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**This product should be installed by someone with sufficient knowledge of exhaust systems and their installation, and appropriate hand or power tools. If you are not qualified for this work, please utilize a certified mechanic for installation. By installing Your Akrapovič exhaust system, you indicate that you have read the installation manual in its entirety and you agree with the terms stated herein.**

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## Symbols

The following symbols are used throughout these installation instructions:



TOOLS REQUIRED



TIGHTENING TORQUE



INSTALLATION TIP



CAUTION OR WARNING



**USE BOLT SEALANT;** Apply 3 to 4 small drops of bolt sealant onto the cleaned and degreased threads before tightening the bolts. **WARNING! Avoid contact with skin, eyes and mucous membranes. Do not inhale fumes. Keep out of the reach of children.**



**USE ANTI-SEIZE LEAD-FREE COPPER PASTE** (black tube); Provides trouble-free and long-lasting protection against seizing, corrosion and rusting of bolts, threaded ends, nuts, joints, etc. Also protects against vibration, wear and impact. **WARNING! Avoid eye contact. Avoid excessive skin contact. Keep out of reach of children.**



**USE ANTI-SEIZING GREASE** (white tube); Prevents seizing, corrosion and excessive wear between the titanium components of your exhaust system. **WARNING! Avoid eye contact. Avoid excessive skin contact. Keep out of reach of children.**



Hexagon socket 13mm  
Hexagon socket 15mm  
Hexagon socket 17mm  
T-handle swiveling 10mm wrench  
T-handle 7mm wrench  
Cutting nippers  
Pry bar



**BEFORE INSTALLING, CHECK SCHEMATIC OF THE EXHAUST SYSTEM! THE LATEST VERSION OF THE PARTS LIST AND SCHEMATIC DRAWINGS OF THE PRODUCTS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEB PAGE.**



**IF ANY ITEMS IN THE AKRAPOVIČ EXHAUST SYSTEM PACKAGE ARE MISSING, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR AUTHORIZED DEALER. KEEP THE SCHEMATIC FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.**



**THESE INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS MUST BE READ CAREFULLY IN ORDER TO ENSURE PROPER INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF THE AKRAPOVIČ EXHAUST SYSTEM.**



**THE EXHAUST SYSTEM CAN BE EXTREMELY HOT. ALLOW THE EXHAUST AND ENGINE TO COOL DOWN BEFORE BEGINNING INSTALLATION.**



**WE ADVISE YOU TO LEAVE INSTALLATION TO A QUALIFIED SERVICEMAN. IMPROPER INSTALLATION MAY RESULT IN A SHORTER LIFETIME OF THE EXHAUST SYSTEM AND/OR DAMAGE TO THE VEHICLE.**



**THIS MANUAL IS SPECIFIC TO THE ABARTH 500. THERE MAY BE SOME DIFFERENCES IN INSTALLATION PROCEDURES FOR OTHER MODELS.**



**AT EACH ENGINE START, THE EXUP VALVE MAY VIBRATE FOR A FEW SECONDS UNTIL THE VACUUM SYSTEM REACHES OPERATING PRESSURE.**

## **REMOVAL OF ORIGINAL EXHAUST SYSTEM:**

Put the vehicle onto a car lift.

**!** **WARNING:** ensure that the car is lifted safely and properly in order to avoid the risk of vehicle damage, injury, or even death!

