# ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUPERLITE 6 FRONT BRAKE KIT FOR WILWOOD PROSPINDLE WITH 12.88" DIAMETER VENTED ROTOR\*

\*For additional vehicle compatibility, visit www.wilwood.com

BASE PART NUMBER

# 140-9919

# DISC BRAKES SHOULD ONLY BE INSTALLED BY SOMEONE EXPERIENCED AND COMPETENT IN THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF DISC BRAKES **READ ALL WARNINGS**

#### WARNING

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PERSON INSTALLING ANY BRAKE COMPONENT OR KIT TO DETERMINE THE SUITABILITY OF THE COMPONENT OR KIT FOR THAT PARTICULAR APPLICATION. IF YOU ARE NOT SURE HOW TO SAFELY USE THIS BRAKE COMPONENT OR KIT, YOU SHOULD NOT INSTALL OR USE IT. DO NOT ASSUME ANYTHING. IMPROPERLY INSTALLED OR MAINTAINED BRAKES ARE DANGEROUS. IF YOU ARE NOT SURE, GET HELP OR RETURN THE PRODUCT. YOU MAY OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT BY CALLING WILWOOD AT (805) 388-1188, OR VISIT OUR WEB SITE AT WWW.WILWOOD.COM. USE OF WILWOOD TECHNICAL SUPPORT DOES NOT GUARANTEE PROPER INSTALLATION. YOU, OR THE PERSON WHO DOES THE INSTALLATION MUST KNOW HOW TO PROPERLY USE THIS PRODUCT. IT IS NOT POSSIBLE OVER THE PHONE TO UNDERSTAND OR FORESEE ALL THE ISSUES THAT MIGHT ARISE IN YOUR INSTALLATION.

RACING EQUIPMENT AND BRAKES MUST BE MAINTAINED AND SHOULD BE CHECKED REGULARLY FOR FATIGUE, DAMAGE, AND WEAR.



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# WARNING DO NOT OPERATE ANY VEHICLE ON UNTESTED BRAKES! SEE MINIMUM TEST PROCEDURE WITHIN

ALWAYS UTILIZE SAFETY RESTRAINT SYSTEMS AND ALL OTHER AVAILABLE SAFETY EQUIPMENT WHILE OPERATING THE VEHICLE

### IMPORTANT • READ THE DISCLAIMER OF WARRANTY INCLUDED IN THE KIT

NOTE: Some cleaners may stain or remove the finish on brake system components. Test the cleaner on a hidden portion of the component before general use.

Before any tear-down or disassembly begins, review the following information:

- Review the wheel clearance diagram (figure 2, page 4) to verify that there is adequate clearance with the wheels you will be using with the installation.
- Front brake kits do not include flex lines. OEM brake lines will not adapt to Wilwood calipers. Check the
  assembly instructions, or associated components section for brake line recommendations before assembly.
  In addition, Wilwood offers an extensive listing of brake lines and fittings on our web site: <u>www.wilwood.com</u>.
- Due to OEM production differences and other variations from vehicle to vehicle, the fastener hardware and other components in this kit may not be suitable for a specific application or vehicle.
- It is the responsibility of the purchaser and installer of this kit to verify suitability / fitment of all components and ensure all fasteners and hardware achieve complete and proper engagement. Improper or inadequate engagement can lead to component failure.

# Photographic Tip

**Important** and highly recommended: Take photos of brake system before disassembly and during the disassembly process. In the event, trouble-shooting photos can be life savers. Many vehicles have undocumented variations, photos will make it much simpler for Wilwood to assist you if you have a problem.

