

2012 Monarch Service Manual



SRAM LLC WARRANTY

Extent of Limited Warranty

Except as otherwise set forth herein, SRAM warrants its products to be free from defects in materials or workmanship for a period of two years after original purchase. This warranty only applies to the original owner and is not transferable. Claims under this warranty must be made through the retailer where the bicycle or the SRAM component was purchased. Original proof of purchase is required. **Except as described herein, SRAM makes no other warranties, guaranties, or representations of any type (express or implied), and all warranties (including any implied warranties of reasonable care, merchantability, or fitness for a particular purpose) are hereby disclaimed.**

Local law

This warranty statement gives the customer specific legal rights. The customer may also have other rights which vary from state to state (USA), from province to province (Canada), and from country to country elsewhere in the world.

To the extent that this warranty statement is inconsistent with the local law, this warranty shall be deemed modified to be consistent with such law, under such local law, certain disclaimers and limitations of this warranty statement may apply to the customer. For example, some states in the United States of America, as well as some governments outside of the United States (including provinces in Canada) may:

- a. Preclude the disclaimers and limitations of this warranty statement from limiting the statutory rights of the consumer (e.g. United Kingdom).
- b. Otherwise restrict the ability of a manufacturer to enforce such disclaimers or limitations.

Limitations of Liability

To the extent allowed by local law, except for the obligations specifically set forth in this warranty statement, in no event shall SRAM or its third party supplies be liable for direct, indirect, special, incidental, or consequential damages.

Limitations of Warranty

This warranty does not apply to products that have been incorrectly installed and/or adjusted according to the respective SRAM technical installation manual. The SRAM installation manuals can be found online at sram.com, rockshox.com, avidbike.com, truvativ.com, zipp.com, or quarq.com.

This warranty does not apply to damage to the product caused by a crash, impact, abuse of the product, non-compliance with manufacturers specifications of usage or any other circumstances in which the product has been subjected to forces or loads beyond its design.

This warranty does not apply when the product has been modified, including, but not limited to any attempt to open or repair any electronic and electronic related components, including the motor, controller, battery packs, wiring harnesses, switches, and chargers.

This warranty does not apply when the serial number or production code has been deliberately altered, defaced or removed.

This warranty does not apply to normal wear and tear. Wear and tear parts are subject to damage as a result of normal use, failure to service according to SRAM recommendations and/or riding or installation in conditions or applications other than recommended.

Wear and tear parts are identified as:

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| • Dust seals | • Brake sleeves | • Bottomout pads |
| • Bushings | • Brake pads | • Bearings |
| • Air sealing o-rings | • Chains | • Bearing races |
| • Glide rings | • Sprockets | • Pawls |
| • Rubber moving parts | • Cassettes | • Transmission gears |
| • Foam rings | • Shifter and brake cables (inner and outer) | • Spokes |
| • Rear shock mounting hardware and main seals | • Handlebar grips | • Free hubs |
| • Upper tubes (stanchions) | • Shifter grips | • Aero bar pads |
| • Stripped threads/bolts (aluminium, titanium, magnesium or steel) | • Jockey wheels | • Corrosion |
| | • Disc brake rotors | • Tools |
| | • Wheel braking surfaces | • Motors |
| | | • Batteries |

Notwithstanding anything else set forth herein, this warranty is limited to one year for all electronic and electronic related components including motors, controllers, battery packs, wiring harnesses, switches, and chargers. The battery pack and charger warranty does not include damage from power surges, use of improper charger, improper maintenance, or such other misuse.

This warranty shall not cover damages caused by the use of parts of different manufacturers.

This warranty shall not cover damages caused by the use of parts that are not compatible, suitable and/or authorised by SRAM for use with SRAM components.

This warranty shall not cover damages resulting from commercial (rental) use.

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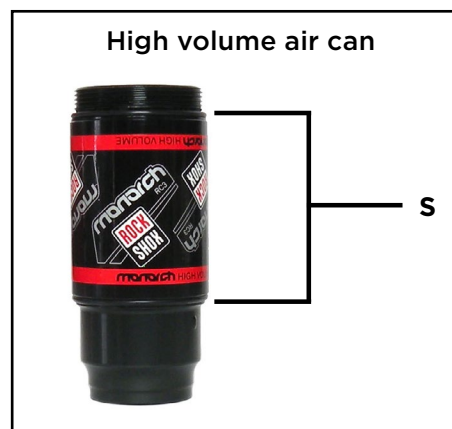
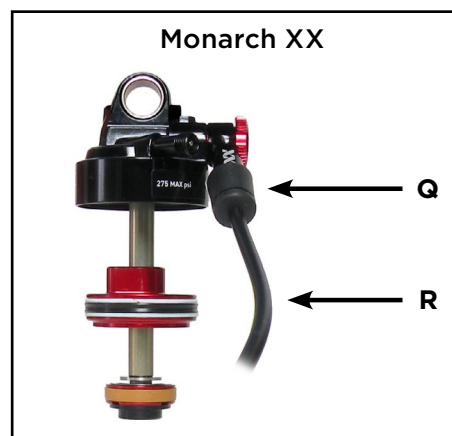
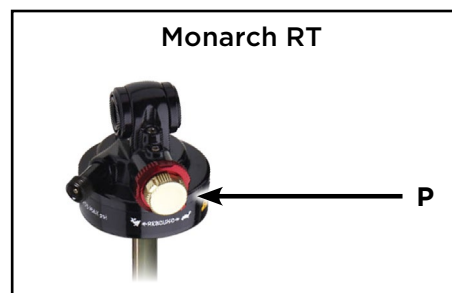
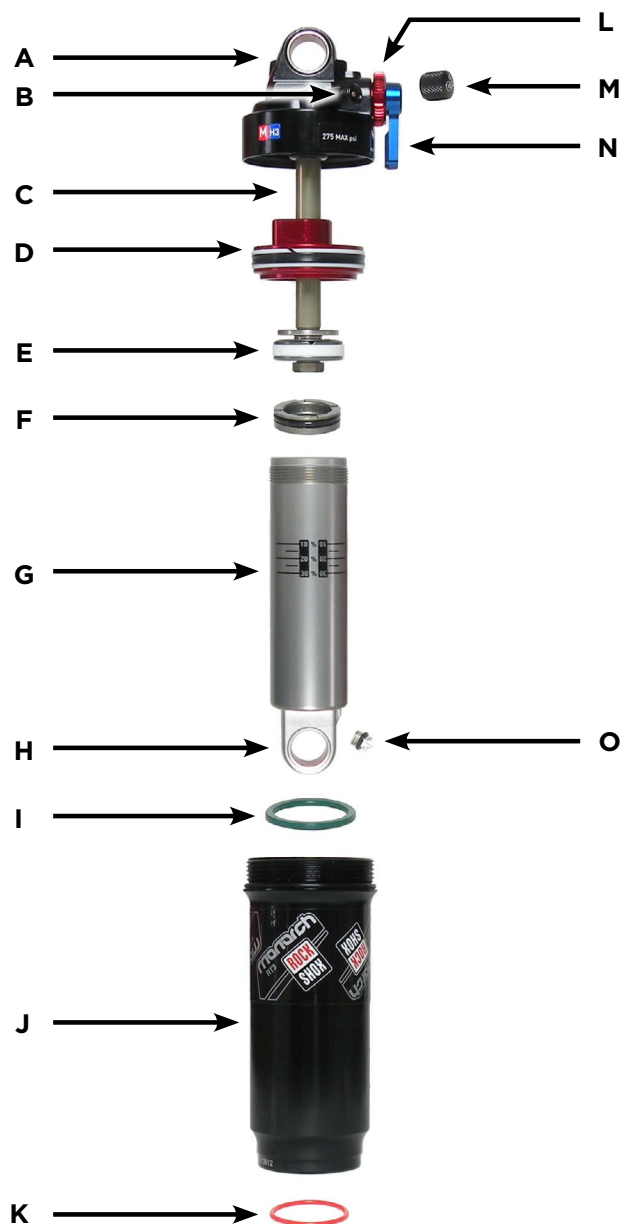


SAFETY FIRST!

We care about YOU. Please, always wear your safety glasses and protective gloves when servicing RockShox products.

Protect yourself! Wear your safety gear!

EXPLODED VIEW - MONARCH REAR SHOCK ASSEMBLY



- A. Shaft eyelet
- B. Air can valve
- C. Shaft
- D. Seal head/air piston
- E. Main piston
- F. IFP (Internal Floating Piston)
- G. Damper body
- H. Damper body eyelet
- I. Top out bumper
- J. Air can

- K. Sag indicator o-ring
- L. Rebound adjuster
- M. Air can valve cap
- N. Compression lever (RC3 only)
- O. Damper air fill port cap
- P. Threshold adjuster (RT only)
- Q. Remote hose boot (XX only)
- R. Remote hose (XX only)
- S. High volume air can sleeve

ROCKSHOX SUSPENSION SERVICE

We recommend that you have your RockShox suspension serviced by a qualified bicycle mechanic. Servicing RockShox suspension requires knowledge of suspension components as well as the special tools and fluids used for service.

For exploded diagram and part number information, please refer to the Spare Parts Catalog available on our web site at sram.com.

For order information, please contact your local SRAM distributor or dealer.

Information contained in this publication is subject to change at any time without prior notice. For the latest technical information, please visit our website at sram.com.

Your product's appearance may differ from the pictures/diagrams contained in this publication.

XLOC REMOVAL

When servicing Monarch XX rear shocks, it is necessary to remove the XLoc remote from the handlebar.

- 1** Use a T25 TORX® wrench to unthread the shifter mounting bolt and remove the shifter.



- 2** Use a T25 TORX wrench to loosen and remove the XLoc handlebar clamp bolt. Remove the XLoc from the handlebar.



MOUNTING HARDWARE AND BUSHING SERVICE

Prior to servicing your rear shock, you will first need to remove it from your bicycle frame according to your bicycle manufacturer's instructions. Once your shock is removed from your bicycle, you will need to remove the mounting hardware before performing any service.

NOTICE

When you clamp the rear shock eyelets into a vise, use aluminum soft jaws to prevent damage to the eyelets.

PARTS AND TOOLS NEEDED FOR SERVICE

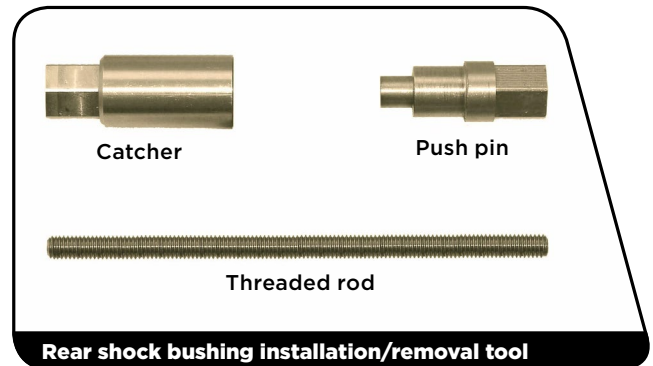
- Safety glasses
- Nitrile gloves
- Apron
- Clean, lint-free rags
- Suspension specific grease
- Bench vise with aluminum soft jaws
- SRAM rear shock bushing removal/installation tool
- Adjustable wrench
- 13 mm open end wrench

MOUNTING HARDWARE REMOVAL

Some mounting hardware is easily removed using only your fingers. Try to remove the end spacers with your fingernail, then push the bushing pin out of the bushing. If this works, move on to the next section, [Eyelet Bushing Replacement](#).

If you are unable to remove your mounting hardware using your fingers, use the SRAM rear shock bushing installation/removal tool.

Images in the following steps are of Vivid Air, but are applicable to Monarch.



- 1** Thread the small end of the push pin onto the threaded rod until the push pin is flush or slightly protrudes from the hex-shaped end of the push pin.



- 2** Insert the threaded rod through the shock eyelet until the push pin rests against the bushing pin. Thread the large, open end of the catcher along the rod until it rests on the end spacer.



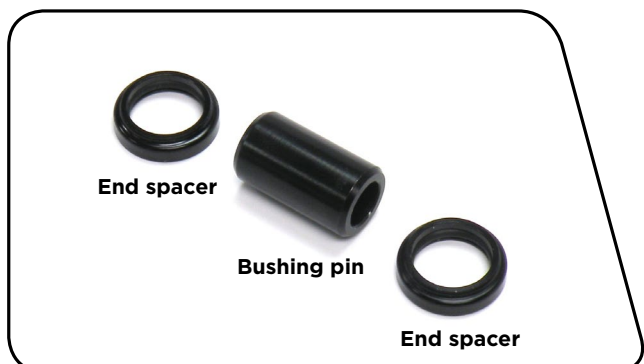
- 3** Clamp the catcher in a vise or hold it secure with a 13 mm open end or adjustable wrench.
Use a second 13 mm wrench to thread the push pin along the rod until it stops against the end spacer.
Unthread the push pin from the threaded rod and remove the end spacer from that side.



