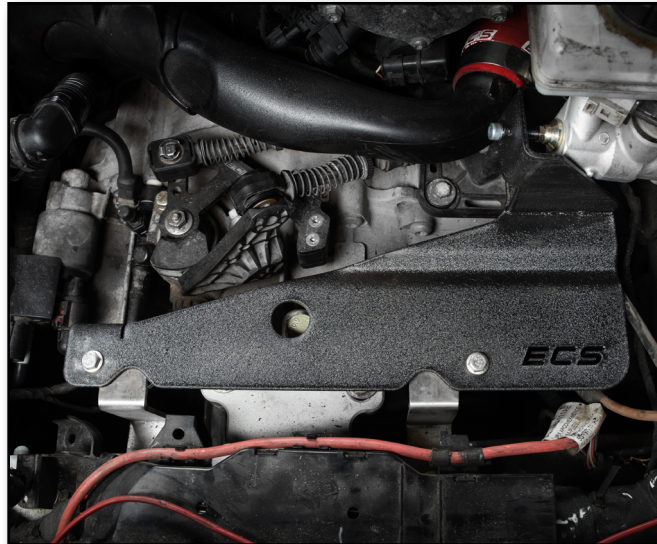




VW MK7/MK8 Brake Master Cylinder Brace Kit Installation Instructions - [Click HERE to Shop](#)



Skill Level
1 - Easy
Basic Skills
Required



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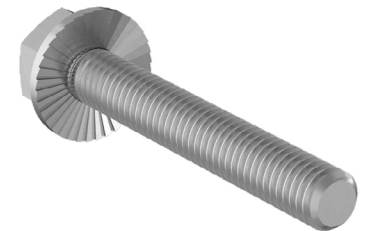
KIT CONTENTS

x1



Master Cylinder Brace

x2



M6x40mm Flange Bolt

REQUIRED TOOLS

Note: The tools required for each step will be listed by the step number throughout these instructions.

Standard Automotive Tools

- Protecta-Sockets (for lug nuts).....[ES#2221243](#)
- **3/8" Drive Ratchet**.....[ES#2765902](#)
- 3/8" Drive Torque Wrench.....[ES#2221245](#)
- **3/8" Drive Deep and Shallow Sockets**.....[ES#2763772](#)
- **3/8" Drive Extensions**.....[ES#2804822](#)
- Hydraulic Floor Jack.....[ES#2834951](#)
- Torx Drivers and Sockets.....[ES#11417/8](#)
- 1/2" Drive Deep and Shallow Sockets.....[ES#2839106](#)
- 1/2" Drive Ratchet
- 1/2" Drive Extensions
- 1/2" Drive Torque Wrench.....[ES#2221244](#)
- 1/2" Drive Breaker Bar.....[ES#2776653](#)
- Bench Mounted Vise
- Crows Foot Wrenches
- Hook and Pick Tool Set.....[ES#2778980](#)

Required For This Install

- **1/4" Drive Ratchet**.....[ES#2823235](#)
- **1/4" Drive Deep and Shallow Sockets**.....[ES#2823235](#)
- **1/4" Drive Extensions**.....[ES#2823235](#)
- Plier and Cutter Set.....[ES#2804496](#)
- Flat and Phillips Screwdrivers.....[ES#2225921](#)
- Jack Stands.....[ES#2763355](#)
- Ball Pein Hammers
- Pry Bar Set.....[ES#1899378](#)
- Electric/Cordless Drill
- Wire Strippers/Crimpers
- Drill Bits
- Punch and Chisel Set
- **Hex Bit (Allen) Wrenches and Sockets**.....[ES#11420](#)
- Thread Repair Tools.....[ES#1306824](#)
- **Open/Boxed End Wrench Set**.....[ES#2765907](#)

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Specialty Tools

- **Spring Clamp Pliers**.....[ES#2702616](#)
- **VAG Connector Removal Tool**.....[ES#2628676](#)

INSTALLATION NOTES

- **RH** refers to the *passenger side* of the vehicle.
- **LH** refers to the *driver side* of the vehicle.
- Always use the proper torque specifications.
- If applicable to this installation, torque specifications will be listed throughout the document and at the end as well.
- Please read all of these instructions and familiarize yourself with the complete process **BEFORE** you begin.

