

**Installation instructions for B1708WCD dual caliper rear steel brake kit for early big Ford housing ends.**

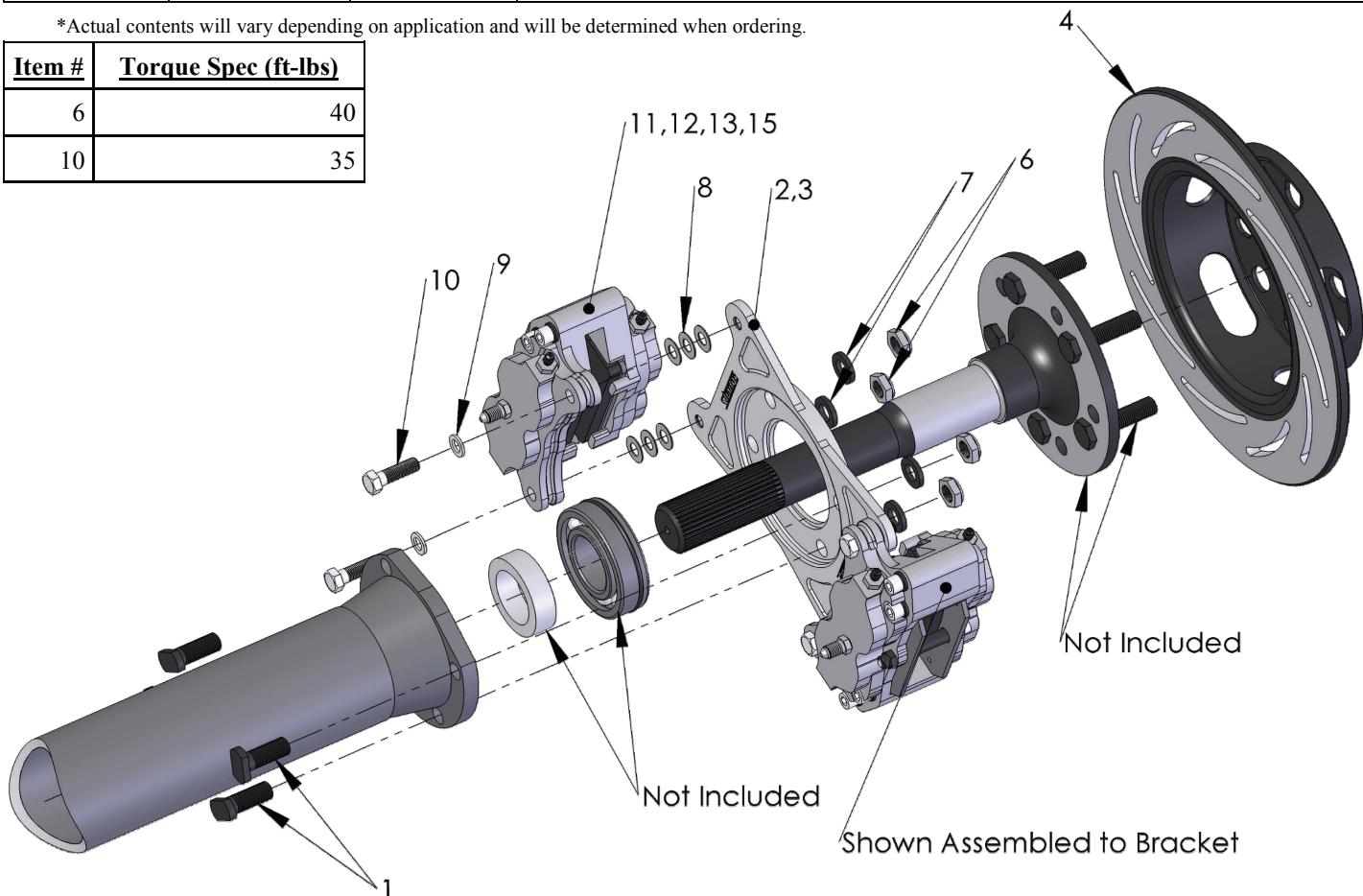
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<u>Item#</u>	<u>Part#</u>	<u>Qty.</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	H1135B	8	Big Ford housing end stud
2	B1301E	8	3/8"-24 Press nut (Installed in B1708AA)
3	B1708AA	2	Dual caliper mounting bracket for late big Ford housing ends
4	B2792	1	Right hand HD/MD directional rotor
5	B2793	1	Left hand HD/MD Directional rotor
6	H1135C	8	1/2"-20 Flexlok Nut
7	A1026B	8	1/2" Flat washer
8	B1301H	32	3/8" x 0.025" Thick caliper shim
9	B1301J	8	1/16" Thick caliper washer
10	B5000Y	8	3/8"-24 x 1-1/8" Caliper bolt
11	*B5010	8	Soft 4-piston brake pad
12	*B5020	8	Hard metallic 4-piston brake pad
13	B5002	2	Right-hand 4 piston caliper
14	B5004	2	Left-hand 4 piston caliper
15	P2316	4	1/8" NPT x -3AN Fitting (Installed in B5002 & B5004)

\*Actual contents will vary depending on application and will be determined when ordering.