- 4** Reinstall the push pin onto the threaded rod and hand thread it along the rod until it rests against the bushing pin (inside the shock eyelet bushing) again.
Use a 13 mm wrench to thread the push pin along the rod until it stops against the shock eyelet.



- 5** Unthread the catcher from the threaded rod.
Remove the end spacer from the threaded rod and the bushing pin from the catcher.
Remove the push pin and threaded rod from the shock.
Set the mounting hardware aside until you have finished servicing your shock.
Repeat for the other eyelet.



EYELET BUSHING REPLACEMENT

To replace damaged or worn out bushings, use the RockShox rear shock bushing installation and removal tool.

- 1** Insert the threaded rod through the shock eyelet until the base of the push pin rests against the bushing.

Thread the large, open end of the catcher onto the rod until it rests on the shock eyelet.



- 2** Clamp the catcher in a vise or hold it secure with a 13 mm wrench.

Use a second 13 mm wrench to thread the push pin along the rod until the push pin rests against the shock eyelet.



- 3** Unthread the catcher from the threaded rod. Remove the tool from the shock eyelet and discard the old bushing.

Repeat for the other eyelet.

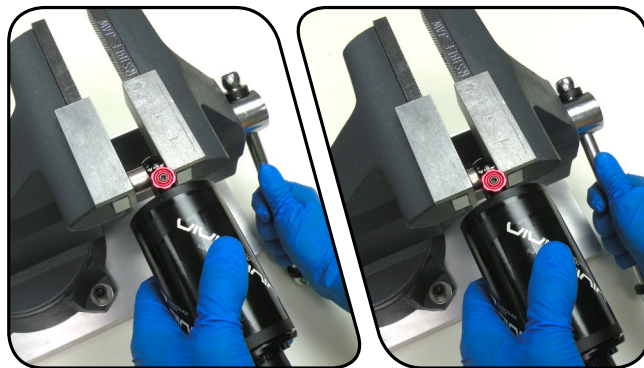
- 4** Apply a small amount of grease to the outside of the new bushing.



- 5** Position the shock eyelet and bushing between the soft jaws of a vise. Slowly turn the vise handle to begin pressing the bushing into the damper body.

To prevent damage to the shock, position the eyelet in the vise so that the adjustment knobs are clear of the vise jaws.

Check the alignment of the bushing as it enters the eyelet. If the bushing starts to enter the eyelet at an angle, remove the bushing from the eyelet, regrease the bushing, and repeat this step until the bushing enters the eyelet straight.



- 6** Continue to press the bushing until it is completely seated in the eyelet. Remove the shock from the vise and repeat the installation process for the other bushing and eyelet.

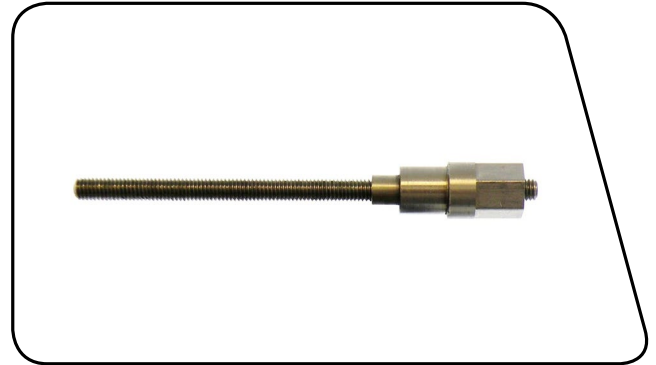


MOUNTING HARDWARE INSTALLATION

Some mounting hardware is easily installed using only your fingers. Press the bushing pin into the shock eyelet bushing until the pin protrudes from both sides of the eyelet an equal amount. Then press an end spacer, large diameter side first, completely onto each end of the bushing pin. If this works, you have completed mounting hardware and bushing service.

If you are unable to install your mounting hardware using your fingers, use the SRAM rear shock bushing installation and removal tool.

- 1** Thread the small end of the push pin onto the threaded rod until the push pin is flush or slightly protrudes from the hex-shaped end of the push pin.



- 2** Insert the threaded rod through the bushing pin then through the shock eyelet so that the bushing pin is positioned between the push pin and the shock eyelet.



- 3** Thread the large end of the catcher onto the rod from the opposite side of the shock eyelet until the rod rests against the shock eyelet.

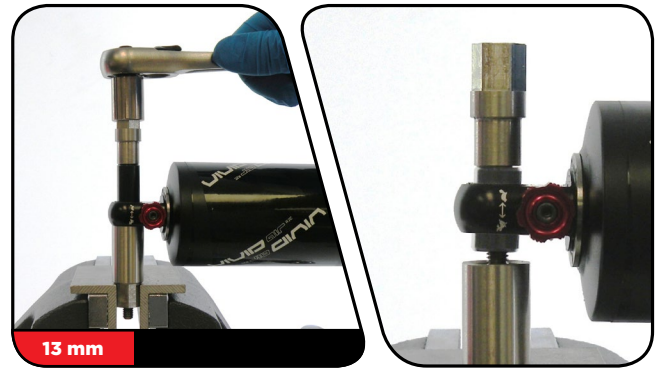


- 4** Clamp the catcher in a vise or hold it secure with a 13 mm wrench.

Use a second 13 mm wrench to thread the push pin along the rod until it pushes the bushing pin into the shock eyelet bushing.

Continue to thread the push pin until the bushing pin protrudes from both sides of the eyelet an equal amount

You may need to unthread the catcher slightly to check the bushing pin spacing.



- 5** Unthread the catcher from the threaded rod and remove the tool from the shock eyelet.

- 6** Use your fingers to push an end spacer onto each end of the bushing pin, with the large diameter side of the spacers facing the shock eyelet.



MONARCH SERVICE

Prior to servicing your rear shock, you will first need to remove it from your bicycle frame according to your bicycle manufacturer's instructions. Once your shock is off your bicycle, be sure to remove the shock mount hardware (see the [Mounting Hardware And Bushing Service](#) section).

PARTS AND TOOLS NEEDED FOR SERVICE

- Safety glasses
- Nitrile gloves
- Apron
- Clean, lint-free rags
- Oil pan
- Isopropyl alcohol
- RockShox 7wt suspension fluid (Monarch R, RT, RT3)
- RockShox 3wt suspension fluid (Monarch XX)
- Suspension specific grease
- Parker O-Lube
- Maxima® Maxum4 Extra 15w 50 lube
- Bench vise with aluminum soft jaws
- Monarch XX vise block (Monarch XX)
- 13 and 17 mm open end wrench
- Torque wrench
- 13 and 17 mm crowfoot
- 1.5 and 2 mm hex wrenches
- Schrader valve tool
- Strap wrench
- Needle nose pliers (Monarch XX)
- Pick
- Monarch air fill adapter
- Shock pump
- Metric caliper or small metric ruler

SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Always wear safety glasses and nitrile gloves when working with suspension fluid.

Place an oil pan on the floor underneath the area where you will be working on the shock.

AIR CAN SERVICE

- 1** Turn the rebound adjuster counter-clockwise (toward the rabbit) until it stops. Turn the Gate lever (if applicable) to the unlocked position.

Count each detent click as you turn the adjuster and record the number of clicks to assist with post-service set up.



- 2** Check and record your current air pressure setting to assist with post-service set up.

Remove the air valve cap. Use a small hex to depress the Schrader valve and release all air pressure from the air can. Use a Schrader valve tool to remove the valve core from the valve body.

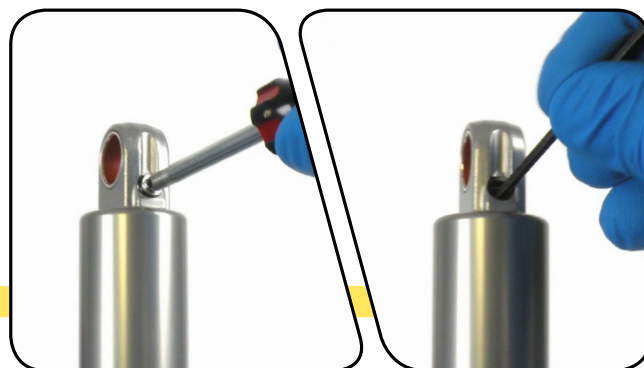


- 3** Use a Schrader valve tool to remove the air/nitrogen port cap. Use a small hex wrench or pick to depress the Schrader valve and release all air/nitrogen pressure from the damper. Once the pressure has been released, depress the Schrader valve a second time. If the Schrader valve is able to move, the shock has been completely depressurized.

If the Schrader valve does not move at all, the shock is still pressurized and will need to be sent to an authorized RockShox service center for further service.

⚠ CAUTION - EYE HAZARD

Verify all pressure is removed from the shock before proceeding. Failure to do so can cause the damper body to separate from the air can eyelet at a high velocity.



- 4** Use a Schrader valve tool to remove the valve core.



- 5** Clamp the shaft eyelet into a bench vise, with the shock positioned horizontally.

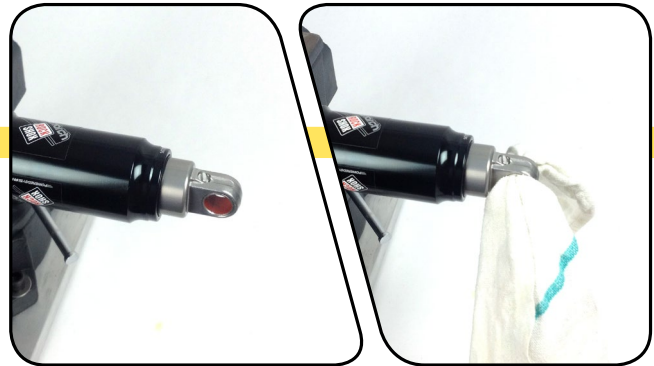
To prevent damage to the shock use aluminum vise soft jaws and position the eyelet in the vise so that the adjustment knobs are clear of the vise jaws.



- 6** If the shock is collapsed so that a minimal amount of damper body is visible, there is still air pressure in the air can. Insert a rag through the damper body eyelet. This will prevent the air can from forcefully ejecting from the shock upon disassembly.

⚠ CAUTION- EYE HAZARD

Disassembly of a pressurized air can may cause suspension fluid or debris to forcefully eject from the shock. Wear safety glasses during shock service.

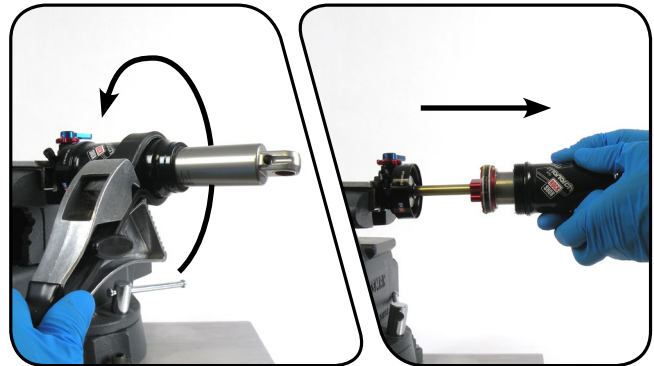


- 7** Use a strap wrench to remove the air can. Wrap the strap around the section of the air can furthest from the air can eyelet. Turn the wrench counter-clockwise to loosen and unthread the air can. Once it is completely unthreaded, slowly pull the air can along the shock damper body to remove it.

Do not place the strap wrench on the air can decal.

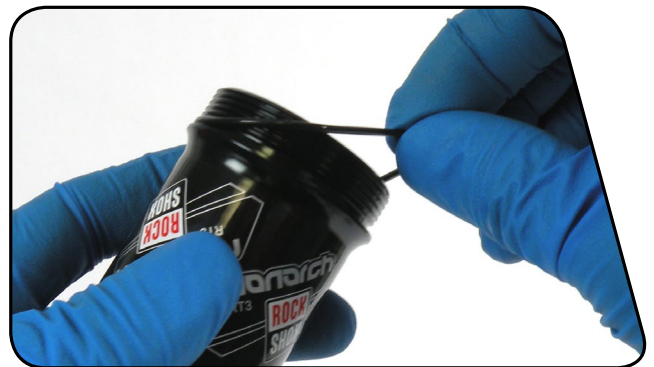
For high volume air cans, grip the lower portion of the can. Otherwise the high volume sleeve will rotate independent of the air can preventing the air can from unthreading.

Vacuum pressure will increase as you pull the air can along the damper body, then suddenly release as the end of the can comes over the damper body eyelet.



- 8** Use your fingers to remove the outer o-ring located below the air can threads.

Use a rag to wipe the threads clean, apply a small amount of Parker® O-Lube grease to the new o-ring, and install it.



- 9** Use a pick to pierce the air can dust wiper seal and o-ring located inside the dust wiper seal gland. Push or pull to remove them, paying attention to the orientation of the dust wiper seal for reinstallation.

Do not scoop or dig the seals out as this may damage the seal gland.



- 10** Use your finger or a pick to pull or push the step bushing ring out of the air can.