GENERAL PREPARATION AND SAFETY INFORMATION

ECS Tuning cares about your health and safety, please read the following safety information. This information pertains to automotive service in general, and while it may not pertain to every job you do, please remember and share these important safety tips.

- Park your car in a safe, well lit, level area.
- Shut the engine off and remove the key from the ignition switch.
- Make sure any remote start devices are properly disabled.
- **ALWAYS** wear safety glasses.
- Make sure the parking brake is applied until the vehicle is safely lifted and supported.
- Whether lifting a vehicle using an automotive lift or a hydraulic jack, be sure and utilize the factory specified lift points.
- Lifting a vehicle in an incorrect location can cause damage to the suspension/running gear.
- **ALWAYS** support the vehicle with jack stands.
- **ALWAYS** read and follow all safety information and warnings for the equipment you are using.



NEVER get underneath a vehicle that is supported only by a jack, and **ALWAYS** make sure that the vehicle is securely supported on jack stands.

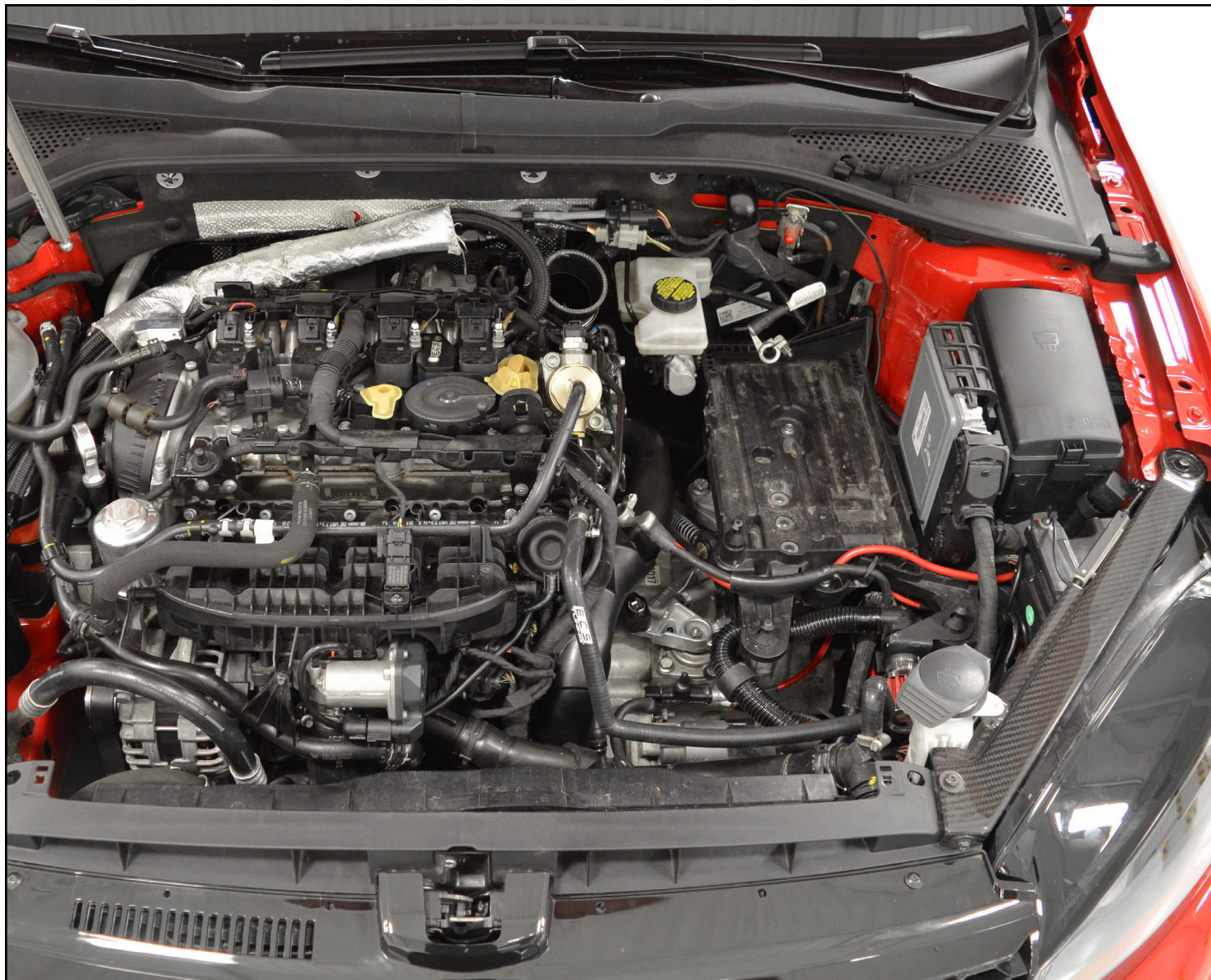
REMOVING THE BATTERY TRAY

Step 1:

To begin this install we need to disconnect the negative battery terminal. Then remove the following:

- Intake tube
- Front air scoop
- Battery
- Battery insulation

Continue to the next page once you reach this point.

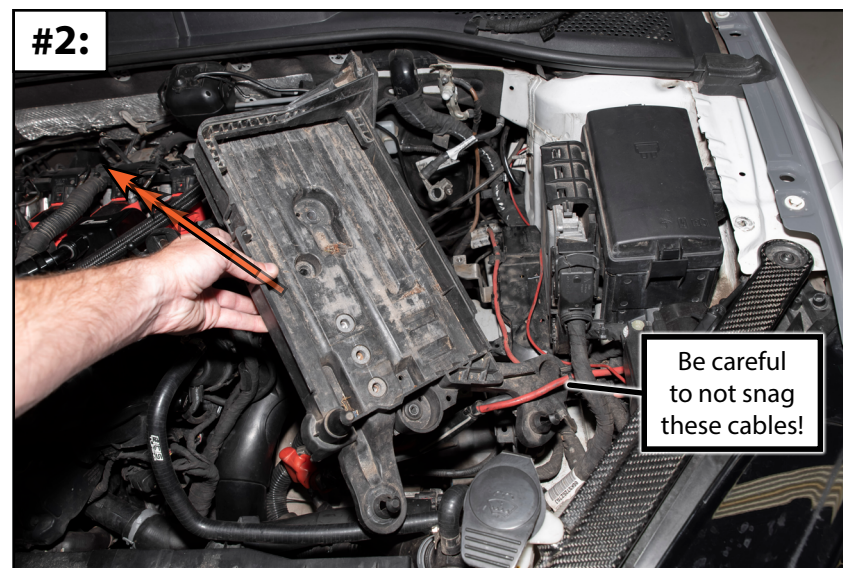
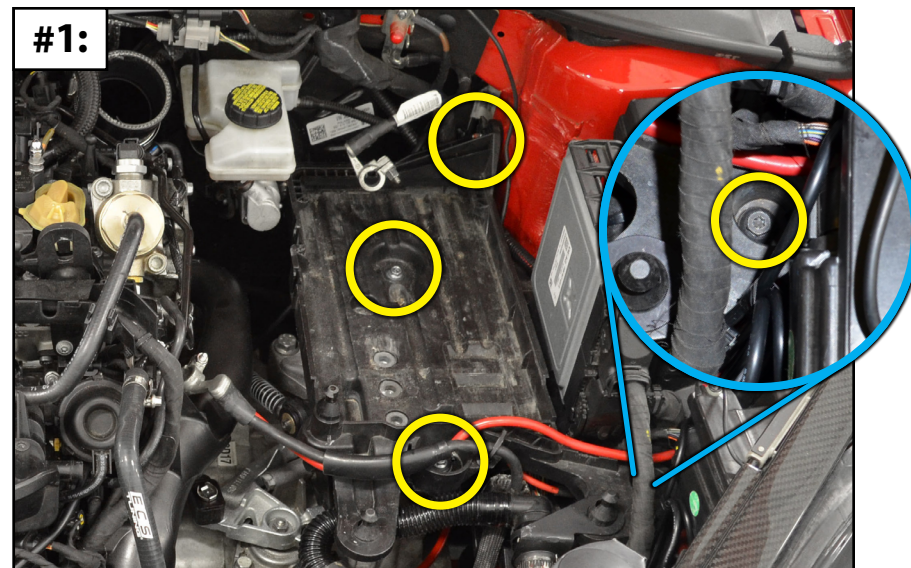


REMOVING THE BATTERY TRAY

Step 2: 10mm Socket & Ratchet

Remove the three bolts and one nut which secure the battery tray to the chassis (circled in **YELLOW** in **Photo #1**).