1. Untighten the marked original clamp (Figure 1).



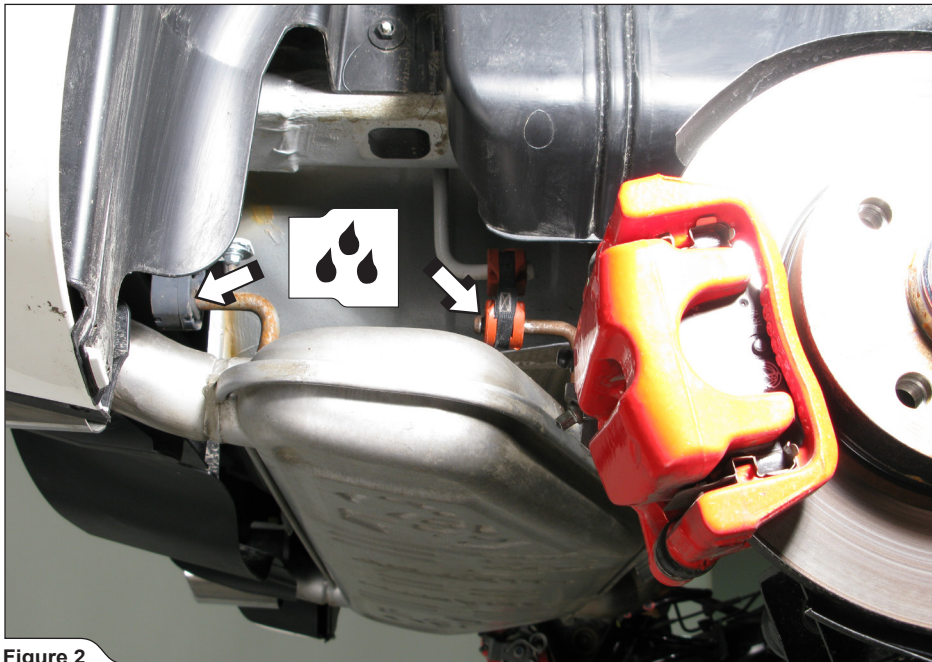
**Figure 1**

2. Carefully pull the rubber brackets off the muffler's brackets, using flat pry bar and remove the original muffler off the vehicle (**Figure 2, 3**).

**✂ INSTALLATION TIP:** for easier dismantling, disassemble the rear wheels.

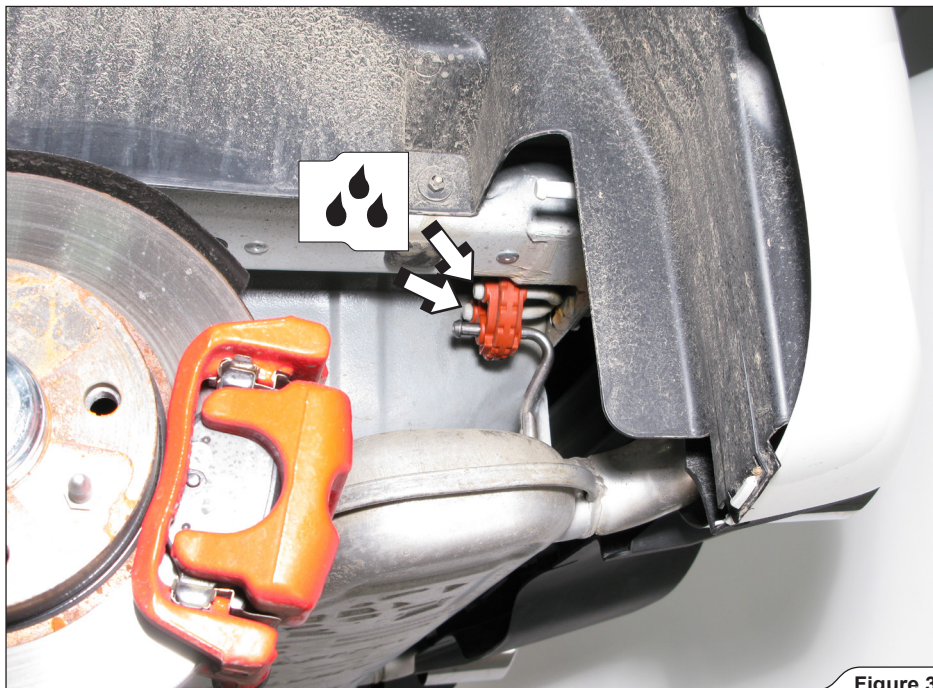
**✂ INSTALLATION TIP:** for easier dismantling, lubricate the original rubber brackets (WD40).