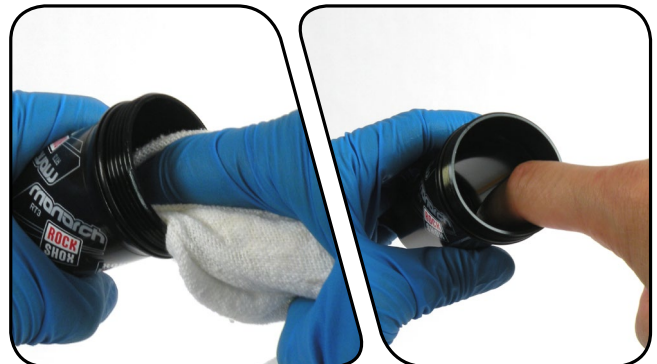
Use a pick to remove the back-up ring from the air can.



- 11** Spray isopropyl alcohol inside the air can and wipe it with a clean rag. Remove a glove and use your finger to inspect the inside and outside of the air can for scratches, dents, or other surface deformations. Replace the air can if it is scratched or damaged.

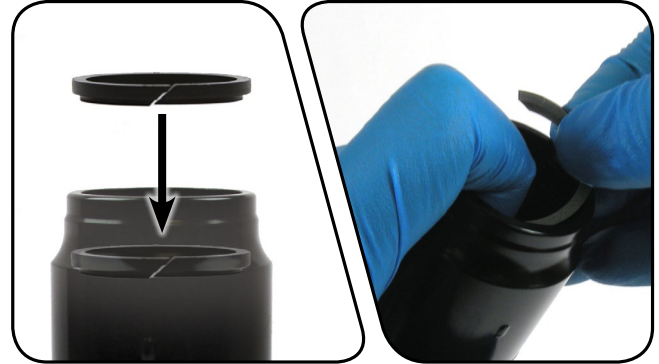
All air cans have a small dimple, as seen from the exterior of the can, that you should feel during inspection. This is normal.

In addition, high volume air cans have small port hole to the high volume sleeve that you should feel. This is normal.



12 Install the new step bushing ring, o-ring, back-up ring, and dust wiper seal.

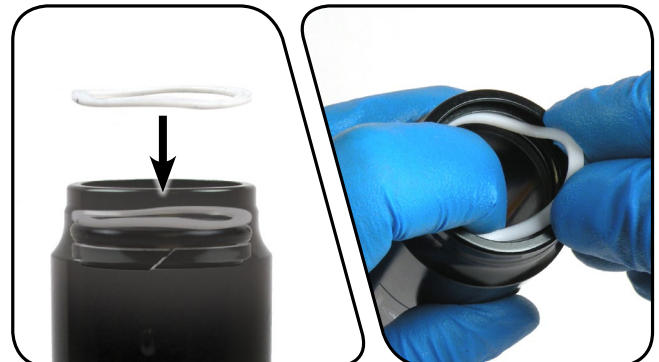
Orient the new step bushing ring, step side down. Install the step bushing ring by inserting one end into the air can, then pushing the remainder of the ring into the can, so that it rests on the bottom of the second deepest gland.



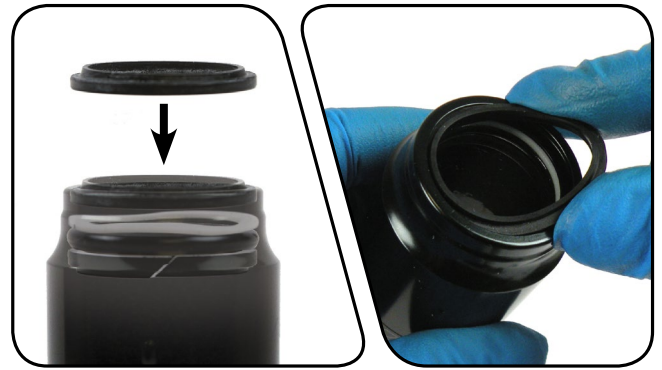
13 Apply a small amount of Parker® O-Lube grease to the air can o-ring. Install it into the second deepest gland, so that it rests on top of the step bushing.



14 Install the air can back-up ring into the same gland, so that it rests between the o-ring and the top of the gland.



- 15** Orient the new dust wiper seal step side up. Install it into the dust wiper seal gland at the top of the air can.



- 16** Spray isopropyl alcohol on the air can threads and eyelet body threads and wipe them with a clean rag.

- 17** Apply a small amount of Parker® O-Lube grease to the step bushing ring, o-ring, back-up ring, and dust wiper seal. Set the air can aside.



18 For High Volume Air Cans Only:

Remove the retention o-ring from the high volume sleeve.

Firmly grip the high volume sleeve and slide it off of the air can.

Use your fingers to remove the high volume sleeve o-rings, clean the seal glands, and apply Parker® O-Lube to the new seals, then reinstall.

Spray isopropyl alcohol inside the high volume sleeve and wipe it with a clean, lint-free rag.

Evenly spread just enough Parker O-Lube to make the inside of the sleeve slippery. This stops the o-rings from rolling as the sleeve slides over them.

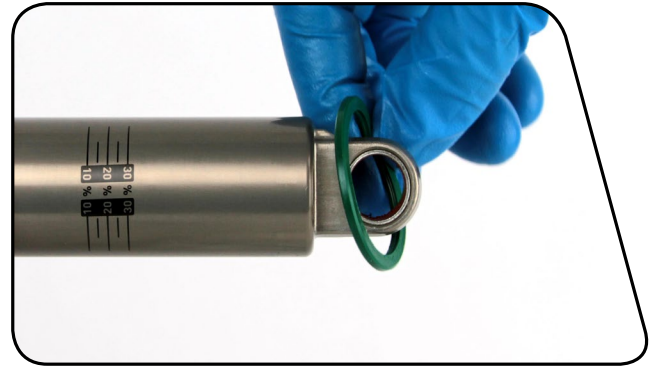
Slide the air sleeve onto the air can.

Reinstall the high volume sleeve retention o-ring into the o-ring groove outside of the air can.

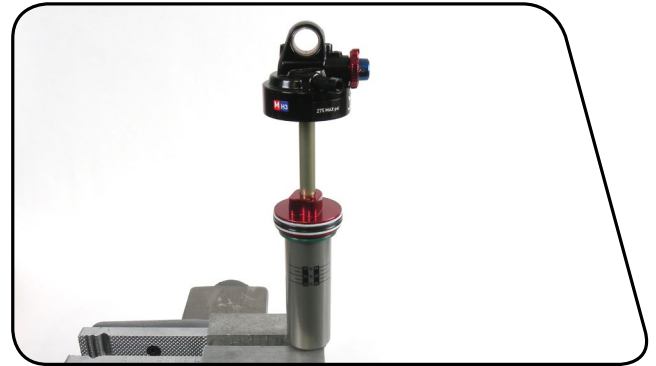


DAMPER BODY SERVICE

- 1** Remove the top out bumper from the damper body and replace it with a new one.

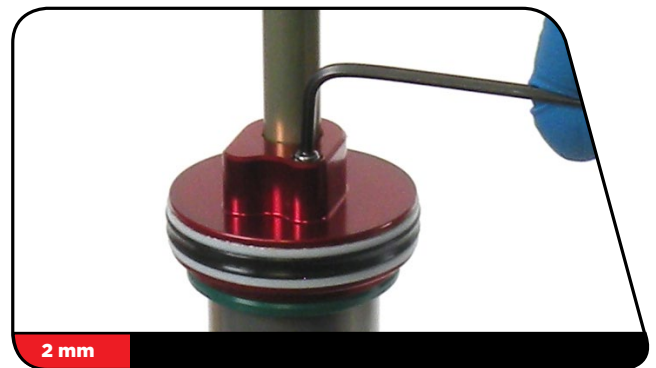


- 2** Remove the shock from the vise. Turn the shock over and clamp the damper eyelet into the vise, so the shock is vertical.
Use aluminum vise soft jaws to protect the shock eyelet when clamped.

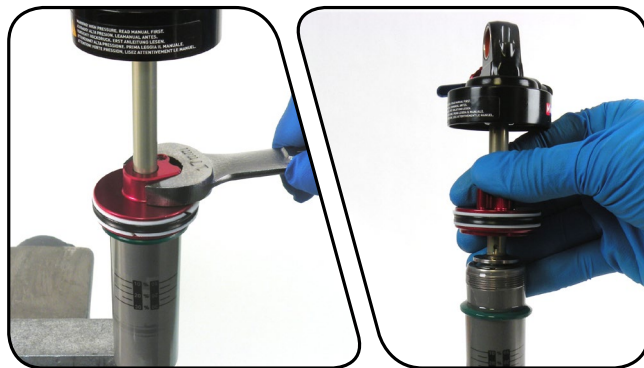


- 3** Use a 2 mm hex to unthread and remove the bleed screw, located in the seal head/fixed air piston.

The compression ball may float up through bleed hole, this is ok. Simply remove the ball from the bleed hole and discard it. You will be able to skip steps 6-7.



- 4** Use a 17 mm open end wrench to loosen and remove the shaft/piston assembly from the damper body.
Fluid will spill from the damper body and/or shaft assembly.



- 5** Remove the damper body from the vise and pour the fluid into an oil pan.



- 6** Hold the air can eyelet with one hand, and push the seal head/air piston toward the air can eyelet with your other hand to expose the bleed port on the underside of the seal head.

Be careful not to pinch your fingers as you slide the seal head/air piston.



- 7** Use a pick or 1.5 mm hex wrench to push and remove the compression ball out of the backside of the seal head through the bleed port.

Do not replace the compression ball at this time, you will do that later.

Do not re-use the compression ball.



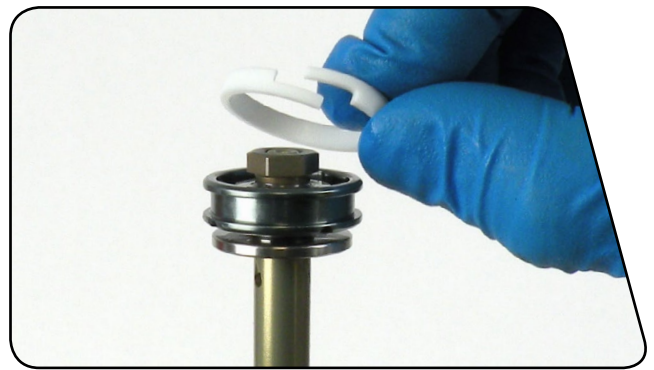
8 Spray the entire shaft and piston assembly with isopropyl alcohol and wipe it with a clean rag.

9 Use a pick to remove the seal head/air piston seal and glide rings. Apply a small amount of grease to the new seal head/air piston seal and glide rings, and install them.



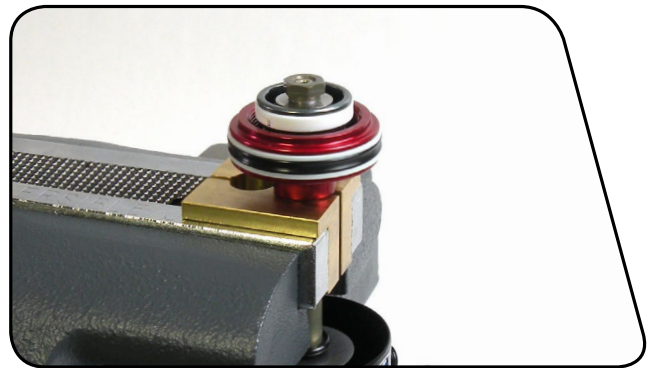
PISTON SERVICE - MONARCH R, RT, RT3

- 1** Remove and replace the glide ring located on the main piston.

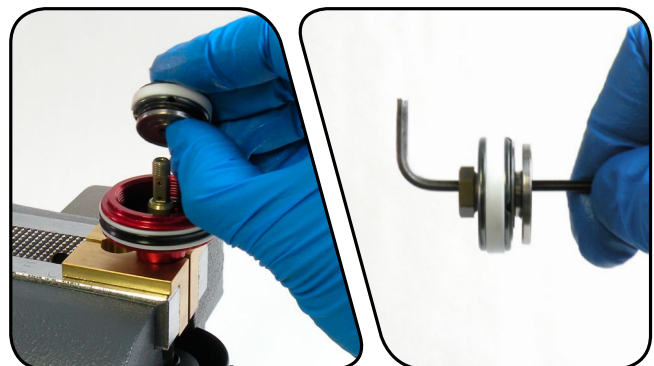
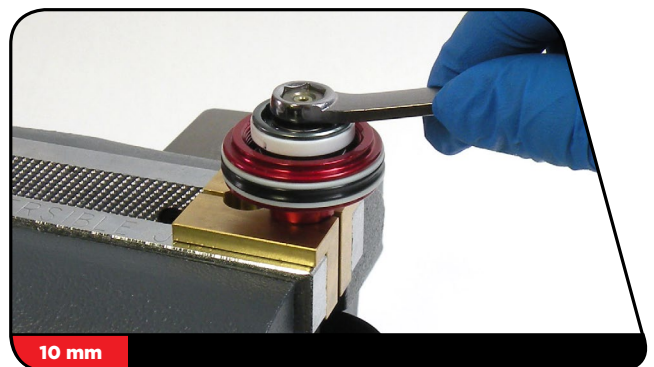


- 2** Spray isopropyl alcohol on the shaft assembly and shaft clamp, wipe it with a clean rag.