Rotate the battery tray slightly and guide it out of the engine bay as shown (**Photo #2**). Be careful to not snag the fuse box cables with the corner of the battery tray.

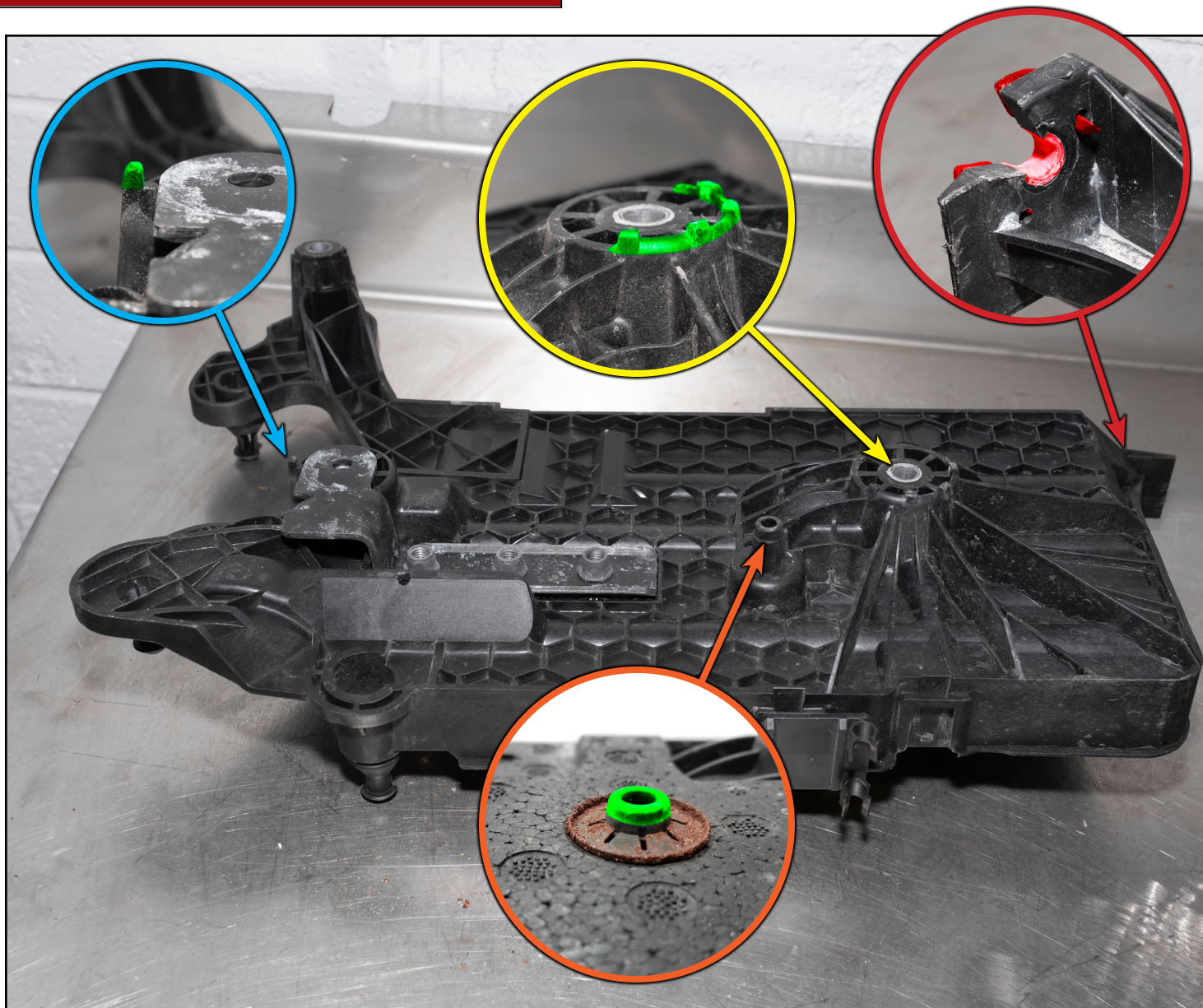


INSTALLING THE MASTER CYLINDER BRACE KIT

Step 1:

We need to start by trimming a few areas underneath the battery tray. These various plastic tabs and fingers prevent the new master cylinder brace from sitting flush against the battery tray. Reference the inset photos on the right for their locations, trim or file away any areas highlighted in **GREEN**.

