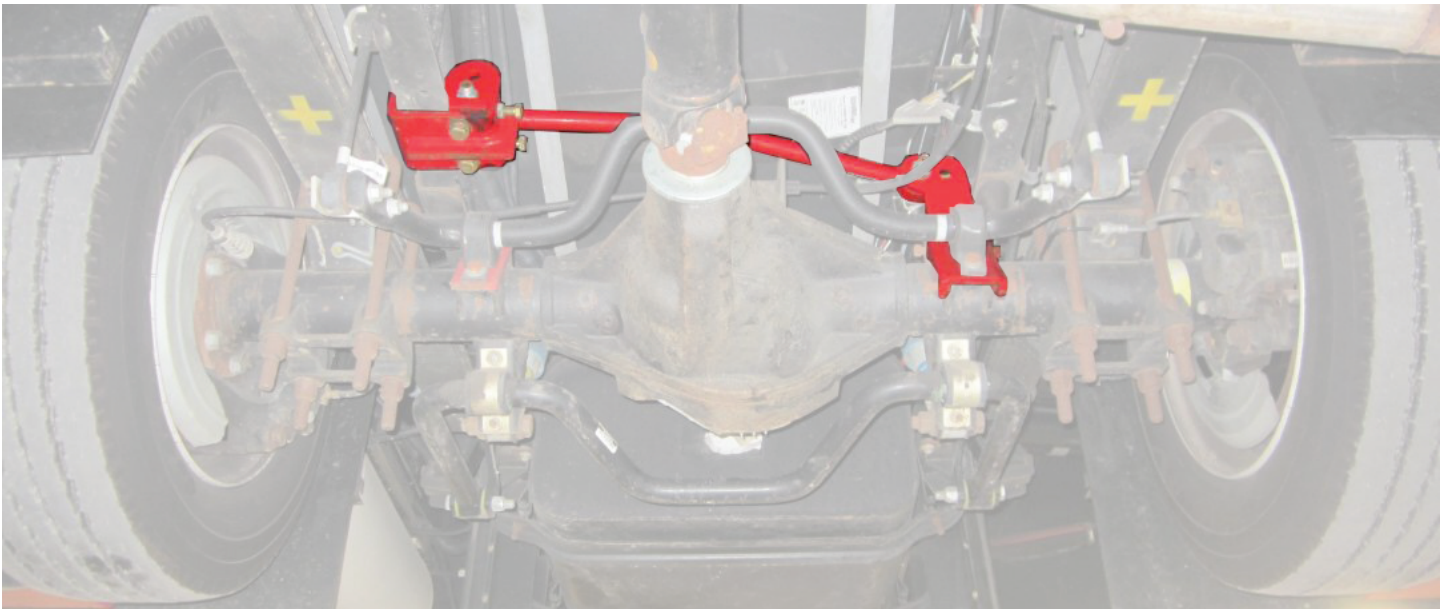




## UTF53V8R Instructions

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Each installation may vary due to chassis manufacturing options and variations in design. The rod assembly may be installed in several different combinations, such as either front or rear of the supplied brackets as well as using different bracket holes. The important thing is to maintain clearance between your UltraTrac and any chassis component (moving and stationary) such as exhaust, vehicle frame, differential, or any other item which might interfere with the operation of this product. Pictures and diagrams may not represent the best installation for every application.