**! WARNING:** make sure, that you support the original muffler during this process or you could injure yourself or damage the vehicle!



**Figure 2**

**! WARNING: make sure, not to damage the rubber brackets or any other part of the vehicle during this process!**



**Figure 3**

## **INSTALLATION OF THE AKRAPOVIČ EXHAUST SYSTEM:**

1. Assemble the clamps and link pipe onto the muffler's inlet pipes and original left rubber bracket onto the Akrapovič muffler's left bracket, as shown **(Figure 4)**.

**! WARNING:** use anti-seize copper paste on all clamps' bolt threads!

**! CAUTION:** in case you choose to grind off the spot welds and brake the link pipe's seal off, the Akrapovič exhaust system EC Type approval is not valid!

**✂ INSTALLATION TIP:** for easier mounting, lubricate the original rubber bracket (WD40).



**Figure 4**



2. **For optional wireless kit only:** assemble the clamps and link pipe with exhaust valve onto the muffler's inlet pipes and original left rubber bracket onto the Akrapovič muffler's left bracket, as shown **(Figure 5)**.

**! WARNING:** use anti-seize copper paste on all clamps' bolt threads!

**✂ INSTALLATION TIP:** for easier mounting, lubricate the original rubber bracket **(WD40)**.



**Figure 5**



3. Fully unscrew the clamp's nut and assemble it onto the collector. Position the clamp exactly as shown (**Figure 6**).