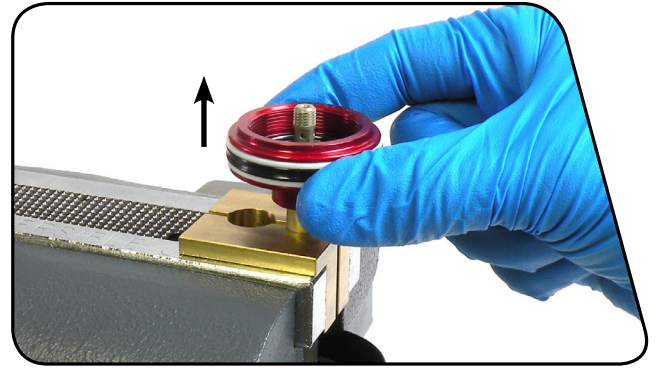
- 3** Use the SRAM shaft clamp tool to clamp the seal head/air piston into a vise with the piston positioned vertically.



- 4** Use a 10 mm wrench to unthread the piston nut. Remove the main piston assembly.
Keep all the parts together and set aside.



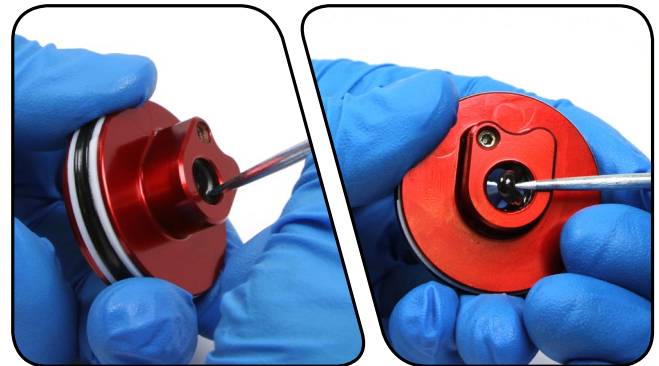
- 5** Pull up on the seal head/air piston to remove it from the damper shaft.



- 6** Use a pick to remove the seal head/air piston o-ring, located in the interior of the seal head.

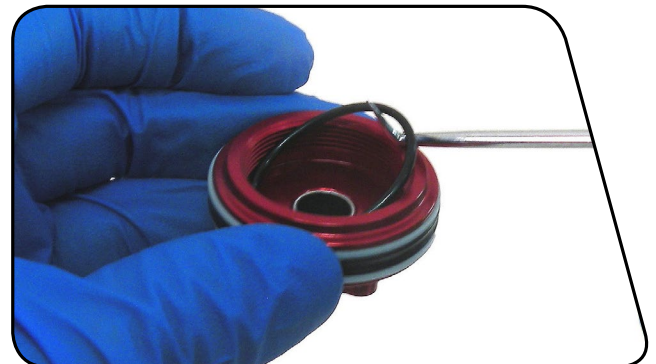
Apply a small amount of Parker® O-Lube to the new o-ring and install it.

When using a pick to remove o-rings, do not scratch the seal head/air piston. Scratches may cause fluid to leak.

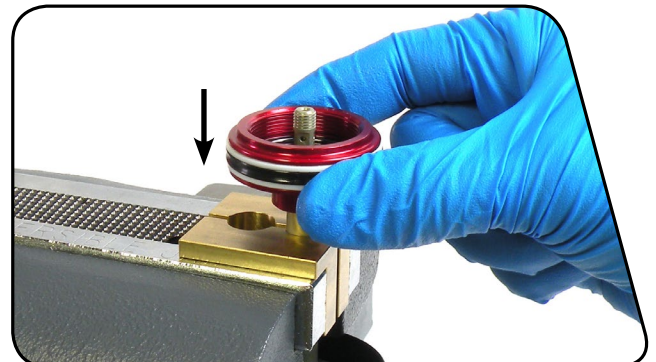


- 7** Use a pick to remove the inner o-ring, located at the base of the threads in the seal head/air piston.

Apply Parker O-Lube to the o-ring and install it.



- 8** Install the seal head/air piston onto the damper shaft with the seal head threads oriented upward.



- 9** Thread the main piston, by hand, onto the damper shaft.
Use a torque wrench with a 10 mm socket to tighten it to 4.5 N·m (40 in-lb).

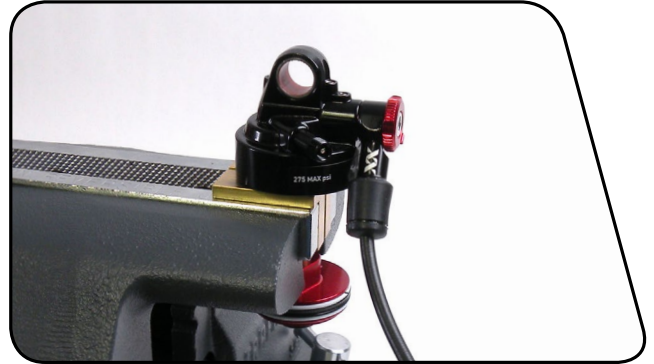


- 10** Remove the shaft assembly from the vise and set it aside.

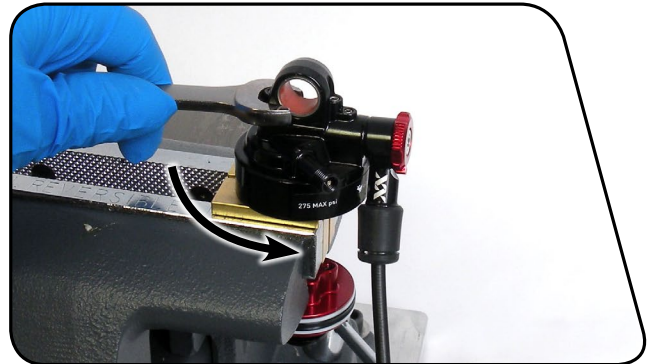
PISTON SERVICE - MONARCH XX

1 Spray isopropyl alcohol on the shaft assembly and shaft clamp, wipe it with a clean rag.

2 Use the SRAM shaft clamp tool to clamp the seal head/air piston into a vise with the eyelet positioned vertically.



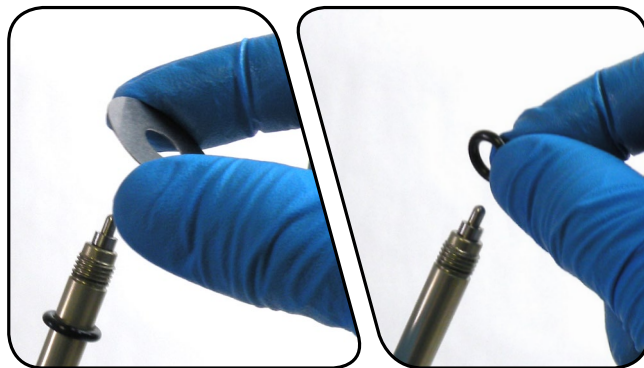
3 Use a 13 mm open end wrench to loosen the eyelet.



4 Remove the shaft assembly from the vise. Unthread the shaft from the eyelet by hand.



- 5** Remove the topout washer and o-ring from the shaft.

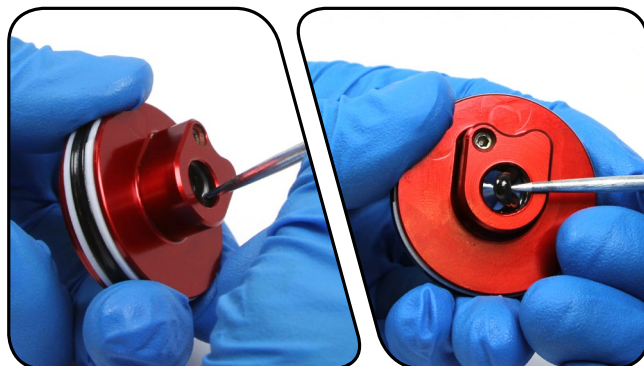


- 6** Pull on the seal head/air piston to remove it from the damper shaft.



- 7** Use a pick to remove the o-ring located in the interior of the seal head.

Apply a small amount of Parker® O-Lube to the new o-ring and install it.

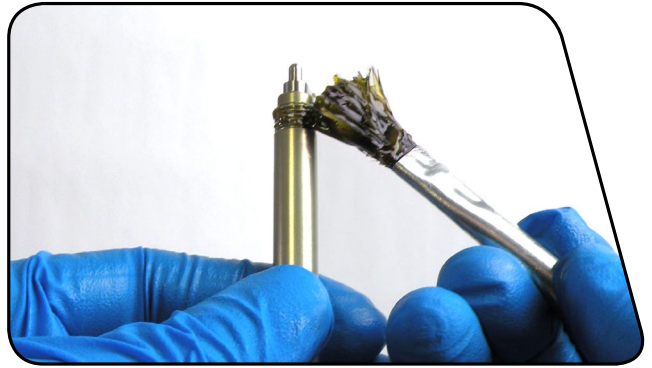


- 8** Use a pick to remove the inner o-ring, located at the base of the threads in the seal head/air piston.

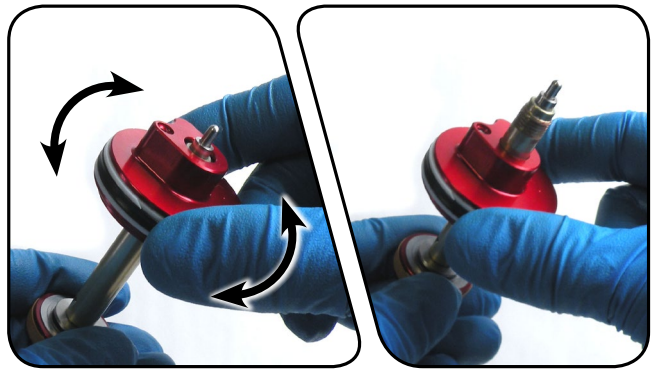
Apply Parker O-Lube to the o-ring and install it.



9 Apply a liberal amount of Parker O-Lube® to the shaft threads.



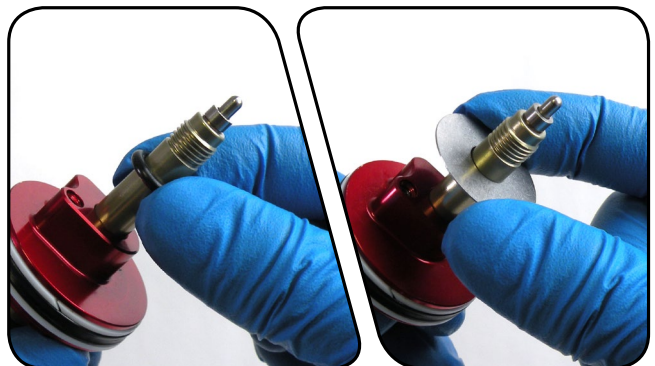
10 Install the seal head/air piston onto the damper shaft with the seal head threads oriented downward.
Gently rock the seal head back and forth in a circular motion as the inner o-ring moves over the shaft threads.



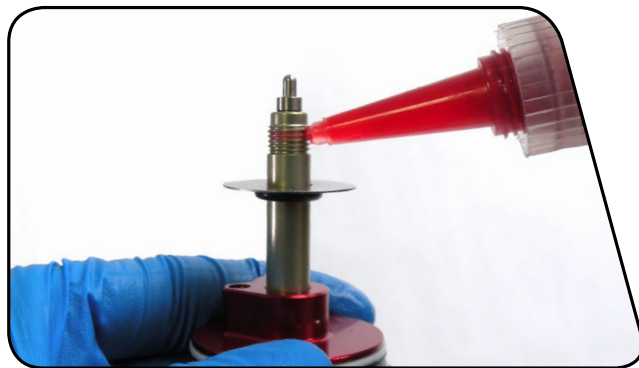
11 Use isopropyl alcohol and a rag to clean the grease from the shaft threads.



12 Install the topout o-ring and washer onto the shaft.



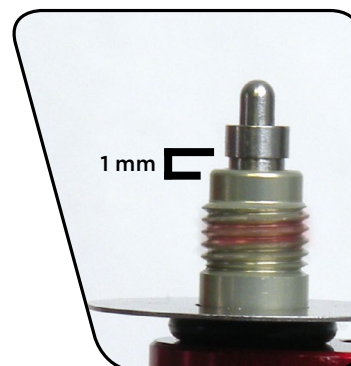
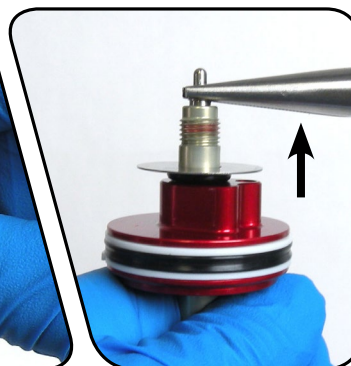
- 13** Apply a small amount of threadlock to the shaft threads.
Do not get any threadlock on the adjuster needle.