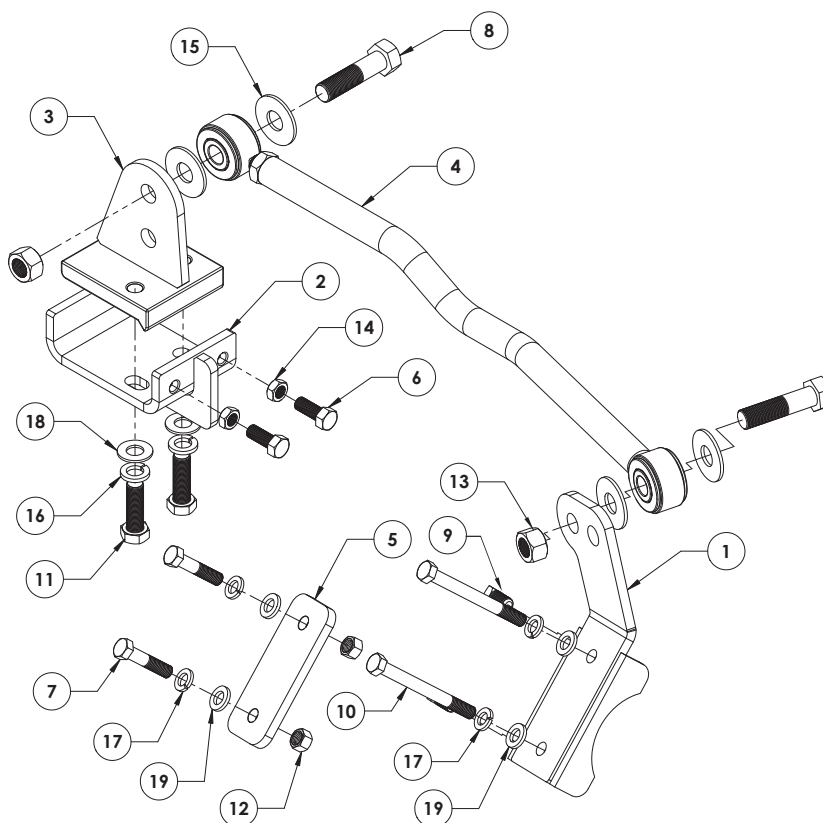
### NOTICE

- Only a qualified mechanic using normal automotive tools and following all safety standards should perform the installation of this product.
- If the vehicle is equipped with air bags be sure that nothing interferes with the deployment of them.
- Be sure to use Loctite® Red on all bolts before tightening. Tighten all bolts according to the torque charts provided or to the manufacturer's torque specifications on OEM parts. If no manufacturer specifications can be found then use the torque charts provided.
- Dealer or installer be certain the user receives these instruction sheets.

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**Tools Required**

Torque Wrench  
1/2" Wrench  
3/4" Socket  
3/4" Wrench  
15/16" Socket  
1-1/16" Socket  
1-1/8" Wrench  
6" Drive Extension



| Item No. | Part Number              | Description  | Qty. |
|----------|--------------------------|--|------|
| 1.....   | 61-6420.....             | UTF53V8R Mounting Bracket Weldment.....                  | 1    |
| 2.....   | 61-6745.....             | UTF53V8R Frame Bracket Weldment.....                     | 1    |
| 3.....   | 61-6746.....             | UTF53V8R Nut Plate Frame Bracket Weldment.....           | 1    |
| 4.....   | 62-3636.....             | UTF53V8R Rod Assembly.....                               | 1    |
| 5.....   | 101-7117.....            | UTF53V8R Spacer Plate.....                               | 1    |
| 6.....   | 201-0308.....            | 1/2"-20 x 1-1/4" Hex Head Bolt, Grade 8, ZP.....         | 2    |
| 7.....   | 201-0467.....            | 12MM-1.75MM x 50MM Hex Head Bolt, 10.9 HSC.....          | 4    |
| 8.....   | 201-0632.....            | 3/4"-16 x 3.5" Hex Head Bolt, Grade 8, ZP.....           | 2    |
| 9.....   | 201-0816.....            | 1/2"-13 x 1" Square Head Cap Set Screw, Grade 8, ZP..... | 2    |
| 10.....  | 201-0817.....            | 12MM-1.75MM x 120MM Hex Head Bolt, 10.9 HCS.....         | 4    |
| 11.....  | 201-0912.....            | 5/8"-18 x 2" Hex Head Bolt, Grade 8, ZP.....             | 2    |
| 12.....  | 202-0117.....            | 12MM-1.75MM Hex Nut, ZP.....                             | 2    |
| 13.....  | 202-0168.....            | 3/4"-16 Top Lock Nut, ZP.....                            | 2    |
| 14.....  | 202-0184.....            | 1/2"-20 Jam Hex Nut, Grade 8, ZP.....                    | 2    |
| 15.....  | 203-0007.....            | 3/4" Flat Washer, ZP.....                                | 4    |
| 16.....  | 203-0013.....            | 5/8" Lock Washer, ZP.....                                | 2    |
| 17.....  | 203-0105.....            | 12MM Lock Washer, ZP.....                                | 4    |
| 18.....  | 203-0106.....            | 5/8" SAE Flat Washer, ZP.....                            | 2    |
| 19.....  | 203-0112.....            | 12MM Flat Washer, ZP.....                                | 4    |
| 20.....  | 203-0006(not shown)..... | 1/2" Flat Washer, ZP.....                                | 4    |
| 21.....  | 190-0155(not shown)..... | 10"-5/8" Wire Loom.....                                  | 1    |
| 22.....  | 290-0275(not shown)..... | 7.6" 50lb Cable Tie.....                                 | 2    |
| 23.....  | 150-433(not shown).....  | .5ml Capsul 262 Threadlock.....                          | 1    |

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Before beginning work, position the vehicle on a level surface with the front wheels straight ahead and the coach sitting at normal ride height. Set the park brake and chock the wheels for added safety.

### Axle Bracket Installation

1. On some chassis the sway bar brackets are held on with 10mm bolts. We suggest that you remove the bolts and the nuts that are tack welded on the differential and replace them with the 12mm bolts (#7 & #10) that are included in the kit. On other models, they already have 12mm bolts, but you will still want to replace with the longer 12mm bolts supplied in the kit.

2. Remove the bolts from the sway bar on both the driver and passenger side. On the driver's side, install the axle bracket (#1) underneath the sway bar bracket with the supplied hardware. Torque bolts (#10) to 50 ft. lbs.