**!** **WARNING:** use anti-seize copper paste on clamps' bolt and nut threads!



**Figure 6**

4. Slide the collector onto the original pipe and hand tighten the clamp (**Figure 7**).

**! WARNING: do not fully tighten the clamp yet!**



**Figure 7**

5. Carefully re-form the original aluminium heat shield as shown (Figure 8, 9).

**!** **WARNING:** make sure not to crack or in any other way damage the heat shield!

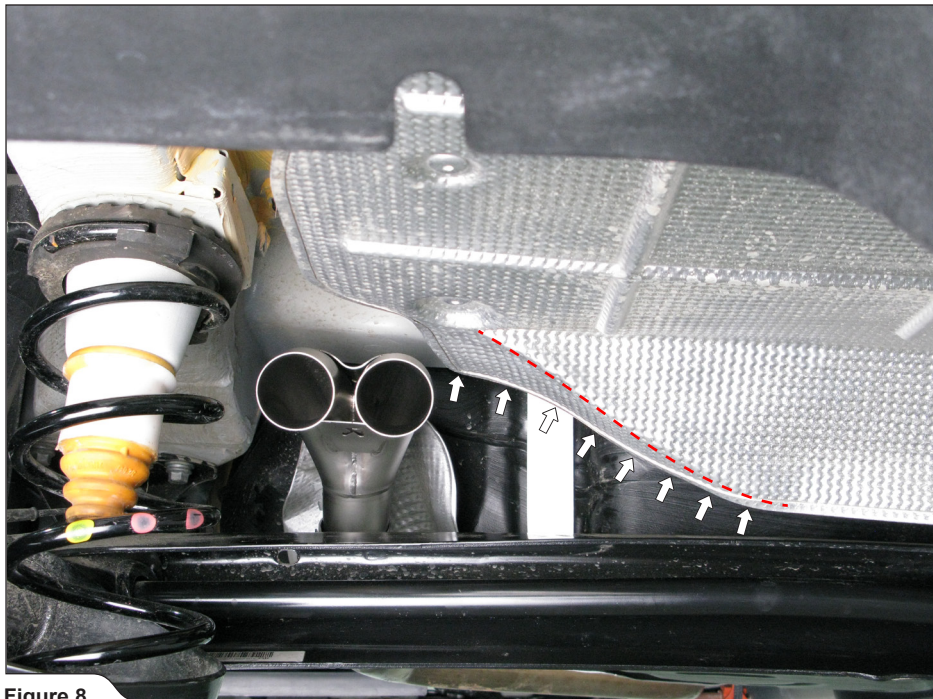


Figure 8



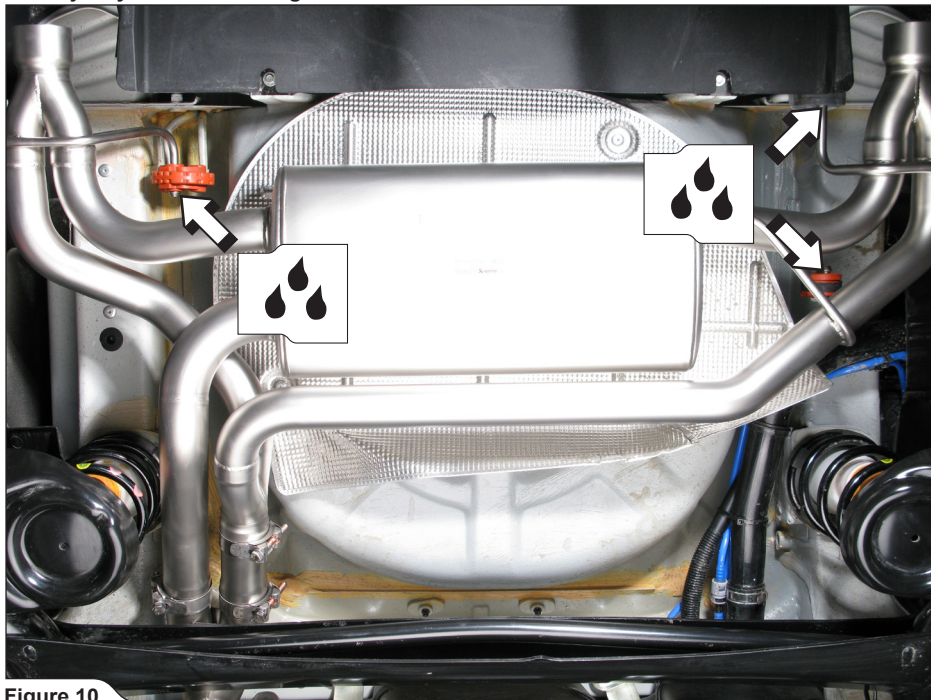
Figure 9



6. Slide the muffler onto the collector and hang the muffler onto the original rubber brackets. Center the muffler in respect to the rear bumper's tail pipe outlets (**Figure 10**).

**✂** **INSTALLATION TIP:** for easier mounting, lubricate the original rubber brackets (WD40).

**!** **WARNING:** make sure, that you support the muffler during this process or you could injure yourself or damage the vehicle!



**Figure 10**

7. **For optional wireless kit only:** rotate the link pipe with exhaust valve and orient the clamps as shown (Figure 11).

