

INSTALLATION OF FRONT HYDRAULIC BRAKE KIT ROTARY FRONT R-460 RAILGEAR 2008-2018 DODGE RAM 4500/5500

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

If any installation problems are encountered, please call G&B Specialties, Inc. for technical assistance before continuing with the installation process.



- Failure to heed to any of the following warnings could result in severe bodily injury and/or equipment damage.
- Read and understand this manual completely before attempting installation of the equipment.
- Installation instructions provided below only address the Rafna railgear equipment. Applicable railway company procedures and policies must be adhered to.
- Before performing any work under the vehicle or railgear, ensure the engine is turned off and the parking brake is set.
- Beware of all pinch points on the railgear and keep all parts of the body clear.
- When routing hydraulic hoses, ensure that the hoses do not contact any sharp edges or hot surfaces.
- All wire connections should be soldered and heat shrink sealed to prevent future corrosion-related problems.
- All wires must be covered with protective cable loom.
- Always disconnect the vehicle's battery when welding on the vehicle or railgear in order to protect the vehicle's electrical system.
- Do not use regular brake fluid in the front hydraulic brake system, as it will damage the hydraulic brake pump and the brake cylinders.



INSTALLATION OF FRONT HYDRAULIC BRAKE KIT

The following procedure details the installation of the Front Hydraulic Brake Kit on the front railgear. The hardware required for this installation is listed in Table 1.

Part Number	Description		Quantity
R-20103D	Hydraulic Brake, Driver Side		1
R-20103P	Hydraulic Brake, Passengers Side		1
R-1567 Dash Switch		1	
R-1577 5A In-Line Fuse		1	
R-5670 Hydraulic Brake Pump		1	
R-5692	Electric Brake Control		1
R-22150	Brake Pump Support Beam		1
CO-130H	"Railgear Brake Pump" Decal		1
844FS-04-04	1/4" Male JIC to 1/4" Male JIC Tee		1
HFS2-04	Hose 32" Long	33	1
HFS2-04	4 Hose 32" Long 은		1
HFS2-04	04 Hose 24" Long		1
HU04-04NJ	1/4" Female Hose Straight Coupling (Installed on hoses)		4
HU04-04MF45T	1/4" Male Swivel Inverted Coupling, 45° Swivel (Installed on hoses)	H-9	2
	3/8" UNC Gr.8 Bolt x 1.25" Long		4
R-990KIT-320	3/8" Type-A Gr.8 Flat Washer		4
	3/8" Lock Washer		4
	1/4" UNC Gr.8 Bolt x 1.12" Long		3
R-990KIT-261	1/4" Type-A Gr.8 Flat Washer		3
	1/4" Lock Washer		3
R-990KIT-260 (2 Kits Per)	3/8" UNC Gr.8 Bolt x 7/8" Long		2
	3/8" UNC Gr.8 Bolt x 1.00" Long		6
	3/8" Gr.8 Washer, Flat		8
	3/8" Gr.8 Washer, Lock		6
	3/8" UNC Gr.8 Nyloc Nut		2

- 1. Ensure that the rail wheels have been installed on the front railgear prior to installation of the Front Hydraulic Brake Kit.
- 2. Place the hydraulic brakes on the ends of the front railgear axle so that the 3/8" mounting studs or threaded holes align with the slots in the top mounting surface of the brake housing. The slots in the side mounting angles should align with threaded holes in either side of the axle. Ensure that the brake housings are on the correct sides of the railgear axle. The brake shoe linkage of each brake housing should be toward the front of the vehicle.
- 3. Fasten each brake housing to the front railgear axle using the supplied 3/8" hardware. Torque the 3/8" fasteners to 45 ft-lbs dry. Do not over torque.