- 14** Use isopropyl alcohol and a clean rag to clean the eyelet threads.



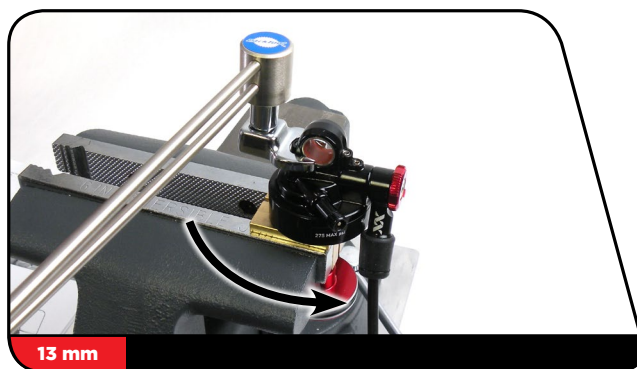
- 15** Turn the rebound adjuster counter-clockwise until it stops.
Use a pair of needle nose pliers to pull up on the rebound inner sleeve until 1 mm of the smaller diameter step is visible.



- 16** Depress the remote actuator.
Thread the shaft into the eyelet by hand until it stops turning.



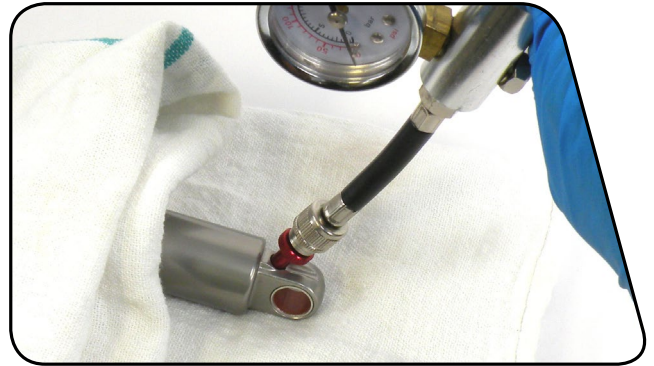
- 17** Use the SRAM shaft clamp tool to clamp the seal head/air piston into a vise with the eyelet positioned vertically.
Use a torque wrench with a 13 mm crow foot socket to tighten the eyelet to 4.6 N·m (40 in-lb).



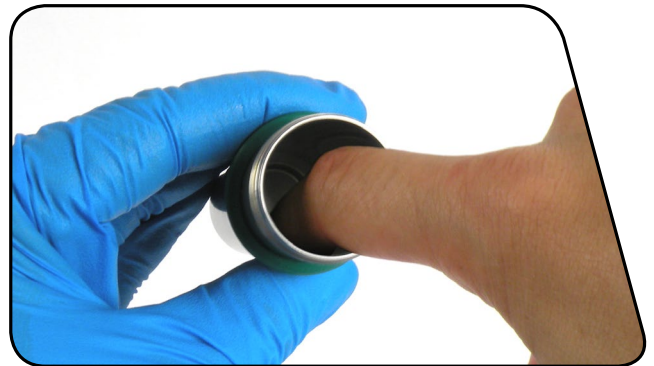
- 18** Remove the shaft assembly from the vise and set it aside.

IFP AND DAMPER BODY SERVICE

- 1** Wrap a rag around the end of the damper body. Thread a shock pump with the Monarch air fill adapter installed onto it into the air fill port. Pump air into the damper body to force the IFP (Internal Floating Piston) out of the damper body, into the rag.



- 2** Spray isopropyl alcohol on the inside and outside of the damper body and wipe it with a clean rag. Remove a glove and use your finger to inspect the inside and outside of the damper body for scratches, dents, or other surface deformations. If any deformations are found, the damper body will need to be replaced.



- 3** Remove the IFP o-ring. Spray the IFP with isopropyl alcohol and wipe it with a clean rag. Apply a small amount of grease to the new o-ring and install it.



- 4** Insert the IFP into the damper body with the stepped side visible. Use a metric caliper or ruler to push the IFP to the depth specified in the table below.

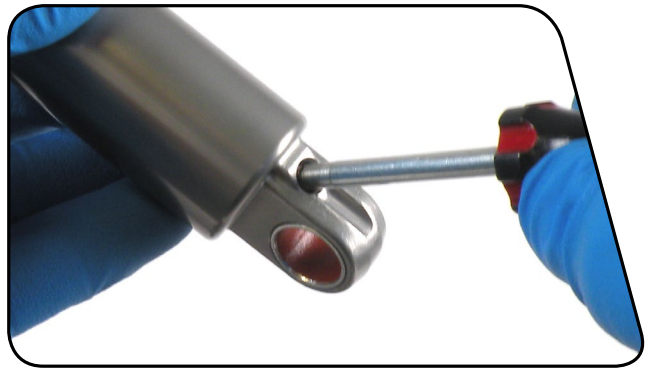
Measure the IFP depth from the lowest part of the IFP.

Shock dimensions	IFP insertion depth
152x31	45 mm
165x38	50.6 mm
184x44	56.1 mm
190x51	61.7 mm
200x51	61.7 mm
200x57	67.2 mm
216x63	72.8 mm
222x66	75 mm



SHOCK ASSEMBLY AND BLEED - MONARCH R, RT, RT3

- 1 Use a Schrader valve core tool to install the new Schrader valve into the damper body air fill port.

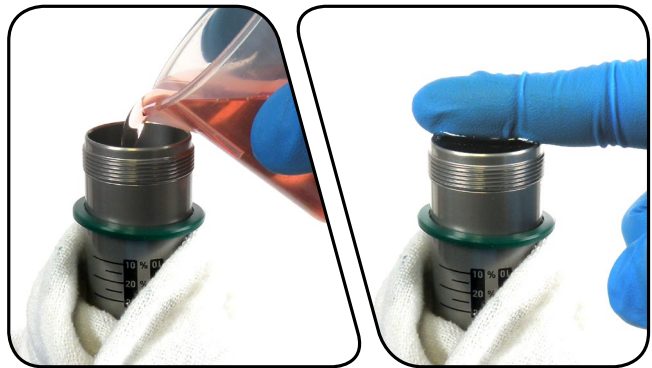


- 2 Clamp the damper body eyelet into the vise, so the damper body is vertical. Wrap a clean rag around the damper body.

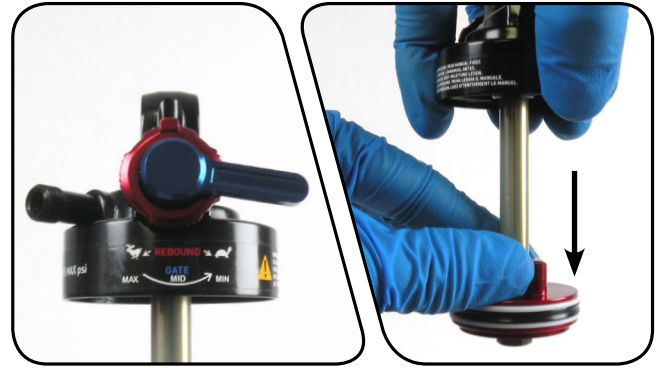
Use aluminum vise soft-jaws to protect the shock eyelet when clamped.



- 3 Pour new RockShox 7wt suspension fluid into the the damper body until it is level with the top of the damper body. Use your finger to remove any bubbles from the surface of the fluid.



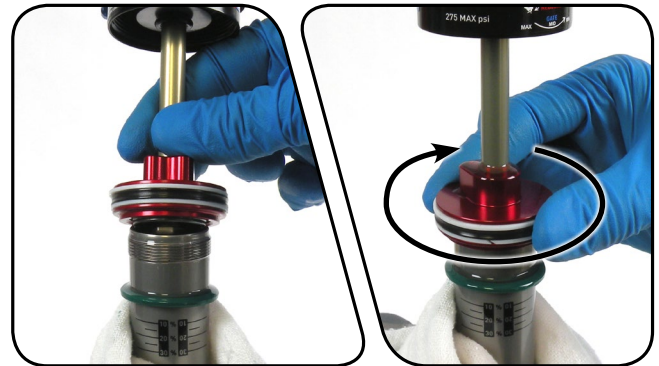
- 4** Check that both the gate and the rebound adjusters are set to their minimum settings. Slide the seal head/air piston until it stops at the end of the damper shaft.



- 5** Install the seal head/air piston onto the damper body. While holding only the seal head/air piston, thread it completely onto the damper body.

Fluid will be displaced out of the bleed port.

Do not hold on to the shaft eyelet or damper shaft while inserting. It will move the piston/shaft assembly, causing too much fluid to displace out of the damper body.



- 6** Use a torque wrench with 17 mm crow foot to tighten the seal head/air piston to 28.2 N·m (250 in-lb).

Install the crow foot onto the torque wrench at a 90° angle to the handle to ensure an accurate torque reading.



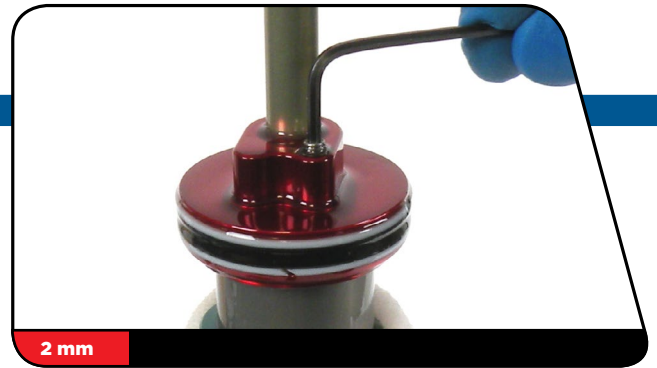
- 7** Allow air bubbles to escape from the bleed port in the seal head. Insert the new compression ball into the bleed port.



- 8** Use a 2 mm hex to gently thread the bleed screw into the bleed port until you feel it touch the compression ball. Tighten the bleed screw an additional ½ turn.

NOTICE

Tightening the bleed screw more than ½ turn can damage the compression ball, causing fluid to leak.



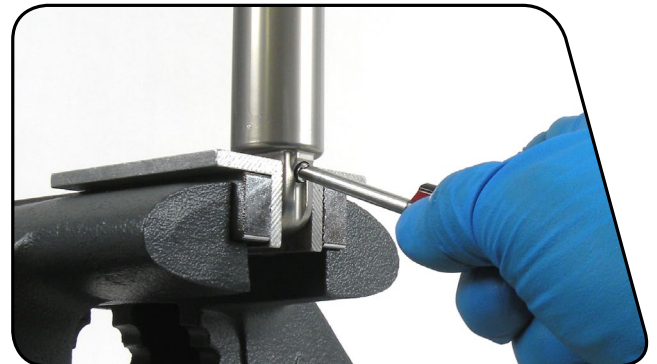
- 9** Use a shock pump with the Monarch air fill adapter to pressurize the damper body to 17.2 bar (250 psi).

Once you have pressurized the shock, remove the Monarch air fill adapter from the air fill port BEFORE removing it from the shock pump. Separating the pump from the adapter first will allow all of the air to escape from the shock.

If you have the proper fill equipment, you may substitute air with nitrogen.



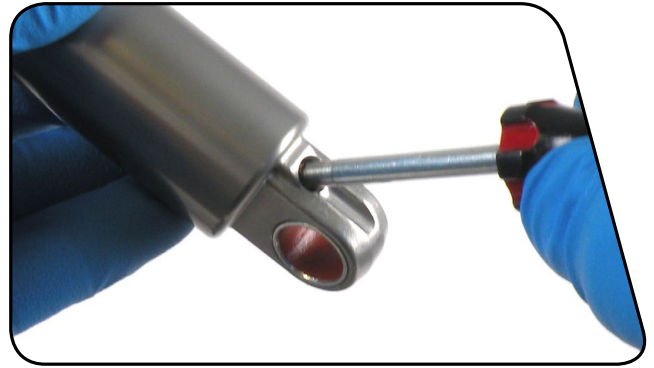
- 10** Use a Schrader valve tool to reinstall the air fill port cap.



- 11** Remove the shock from the vise. Spray the damper assembly with isopropyl alcohol and wipe it with a clean rag.

SHOCK ASSEMBLY AND BLEED - MONARCH XX

- 1** Use a Schrader valve core tool to install the new Schrader valve into the damper body air fill port.

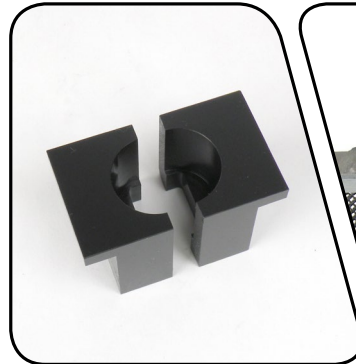


- 2** Place the damper body into the Monarch XX vise block, then clamp the vise block into the vise, with the damper body positioned vertically.

