



New part # 10802  
 Old part # 9801B  
 1988 - 1998 Chevy or GMC  
 1/2 ton or 3/4 ton (6 lug only)  
 1/2" CV axle spacer kit

| <u>Part #</u> | <u>Description</u> | <u>Qty.</u> |
|---------------|--------------------|-------------|
| 9801          | CV axle shims      | 4           |
| 98012NB       | Hardware bag       | 1           |
| 10802INST     | Instruction manual | 1           |

Congratulations on your selection to purchase a Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension System. We at Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension are proud to offer a high quality product at the industries most competitive pricing. Thank you for your confidence in us and our product.

For a list of all parts, please refer to the Parts Description Page, at the end of the Installation Manual.

Make sure to use thread locker or lock tite on all new and stock hardware associated with the installation of this suspension system.

If you desire to return your vehicle to stock, it is the customers responsibility to save all stock hardware.

**Torque settings:**

|       |                  |
|-------|------------------|
| 5/16" | 15-18 ft. lbs.   |
| 3/8"  | 28-32 ft. lbs.   |
| 7/16" | 30-35 ft. lbs.   |
| 1/2"  | 65-85 ft. lbs.   |
| 9/16" | 75-90 ft. lbs.   |
| 5/8"  | 85-110 ft. lbs   |
| 3/4"  | 105-125 ft. lbs. |

**Installation manual**  
**1/2" CV axle spacer kit**  
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**Important customer information:**

Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension highly recommends that a qualified or a certified mechanic performs this installation.

It is the responsibility of the customer or the mechanic to wear safety glasses at all times when performing this installation.

It is the customers or the installers responsibility to read and understand all steps before installation begins. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our technical department @ (801) 280-2777. Also, the OEM manual should be used as a reference guide.

This vehicles reaction and handling characteristics may differ from standard cars and/or trucks. Modifications to improve and/or enhance off road performance may raise the intended center of gravity. Extreme caution must be utilized when encountering driving conditions which may cause vehicle imbalance or loss of control. **DRIVE SAFELY!** Avoid abrupt maneuvers: such as sudden sharp turns which could cause a roll over, resulting in serious injury or death.

It is the customers responsibility to make sure that a re-torque is performed on all hardware associated with this suspension system after the first 100 miles of installation. It is also the customers responsibility to do a complete re-torque after every 3000 miles or after every off road use.

After the original installation, Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension also recommends having the alignment checked every 6 months to ensure proper tracking, proper wear on tires and front end components. Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension takes no responsibility for abuse, improper installation or improper suspension maintenance.

### Limited lifetime warranty

Notice to all Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension customers: It is your responsibility to keep your original sales receipt! If failure should occur on any Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension component, your original sales receipt must accompany the warranted unit to receive warranty. Warranty will be void if the customer can not provide the original sales receipt. Do not install a body lift in conjunction with a suspension system. If a body lift is used in conjunction with any Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension product, your Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension WARRANTY WILL BE VOID. Tuff Country Inc. ("Tuff Country" ) suspension products are warranted to be free from defects in material and workmanship for life if purchased, installed and maintained on a non-commercial vehicle; otherwise, for a period of twelve (12) months, from the date of purchase and installation on a commercial vehicle, or twelve thousand (12,000) miles (which ever occurs first). Tuff Country does not warrant or make any representations concerning Tuff Country Products when not installed and used strictly in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions for such installation and operation and accordance with good installation and maintenance practices of the automotive industry. This warranty does not apply to the cosmetic finish of Tuff Country products nor to Tuff Country products which have been altered, improperly installed, maintained, used or repaired, or damaged by accident, negligence, misuse or racing. ("Racing is used in its broadest sense, and, for example, without regards to formalities in relation to prizes, competition, etc.) This warranty is void if the product is removed from the original vehicle and re-installed on that or any other vehicle. This warranty is exclusive and is in lieu of any implied warranty of merchantability, fitness for a particular purpose or other warranty of quality, whether express or implied, except the warranty of title. All implied warranties are limited to the duration of this warranty. The remedies set forth in this warranty are exclusive. This warranty excludes all labor charges or other incidental of consequential damages. Any part or product returned for warranty claim must be returned through the dealer of the distributor from whom it was purchased. Tuff Country reserves the right to examine all parts returned to it for warranty claim to determine whether or not any such part has failed because of defect in material or workmanship. The obligation of Tuff Country under this warranty shall be limited to repairing, replacing or crediting, at its option, any part or product found to be so defective. Regardless of whether any part is repaired, replaced or credited under this warranty, shipping and/or transportation charges on the return of such product must be prepaid by the customer under this warranty.

