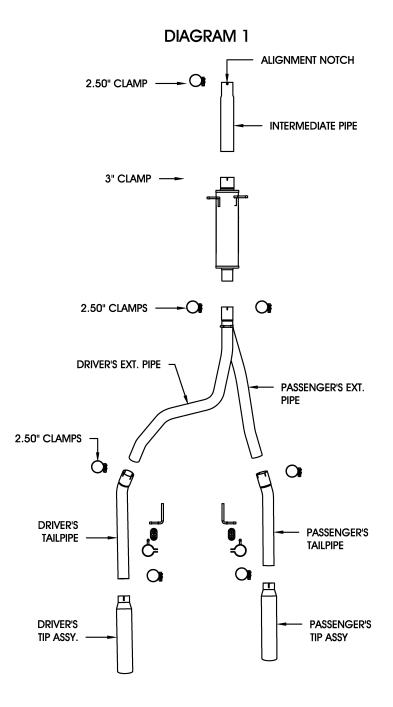


## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR 15735

#### 1997-1999 DODGE DAKOTA - V6 3.9L, V8 5.9L, EXT. CAB SHORT BED



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# **Step 1:** (Carefully read all instructions before installation) To remove the OEM exhaust system, remove the clamps attaching the muffler to the catalytic converter, and the tailpipe to the muffler. Remove the tailpipe from the OEM rubber insulators and extract it from the vehicle. Do not damage the OEM rubber insulators, as they will be re-used to mount the new system. Remove the muffler from the OEM rubber insulators in the same fashion.

Step 2: Install the new intermediate pipe by fastening it to the catalytic converter using one of the supplied 2.50" clamps, making sure the alignment notch is lined up around the peg on the catalytic converter (Leave all clamps and fasteners loose for final adjustment of the complete system). Fit the muffler to the intermediate pipe using the supplied 3.00" clamp and by fitting the welded hangers into the OEM rubber insulators. Install the threaded hangers and new rubber insulators in the pre-drilled holes on the frame as shown in Diagram 2. Fasten the hanger clamps to the tailpipes utilizing the supplied 5/16" fasteners before installing the tailpipes. Fit both extension pipes to the rear of the muffler using 2.50" clamps as shown in Diagram 1 (The driver's side extension goes on the top muffler outlet and the passenger's extension pipe goes on the lower muffler outlet). You can now install the tailpipes and adjust them for height using the threaded hangers and the remaining 2.50" clamps. Adjustable tips are provided to fit a variety of aftermarket bumpers and rollpans. Once a final position is chosen for the tips, it is recommended to have them welded to the tailpipes.

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DIAGRAM 2

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**Step 3:** With all components mounted loosely, adjust the system for overall aesthetics and clearance of frame & bodywork. (MAGNAFLOW recommends at least 1/2" of clearance between the exhaust system and any body panels to prevent heat-related body damage or fire.)

**Step 4:** Once a final position has been chosen for the new system, evenly tighten all fasteners from front to rear. The supplied band clamps must be VERY tight to properly align the pipes and prevent exhaust leaks (Approximately 40 ft-lbs). Inspect all fasteners after 25-50 miles of operation and retighten if necessary.

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