

AAM Competition Q50/Q60 3.0T Cast Widemouth Full **Downpipes**



INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

(DESIGNED FOR ONLINE USE AND COLOR PRINTING)

WARNING: PRODUCT(S) ARE DESIGNED FOR OFF-ROAD / COMPETITION USE ONLY

Read all directions before attempting installation. This product requires above average mechanical ability to install properly, professional installation recommended. Installation requires appropriate tools for proper installation of this kit. As with all mechanical projects, take appropriate precautions for your personal safety and for the proper care and treatment of the vehicle being serviced. AAM Competition, LLC offers no warranty and accepts no liability caused by improper installation, modification and/or use of this product. Installation may void factory's manufacturer's warranty. Contact AAM Competition, LLC offers no Dealer with questions or problems regarding this product. When removing Stock/OEM parts read and follow the factory service manual for proper procedures. *Copyright AAM Competition, LLC 2016*



Tools Needed:

- 3/8" Drive Ratchet
- Ratchet Extension's
- Swivel Sockets or Swivel Attachment

- Trim Clip Removal Tool
- Wrenches
- Lug Wrench or Lug Nut Removal Tool

WARNING: USE OF POWER TOOLS DURING INSTALLATION MAY CAUSE DAMAGE. WE RECOMMEND THE USE OF HAND TOOLS ONLY DURING INSTALLATION.

Note: "Left Side" and "Right Side" of vehicle is from the perspective of sitting in the driver seat of the vehicle and looking forward

Installation

<u>Steps 1-4 Performed From Top of Engine Bay Under</u> <u>Hood</u>

- 1. Remove the Infiniti plastic engine cover and set aside
- Left Side feed a long extension with 14mm socket down to the flange on top of the lower catalytic converter and remove the nut from the stud that faces toward the engine.
- Right Side feed a long extension with 14mm socket, down to the flange on top of the lower catalytic converter and remove the 2 nuts from the studs that face toward the engine.
- 4. Re-install the Infiniti plastic engine cover



Red Boxes are where you should be able to fit socket with extension down to the top nuts.



Steps 5-25 Performed From Under Vehicle

- **5.** Remove front wheels from the vehicle)
- 6. Remove the mid belly pan, it is held in place with 8 10mm bolts and 1 plastic clip
- 7. Remove plastic panel from the Left and Right Side wheel well





<u>Setps 8-11 Left Side Lower (Sitting in Driver Seat)</u> <u>Removal</u>

- 8. Remove the "gold brace" from the transmission bell housing and lower catalytic converter
- 9. Unplug the O2 sensor from the wiring harness
- **10.** Remove the 2 nuts from the bottom flange to Y-Pipe
- **11.** Remove the remaining hardware for the lower catalytic converter and 1 nut on upper flange

Steps 12-15 Right Side Lower (Sitting in Driver Seat) Removal

- **12.** Remove the "black brace" from the transmission bell housing and lower catalytic converter
- 13. Unplug the O2 sensor from the wiring harness
- **14.** Remove the 2 nuts from the bottom flange to Y-Pipe
- **15.** Remove the remaining hardware for the lower catalytic converter and remaining (1) nut from upper flange

O2 Sensors

Caution: Always use appropriate tools and take care when handling O2 sensors. Do not to touch the sensor probe, use any type of cleaner on them, or drop sensors

 Remove the O2 sensors from the lower catalytic converters and install them into the new AAM Cast Full Down Pipes. Note: Be sure to install sensors into the same side they were removed from.

Steps 17-21 Right Side Upper Removal

- **17.** Remove the two 14mm bolts holding the support bracket in place and remove support bracket
- **18.** Remove the 10mm bolt from the lower heat shield
- 19. Loosen the 10mm bolt on the side of the top heat shield roughly three quarters of the way out. This bolt does not need to be removed but if you do it will not cause a problem, it is just very difficult to reinstall once removed
- 20. Pry the upper heat shield towards the outer frame rail to provide access to the V-band clamp bolt and use a 13mm socket with extension to remove V-band clamp bolt

Note: Take picture or notate the clocking of the V-band because it will need to be installed in the same position



21. Pry open v-band clamp while moving the upper catalytic converter at the same time, once loose remove the assembly

Steps 22-26 Left Side Upper Removal

- **22.** Remove the two 14mm bolts holding the support bracket in place and remove support bracket
- 23. Remove two 10mm bolts from the lower heat shield
- 24. Remove the 10mm outer heat shield bolt from the top heat shield
- 25. Pry the upper heat shield towards the outer frame rail to provide access to the V-band clamp bolt and use a 13mm socket with extension to remove V-band clamp bolt

Note: Take picture or notate the clocking of the V-band because it will need to be installed in the same position

26. Pry open v-band clamp while moving the upper catalytic converter at the same time, once loose remove the assembly

Steps 27-37 Installation of AAM Competition Cast Full Down Pipes

27. Install AAM Competition Cast Full down pipes on both Left and Right side; be sure to reinstall the V-bands with on the same side and same clocking as removed. Snug 13mm V-band bolts but do not fully tighten, you will want to leave them loose enough to rotate the down pipes but not have vertical movement.

- **28.** Plug both secondary O2 sensors in to the wiring harness
- 29. Bolt and fully tighten the AAM Competition Cast Full down pipes to the rest of the exhaust system, this will ensure proper rotation and alignment of down pipes
- **30.** Fully tighten the 13mm V-band bolt on both Left and Right side V-band, ensuring V-band clocking is same as removal
- **31.** Reinstall the 10mm heat shield bolts in the Right side upper and lower heat shields
- **32.** Reinstall the 10mm heat shield bolts in the Left side upper and lower heat shields
- **33.** Reinstall the mid belly pan
- **34.** Reinstall the front wheels and torque to manufacturer specs
- **35.** Visually inspect installation of all components and ensure everything is reinstalled correctly and connected

<u>I In the case that something is found not to have</u> been installed correctly or connected, DO NOT proceed to next step until problem is rectified !!

36. Start vehicle and verify that there are no exhaust leaks; If an exhaust leak is found, rectify the issue and repeat this step until not leaks are present

Congratulations!

You have successfully installed the AAM Competition Q50/Q60 3.0T Cast Widemouth Full Downpipes! Enjoy!