<u>Item #</u>	<u>Torque Spec (ft-lbs)</u>
6	40
10	35

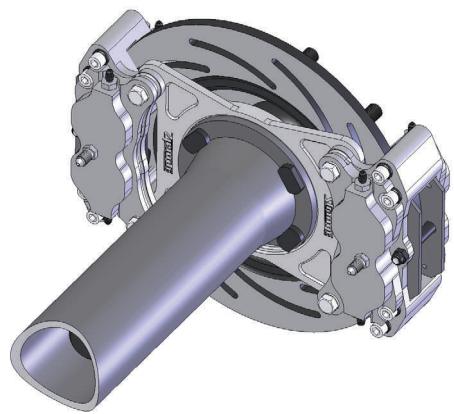


**Figure #1: Passengers Side Shown**

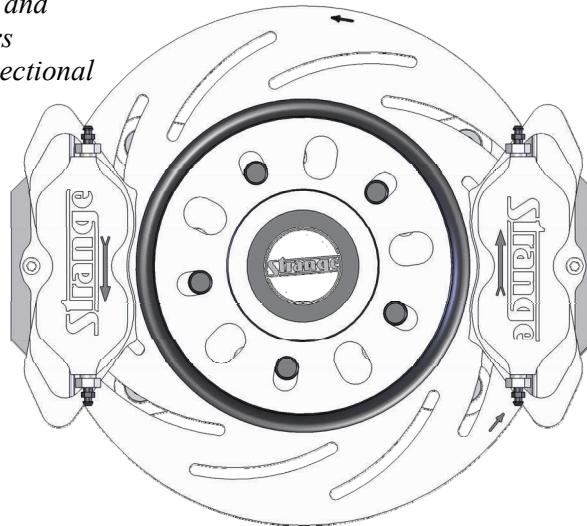
(turn over)

# Installation Instructions

- 1.) Raise and support rear of vehicle on a level surface using suitable equipment.
  - 2.) Remove wheel, drum, axle, brake line, and backing plate assembly from rear end housing.
  - 3.) Remove bearing, wedding ring, and bearing retaining plate from axle and discard all three.
  - 4.) Check the axle for any signs of twisting or run out and repair or replace as needed. The maximum allowable run out checked between centers at the face of the flange, bearing surface, and near the splines is 0.005" total indicated run out (T.I.R.).
  - 5.) Inspect the rotor (4,5) for fit on the axle flange. The rotor should slide freely over the axle flange and seat flush against the face of the axle flange. The rotor must center on the axle flange or axle studs. If the axle flange is too large, it must be machined to 6.240" diameter.
  - 6.) Inspect the housing end for straightness and repair as necessary.
  - 7.) Replace stock housing end studs with new big Ford housing end studs (1).
  - 8.) Slide the dual caliper mounting bracket (3) onto the axle with the pressure nuts (2) facing outboard.
  - 9.) Install a new bearing on the axle, pressing only on the inner race making sure the seal faces the axle flange. Before installing, apply a small amount of oil to the I.D. of the bearing to aid in installation. Make certain that the bearing fully seats against the step on the axle.
  - 10.) Press the wedding ring onto the axle until it seats flush against the bearing.
  - 11.) Install the axle into the housing until the bearing bottoms out in the housing end.
  - 12.) Slide the caliper mounting bracket (3) over the big ford housing studs (1).
  - 13.) Install the dual caliper mounting bracket (3) using the 1/2" flat washers (7) and 1/2"-20 flexlok nuts (6). Torque flexlok nuts (6) to 40 ft-lbs.
  - 14.) Slide the rotor (4,5) over the wheel studs and axle flange, ensuring that the rotor sits flat on the face of the axle flange.
- Note:* Slotted rotors mount with the arrow pointing in the direction of normal rotation (See Figure 2).
- Please read B1850 instructions for complete caliper instructions if using soft pads.**
- Please read B1855 instructions for complete caliper instructions if using metallic pads.**
- 15.) Attach caliper (13,14) with the arrow facing in the direction of normal rotor rotation using 3/8"-24 caliper bolts (10) and 1/16" thick flat washers (9). Use 0.025" thick caliper shims (8) to center the caliper over the rotor, making sure pads contact the rotor evenly. The caliper bolt (10) should be fully engaged into the press nut (2). If the bolt is over engaged, use any remaining shims under the head of the bolt to prevent it from running into the rotor. Torque the caliper mounting bolts (10) to 35 ft-lbs.
  - 16.) Connect the brake lines to the calipers. Calipers are tapped to 1/8"-27 NPT and supplied with -3AN fittings. Use proper adapters to connect them to existing lines or use new -3AN braided steel line (teflon lined). Bleed the calipers with DOT 4 or DOT 5.1 brake fluid **ONLY**.
  - 17.) A proper break in procedure is required to avoid brake fade and uneven rotor deposits from the pads. It consists of 8-10 brake applications increasing in harshness while allowing the brakes to cool slightly in between; do not keep the brakes applied between stops. After the last stop the brakes should be allowed to cool completely.



**Figure 2:**  
Rotors and  
calipers  
are directional



**Note:** After the initial installation of this kit, ensure that there is adequate clearance between all braking and chassis components by moving the suspension all the way up and down throughout its travel. Additionally, make sure that the brake lines are not interfering with the wheel travel, or subject to binding or kinking. Operate the vehicle in a cautious manner until you determine that the brakes are functioning properly. Routinely check and re-torque all bolts.

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