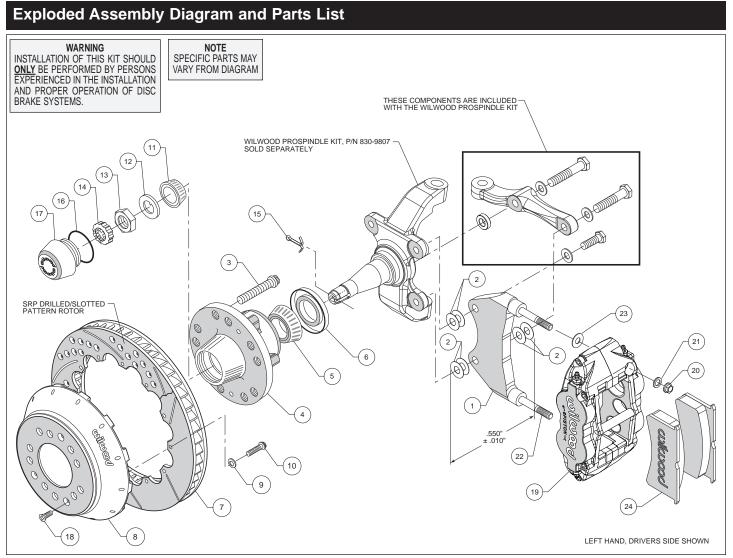


Figure 1. Typical Installation Configuration

## Parts List

ITEM NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	<u>QTY</u>
1	250-10826	Bracket, Caliper Mounting	2
2	240-3902	Shim, .016 Thick	16
3	230-6959	Stud, 1/2-20 x 2.00 Long, 12 Point	10
4	270-6989	Hub Assembly	2
5	370-0884	Cone, Inner Bearing	2
6	380-0885	Seal, Grease	2
7	160-12961/62	Rotor, 1.10" Thick x 12.88" Dia, 12 x 8.75" Bolt Circle (one each, left and right)	2
7A	160-13543/44-BK	Rotor, SRP Drilled and Slotted	2
8	170-6994	Hat	2
9	240-11240	Washer, .265 I.D. x .500 O.D. x .063 Thick	24
10	230-6737	Bolt, 1/4-20 x 1.00 Long, 12 Point	24
11	370-0882	Cone, Outer Bearing	2
12	240-2444	Washer, 7/8" Spindle	2
13	230-9548	Nut, Spindle	2
14	300-9549	Retainer, Nut	2
15	180-9541	Pin, Cotter	2
16	211-1674	O-ring	2
17	270-2158	Cap, Dust	2
18	230-10419	Bolt, 1/4-20 x .50 Long, Flat Head	6
19	120-11780/81-BK	Caliper, Superlite 6R (one each, left and right)	2
19A	120-8079/80-RSP	Caliper, Superlite 6R, Polished	2
19B	120-11780/81-RD	Caliper, Superlite 6R, Red	2
20	230-9183	Nut, 3/8-24 Self-Locking Hex Head	4
21	240-10190	Washer, .391 I.D. x .625 O.D. x .063 Thick	4
22	230-9078	Stud, 3/8-16 x 3/8-24 x 2.50 Long (pre-installed in bracket)	4
23	240-1159	Shim, .035 Thick	8
24	150-8855K	Pad, BP-10, Axle Set	1

NOTES:

P/N 230-4572 Bolt Kit, rotor to hat, includes part numbers 230-6737 and 240-11240

P/N 230-7032 Bolt Kit, hub to hat, includes part number 230-10419

P/N 250-10831 Bracket Kit, bracket to spindle/caliper to bracket, includes part numbers 230-9078, 230-9183, 240,1159, 240-10190, 240-3902 and 250-10826

P/N 370-10090 Locknut Kit, includes part numbers 180-9541, 230-9548, 240-2444 and 300-9549

Item 7A is an optional item and is included in the -"D" drilled rotor kits. Add "-D" to end of part number when ordering.

Item 19A is an optional item and is included in the -"P" polished caliper kits. Add "-P" to end of part number when ordering.

Item 19B is an optional item and is included in the -"R" red caliper kits. Add "-R" to end of part number whenordering.

### **General Information**

Installation of this kit should **ONLY** be performed by persons experienced in the installation and proper operation of disc brake systems. Before assembling the Wilwood front disc brake kit, double check the following items to ensure a trouble free installation.

•Make sure this is the correct kit to match the Wilwood ProSpindle which was purchased separately.

•Verify the hub stud pattern in this kit (5 x 4.50 or 5 x 4.75) matches the stud pattern of the vehicle's wheels.

•Inspect the package contents against the parts list to ensure that all components and hardware are included.

•Verify your wheel clearance using Figure 2.

## **Assembly Instructions**

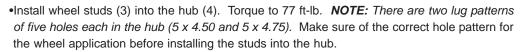
<u>Assembly Instructions</u> (numbers in parenthesis refer to the part list/diagram on the preceding pages): Rear hole refers to the part of the spindle that would be facing the back of the vehicle, front is facing the front of the vehicle.