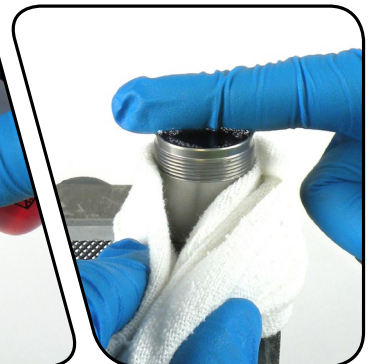
Tighten the vise firmly enough so that the IFP cannot move in the damper body. Check this by using your finger to push on the IFP. If it does not move, the vise is tight enough. If it does move, remove the damper body from the vise, reset the IFP to the proper depth, then re-install it into the vise blocks and vise tight enough that the IFP cannot move.

Wrap a clean rag around the damper body.

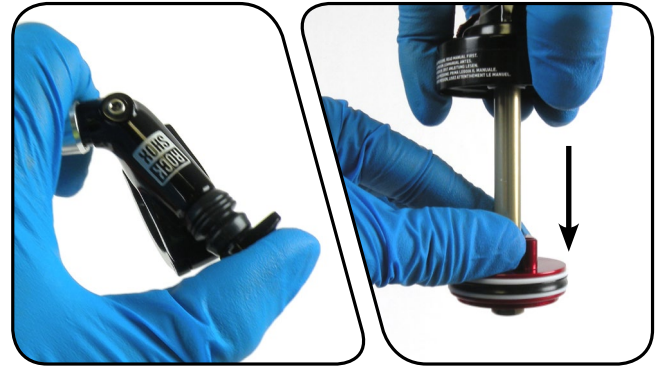
Do not overtighten the vise so that the damper body gets crushed.



- 3** Pour new RockShox 3wt suspension fluid into the the damper body until it is level with the top of the damper body. Use your finger to remove any bubbles from the surface of the fluid.



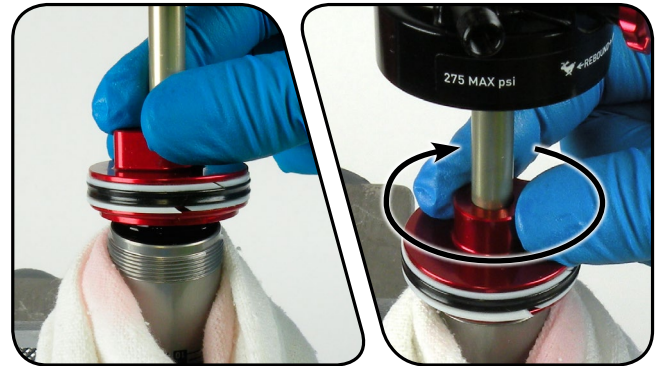
- 4** Check that the rebound adjuster is set to the minimum setting (toward the rabbit). Depress the remote button to open the compression valve, located directly beneath the piston. Slide the seal head/air piston until it stops at the end of the damper shaft.



- 5** Install the seal head/air piston onto the damper body and thread it completely onto the damper body.

Fluid will be displaced out of the bleed port.

Do not hold on to the shaft eyelet or damper shaft while inserting. It will move the piston/shaft assembly, causing too much fluid to displace out of the damper body.



- 6** Use a torque wrench with 17 mm crow foot to tighten the seal head/air piston to 28 N·m (250 in-lb).

Install the crow foot onto the torque wrench at a 90° angle to the handle to ensure an accurate torque reading.



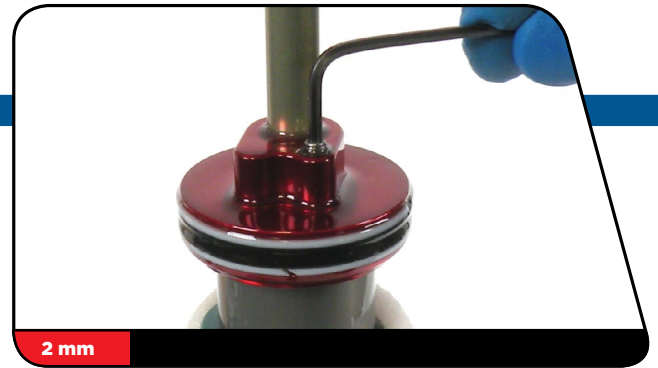
- 7** Insert the new compression ball into the bleed port.



- 8** Use a 2 mm hex to gently thread the bleed screw into the bleed port until you feel it touch the compression ball. Tighten the bleed screw an additional ½ turn.

NOTICE

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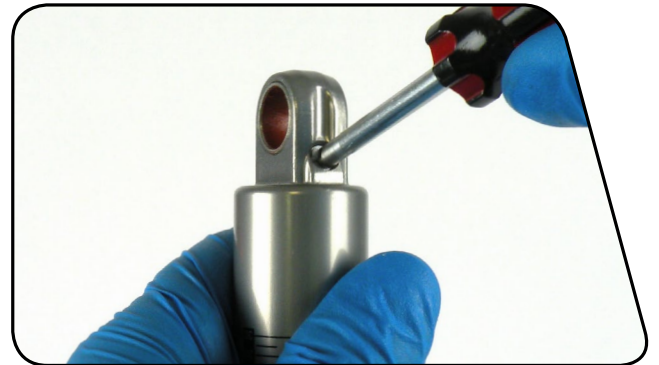
- 9** Remove the shock and vise blocks from the vise. Use a shock pump with the Monarch air fill adapter to pressurize the damper body to 34.4 bar (500 psi).

Once you have pressurized the shock, remove the Monarch air fill adapter from the air fill port BEFORE removing it from the shock pump. Separating the pump from the adapter first will allow all of the air to escape from the shock.

If you have the proper fill equipment, you may substitute air with nitrogen.



- 10** Use a Schrader valve tool to reinstall the air fill port cap.

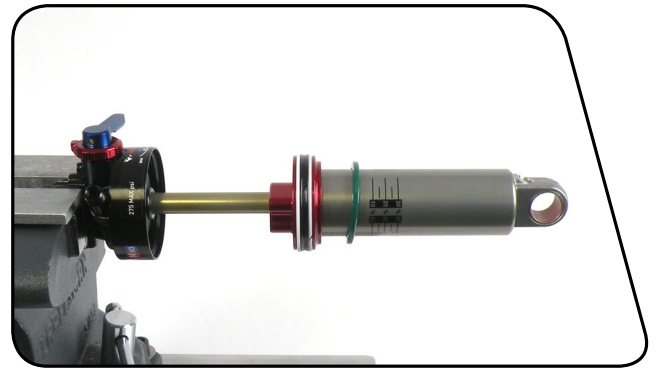


- 11** Spray the damper assembly with isopropyl alcohol and wipe it with a clean rag.

AIR CAN INSTALLATION

- 1** Clamp the shaft eyelet into a bench vise, so the shock is horizontal.

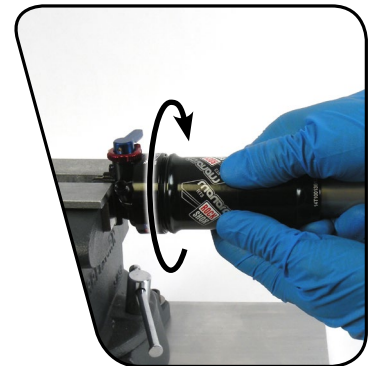
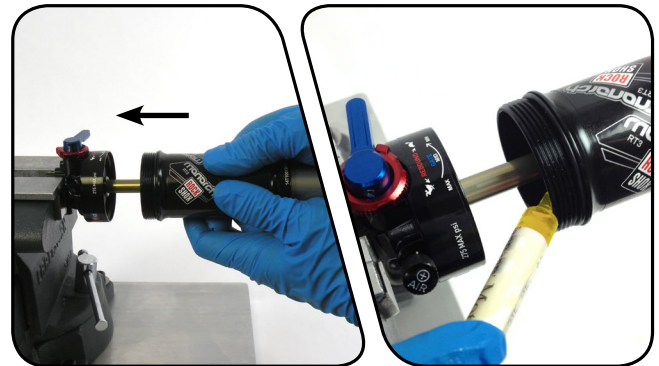
To prevent damage to the shock, use aluminum soft jaws to clamp the eyelet and position the shock so that the adjustment knobs are clear of the vise.



- 2** Position the threaded side of the air can over the damper body eyelet. Firmly press the air can onto the air piston and damper body until the air can is approximately 30 mm from the shaft eyelet threads. Pour/inject 0.2 mL of Maxima® Maxum4 Extra 15w 50 into the air can.

Continue to press the air can onto the damper body until the air can threads and shaft eyelet threads make contact. Thread the air can clockwise into the shaft eyelet. Tighten the air can, by hand, into the shaft eyelet as tightly as possible.

Ensure the outside of the air can is free from oil. This allows a better grip when tightening the air can onto the shaft eyelet. For high volume air cans, grip the lower portion of the can. Otherwise the high volume sleeve will rotate independent of the air can preventing tightening of the air can.

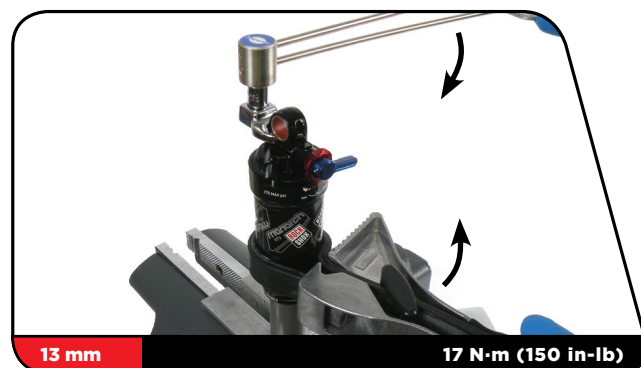


- 3** Remove the shock from the vise. Turn the shock over and clamp the damper eyelet into the vise, so the shock is vertical.

Use aluminum vise soft-jaws to protect the shock eyelet when clamped.



- 4** Use a strap wrench and a torque wrench with a 13 mm crow foot to tighten the air can to the air can eyelet to 17 N·m (150 in-lb).
- For high volume air cans, reinstall the high volume o-rings and sleeve.*



- 5** Use a Schrader valve tool to install a new valve core into the valve body.



- 6** Use a shock pump to inflate the shock to the desired air pressure, then install the valve cap.



- 7** Spray isopropyl alcohol on the entire shock and wipe it with a clean rag.

- 8** Reinstall the sag indicator o-ring and shock mounting hardware (see the [Mounting Hardware And Bushing Service](#) section). XX Remote removal

XLOC INSTALLATION

- 1** Install the XLoc and brake lever to the handlebar. Position the XLoc to your desired position, then install the clamp bolt and tighten it to 5-6 N·m (44-53 in-lb).



- 2** Attach the XLoc shifter to the XLoc bracket with the shifter mounting bolt. Use a T25 TORX® to tighten the shifter mounting bolt to 2.8-3.4 N·m (25-30 in-lb).



XLOC HOSE SHORTENING/REPLACEMENT

CAUTION

The XLoc damper remote lockout uses a specific hydraulic hose that is compatible with the system's suspension fluid.

- Do **NOT** use hydraulic brake fluid or mineral oil in the XLoc system. Only use RockShox Reverb Hydraulic fluid.
- Do **NOT** use hydraulic brake bleed tools to bleed the XLoc system. Only use the RockShox Reverb Hydraulic Bleed Kit.

PARTS AND TOOLS NEEDED FOR SERVICE

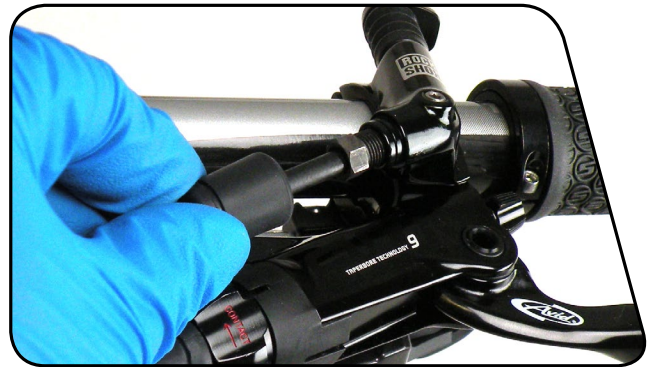
- Safety glasses
- Nitrile Gloves
- Oil pan
- Suspension specific grease
- Replacement XLoc hydraulic hose
- Hydraulic hose cutter or cable housing cutter
- RockShox Reverb Hydraulic Bleed Kit
- T10 TORX®
- 8 mm flare nut wrench
- Torque wrench
- 8 mm flare nut crowfoot

SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Always wear safety glasses and rubber gloves when working with suspension fluid.

HOSE SHORTENING

- 1** Pull the hose boot away from the XLoc remote to access the compression nut.



- 2** Use an 8 mm flare nut wrench to unthread the compression nut.



- 3** Pull the hose from the XLoc. Fluid will drip from the hose.
Do not push the XLoc button lever while the hose is removed.