Important information that needs to be read before installation begins:

Before installation begins, Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension highly recommends that the installer performs a test drive on the vehicle. During the test drive, check to see if there are any uncommon sounds or vibrations. If uncommon sounds or vibrations occur on the test drive, uncommon sounds or vibrations will be enhanced once the suspension system has been installed. Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension highly recommends notifying the customer prior to installation to inform the customer of these issues if they exist.

Before installation begins, it is the customers/installers responsibility to make sure that all parts are on hand. If any parts are missing, please feel free to call one of our customer service representatives @ (801) 280-2777.

Hardware bag 98012NB includes:

| <u>Description</u>          | <u>Quantity</u> |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| M1040B (10 mm x 40 mm bolt) | 12              |
| M10LWA (10 mm lock washer)  | 12              |

Recommended tools selection:

Torque wrench  
Standard socket set  
Standard wrench set  
Metric socket set  
Metric wrench set  
Tape measure  
Hydraulic floor jacks

### 1/2" CV axle spacer kit installation:

1. To begin installation, block the rear tires of the vehicle so that the vehicle is stable and can't roll backwards. Safely lift the front of the vehicle, and support the frame with a pair of jack stands. Place a jack stand on both the driver and passenger side. Next, remove the tires and wheels from both sides.

2. Working on the driver side, scribe a mark on the CV plate and another directly across to the stock differential. This will allow you to re-install the stock CV back into the stock location at a later step. Repeat procedure on the passenger side.

**Photo # 1**

3. Working on the driver side, remove the (6) stock bolts holding the inner CV axle to the stock front differential. Discard the stock hardware. Repeat procedure on the passenger side.

4. Locate the new CV axle spacers. Also, locate (12) new 10 mm x 40 mm bolts and (12) new 10 mm lock washers from hardware bag 98012NB. Working on the driver side, install (2) new CV axle spacers between the stock front differential and the stock CV axle. Secure using the new 10 mm x 40 mm bolts and lock washers. **Special note: Make sure to use thread locker or lock tite. Get all (6) bolts started and then torque all (6) bolts to 65 ft lbs. Also, make sure that the marks that were scribed in step # 2 are lined up with each other.** Repeat on the passenger side. **Special note: The photo shows (1) axle spacer installed, make sure that you install (2) axle spacers per side.**

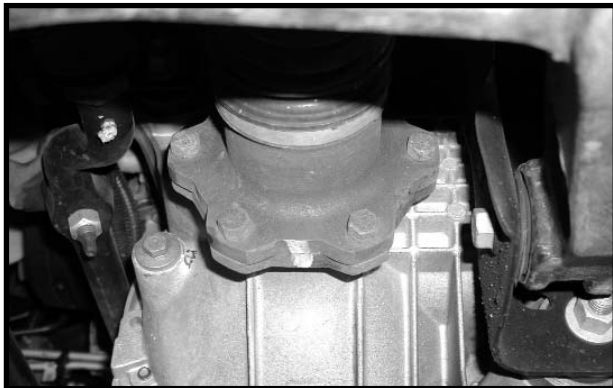
**Photo # 2**

5. Check and double to check to make sure that all steps were performed properly.

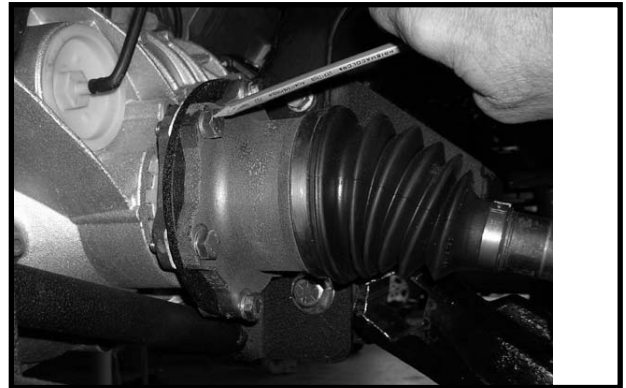
6. Install the tires and wheels and carefully lower the vehicle to the ground.

**Congratulations, installation complete. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Tuff Country EZ-Ride Suspension.**

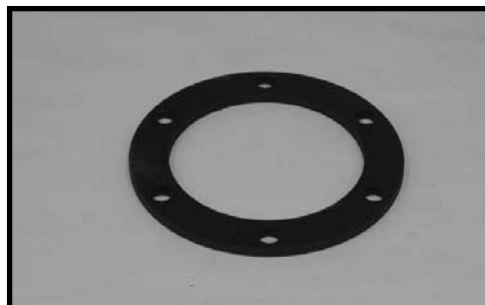
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**Photo # 1**



**Photo # 2**



**9801 (2) / 1/4" CV axle spacer**