•The caliper mounting bracket assembly (1) in conjunction with the Wilwood ProSpindle (P/N 830-9807, includes three mounting bolts, three washers, and a spacer, kit sold separately) should be installed first with clean, dry threads on the mounting bolts as follows:

•Install the bracket on the inboard side of the spindle by sliding the 1.25" long bolt from the ProSpindle kit through a flat washer, also from the ProSpindle kit, through the top hole of the caliper mounting bracket (1) and into the upper rear spindle mounting ear hole, do not tighten at this time. Use two thin shims (2) between the bracket and spindle during initial trial fitting.

•Slide the 2.00" long bolt from the ProSpindle kit through a flat washer, through the rear (thinner end) hole on the steering arm, through two shim washers (2), through bottom hole of mounting bracket (1), through another two shim washers (2), and finally into the lower rear spindle mounting hole. The bracket (1) is positioned between the steering arm and the spindle for the bottom bolt installation. The bracket and shim washers, for the lower rear mounting must be a thickness of .550 ± .010". Again, do not tighten.

•Finish installing the steering arm assembly by sliding the 2.25" long bolt through flat washer, then through the front (thicker end) hole of the steering arm. Place the .25" thick spacer between the steering arm and the backside of the spindle. Snug all three bolts. The bracket must tighten squarely against the inboard side of the caliper mounting bosses on the spindle body. Inspect for interference from casting irregularities, maching ridges, burrs, etc.



•With the larger I.D. side of the rotor (7) facing away from the hat (8), bolt the rotor (7) to the hat (8) through the backside of the rotor using washers (9) and bolts (10) provided in the configuration pictured in figure 1. Using an alternating sequence, apply red *Loctite*® 271 to the threads and torque bolts to 155 **in-lbs.** For an added measure of security, the bolts may be safety wired using standard 0.032 inch diameter stainless steel safety wire as shown in Figure 3. Please refer to Wilwood's data sheet DS-386 (available at www.wilwood.com/Pdf/DataSheets/ds386.pdf) for complete safety wire installation instructions.

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CALIPER

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Figure 2. Wheel Clearance Diagram

NOTE: A MINIMUM OF .080" CLEARANCE MUST BE MAINTAINED BETWEEN THE WHEEL AND CALIPER IN ALL AREAS

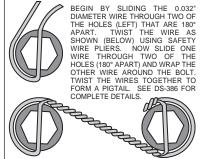


Figure 3. Safety Wire Diagram

•Pack the large inner bearing cone (5) with high temperature disc brake bearing grease (available from your local auto parts store) and install into the backside of the hub (4).

•Install the grease seal (6) by pressing into the backside of the hub (4).

•Pack the small outer bearing cone (11) with high temperature disc brake bearing grease and install into front of hub (4). Slide the hub assembly (3, 4, 5, and 6) with outer bearing cone (11) onto the spindle. Secure using spindle washer (12), adjusting nut (13) and nut retainer (14). secure to spindle using cotter pin (15). Adjust bearing using a 12" wrench to tighten the adjusting nut while turning the rotor. When the rotor binds slightly, all the bearing parts are seated properly. Back off the nut 1/6 to 1/4 of a turn or enough to allow 0.001 to 0.007 end play. Lock the nut with a new cotter pin. *WARNING: Failure to back off the adjusting nut may cause the bearing to run hot and be damaged, which could cause the wheel to lock or come off during operation, creating a risk of serious bodily harm.* 

•Install the o-ring (16) and the dust cap (17) onto the hub (4). Friction created by the o-ring (16) on the dust cap (17) keeps it from unscrewing on its own.

# **Assembly Instructions (Continued)**

•Install the hat and rotor assembly onto the hub. Check to be sure the hat seats squarely against the hub. The hub must be free from any rust, debris, casting burrs, machining irregularities, etc. Use several lug nuts to hold the rotor and hat firmly against the hub during the next phases of the installation and clearance checking procedures.

