



2013+Ford Fusion

Hood Strut Kit 555-0685

1. Raise and support the hood with the prop rod.
2. Using a 10mm socket or wrench, remove the two strut bolts from the strut tower. Place the strut bracket onto the strut tower, and replace the bolts with the original bolts, if you aren't using a strut tower brace. If you are using an aftermarket strut tower brace, use the supplied 8mm bolts. Tighten the bolts to OEM specs.
3. Install the hood brackets. Placing a towel or cloth around the lower hinge area of the hood and fender will help protect the painted surfaces.
4. While holding the hood and hinge in one hand, remove the two nuts from the hinge, using the 13mm socket.
5. Install the brackets onto the hood studs, with the ball stud pointing to the outside of the car. Replace the nuts but do not tighten them completely. Make sure the hinge is lined up with the unpainted surfaces of the hood. Now tighten both nuts.
6. There is a washer fluid line that has to be relocated on the passenger side. Carefully, cut a slit into the cowl. This will allow you to re-route the line underneath the cowl and run it along side of the wiring harness. (Note: Not all model years require this modification.)
7. Install the driver side strut onto the studs, with the bigger, cylinder end of the strut attached to the hood bracket. The strut fittings will lock themselves into place once they are pushed onto the ball studs completely.
8. Install the passenger side strut the same way as the driver side. The prop can be removed while you install this strut.
9. Slowly lower the hood and close, to make sure you lined the hood up correctly. Reference the fender on each side while the hood is closed to make sure it has adequate clearance all the way around.
10. Enjoy your new Steeda Fusion Hood Strut Kit!