- 4. Install the brake pump support beam between the railgear front mounting brackets as shown. It may be necessary to place shims between the support beam mounting plates and the rail gear mounting brackets to achieve the proper fit. The shims, if needed, are not supplied with this kit and need to be supplied by the installer at the time of installation. Torque the 3/8" mounting bolts to 45 ft-lbs dry. Do not over torque.
- 5. Mount the brake pump to the brake pump support beam as shown using the supplied 1/4" hardware.
- 6. Position the electric brake control under the hood on or close to the vehicle firewall. Fasten the electric brake control to the vehicle using installer-supplied self-tapping screws. The brake controller can be mounted inside the cab of the vehicle at the installers discretion.
- 7. Choose a suitable location on the vehicle dash and install the dash switch.
- 8. Affix the "Railgear Brake Pump" decal in a suitable location adjacent to the dash switch.
- 9. Using suitable 14 gauge wire, cable loom, connectors, solder and heat shrink tubing:
 - a) Lengthen as required, terminate and connect one of the red wires from the brake pump valve to reach to terminal 2 on the electric brake control.
 - b) Lengthen as required, terminate and connect the other red wire from the brake pump valve to a suitable ground location.
 - c) Terminate and connect a black wire from the power terminal on the brake pump solenoid to one end of the in-line fuse.
 - d) Terminate and connect another length of black wire from the other end of the in-line fuse through the firewall to the power terminal on the dash switch.
 - e) Terminate and connect a wire from the dash switch ground terminal to a suitable ground location on the vehicle.
 - f) Terminate and connect a wire from the load terminal on the dash switch to terminal 3 on the electric brake control.
 - g) Terminate and connect a wire from the switching terminal on the brake pump solenoid to terminal 6 on the electric brake control.
 - h) Terminate and connect a wire from terminal 7 on the electric brake control to a suitable ground location.
 - i) Terminate and connect a wire to terminal 1 on the electric brake control and splice it into the load wire from the vehicle service brake light switch behind the brake pedal.
- 10. Using suitable 4 gauge wire, cable loom, connectors, solder and heat shrink tubing:
 - a) Terminate and connect one wire from the vehicle's battery to the power terminal on the brake pump solenoid.
 - b) Terminate and connect another wire from the load terminal on the brake pump solenoid to the power terminal on the brake pump motor.
 - c) Apply a small amount of silicon sealant to the pump motor and solenoid terminals to protect them from shorting out or rusting.
 - d) Ensure the brake pump motor base is properly grounded to the vehicle chassis by connecting a wire from the brake pump motor base to a suitable ground location on the vehicle. The railgear may not be properly grounded due to paint on the mounting plates and tar on the frame.



- 11. Connect the 32" long hydraulic hose to the 90° hydraulic fitting on the pump.
- 12. Connect the 1/4" Male JIC to 1/4" Male JIC tee fitting to the loose end of the 32" long hose.
- 13. Connect the 45° end of the 32" long hydraulic hose to the passenger side brake cylinder.
- 14. Connect the 45° end of the 24" long hydraulic hose to the driver side brake cylinder.
- 15. Connect the loose ends of the 24" and 32" long hydraulic hoses to the TEE attached to the end of the 32" hose
- 16. Ensure that none of the hoses contact any sharp edges or hot surfaces. Tie-wrap all hoses securely leaving enough slack for the railgear to function.
- 17. Ensure that all wires and terminals are soldered, heat shrink sealed, enclosed in protective cable loom and secured with tie-wraps.
- 18. Fill the hydraulic brake system and bleed the air out:
 - a) Fill the hydraulic brake pump tank with DEXRON III (or equivalent) hydraulic fluid.
 - b) Turn on the dash switch. Depress and hold the vehicle brake pedal. The hydraulic brake pump should start.
 - c) Open the air bleed valve on each brake cylinder to allow air to escape.
 - d) Close the air bleed valve on each brake cylinder.
 - e) Release the brake pedal.
 - f) Re-fill the hydraulic brake pump tank with hydraulic fluid.
 - g) Repeat the above steps until only oil and no more air comes out of the air bleed valve.
 - h) Fill the hydraulic brake pump tank to the fill line.
- 19. Paint any parts that were welded.
- 20. Follow the Front Hydraulic Brake Relief Valve Setting procedure detailed in the Operation, Service and Parts section of this manual.
- 21. Follow the Brake Shoe To Rail Wheel Clearance Adjustment procedure detailed in the Operation, Service and Parts section of this manual.
- 22. Test the operation of the hydraulic brakes as per the Operation, Service and Parts section of this manual.









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Operation, Service and Parts of Front Hydraulic Brake Kit Rotary Front R-460 Railgear 2008-2018 Dodge Ram 4500/5500

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- Read and understand this manual completely before attempting operation of the railgear-equipped vehicle.
- Operating instructions provided below only address the Rafna railgear equipment. Applicable railway company procedures and policies must be adhered to.
- Railway company rules governing rail travel must be observed at all times.
- Before performing any work under the vehicle or railgear, ensure the engine is turned off and the parking brake is set.
- Ensure all body parts and loose clothing are clear of any moving parts of the railgear. Be aware of all pinch points.
- Despite the added braking power provided by the railgear air brakes, braking distance while on rail is greater than when on road.
- Never operate the vehicle if the Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR), Gross Axle Weight Rating Front or Rear (GAWR), or the wheel or tire load ratings are exceeded.
- Do not use regular brake fluid in the front hydraulic brake system, as it will damage the hydraulic brake pump and the brake cylinders.



OPERATION OF FRONT HYDRAULIC BRAKE KIT

With the front hydraulic brake kit installed on this vehicle, it may be operated as normal, however the hydraulic brake pump must be turned "Off" during road travel and "On" during rail travel. The front hydraulic brake kit provides additional braking power when on rail. Braking distance on rail is much greater than when on road and will be adversely affected by inclement weather.

Never operate the vehicle if the Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR), Gross Axle Weight Rating Front or Rear (GAWR), or the wheel or tire load ratings are exceeded.