- •NOTE: This kit contains distinct right and left hand calipers that must be mounted in a specific direction, as described below. Lubricate the caliper mounting studs (22) with lightweight oil. Initially place two .035" thick shims (23) and on each stud as shown in Figure 1. Mount the caliper (19) onto the bracket (1) using lock nuts (20) and washers (21), Figure 1. Ensure that the caliper is mounted so that the largest pistons are at the rotor exit end of the caliper, in relation to the direction of rotor rotation. Temporarily tighten the lock nuts and view the rotor through the top opening of the caliper. The rotor should be centered in the caliper. If not, adjust the caliper mounting bracket by using .016" thick shims (2) placed between the caliper mounting bracket and the spindle, or between the spindle and the steering arm, whichever is applicable to gain the proper caliper/rotor alignment. Always use the same amount of shims on each of the mounting bolts. Once the caliper alignment is correct, remove the bracket mounting bolts one at a time, apply red *Loctite*<sup>®</sup> 271 to the threads, and torque to specifications outlined in the Wilwood ProSpindle kit.
- •Remove the caliper center bridge pad retainer bolt, nut, and tube from the caliper. Slide the brake pads (24) into place. They should install easily without interference. Check that the outside radius of the brake pad is aligned with the outside diameter radius of the rotor face. Add or subtract shims (23) between the caliper and mount bracket to gain the proper alignment. Reinstall the center bridge pad retainer tube, bolt, and lock nut. The locknut should be snug without play in the bolt or tube. Be cautious not to over tighten.
- •Remove the lug nuts that were holding the hat in place. Install three flat head socket head screws (18) through the small holes in the hat (8) and torque to 85 **in-lb**. Install the wheel and torque the lug nuts to manufacturer's specification. Check to see that the wheel rotates freely without interference.
- •Once all clearances have been checked, remove the wheel, caliper, hat, and rotor from the spindle and hub. Secure the caliper mounting bracket (1) to the spindle using red *Loctite*<sup>®</sup> 271 on the bolt threads. Torque the ProSpindle supplied bolts to 47 ft-lbs. Reinstall the hat and rotor assembly and again use several lug nuts to hold it in place. Reinstall the caliper, torque the caliper nuts (20) to 30 ft-lbs.

•Repeat this entire procedure for the other wheel.

- •NOTE: OEM rubber brake hoses generally cannot be adapted to Wilwood calipers. The caliper inlet fitting is a 1/8-27 NPT. The preferred method is to use steel adapter fittings at the caliper, either straight, 45 or 90 degree and enough steel braided line to allow for full suspension travel and turning radius, lock to lock. Carefully route lines to prevent contact with moving suspension, brake or wheel components. Wilwood hose kits are designed for use in many different vehicle applications and it is the installer's responsibility to properly route and ensure adequate clearance and retention for brake hose components.
- •Specified brake hose kits may not work with all Years, Makes and Models of vehicle that this brake kit is applicable to, due to possible OEM manufacturing changes during a production vehicle's life. It is the installer's responsibility to ensure that all fittings and hoses are the correct size and length, to ensure proper sealing and that they will not be subject to crimping, strain and abrasion from vibration or interference with suspension components, brake rotor or wheel.
- •In absence of specific instructions for brake line routing, the installer must use his best professional judgment on correct routing and retention of lines to ensure safe operation. Test vehicle brake system per the 'minimum test' procedure stated within this document before driving. After road testing, inspect for leaks and interference. Initially after install and testing, perform frequent checks of the vehicle brake system and lines before driving, to confirm that there is no undue wear or interference not apparent from the initial test. Afterwards, perform periodic inspections for function, leaks and wear in a interval relative to the usage of vehicle.

•Bleed the brake system. Reference the general information and recommendations on page 6 for proper bleeding instructions.

# Balancing the Brake Bias on 4 Wheel Disc Vehicles

#### •OE Style or Single Mount Race Pedal with Tandem Outlet Master Cylinder:

Front to rear caliper piston sizes, rotor diameters, and pad compounds must be initially configured to provide the correct range of vehicle bias when using a single bore / tandem outlet master cylinder. If excessive rear brake bias is experienced, an inline adjustable proportioning valve can be used to decrease the rear line pressure to help bring the vehicle into balance. If excessive front brake bias is experienced, first consideration should be given to increasing the rear brake bias to bring the vehicle into overall balance.

