



# LAKEWOOD DRIVE SHAFT SAFETY LOOP #18017 INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Fits 1979-2001 MUSTANGS

The Lakewood Drive Shaft Safety Loop is made from 1/4" thick steel and is 2" wide which complies with specifications stated in the NHRA & IHRA rule books. This safety loop is designed to fit near the transmission tail shaft in the tunnel area.

**WORK SAFELY!** Installation of this Drive Shaft Safety Loop requires working inside and underneath the vehicle. **USE EXTREME CARE AND CAUTION WHEN WORKING UNDERNEATH ANY VEHICLE.** Never get near or under vehicle until you are confident that it is safely supported and will not move or fall from its raised position. **DO NOT USE A BUMPER JACK.**

## PREPARATION FOR INSTALLATION

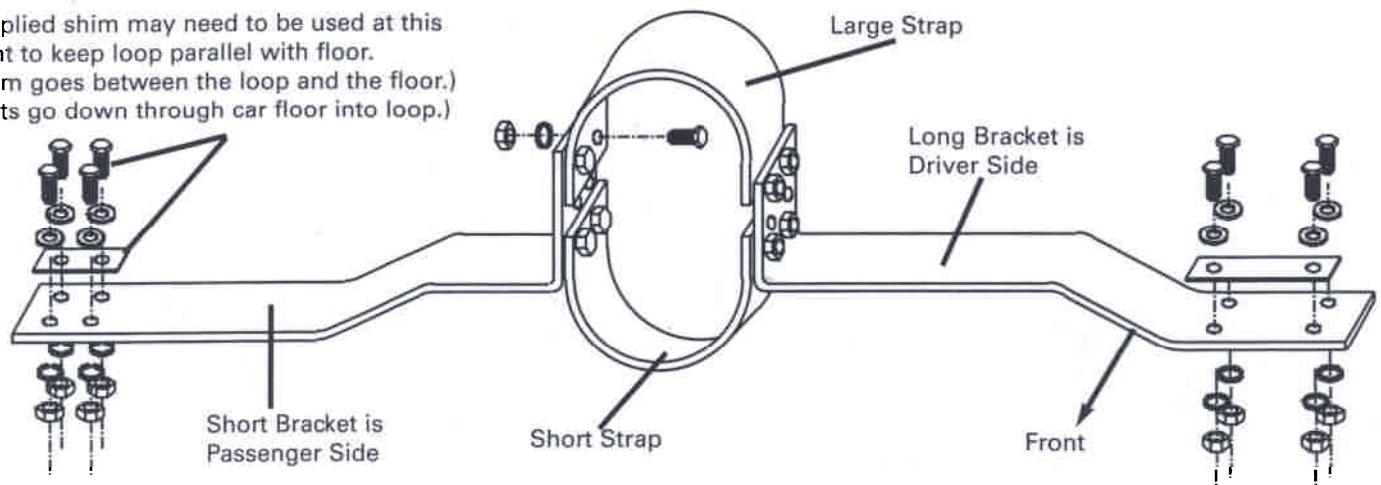
1. Place vehicle on solid level surface such as a garage floor to ensure safe installation.
2. Place wheel blocks or wedges in front of and behind both rear wheels to prevent movement in either direction.
3. Carefully place floor jack under front engine cross member. Be careful not to damage rack and pinion unit.
4. Raise front of vehicle up with floor jack and place automotive approved support stands having adequate load capacity under lower control arms.
5. Lower floor jack until control arms are resting securely on the support stands.