A dash switch is provided to turn off the power to the hydraulic brake pump, which prevents the railgear brakes from functioning during road travel. When travelling on rail, with the dash switch in the "On" position, the railgear hydraulic brakes act together with the vehicle's brakes to provide added braking power through the rail wheels.

To Operate The Vehicle On Rail:

- 1. Turn the "Railgear Brake Pump" dash switch to the "On" position.
- 2. Proceed with rail travel. The railgear hydraulic brakes will function with the vehicle brakes when the vehicle brake pedal is depressed.

To Operate The Vehicle On Road:

- 1. Turn the "Railgear Brake Pump" dash switch to the "Off" position.
- 2. Proceed with road travel. The railgear hydraulic brakes will remain in-active.



SERVICE OF FRONT HYDRAULIC BRAKE KIT

The front hydraulic brake kit must be serviced regularly to avoid damage to the equipment. Table 1 below provides the Recommended Service Schedule and the detailed service procedures follow.

Do not torque the 1/2" fasteners that pass through the brake shoe linkage. These fasteners must remain slightly loose to allow the hydraulic brakes to function freely. Table 2 provides all other Standard Fastener Torque Values.

Service Required	Initial 100 km (62 Miles) of road and/or rail use	Monthly	6 Months	Yearly
Inspect hydraulic brake kit fasteners (re-torque if required)	\checkmark		✓	~
Inspect all hydraulic fittings and hoses for leaks and wear	~		✓	~
Check oil in hydraulic reservoir (fill if required)	~	✓		~
Check / adjust brake shoe to rail wheel clearance (see procedure)	\checkmark		✓	~

Table 1: Recommended Service Schedule

Table 2. Standard Tasterier Torque Values				
Fastener Size	Fastener Torque Value (ft-lbs) Dry			
1" UNC Gr. 8 Fasteners	250			
34" UNC Gr. 8 Fasteners	175			
⁵ / ₈ " UNC Gr. 8 Fasteners	150			
1/2" UNC Gr. 8 Fasteners	100			
³ / ₈ " UNC Gr. 8 Fasteners	40			
1/4" UNC Gr. 8 Fasteners	12			

Table 2: Standard Fastener Torque Values



BRAKE SHOE TO RAIL WHEEL CLEARANCE ADJUSTMENT

The clearance between the brake shoe and the rail wheel must be correctly adjusted to prevent brake drag and to ensure proper braking ability. Check and adjust the brake shoe to rail wheel clearance as follows:

1. With the hydraulic brake dash switch turned "Off" and the railgear hydraulic brakes in the retracted position, visually inspect the railgear hydraulic brake components for excessive damage and/or wear and measure the brake shoe to rail wheel clearance.

Acceptable Brake Shoe To Rail Wheel Clearance	1/8″ - 1/4″

- 2. If the brake shoe to rail wheel clearance is not within specifications, adjust as follows:
 - Loosen the jam nut above the clevis on the clevis push rod.
 - Turn the clevis push rod to adjust the clevis up to increase the clearance or down to decrease the clearance.
 - When moving the clevis down on the clevis push rod, do not move the clevis down beyond the point at which the inside bottom face of the clevis is flush with the end of the push rod. Replace the brake shoe and re-adjust.
 - Tighten the jam nut above the clevis on the clevis push rod.
- 3. Re-check the brake shoe to rail wheel clearance and re-adjust as necessary.



HYDRAULIC BRAKE RELIEF VALVE SETTING

The hydraulic brake pump is equipped with one relief valve located on the hydraulic pump body. This relief valve protects the entire hydraulic brake system from over pressurization. The relief valve will require adjustment at installation and if ever there appears to be inadequate hydraulic pressure to operate the hydraulic brakes or if the rail wheels are found to skid when the brakes are applied.

- 1. Disconnect the hydraulic hose from the pump.
- 2. Install a hydraulic pressure gauge (up to 3000 PSI) between the disconnected hydraulic hose and the pump port. The pressure gauge will indicate the relief valve setting when the pump is loaded.
- 3. Turn the "Railgear Brake Pump" dash switch to the "On" position and depress the vehicle brake pedal so that activating the brakes creates a load on the pump. The pressure reading on the pressure gauge should climb to 700 PSI.
- 4. If the pressure is not correct, release the brake pedal and adjust the relief valve on the pump accordingly. Loosen the lock nut and turn the setscrew in to increase the pressure or out to decrease the pressure. Re-check the pressure.
- 5. Once the correct pressure on the pump relief valve is obtained, ensure that the lock nut on the relief valve is tightened. Release the pressure in the system and remove the pressure gauge. Reconnect the hydraulic hose.
- 6. Ensure that the hydraulic hoses are connected properly and that the hydraulic brakes are functioning properly.



PARTS OF FRONT HYDRAULIC BRAKE KIT

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