The **RED** inset photo shows the rear mounting ear on the battery tray. There is a small plastic spacer and a metal sleeve (both highlighted in **RED**) which both need to be removed.



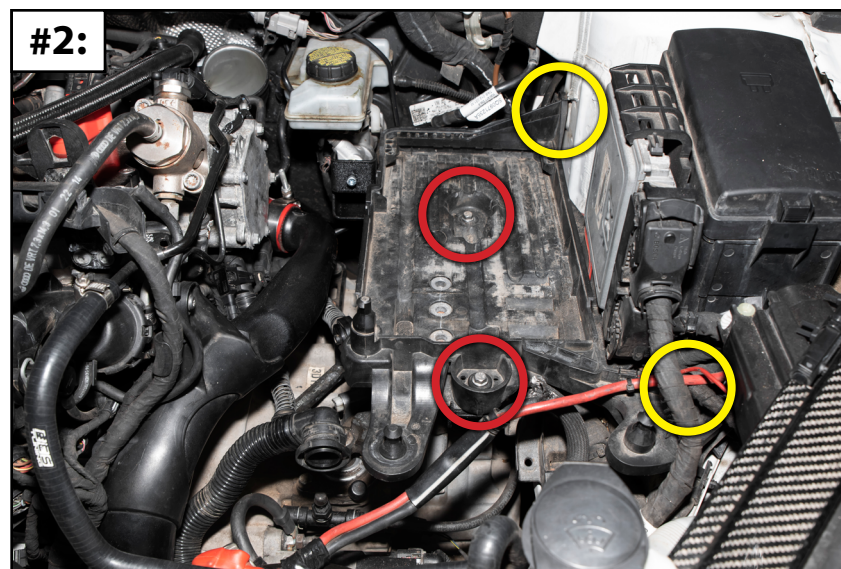
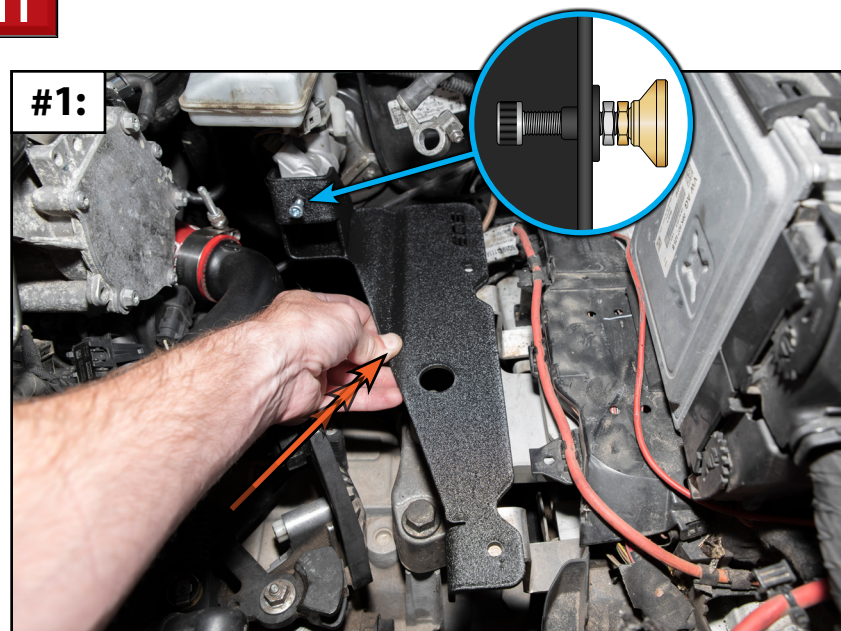
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Step 2: 10mm Socket & Ratchet

Make sure that the adjustment bolt on the new master cylinder brace is completely backed off (see the **BLUE** inset photo in **Photo #1**).

