Check for loose or worn parts, proper tire pressure, and odd tire wear patterns before beginning alignment.

1. If your vehicle is equipped with ride height sensors first measure front ride height.
2. Raise vehicle by frame and support with jack stands. Remove front tire and wheel assemblies.
3. Loosen nut on the upper arm-to-frame mounting bolt and remove bolt holding ABS wiring from upper arm. Remove ride height sensor from arm if equipped.
4. Remove cotter pin and nut holding OEM ball joint to spindle. Break the taper between the ball joint stud and spindle and remove the ball joint from the spindle. Support the spindle so no strain is applied to ABS wiring or brake lines.
5. Remove nut and washer from long arm-to-frame mounting bolt and remove bolt and arm.

NOTE: To provide clearance, additional components in the engine compartment may need to be removed.

6. Using supplied grease only, liberally coat the inside of all four SpecRide control arm bushings, making sure all small voids are filled with grease. Press a pivot sleeve (Figure 1) into each bushing until it is flush with outside of bushing. This will push some grease out, which is normal. Use this grease to lightly coat outboard ends of SpecRide bushings where they will contact included large washers. (*B-Figure 1*).

7. Install SPC control arm to vehicle. Note washer arrangement in the illustration – place one large washer on bolt before insertion, and second large washer just before the nut - then torque to manufacturer’s specifications.

**NOTES:**
1) The stock ‘dished’ washers are not re-used.
2) Unlike OE rubber bushings, SpecRide bushings pivot freely and can be torqued without applying vehicle weight.

8. Install star plate over hex on ball joint per chart below to achieve desired caster change relative to the stock arm. (For most trucks with 2-3” of lift, setting “D” should return caster to factory specifications, but it may be necessary to use different positions on each side to achieve desired cross-caster setting.) Insert the ball joint up through the bottom of the arm, indexing the star plate in the machined slot, and then install top washer and nut. Position in the middle of the slot and tighten nut for initial alignment readings.

9. Insert ball joint stud into the spindle, install the supplied castle nut and torque to 45 ft-lb [61Nm]. Tighten further until the supplied cotter can be installed.

10. Re-attach the ABS wiring bracket to the SPC arm - on #25465 use supplied bolt, and on #25490 use factory bolt. If equipped, re-attach ride height sensor to arm bracket.

11. Grease ball joint with an NLGI #2, Grade LB with 3%-5% Molybdenum Disulfide grease. 5 to 10 pumps of grease is sufficient at each lubrication.

**WARNING:** FAILURE TO GREASE AND MAINTAIN THIS BALL JOINT MAY RESULT IN PREMATURE FAILURE.

12. Re-install tire and wheel assembly. Lower the vehicle.

**NOTE:** On vehicles with ride height sensors it may be necessary to adjust sensor linkage to achieve desired ride height after adjustable arm is installed.

13. Take alignment readings. Adjust camber by loosening top nut and sliding ball joint in control arm slot. Adjust caster by loosening top nut and repositioning star plate to rotate ball joint relative to arm. (It will be necessary to raise vehicle to make these adjustments.)

14. When final caster/camber settings are achieved, torque top ball joint nut to 150 ft-lb [203Nm]. Adjust toe and road test vehicle.

Always check for proper clearance between suspension components and other components of the vehicle.

Camber and caster can be set with the SPC upper control arm, as well as the OEM lower control arm eccentric bolts. In most cases, it is recommended that lower eccentric bolts be set to their neutral position. This way they can be used to fine-tune caster. However, to maximize tire clearance at rear of wheel opening set caster for maximum with the OEM lower cams and fine tune alignment setting with SPC upper control arm.

**Maintenance:**

**Lubrication Interval:** SPC recommends adding 5 to 10 pumps of grease to ball joint at each oil change, or after operating vehicle in wet or dusty conditions.

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**Note:** With SPC logo facing the tire (Position D) this arm will give +1° additional caster. Using the star plate, caster change can be adjusted from -1.0° to +3.0°.