

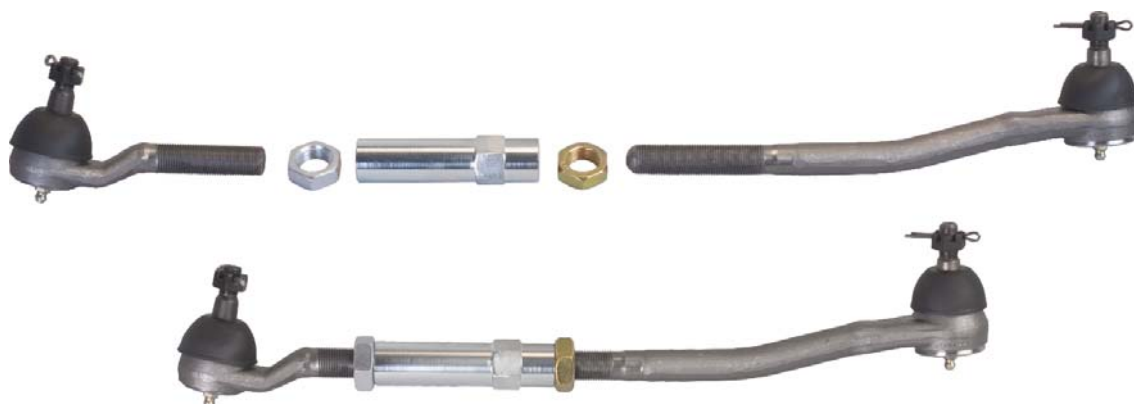
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# INSTALLATION GUIDE



## TCP TIER-18

Tie Rod and Billet Adjusting Sleever Conversion Set  
Mustang '64-65 and Ford/Mercury '60-65 to Granada '75-80 Spindle



**Description:** Billet Adjusting Sleeve, Inner Tie-Rod and Outer Tie-Rod.

**Applications:** Comet '60-65, Cyclone '64-65, Falcon '60-65, Mustang '64-66, Ranchero '60-65

**Note:** For use with TCP SPND-04.

## PARTS LIST

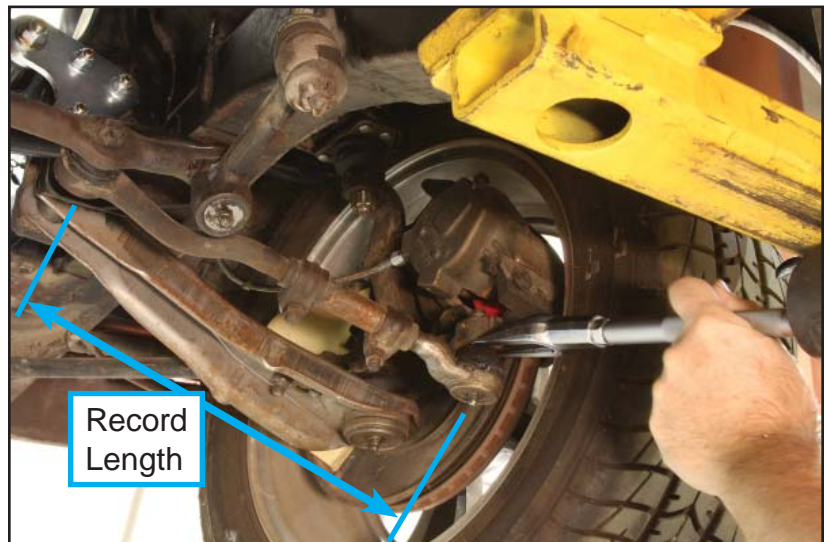
### TCP TIER-18 Tie Rod Set Early Mustang to Granada Late Spindle

Qty	Part Number	Description
2	3170-ES445RGL	Tie Rod Outer 11/16-18 RH , 4.47 OAL, 1/2-20 Stud
2	7900-204	Tie Rod Inner 11/16-18 LH , 8.30 OAL, 7/16-20 Stud
1	TCP TIER-04	HD billet tie rod adjuster sleeve

### TCP TIER-04 HD Billet Adjuster Sleeve

Qty	Part Number	Description
2	3102-069-18LY	Jam Nut 11/16-18 Left, Yellow Zinc Plated 1" Hex x .40 Tall
2	3102-069-18RC	Jam Nut 11/16-18 Right, Clear Zinc Plated 1" Hex x .40 Tall
1	7900-173	Tie-Rod Sleeve 3.50" x 11/16-18 with RH & LH Threads with 1" Hex

1. Raise the front end of car and secure with jack stands. Wheels must not be in contact with ground.
2. Measure the length of each tie-rod assembly (pivot-to-pivot) for adjustment starting point. Record results.
3. Remove the cotter pins and castle nuts from the outer and inner tie rods, then separate them from the steering arm and drag/center link. A balljoint fork or similar tool may be required to separate the joints.



