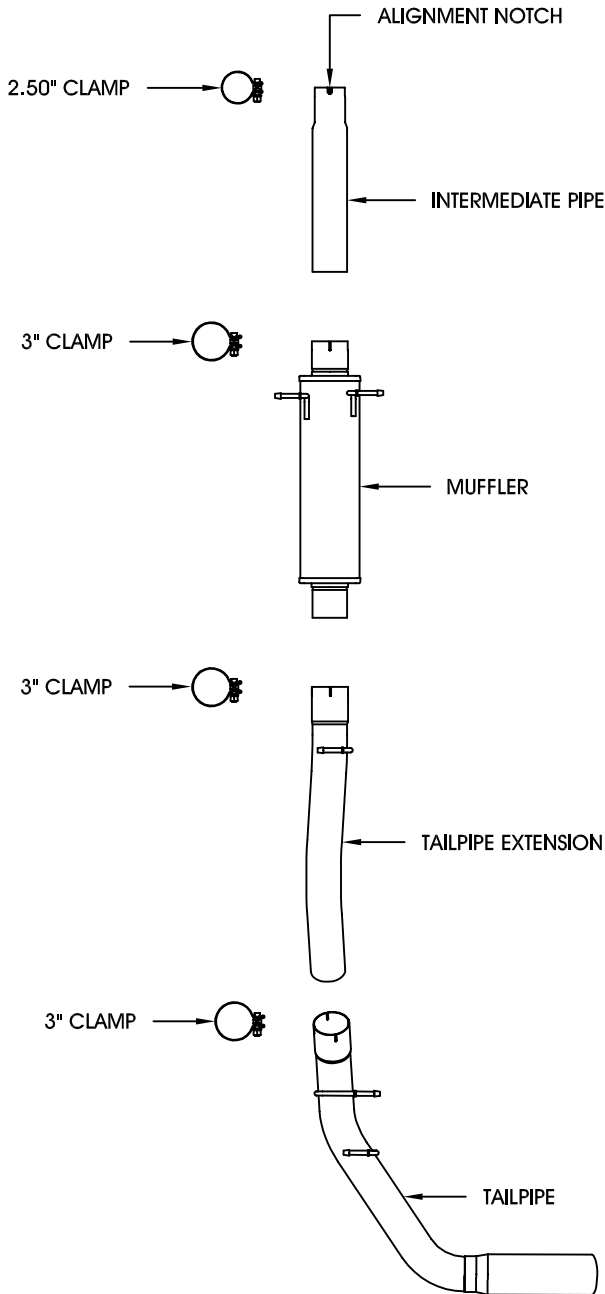


1997-1999 DODGE DAKOTA RT - V8 5.9L, EXT. CAB SHORT BED



**Warning:** When working on under or around any vehicle exercise caution. Please allow the vehicle's exhaust system to cool before removal, as exhaust system temperatures may cause severe burns. If working without a lift, always consult vehicle manual for correct lifting specifications. Always wear safety glasses and ensure safe work area. Serious injury or death could occur if safety measures are not followed.

**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 the supplied 2.50" clamp, making sure the alignment notch is lined up around the peg on the catalytic converter. Leave all fasteners loose for final adjustment of the complete system. Fit the welded hangers of the muffler into the OEM rubber insulators, and fasten it to the intermediate pipe using a supplied 3" clamp. Install the tailpipe extension and tailpipe assembly in the same fashion.

**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 properly align the pipes and prevent leaks (Approximately 65 ft-lbs.). Inspect all fasteners after 25-50 miles of operation and retighten if necessary.

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