp to specified torque