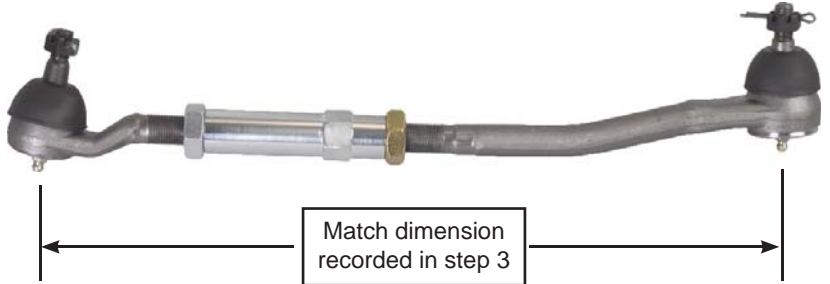
4. Apply anti-sieze or similar thread lubricant to internal threads at each end of the adjusting sleeve.



5. Thread a right hand jam nut (3102-069-18RC, clear zinc) onto each outer rod end until 1" of threads are past the nut.
6. Thread the left hand jam nut (3102-069-18LY) (yellow zinc) onto the inner tie rod to end of the threads.
7. Screw the tie rod ends into the billet adjusting sleeves until the jam nuts contacts the sleeve. The hex on the billet sleeve is closest to the left-hand threads.
8. Hand tighten the adjuster-sleeve jam nuts.



9. The assembly should be the same length as the OEM one removed, if not turn the adjuster to correct the length.



10. Install the grease zerk fitting into the tie rod ends and tighten.



11. Insert the tapered adapter into the end hole of the rack's center link or factory drag link.



12. Insert the inner tie rod into the adapter.



13. Place a 7/16" hardened flat washer over the tie rod stud, followed by a 7/16" locknut.



14. Tighten the locknut with a 5/8" wrench. You will have to push the tie rod into the tapered adapter while tightening the locknut.



15. Align the outer tie rod with the steering arm on the spindle and insert it into the tapered hole as shown.



16. Install the castle nut.



17. Tighten to 40 lb-ft. Then align the cross-hole with a slot in the castle nut, by tighten not loosening the castle nut.



18. Insert the cotter pin through the castle nut and bend the one leg over the tie rod end and the second around the castle nut.



19. Grease the tie-rod ends with a common grease gun until the boot starts to bulge.



20. Once you have the front end aligned tighten the jam nuts against the adjuster.



21. Installation is complete.



## ALIGNMENT

***The vehicle must be professionally inspected and aligned prior to regular use.***

If a trailer is not available, your alignment will need to be somewhat close to final specs in order to safely drive your vehicle to the alignment shop. Visually determine if the front wheels look straight. They should not appear to “toe” (left to right) -in or -out. The outside of the wheels should be very close to vertical. A few degrees of negative camber (leaning in) is acceptable.

	Street Performance		Road Course		Drag Strip	
	Manual	Power	Manual	Power	Manual	Power
Caster	2-1/2° to 3° pos.	3-1/2° to 4° pos.	2-1/2° to 3° pos	3-1/2° to 4° pos	4° to 6° pos	4° to 6° pos
Camber	0° to 1/2° neg	0° to 1/2° neg	1-1/2° to 2° neg	1-1/2° to 2° neg	0°	0°
Toe (total)	1/16” to 1/8” in	1/16” to 1/8” in	1/16” out to 1/16” in	1/16” out to 1/16” in	1/16” to 1/8” in	1/16” to 1/8” in

Our recommended alignment specs serve as a starting point for your particular application. Installed components, driver preference, and specific application will have a great affect on the correct settings for your vehicle.

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