Guide the new master cylinder brace into position (**Photo #1**).

Install the battery tray on top of the brace. Please note that you need to use the supplied M6x40mm bolts to secure the brace to the transmission mount (circled in **RED** in **Photo #2**), and use the factory hardware everywhere else (circled in **YELLOW** in **Photo #2**). Tighten down the hardware until snug.

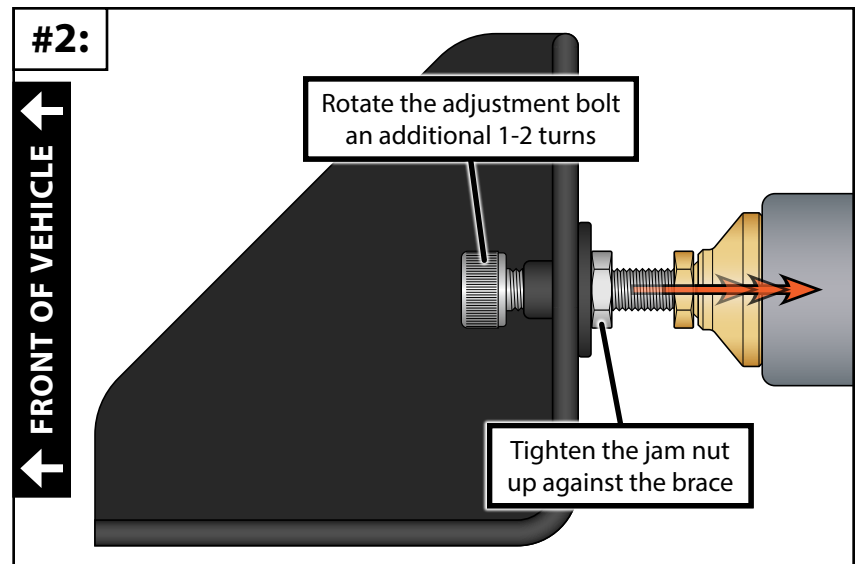
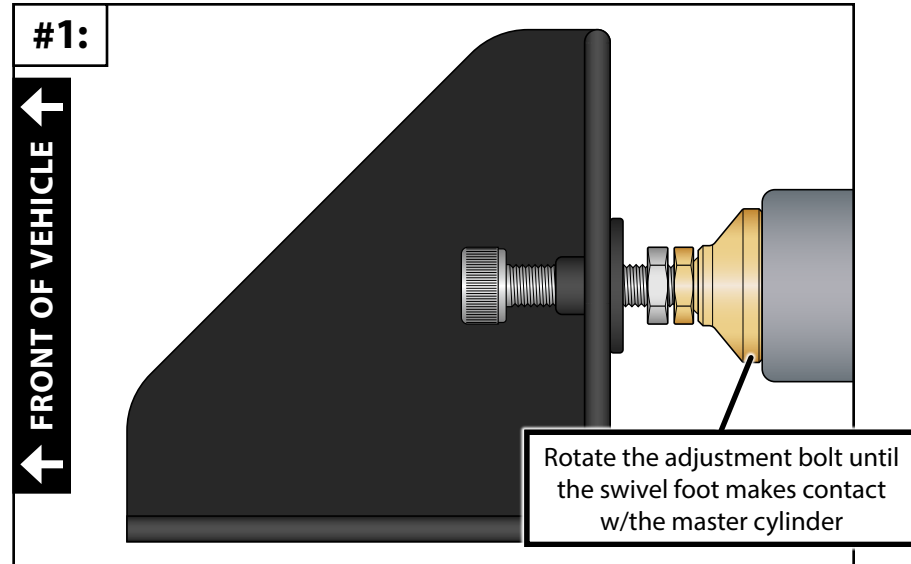


INSTALLING THE MASTER CYLINDER BRACE KIT

Step 3: 5mm Hex (Allen), 10mm Wrench

Thread in the adjustment bolt until it makes contact with the front of the brake master cylinder (**Photo #1**).

Rotate the bolt an additional 1-2 turns to place tension against the master cylinder (**Photo #2**). We don't need to apply a lot of pressure here. Tighten the jam nut up against the master cylinder brace to lock in your adjustment.