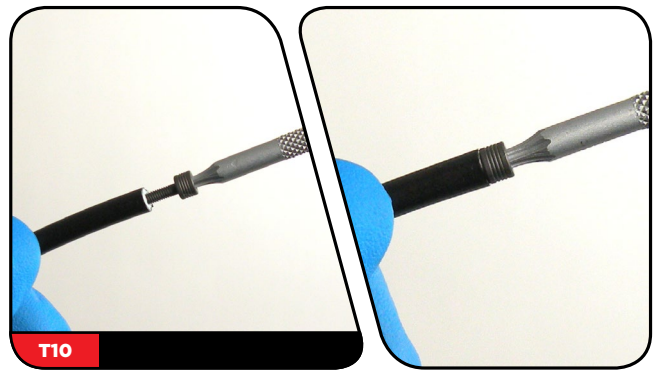
- 4** Slide the compression nut down the hose and away from the end where you'll be cutting. Determine where you need to cut the hose by holding it up to the XLoc in the position you like. Make sure to leave a gentle bend in the hose with enough length to freely turn the bars all the way from side to side. The groove in the XLoc nose marks the spot where you'll cut the hose. Double-check this measurement because you can't go back after you cut.

Use a hydraulic hose cutter to cut the hose.

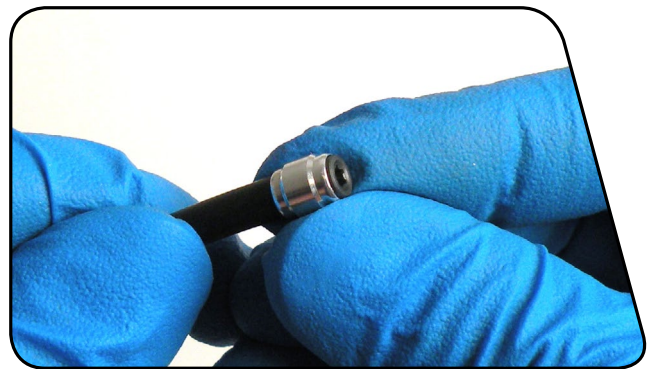


- 5** Apply grease to the compression fitting outer surfaces and compression nut threads.

- 6** While holding the hose firmly, use a T10 TORX® to thread the hose barb into the end of the hose until it bottoms out.



- 7** Slide a new compression fitting over the end of the hose and new hose barb.



- 8** Push the hose firmly into the XLoc until it stops.



- 9** While holding the hose in place, slide the compression fitting and compression nut against the XLoc.

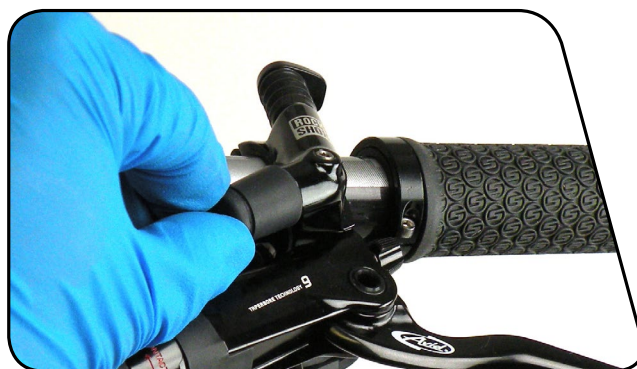


10 While continuing to push the hose into the XLoc, use a torque wrench with an 8 mm flare nut crowfoot to tighten the compression nut to 5 N·m (47 in-lb).

Do not release the hose until the compression nut is tightened to the proper torque value.



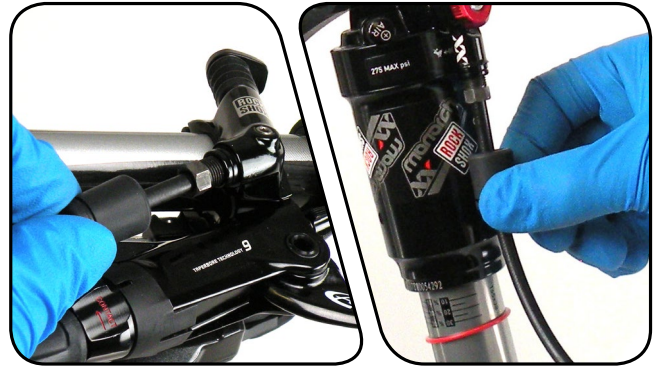
11 Slide the hose boot back into place.



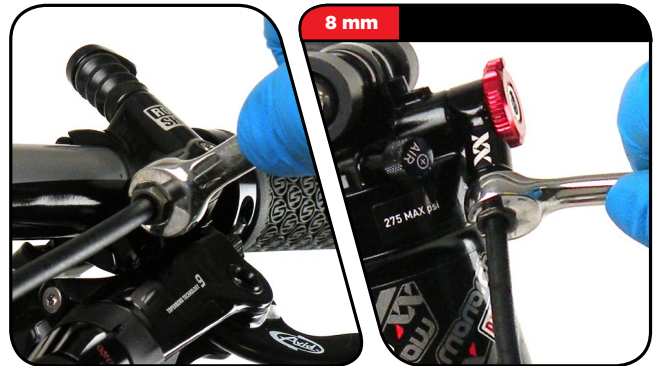
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HOSE REPLACEMENT

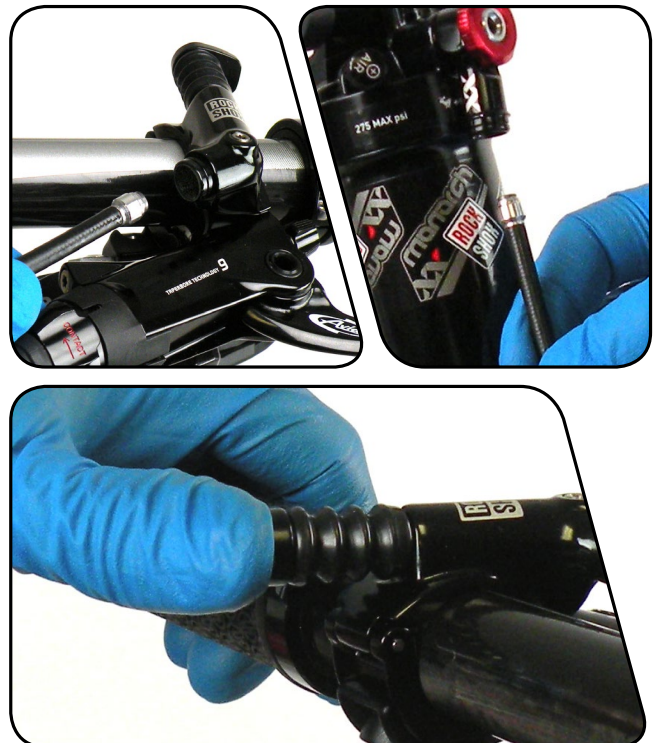
- 1** To replace the hydraulic hose: Pull the hose boot away from the XLoc and the shock swivel fitting to access the compression nuts.



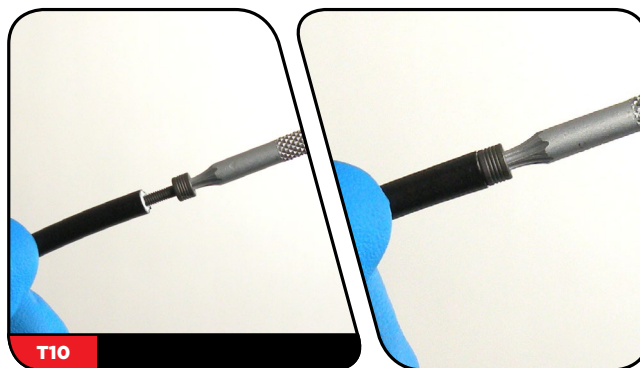
- 2** Use an 8 mm flare nut wrench to unthread the compression nuts from the XLoc and the shock swivel fitting.



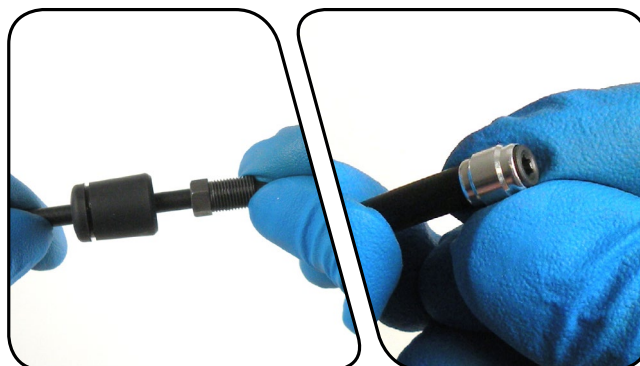
- 3** Pull the hose from the XLoc and the shock. Discard the hose.
Do not push the XLoc button lever while the hose is removed.
Fluid will drip from the hose.



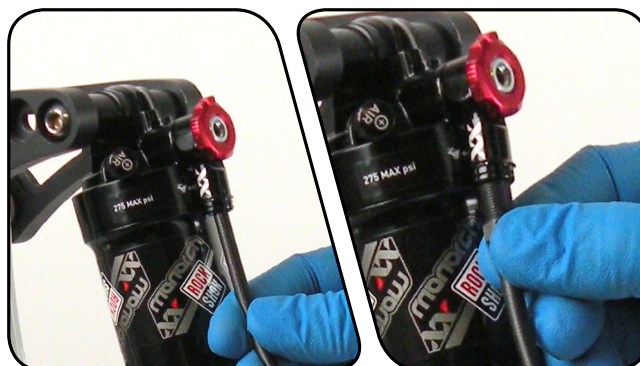
- 4** While holding the new hose firmly, use a T10 TORX® to thread the hose barb into one end of the hose until it bottoms out.



- 5** Slide the new boot, compression nut, and compression fitting over the end of the hose with the new hose barb.

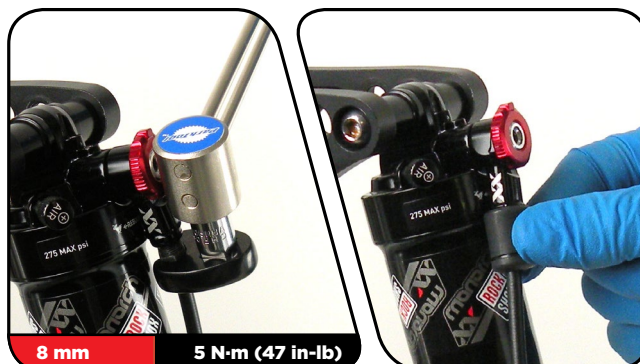


- 6** Push the hose firmly into the shock swivel fitting until it stops. While holding the hose in place, slide the compression fitting and compression nut to the swivel fitting.



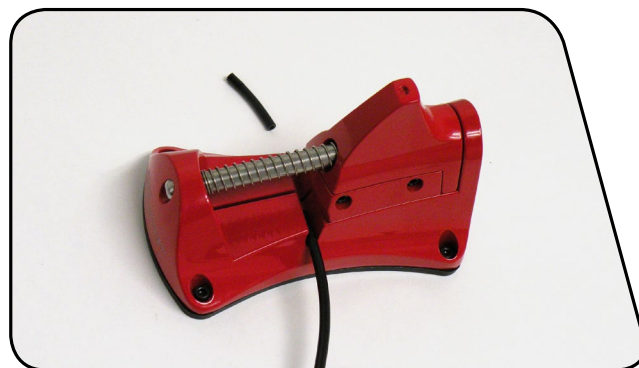
- 7** While continuing to push the hose into the shock, thread the compression nut into the swivel fitting. Use a torque wrench with an 8 mm flare nut crow foot to tighten the compression nut to 5 N·m (44 in-lb). Slide the boot back into place.

Do not release the hose until the compression nut is tightened to the proper torque value.



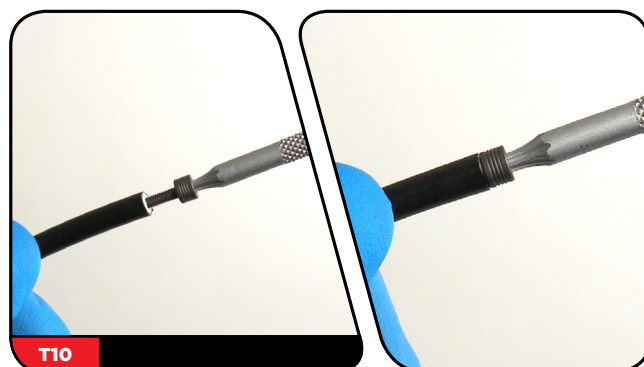
- 8** Determine where you need to cut the hose by holding it up to the XLoc in the position you like. Make sure to leave a gentle bend in the hose with enough length to freely turn the bars all the way from side to side. The groove in the XLoc nose marks the spot where you'll cut the hose.

Use a hydraulic hose cutter to cut the hose.

