

Fitting Instructions - IGNITE 2.5" & 3" Exhaust System Installation Guide

Vehicle Application: VE/VF Holden & HSV Commodore

Before You Begin:

Ensure the vehicle is securely parked on a flat surface and safely supported. Always allow the exhaust system to cool down before commencing removal or installation.

Installation Steps

- **1. Safety First:** Before beginning installation, disconnect the vehicle battery. Welding is required when fitting the exhaust tips.
- **2.** Remove the factory rear mufflers. On some VF models, the bi-modal valve connectors may need to be unplugged prior to removal.
- **3.** Disconnect the secondary O2 sensors before removing the factory centre section. Once disconnected, unbolt and remove the centre section.

4. Cat-Back Only Purchases:

If you have purchased the *Ignite Cat-Back System*, install the new cat-back connector pipes using the factory gaskets and nuts.

Once complete, proceed to Step 19.

If you have purchased the *full exhaust system*, continue to **Step 5**.

- **5.** Unplug the pre-cat O2 sensors. Unbolt and move the steering shaft upward to gain clearance.
- **6.** From the engine bay, remove the engine cover and air intake assembly.
- 7. Carefully remove the spark plug leads (pull on the metal shield, not the lead itself).
- **8.** Using a 15mm socket, unbolt and remove the dipstick. Note its orientation prior to removal to ensure easier reinstallation later.
- **9.** (Recommended but not required) Remove the spark plugs before unbolting the manifolds to reduce the risk of breakage.
- **10.** Using a 13mm socket, unbolt and remove the factory manifolds, taking care not to shear any bolts.
- **11.** Loosely position the new header gaskets using two manifold bolts—one at each end—to hold them in place.



- **12.** Before installing the headers, fit the O2 sensor extensions to them.
 - Install the headers from underneath the vehicle, guiding them up into the engine bay and allowing them to hang on the bolts.
 - For the right-hand side, ensure the steering shaft is pushed upwards for additional clearance.
- 13. Insert the remaining manifold bolts and tighten securely.
- **14.** Reinstall the steering shaft. Connect the O2 extensions to the factory plugs (use extension looms if required).
- **15.** Reinstall the dipstick in the same orientation as removed. Ensure it is fully seated.
- **16.** Refit the spark plugs and spark plug leads.
- **17.** Reinstall the air intake and engine cover.
- **18.** From beneath the vehicle, install the high-flow catalytic converter sections using the supplied 3/8 UNC nuts and bolts (leave finger-tight at this stage).
 - Install the secondary O2 sensors and use extension looms if needed.
 - Secure all wiring looms with cable ties to prevent contact with hot or moving components.
- **19.** With assistance, install the centre section using the supplied hardware and gaskets. Leave finger-tight until final alignment.
- **20.** Loosely fit the double-prong muffler hangers to the new mufflers. Install the mufflers using the supplied nuts, bolts, and gaskets.
- **21.** Tighten the entire exhaust system **from front to rear**, ensuring proper clearance throughout.
- **22.** With the rear muffler hangers still loose, adjust the mufflers to the desired position, then tighten the hangers.
 - For HSV models that do **not** require exhaust tips, proceed to **Step 24**.
- **23.** With assistance, install the chrome exhaust tips. Each tip requires a small stitch weld on both sides to secure its position.
- **24.** Perform a final visual inspection to confirm all components have adequate clearance and all wiring looms are safely tied away from heat and moving parts.
- **25.** Once satisfied, start the vehicle and check all joints for exhaust leaks.
- 26. Vehicles fitted with the full exhaust system will require an ECU tune.
- 27. Enjoy your IGNITE Exhaust System!