

Porsche 996 Headers Installation Instructions and Tech Tips.

Thank you for purchasing your new Porsche 996 Exhaust Headers, below you will find installation instructions to help you complete the installation. Note we always recommend professional installation.

Tools and equipment needed to complete the work.

Floor Jack (if commercial lift is not available)

2 x Jack Stands if using a Floor Jack.

Ratchet set and sockets 3/8" drive and 1/2" Drive.

Important safety instructions.

Only work underneath the car if the car is safely supported with appropriate Jack Stands. Only work on exhaust parts when the engine is cold and exhaust completely cooled down.

Step 1- Raise the Car with Floor Jack and support it with Jack Stands, please consult your owner's manual if you're not sure on how to raise the car with a Floor Jack. In general your Porsche has specific points that can be used to raise the Car, these points are located right in front of the wheels underneath the rocker panel.

Step 2- Remove the three 13mm Nuts that connect the cat-pipes to the headers, finally loosen up the 13mm bolt on the clamp that holds the catalytic converter on the engine support bracket, pull out your cat-pipes.

Step 3- Remove the 3 Nuts that connect the Headers to the Catalytic Converters for the left side and right side.

Step 4- Remove the factory Headers by loosening up all 6 Bolts that bolt the headers to the heads, and then remove them one by one, pull out the Headers.

IMPORTANT TECH TIP on some cars with high mileage or cars that have more rust than the average, like winter driven cars it is very important to be careful with the bolt #1 on each side, bolt #1 would be the furthest one towards the rear of the car, you will notice that water pipes make it difficult to remove it with an extension and socket, it normally comes off easy with a ratchet + extension + socket, if you notice that the bolt is jammed and very tight chances are that its jammed and it could possibly break off in the head, if that should occur you will then need to extract the broken bolt from the head otherwise you will have an exhaust leak, so if its jammed try in every way to not break it, by heating it up, sometimes there's no solution it just breaks, and in the position that bolt is in extracting it proves to be a difficult task and time consuming, I have seen this happen on cars with high mileage and cars that have the under carriage more rusted than usual, I estimate that this will occur 10% of the time. Again it's something that if happens consider it normal on rusted bolts.

Step 5- Install your new headers with the supplied head gaskets, now to tighten them you need to do this in two steps you will need to work your way out from the middle , first stage is 25 Nm (18 ftlb.) and second stage 33 Nm (24 ftlb.) If no torque wrench is available use your judgement, make sure that once you start feeling that its getting tight and excessive force is needed just give it an extra ¼ turn.

Step 6- Install new Gasket between Headers and Cat Pipes and tighten with supplied nuts.

Start her up and enjoy.

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