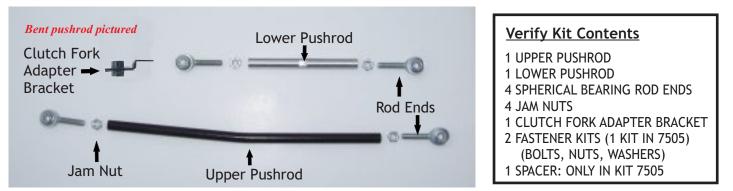


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## **Rod Links™ Installation Instructions**

Part Number(s): 7400, 7410, 7500, 7505, 7520

1955 - 1957 Chevy: stock clutch fork; 1955 - 1981 Corvette: stock clutch fork



**PLEASE NOTE:** Kits include either straight OR bent upper pushrods. These instructions apply to both types of pushrods. One or more of the bearing ends are PTFE-lined, which require no lubrication. This can make them difficult to turn by hand. This tight fit keeps debris and dirt out of the bearing race and essentially makes them self-cleaning.

## INSTALLATION:

PLEASE NOTE: This kit eliminates the lower pushrod's anti-rattle springs, but the upper pushrod spring is retained.

1. Assemble the new kit as in the picture above. The upper pushrod takes the loose rod end without PTFE. Note that some of the rod ends may have right handed threads, and some may have left handed threads. The jam nuts thread onto the rod ends, and then the rod end/jam nut assembly threads into the pushrod. The right and left handed threads on the rod ends must match the ones in the pushrod to avoid damaging the threads inside the pushrods.

2. Remove the old linkage from the vehicle. Note the orientation of each component as it is removed - such as through which side of the clutch pedal the pushrod was inserted, or to which side of the bellcrank (frame side or block side) the lower pushrod was attached.

3. Measure the lengths of the original assembly and match the new linkage by adjusting the assembly as needed. Kit 7505 only: Install the spacer between the bellcrank and the rod end on the upper pushrod.

4. Install the new linkage, duplicating the orientation of the old component. When installing the upper pushrod, note that one bearing turns more easily than the other. The more loose bearing must be installed at the clutch pedal. To install the rod end on the pedal, simply push the rod end on the pin attached to the pedal. If it is difficult to slide onto the pin, there may be a burr on

the pin (created from the metal to metal contact of the stock system). With the rod end on the pin, install a washer and the original clip. Attach the clutch fork bracket to the clutch fork using the 3/8" bolt, angle the bracket towards the engine block and tighten it. The lower pushrod bolts to the bracket using a 5/16" bolt. Place the head of the bolt on the top of the rod end and the lock washer and nut on the bottom of the bracket.

5. All straight pushrods have left hand/right hand threads to make adjustments a simple task. Loosen the jam nuts and turn the pushrod. Tighten all jam nuts when finished.

6. Pushrods with bends require removing the bolt that fastens the end to the pedal or bellcrank. Once removed, loosen the jam nut and turn the rod end to adjust. Tighten the jam nuts when finished.

