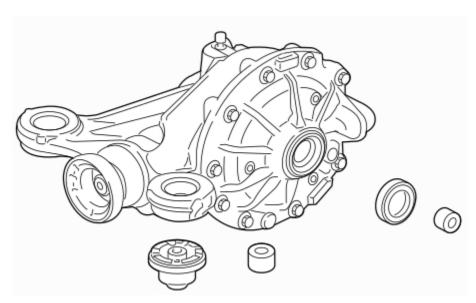
Jaguar F-Type Rear Axle Removal & Installation

Objective

To successfully install a rebuilt rear differential, with a process that is within a home mechanic's capability.



[MFactory Helical Diff]

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Starting Point

This document describes a simplified process to remove a rear differential, and swap in a rebuilt rear differential. It assumes all other vehicle parts are in good working order and do not need replacement.



[picture of the rear axle on the ground or dolly]

Jaguar Applications

This document is primarily for the V6 S/C Jaguar F-Types, from 2013 to 2020. The V8 F-Types with electronically controlled differential are similar. Not sure about other Jaguars outside this range.

Simplifications

The following procedure is under development, but it attempts to minimize the number of steps needed to make the rear differential swap. Overly cumbersome steps were eliminated as well as the need for special tools. A key simplification may require that two holes be cut into the rear cargo bay floor to access two mounting bolts on the rear side of the differential. This is to save several hours of labor and the use of specialized sub frame jacking equipment.

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Preparations

To prepare for the Rear Axle swap, the following items are recommended.

- Tools
- o Floor jack to raise the vehicle, and support the differential
- Jack stands to support the vehicle
- Ratchet set and assorted deep or shallow sockets
- Assorted Wrenches
- o Torque Wrench up to 160 [Nm], 120 [ft-lbs]
- Materials
 - Hypoid Gear Oil
 - Thread locking compound ??

- Parts
- Driveshaft bolts? x6
 Jag part number:
- Other bolts? xN

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Process – Simplified Edition

Disassembly

- 1. Raise the rear of the vehicle, and place on jack stands
 - a. Raise rear of vehicle so differential is at least 30? cm above ground level
 - b. Locate stands forward of the rear axle brace
- 2. Remove the rear tires and inner rocker panel shields
 - a. Remove plastic push tabs (x11 per side)
- 3. Drain the rear differential case of oil
- 4. Remove the rear halfshafts from differential (apply to both sides of vehicle)
 - a. Keep halfshaft nut fastened to wheel hub (no need to remove this)
 - b. Remove rear brake calipers and brake rotors (hang caliper to one side)
 - c. Release tie rod arm from wheel hub
 - d. Release upper control arm from wheel hub (two wrench method)
 - e. Loosen lower control arm bolt
 - f. Pull wheel hub and axle halfshaft assembly away from Differential
- 5. Remove the rear exhaust system
- 6. Remove the rear undershield (x7 clips, fasteners)
- 7. Remove the rear suspension support brace (x10 total fasteners)
- 8. Remove the driveshaft rear heat shield (x4 fasteners)
- 9. Disconnect the driveshaft from the rear differential input flange
 - a. Support the driveshaft to prevent damage to the center carrier
- 10. Remove the rear suspension cross brace (x10 fasteners)
- 11. Remove the rear mounting bolts to the differential
 - a. Use special low profile tool for M14 bolts (XX mm socket or tool 204-477)
 - b. The rear bolts may have minimal clearance with the cargo bay floor
 - c. Option: cut two holes in rear cargo bay floor to access rear bolts
- 12. Support the rear differential (75 lbs) with a floor jack or equivalent
- 13. Remove the front mounting bolts to the differential (15mm hex bolts)
- 14. Lower the rear differential from the vehicle
 - a. Locate and save the breather cap from the top of the differential

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Reassembly

The reverse of Disassembly

Install rebuilt rear differential into subframe with assistance of a floor jack
 front mounting bolt torque = 90 Nm
 rear mounting bolt torque = 160 Nm
Install rear suspension cross brace
Torx bolts = 25 Nm
○ M10 bolts = 45 Nm
Reconnect driveshaft to rear differential
o Bolts = 75 Nm (x6 renew)
Install the rear suspension support brace
○ Torx bolts = 25 Nm
○ M10 bolts = 45 Nm
Install the rear undershield
o torque = 10 Nm ?? clips
Install rear exhaust components
Insert the halfshafts into the rear differential
 Reposition the wheel hub and halfshafts
 Connect upper control arm to wheel hub (two wrench method)
 Connect tie rod to wheel hub
 Connect brake rotor and caliper
 Tighten the lower control arm bolt and all others attached to the hub
Install rocker panel moldings
Install wheels
Patch rear cargo bay holes rivets and aluminum

Fill Differential with Oil

- ☐ Use 1 liter bottle with hand pump
 - o GL-5 synthetic gear oil, quantity TBD
 - o No friction modifiers for the helical rear diff.

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