**! WARNING:** make sure, that exhaust valve doesn't touch any part of the exhaust system or the vehicle chassis!

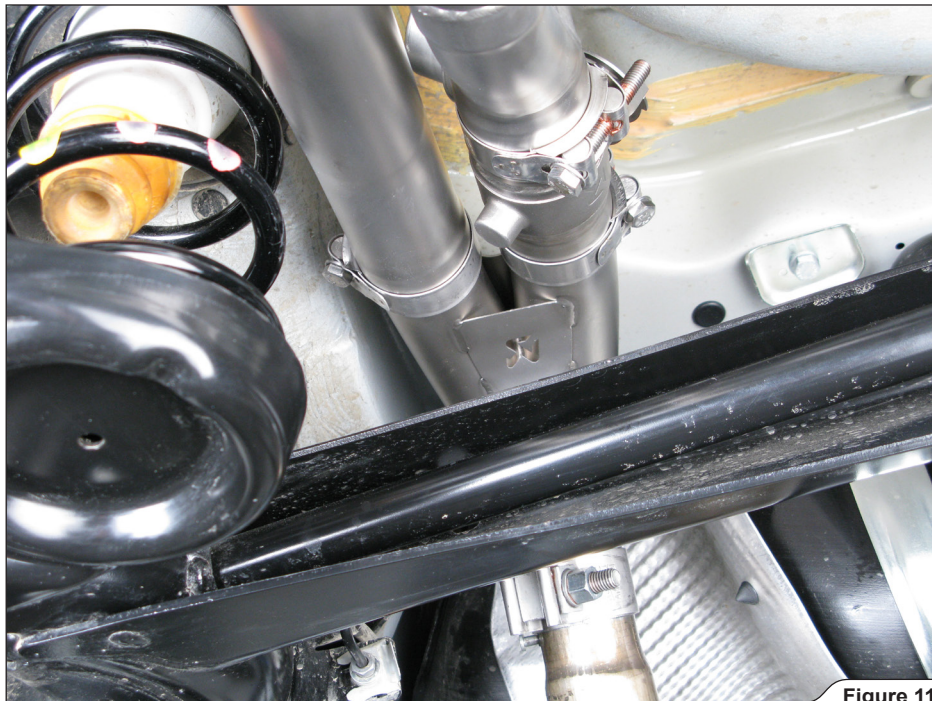
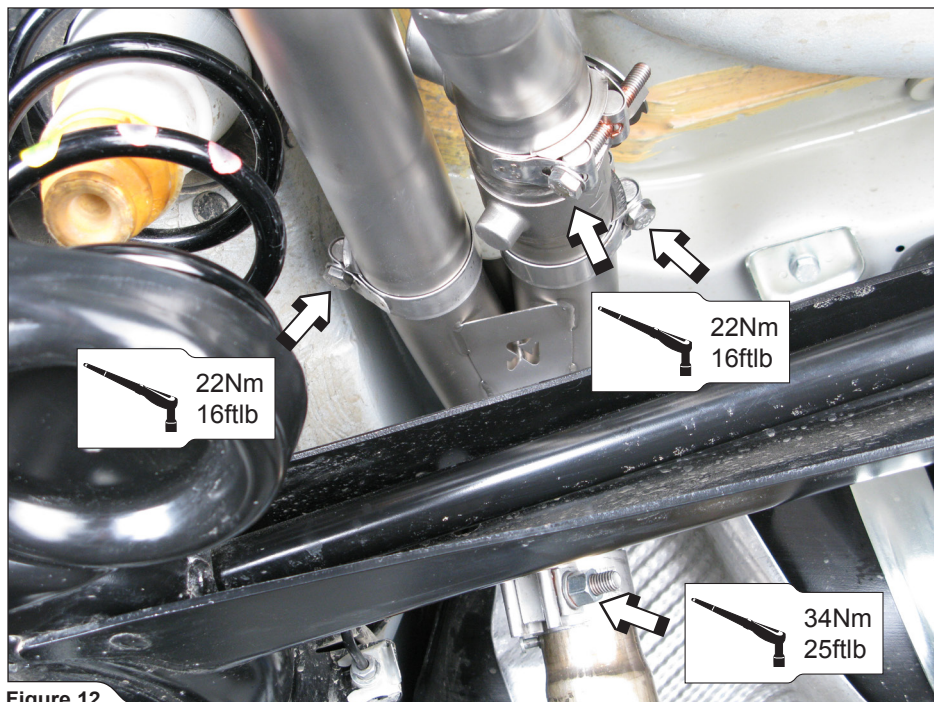