#### •Race Pedal with Dual Master Cylinders and Balance Bar:

Master cylinders must be sized to match the calipers and allow the pedal balance bar to operate near the center of its travel. If it is not possible to fine tune the bias within the adjustable range of the balance bar, then consideration must be given to changing a master cylinder bore size or some other aspect of the brake system to bring the car into balance. Larger bore master cylinders will generate less pressure while decreasing pedal travel. Smaller bores master cylinders will generate higher line pressures with an increase in pedal travel.

# **Additional Information and Recommendations**

•Fill and bleed the new system with Wilwood Hi-Temp<sup>o</sup> 570 grade fluid or higher. For severe braking or sustained high heat operation, use Wilwood EXP 600 Plus Racing Brake Fluid. Used fluid must be completely flushed from the system to prevent contamination. **NOTE:** Silicone DOT 5 brake fluid is **NOT** recommended for racing or performance driving.

•To properly bleed the brake system, begin with the caliper farthest from the master cylinder. Bleed the outboard bleed screw first, then the inboard. Repeat the procedure until all calipers in the system are bled, ending with the caliper closest to the master cylinder. **NOTE:** When using a new master cylinder, it is important to bench bleed the master cylinder first.

•If the master cylinder is mounted lower than the disc brake calipers, some fluid flowback to the master cylinder reservoir may occur, creating a vacuum effect that retracts the caliper pistons into the housing. This will cause the pedal to go to the floor on the first stroke until it has "pumped up" and moved all the pistons out against the pad again. A Wilwood in-line two pound residual pressure valve, installed near the master cylinder will stop the fluid flowback and keep the pedal firm and responsive.

•Test the brake pedal. It should be firm, not spongy and stop at least 1 inch from the floor under heavy load. If the brake pedal is spongy, bleed the system again.

If the brake pedal is initially firm, but then sinks to the floor, check the system for fluid leaks. Correct the leaks (if applicable) and then bleed the system again.

If the brake pedal goes to the floor and continued bleeding of the system does not correct the problem, a master cylinder with increased capacity (larger bore diameter) will be required. Wilwood offers various lightweight master cylinders with large fluid displacement capacities.

-- Check your wheel offset before final assembly.

•If after following the instructions, you still have difficulty in assembling or bleeding your Wilwood disc brakes, consult your local chassis builder, or retailer where the kit was purchased for further assistance.

# WARNING • DO NOT DRIVE ON UNTESTED BRAKES BRAKES MUST BE TESTED AFTER INSTALLATION OR MAINTENANCE <u>MINIMUM TEST PROCEDURE</u>

- Make sure pedal is firm: Hold firm pressure on pedal for several minutes, it should remain in position without sinking. If pedal sinks toward floor, check system for fluid leaks. DO NOT drive vehicle if pedal does not stay firm or can be pushed to the floor with normal pressure.
- At very low speed (2-5 mph) apply brakes hard several times while turning steering from full left to full right, repeat several times. Remove the wheels and check that components are not touching, rubbing, or leaking.
- Carefully examine all brake components, brake lines, and fittings for leaks and interference.
- Make sure there is no interference with wheels or suspension components.
- Drive vehicle at low speed (15-20 mph) making moderate and hard stops. Brakes should feel normal and positive. Again check for leaks and interference.
- Always test vehicle in a safe place where there is no danger to (or from) other people or vehicles.
- Always wear seat belts and make use of all safety equipment.

# Pad and Rotor Bedding

#### BEDDING STEPS FOR NEW PADS AND ROTORS – ALL COMPOUNDS

Once the brake system has been tested and determined safe to operate the vehicle, follow these steps for the bedding of all new pad materials and rotors. These procedures should only be performed on a race track, or other safe location where you can safely and legally obtain speeds up to 65 MPH, while also being able to rapidly decelerate.

- Begin with a series of light decelerations to gradually build some heat in the brakes. Use an on-and-off the pedal technique by applying the brakes for 3-5 seconds, and then allow them to fully release for a period roughly twice as long as the deceleration cycle. If you use a 5 count during the deceleration interval, use a 10 count during the release to allow the heat to sink into the pads and rotors.
- After several cycles of light stops to begin warming the brakes, proceed with a series of medium to firm deceleration stops to continue raising the temperature level in the brakes.
- Finish the bedding cycle with a series of 8-10 hard decelerations from 55-65 MPH down to 25 MPH while allowing a proportionate release and heat-sinking interval between each stop. The pads should now be providing positive and consistent response.
- If any amount of brake fade is observed during the bed-in cycle, immediately begin the cool down cycle.
- Drive at a moderate cruising speed, with the least amount of brake contact possible, until most of the heat has dissipated from the brakes. Avoid sitting stopped with the brake pedal depressed to hold the car in place during this time. Park the vehicle and allow the brakes to cool to ambient air temperature.

