SUSPENSION FRAME SERVICE -
SHOCK MOUNT HARDWARE INSTRUCTIONS

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Compatibility & Intended Use

These instructions cover service and replacement of the forward shock pin hardware located in the front triangle, which fixes the forward end of the rear shock to the frame. The hardware used varies across frame model and material. Refer to the table below to determine which kit is correct for your frame.

### Required Hardware

Hardware kits required to service this area include:

- **1594 Shock Mount Hardware Kit** which is compatible with:
  - MY19+ Spearfish Aluminum (all spec levels)
  - MY19+ Horsethief Aluminum (all spec levels)
  - MY19+ Rustler Aluminum (all spec levels)
  - MY20+ Blackthorn Carbon, MY20+ Blackthorn Aluminum
  - MY20+ Cassidy Carbon, MY20+ Cassidy Aluminum

- **1595 Shock Mount Hardware Kit** which is compatible with:
  - MY19+ Spearfish Carbon (all spec levels)
  - MY19+ Horsethief Carbon (all spec levels)
  - MY19+ Rustler Carbon (all spec levels)

Replacement eyelet-reducing hardware for the rear shock must be ordered separately. See table below for specification/size for each frame model.

NOTE: Blackthorn Carbon and Cassidy Carbon models use the 1223 Flathead Pin of kit 1594, but the 1346 Shock Mount Nut is omitted.

### Item Table

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<th>Item #</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<td>1223 Flathead Pin</td>
<td>M8 x 1.25, 47 mm total length</td>
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Tools & Supplies Required
Torque wrench
5 mm hex bit
Lightweight grease
Loctite Blue 242®

Service Notes
[Refer to the images and table on page 1, and notes below for proper installation.]

Pin & Nut
- Apply a thin coat of grease to the frame pockets
- Apply a thin coat of grease to the shank portion of the bolt
- Apply a drop of thread-locking agent (Loctite Blue 242®) to the nut threads

Eyelet-Reducing Hardware
- Remove and isolate the rear shock from the rest of the frame before removing or installing eyelet-reducing hardware
- Refer to shock manufacturer’s instructions for proper bushing and eyelet-reducing hardware service.
  NOTE: If the reducing hardware can pass through the eyelet bushing with little to no pressure, replace the eyelet bushing
- Refer to the Flip Chip 1.0 or Flip Chip 2.0 Shock Mount Hardware instructions (depending on frame model) for servicing hardware at the rear end of the rear shock

Service Intervals & Ongoing Maintenance
**WARNING:** Improper installation of bolts may lead to product failure, causing serious injury. Do not exceed specified torque values. Periodically inspect bolts and retighten if required
- Inspect pivot hardware for wear/damage at least annually. If pivot hardware becomes damaged, striped, or develops play that cannot be eliminated with the proper torque specification, replace the affected part(s)
- Inspect the shock eyelet-reducing hardware and eyelet bushing for damage or wear at least annually. If play develops between the shock bushing, shock pin, or frame that cannot be eliminated with proper torque, replace the affected part(s)
- Check pivot hardware for proper torque every 50 riding hours. Reapply thread lock compound and re-torque as needed

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