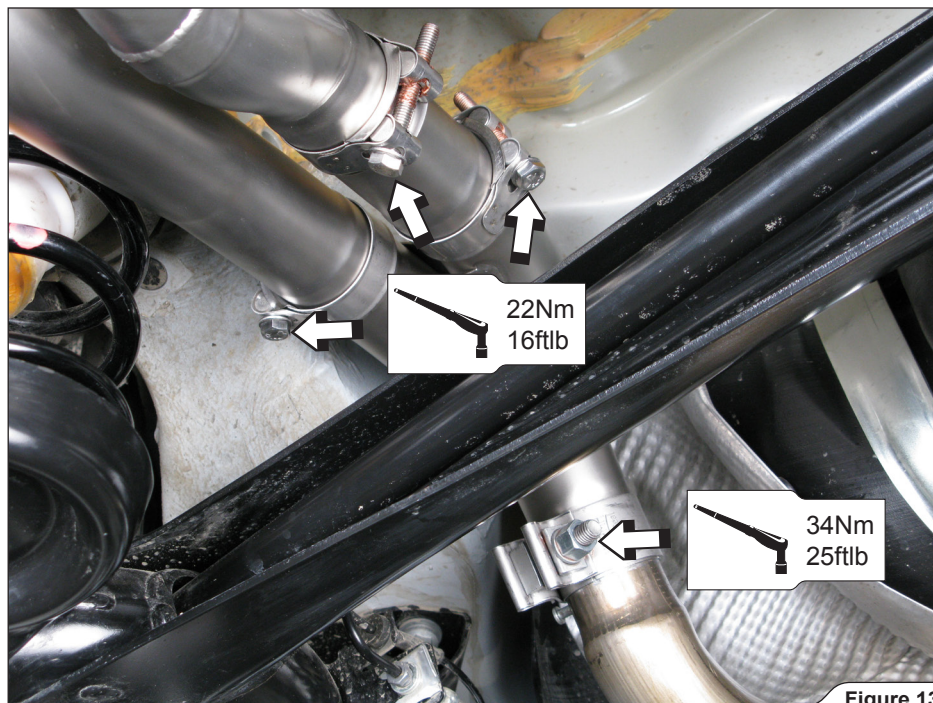
Figure 11

8. For optional wireless kit only: tighten the clamps to the specified torques (**Figure 12**).



**Figure 12**

9. Orient the clamps as shown and tighten them to the specified torques (**Figure 13**).



**Figure 13**



10. Assemble the clamps and spherical rings onto the tail pipes, as shown (Figure 14).

! **WARNING:** use anti-seize copper paste on clamp bolt threads!



Figure 14

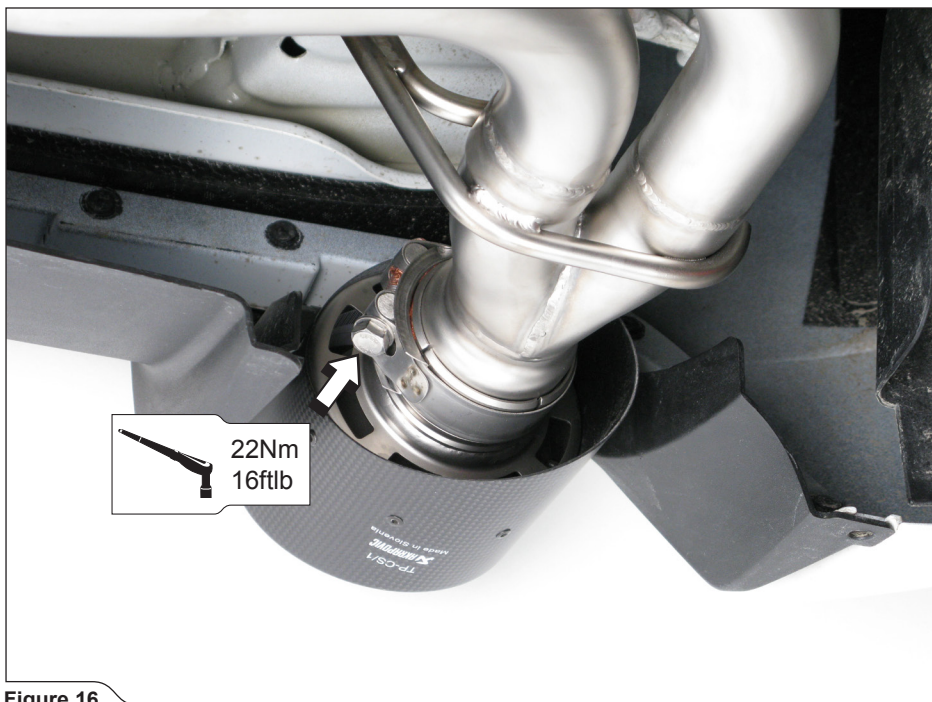
11. Slide the tail-pipes onto the muffler outlets. Rotate and center them in respect to rear bumper and according to your personal taste (**Figure 15**).