3. There are 2 holes drilled and tapped on one side of the axle bracket to accept the square head set-screws (#9). Put a drop of Loctite on each set-screw and thread into the tapped holes. The axle bracket has slotted holes in it to accommodate shifting the bracket to clearance the factory bump stop on some coaches. Tighten the set-screws down until the bracket shifts over and the side without holes makes contact with the bracket that is welded to the axle tube.

4. On the passenger side insert the spacer plate (#5) between the sway bar bracket and differential and use the supplied bolts (#7) and torque to 50 ft. lbs.

### Frame Bracket and Rod Installation

5. Position the frame bracket (#2) onto the passenger side frame rail and loosely secure with the nut plate frame bracket (#3) and the 5/8"-18 x 2" (#11) bolts with 5/8" lock (#16) and flat washers (#18). Loosely install the the two 1/2"-20 x 1.25" (#6) bolts with the 1/2"-20 (#14) jam nuts into the frame bracket. The bracket needs to be loose enough on the frame rail to move back and forth to line up with the axle bracket.

6. Install the rod assembly onto the axle bracket with one 3/4"-16 x 3" (#8) bolt, two 3/4" (#15) flat washers and a 3/4" (#13) lock nut. Be sure the flat washers are on either side of the urethane bushing. Position the frame bracket so it is straight with the axle bracket and rod assembly. Adjust the length of the rod assembly until you are able to pass a bolt through both the rod assembly and frame bracket. Install a 3/4" (#8) bolt, two flat washers (#15) and a 3/4" (#13) lock nut into the rod assembly and frame bracket. Leave all bolts just finger tight for now.

7. Once the frame bracket is straight with the rod assembly and axle bracket, alternately tighten down the 5/8" (#11) bolts on the frame bracket and torque bolts to 80 ft. lbs. Torque the 1/2"-20 x 1.25" (#6) bolts 40 ft. lbs. but be careful not to over-tighten as it will pull strip the threads. Torque jam nuts (#14) to 35 ft. lbs. to keep the bolts from backing out.

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8. Torque the 3/4" (#8) bolts on the rod assembly to 150 ft. lb.

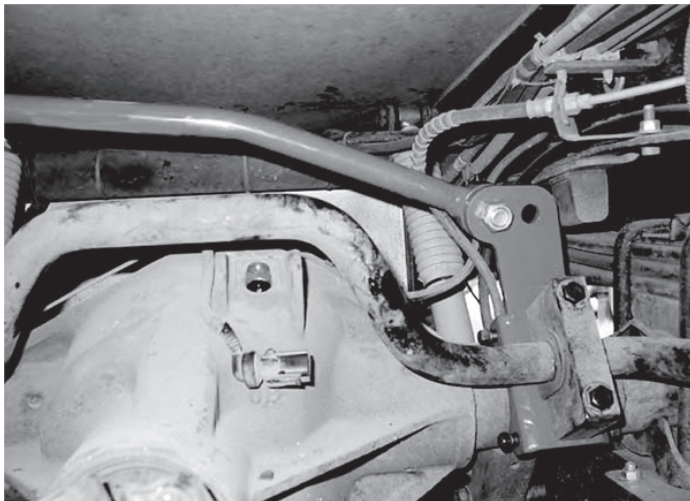
### Finishing Up

9. Double check all fasteners for proper torque value if indicated. If you have had the RV raised up while performing the installation, you will want to double check all clearances once weight is put back onto the suspension.

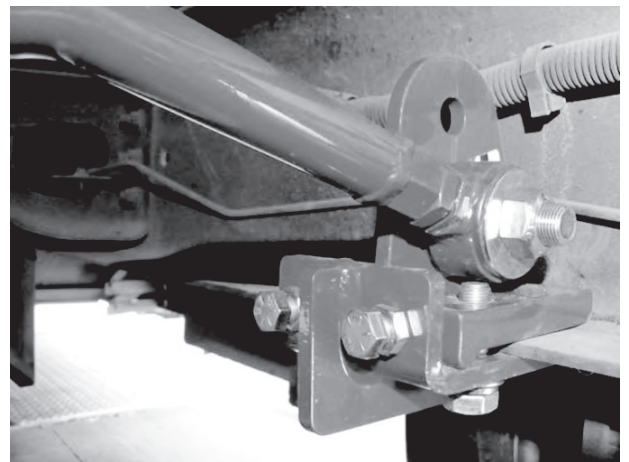
#### Bolt Torque Specifications

| Item #                    | Torque |
|---------------------------|--------|
| 6: Bolt 1/2" - 20 x 1.25" | 40 #   |
| 7/10: Bolt 12-1.75        | 50 #   |
| 8: Bolt 3/4"-16 x 3"      | 150 #  |
| 11: Bolt 5/8"-18 x 2"     | 80 #   |
| 14: Jam Nut 1/2"-20       | 35 #   |

10. Re-check torque on bolts after 500 miles of driving.



Looking back at rear axle from front



Passenger side frame rail from rear of coach looking forwards