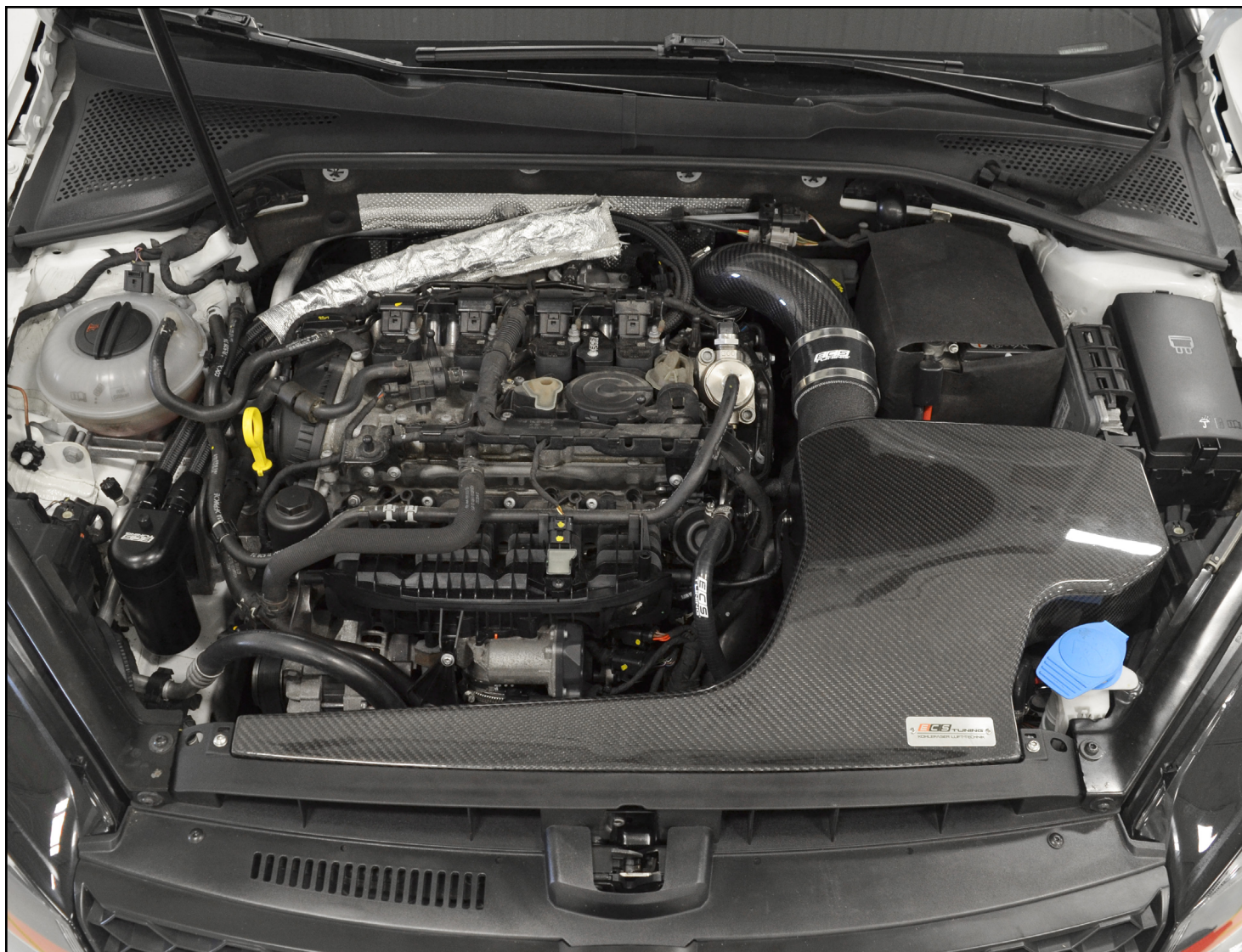


REASSEMBLY

Step 1:

Reinstall the following:

- Battery
- Battery insulation
- Air box
- Intake system
- Reconnect battery cables



Congratulations, your brake master cylinder brace kit installation is now complete!

Your Brake Master Cylinder Brace Kit installation is complete!



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