



SUBJECT: U-bolt Locknut Tightening TorqueLIT NO: 17730-220DATE: June 2007REVISION: F

INTRODUCTION

The following procedure is required for all vehicles equipped with Hendrickson HA, HAS or HAS 40LH air suspensions.

WARNING LOOSE OR OVER TORQUED FASTENERS CAN CAUSE COMPONENT DAMAGE, LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR SEVERE PERSONAL INJURY. MAINTAIN CORRECT TORQUE VALUES AT ALL TIMES. CHECK TORQUE VALUES ON A REGULAR BASIS AS SPECIFIED, USING A TORQUE WRENCH THAT IS REGULARLY CALIBRATED.



WARNING U-BOLT CLAMP GROUP CONNECTION MUST BE PROPERLY ALIGNED AND HAVE THE PROPER TIGHTENING TORQUE VALUES MAINTAINED. METAL SURFACES CAN WORK AND WEAR AGAINST OTHER

RELATED CLAMP GROUP COMPONENTS IF NOT PROPERLY ALIGNED OR PROPERLY TIGHTENED TO MAINTAIN THE PROPER CLAMP FORCE. FAILURE TO DO SO CAN CAUSE PREMATURE COMPONENT WEAR, POSSIBLE SEPARATION OF THE CLAMP GROUP, CAUSING LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR PERSONAL INJURY.

WARNING IF SIGNS OF MOVEMENT OF THE CLAMP GROUP ARE PRESENT OR A MAIN SUPPORT MEMBER HAS FAILED, A DISASSEMBLY OF THE CLAMP GROUP IS NECESSARY WITH A DETAILED VISUAL INSPECTION OF THE CLAMP GROUP AND MATING COMPONENTS. ANY DAMAGED, WORN, OR FRETTED COMPONENTS MUST BE REPLACED. FAILURE TO DO SO CAN CAUSE PREMATURE COMPONENT WEAR, POSSIBLE SEPARATION OF THE CLAMP GROUP, CAUSING LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR PERSONAL INJURY.

PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

U-bolt locknuts must be tightened to the specified torque as stated in Figure 2, and in Hendrickson Technical Publication 17730-197 (HA Series), 17730-212 (HAS Series) or 17730-222 (HAS 40LH Series). **DO NOT** exceed specified torque value on U-bolt locknuts.

NOTE Ensure that the clamp group components are properly aligned and the U-bolts are seated properly in the top pad with no visible gaps.

- U-bolt locknuts MUST be torqued to specification at preparation for delivery of each applicable vehicle.
- U-bolt locknuts MUST be re-torqued at 1,000 miles following service, repair or rebuild of the suspension.



Thereafter, the U-bolt locknuts MUST be inspected and re-torqued, as necessary, at every 20,000 mile interval.
FIGURE 2

7/8"-14 UNF U-bolt (HA/HAS)

U-bolt Locknut

Tightening Torque

⁷/s": 400-450 ft. lbs.(HA/HAS) ³/4": 260-320 ft. lbs. (HAS 40LH)

34"-16 UNF U-bolt (HAS 40LH)

NOTE Current Hendrickson Truck Suspension Systems U-bolts for the HA/HAS/ HAS 40LH suspension are phosphate, oil coated and black in color. All threads should be lubricated with SAE 20 oil before assembly to obtain the correct relationship of torque and fastener tension.

- HA/HAS: 7/8"-14 UNF 2B, Grade C. Tighten to 3 400-450 foot pounds torque. See Figure 2.
- HAS 40LH: ¾"-14 UNF 2B, Grade
 C. Tighten to 3 260-320 foot pounds torque. See Figure 2.

TIGHTENING PROCEDURE

- 1. Tighten the U-bolt locknuts evenly in 50 foot pound increments in the proper pattern to achieve uniform bolt tension and correct (level) position of main support member, spring seat, and axle bottom cap at final torque, See Figure 2. Use the torque pattern shown in Figure 3.
- 2. Drive the vehicle for a minimum of 10 to 15 minutes to seat components.
- 3. After driving the vehicle, re-torque U-bolt locknuts to specified torque.
- 4. U-bolt locknuts **MUST** be re-torqued at 1,000 miles following service, repair or rebuild of the suspension.
- 5. Thereafter, the U-bolt locknuts **MUST** be inspected and re-torqued, as necessary, at every 20,000 mile interval.

See Hendrickson technical publications 17730-197, 17730-212, or 17730-222 for other applicable instructions. These publications are available at www.hendrickson intl.com.

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Top Pad

Main Support

Spring Seat Spacer

Spring Seat

Assembly

Axle Bottom Cap

Member