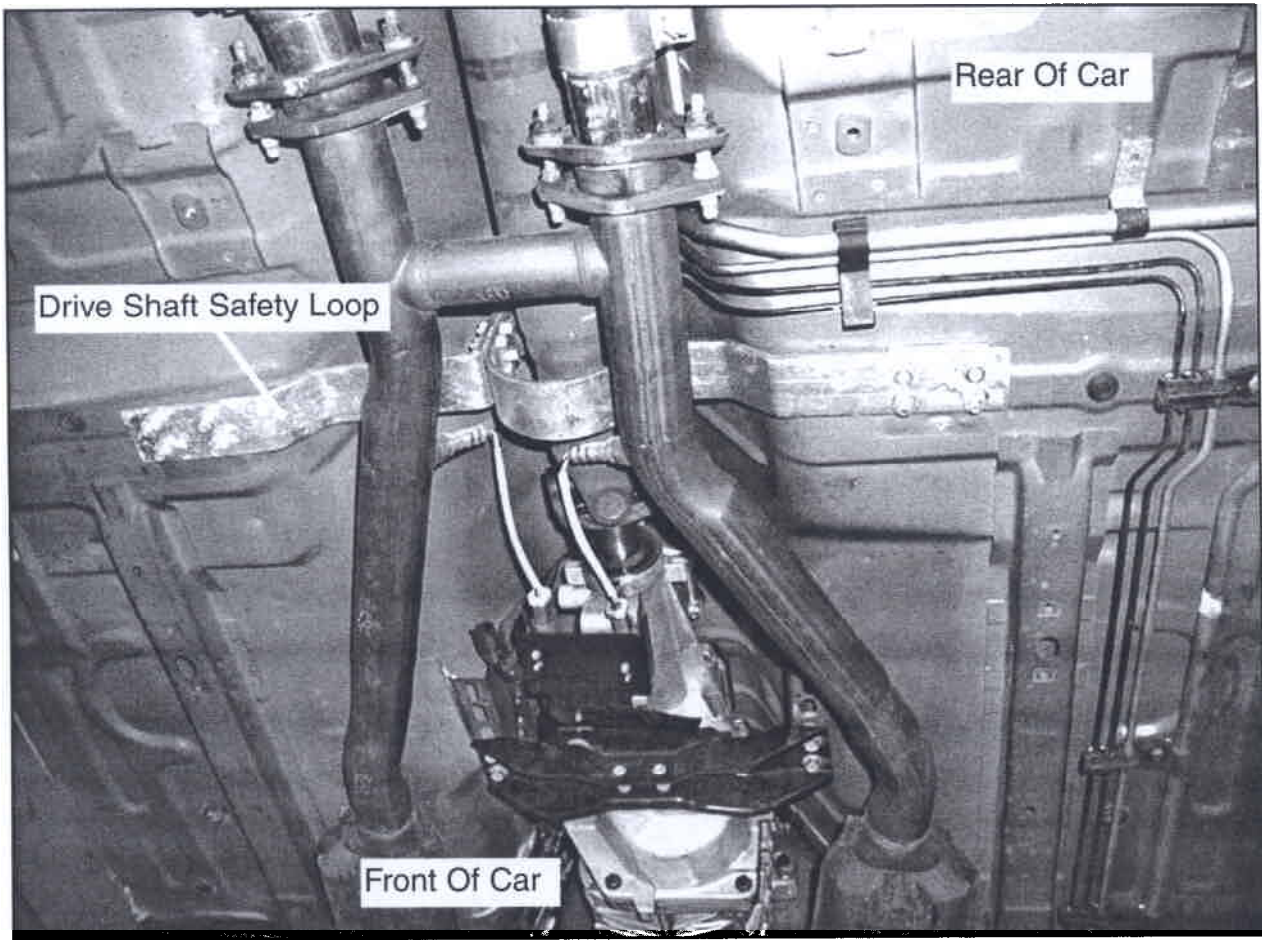
**CAUTION: DO NOT BEGIN THIS INSTALLATION UNTIL YOU ARE CONFIDENT THAT VEHICLE IS SECURE AND SAFELY SUPPORTED.**

## DRIVE SHAFT SAFETY LOOP INSTALLATION

1. Carpet needs to be pulled back to install mounting bolts.
2. Assemble safety loop around drive shaft as shown below. Adjust the loop size accordingly and tighten bolts firmly to hold unit together.
3. Hold safety loop into position at the rear of the yoke weld on the drive shaft and mark holes with center punch. On vehicles equipped with O2 sensors, position safety loop behind sensors and in front of exhaust crossover pipe. (See photo on back of page). Next, drill four (4) holes, size 3/8" in floor on each side. Secure the safety loop to floor with the supplied bolts, nuts and washers. Put bolts down through floor under carpet and through safety loop assembly.
4. This Drive Shaft Safety Loop is designed to fit the floor contour. Use the spacers provided to keep unit level with floor when mounting. See drawing below.

Supplied shim may need to be used at this point to keep loop parallel with floor.  
(Shim goes between the loop and the floor.)  
(Bolts go down through car floor into loop.)





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