

# **FLOWMASTER™**

## **FORCE II™**

### **SYSTEM #17344**

**2000-2006 CHEVROLET TAHOE/GMC YUKON  
4.8L & 5.3L ENGINE**

12/20/05

#### **Removal:**

1. Raise the vehicle and support with stands.
2. Using a hacksaw or sawsall, cut the stock tailpipe off where it exits the muffler.
3. Separate the two wire hangers on the tailpipe from the rubber mounts on the vehicle. Remove the tailpipe and set aside.
4. Support the muffler with a stand, then separate the wire hanger from the rubber mount in front of the muffler.
5. Remove the two nuts at the muffler to cat flange connection. Remove the muffler and set aside.

#### **Installation:**

1. For 2000 model year trucks, place inlet pipe assembly #26129 in position behind the flange that is welded to the back of the catalytic converters. For 2001-06 models, do the same with pipe #26135. Connect the wire hanger to its rubber mount, and re-install the factory nuts on the flange connection.
2. Connect the inlet of muffler #53051 to the inlet pipe. Use a stand to support the muffler.
3. Slide tailpipe #26123 over the rear axle and into the muffler outlet. Connect the two wire hangers to their rubber mounts on the vehicle and install a 3" clamp onto the muffler outlet, do not completely tighten at this time.
4. Take stainless tip #ST429 and slide it onto the end of the tailpipe, rotate tip to desired angle and depth, then tighten hose clamp down, but not completely at this time.
5. Place muffler heatshield #51222 onto the top of the muffler and secure the heat shield to the top of the muffler using the four band clamps provided. Tighten clamps firmly using an 8mm socket wrench.

6. Adjust the position of all pipes and muffler to provide a satisfactory fit. **A minimum 3/4" of clearance** around all parts of the system must be maintained; while also keeping suspension travel and vibration in mind.

7. Tighten all clamped connections down securely. For a "cleaner" appearance, connections may be welded and the clamps removed. After the system is secure, slide the 1/2" hanger keepers onto the end of the hangers welded to the inlet pipe assembly and tailpipe. These keepers will prevent the hangers from slipping out of the rubber mounts.

### **PACKING LIST FOR KIT #17344**

| <b><u>Qty</u></b> | <b><u>Description</u></b> | <b><u>Part#</u></b> |
|-------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| 1                 | 2000 Inlet Pipe           | 26129               |
| 1                 | 01-06 Inlet Pipe          | 26135               |
| 1                 | Muffler                   | 53051               |
| 1                 | "Over Axle" Pipe          | 26123               |
| 1                 | Stainless Tip             | ST429               |
| 1                 | Heat Shield Kit           | 51222               |
| 1                 | Parts Kit                 | PK300               |
| 2                 | Muffler Clamp             | MC300G              |
| 3                 | Hanger Keeper             | 1/2"                |



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