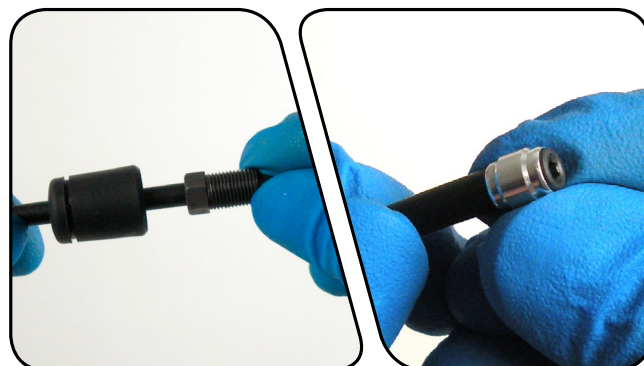


- 9** Apply grease to the compression fitting outer surfaces and compression nut threads.

- 10** While holding the hose firmly, use a T10 TORX® to thread the hose barb into the end of the hose until it is flush.



- 11** Slide the new boot, compression nut, and compression fitting over the end of the hose.



13 Push the hose firmly into the XLoc until it stops.



14 While holding the hose in place, slide the compression fitting and compression nut up to the XLoc.



15 While continuing to push the hose into the XLoc, use a torque wrench with an 8 mm flare nut crowfoot to tighten the compression nut to 5 N·m (47 in-lb).

Do not release the hose until the compression nut is tightened to the proper torque value.



16 Slide the hose boot into place.



Shortening the hose introduces air into the system. It is necessary to bleed the remote assembly for optimal performance. See the next section, “[XLoc Bleed Procedure](#)” for instructions.

XLOC BLEED PROCEDURE

PARTS AND TOOLS NEEDED FOR SERVICE

- Safety glasses
- Nitrile Gloves
- Replacement XLoc hydraulic hose
- T25, T10 TORX® wrenches
- Torque wrench
- T25, T10 TORX® bit sockets
- RockShox Reverb Hydraulic Fluid
- RockShox Reverb Hydraulic Bleed Kit

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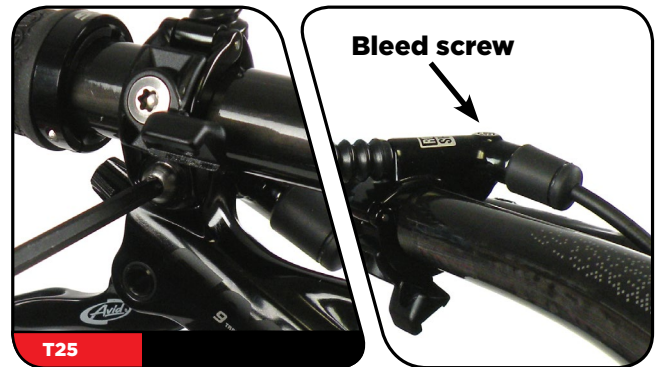
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BLEED PROCEDURE

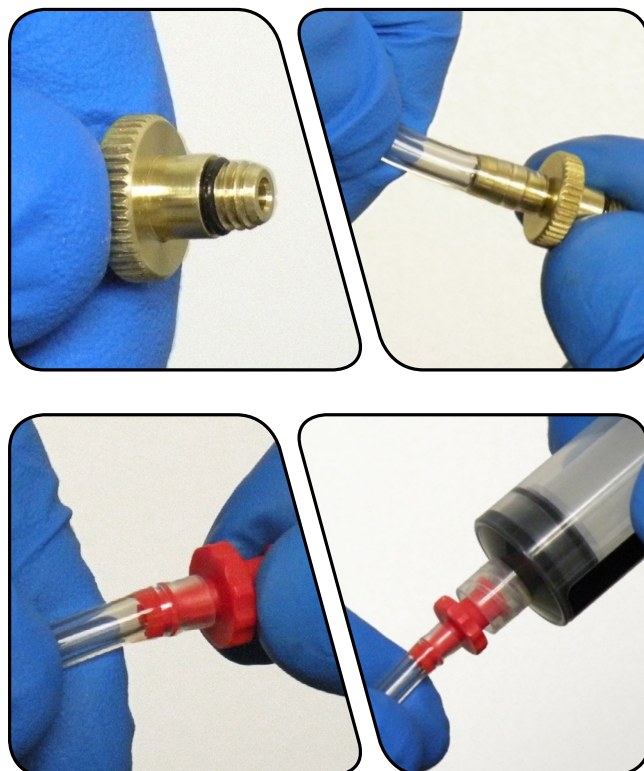
- 1** Use a T25 TORX to unthread the shifter mounting bolt and remove the shifter.



- 2** Use a T25 TORX to loosen the XLoc handlebar clamp. Position the XLoc so that the bleed screw is at the highest point, then re-tighten the clamp bolt.



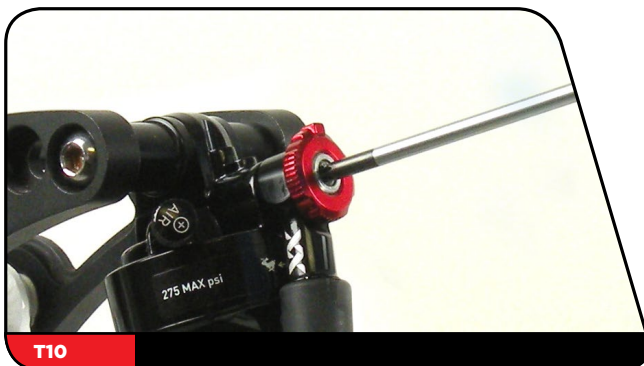
- 3** Assemble two RockShox Reverb bleed syringes:
Install the o-ring onto the end of the brass fitting. Insert the brass fitting into the plastic tube. Insert the red fitting into the other end of the plastic tube. Thread the red fitting into the syringe.



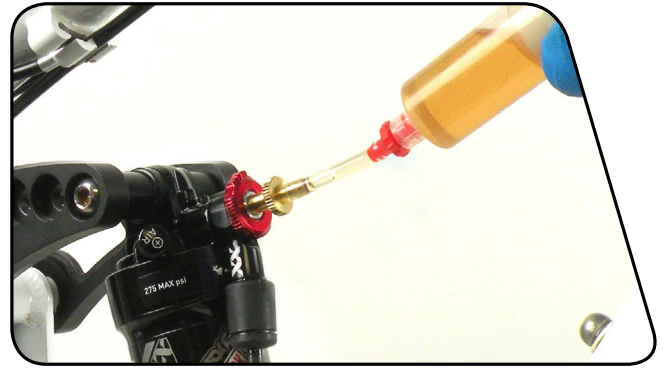
- 4** Fill both syringes with 10 mL of RockShox Reverb Hydraulic fluid.



- 5** Use a T10 TORX® to remove the bleed screw from the center of the rebound adjuster knob.



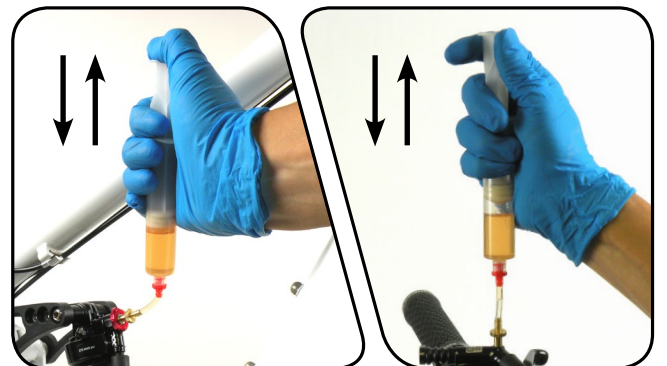
6 Thread one of the syringes into the damper bleed port.



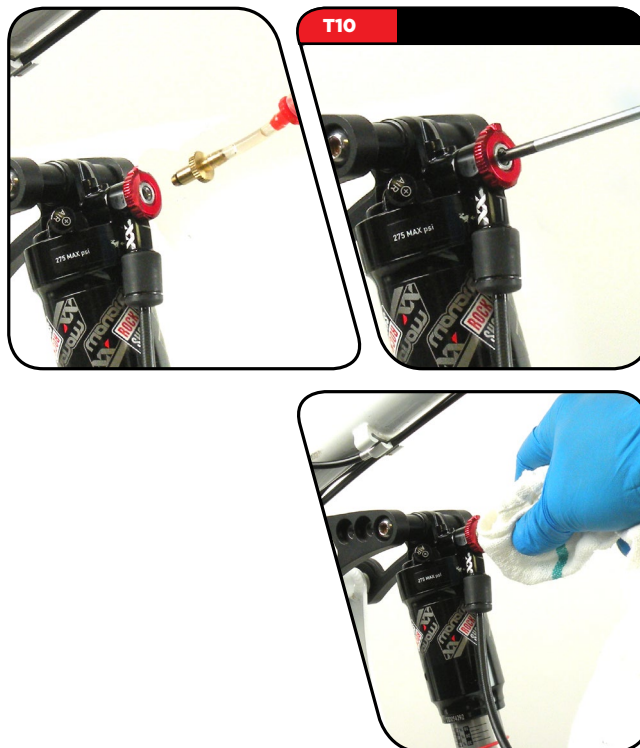
9 Use a T10 TORX® to remove the bleed screw from the XLoc.
Thread the brass fitting of the other syringe into the bleed port.



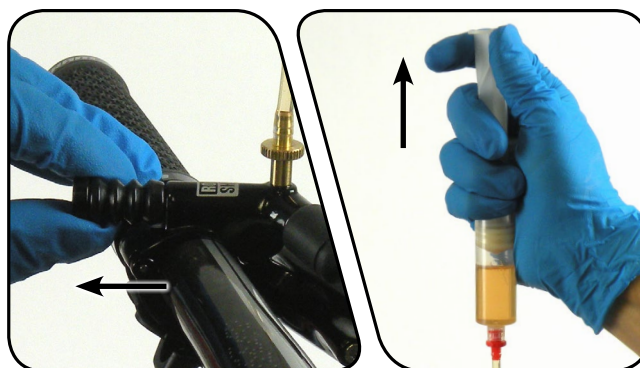
10 Hold both syringes upright. Depress the plunger of the damper syringe while gently pulling out on the plunger of the remote syringe. Reverse this process and repeat until no more bubbles move into the remote syringe.



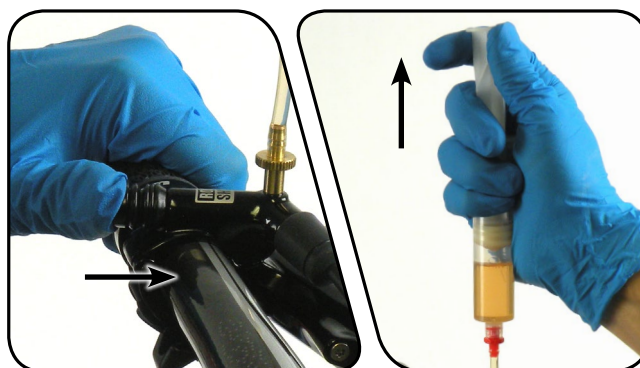
- 11** Unthread the syringe from the damper. Use a T10 TORX® to re-install the bleed screw into the damper. Use a rag to wipe off any excess suspension fluid.



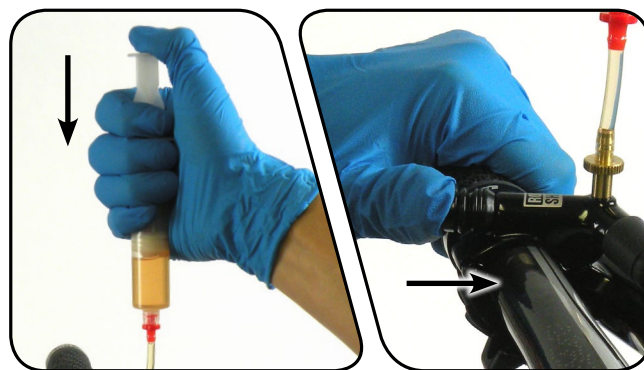
- 12** Hold the XLoc button in the extended (locked) position and pull out the syringe plunger. Small bubbles will move into the suspension fluid as air is pulled from the system.



- 13** Continue pulling out on the syringe plunger. Push in the XLoc button to the unlocked position. This will dislodge more bubbles from the remote into the syringe.



14 Depress the syringe plunger, then press in the XLoc button to release it to the locked position.



15 Repeat steps 12-14 until air bubbles no longer move into the suspension fluid. It can take several repetitions of this process to fully void the system of air.

16 Unthread the syringe fitting from the XLoc bleed port. Put a few drops of fluid into the bleed port. Install the bleed port screw and use a T10 TORX® to tighten it to 0.5-0.7 N·m (4.5-6 in-lb). Use a rag to wipe off any excess suspension fluid.



17 Use a T25 TORX® to loosen the XLoc handlebar clamp. Re-position the XLoc to your desired position, then tighten the clamp bolt to 5-6 N·m (44-53 in-lb).



- 18** Attach the XLoc shifter to the XLoc bracket with the shifter mounting bolt. Use a T25 TORX® to tighten the shifter mounting bolt to 2.8-3.4 N·m (25-30 in-lb).



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