#### **COMPETITION VEHICLES**

- If your race car is equipped with brake cooling ducts, blocking them will allow the pads and rotors to warm up quicker and speed up the bedding process.
- Temperature indicating paint on the rotor and pad edges can provide valuable data regarding observed temperatures during the bedding process and subsequent on-track sessions. This information can be highly beneficial when evaluating pad compounds and cooling efficiencies.

# Pad and Rotor Bedding (Continued)

#### **POST-BEDDING INSPECTION – ALL VEHICLES**

• After the bedding cycle, the rotors should exhibit a uniformly burnished finish across the entire contact face. Any surface irregularities that appear as smearing or splotching on the rotor faces can be an indication that the brakes were brought up to temperature too quickly during the bedding cycle. If the smear doesn't blend away after the next run-in cycle, or if chatter under braking results, sanding or resurfacing the rotors will be required to restore a uniform surface for pad contact.

#### PRE-RACE WARM UP

 Always make every effort to get heat into the brakes prior to each event. Use an on-and-off the pedal practice to warm the brakes during the trip to the staging zone, during parade laps before the flag drops, and every other opportunity in an effort to build heat in the pads and rotors. This will help to ensure best consistency, performance, and durability from your brakes.

#### DYNO BEDDED COMPETITION PADS AND ROTORS

· Getting track time for a proper pad and rotor bedding session can be difficult. Wilwood offers factory dyno-bedded pads and rotors on many of our popular competition pads and Spec 37 GT series rotors. Dyno-bedded parts are ready to race on their first warm up cycle. This can save valuable time and effort when on-track time is either too valuable or not available at all, Dyno-bedding assures that your pads and rotors have been properly run-in and are ready to go. Contact your dealer or the factory for more information on Wilwood Dyno-Bedding services.

#### NOTE:

NEVER allow the contact surfaces of the pads or rotors to be contaminated with brake fluid. Always use a catch bottle with a hose to prevent fluid spill during all brake bleeding procedures.



# **Associated Components**

#### DESCRIPTION

260-8555	Wilwood 1.00" Bore Aluminum Tandem Master Cylinder
260-8556	Wilwood 1.12" Bore Aluminum Tandem Master Cylinder
260-1874	Wilwood Residual Pressure Valve (2 lb for disc brakes)
260-1876	Wilwood Residual Pressure Valve (10 lb for drum brakes)
260-8419	Wilwood Proportioning Valve
260-11179	Wilwood Combination Proportioning Valve with Brake Light Switch
290-0632	Wilwood Racing Brake Fluid (Hi-Temp° 570) (12 oz)
290-6209	Wilwood Racing Brake Fluid (EXP 600 Plus) (16.9 oz)
290-11084	Wilwood "FIVE" DOT 5 Silicone Brake Fluid (12 oz) • NOT Recommended for Racing
290-11087	Wilwood Synthetic Assembly Lube (4 oz)
150-9415K	BP-20 Street Performance / Racing Brake Pads • Baseline Pad for Track Oriented Street Cars
150-11736K	BP-30 High Temperature Racing Brake Pads • Race Only Pad for SCCA Club Racers, Rally, or Auto-Cross
150-12244K	BP-40 High Temperature Racing Brake Pads • Race Only Pad for Severe Duty Oval, Road Course, or Off-Road
220-7056	Stainless Steel Braided Flexline Kit, Universal, 14 Inch, Domestic, 3/8-24 IF
220-7699	Stainless Steel Braided Flexline Kit, Universal, 16 Inch, Domestic, 3/8-24 IF
220-8307	Stainless Steel Braided Flexline Kit, Universal, 18 Inch, Domestic, 3/8-24 IF
220-8338	Stainless Steel Braided Flexline Kit, Universal, 14 Inch, Metric 10mm x 1.0
220-6856	Stainless Steel Braided Flexline Kit, Universal, 18 Inch, Metric 10mm x 1.0