**! CAUTION:** in case the tail pipes can't be centered in respect to the bumper's outlets, repeat the adjustment of original pipe-middle pipe-muffler inlet pipes joints (**Figure 11**).



**Figure 15**

12. Tighten tail pipe clamps to the specified torque on both sides and assemble the rear wheels back onto the vehicle (**Figure 16**).



**Figure 16**

13. **For optional wireless kit only:** unscrew the marked bolts and remove the engine cover (Figure 17).



Figure 17

14. **For optional wireless kit only:** remove both fuse box covers (**Figure 18**).

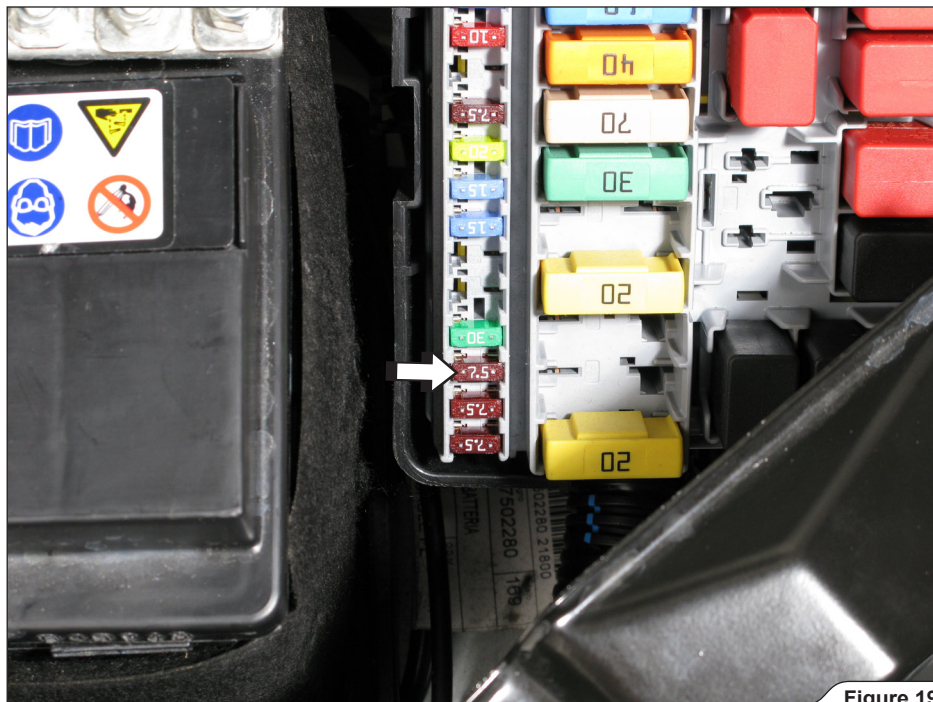
**! WARNING:** make sure not to damage any part of the vehicle during this process!



**Figure 18**



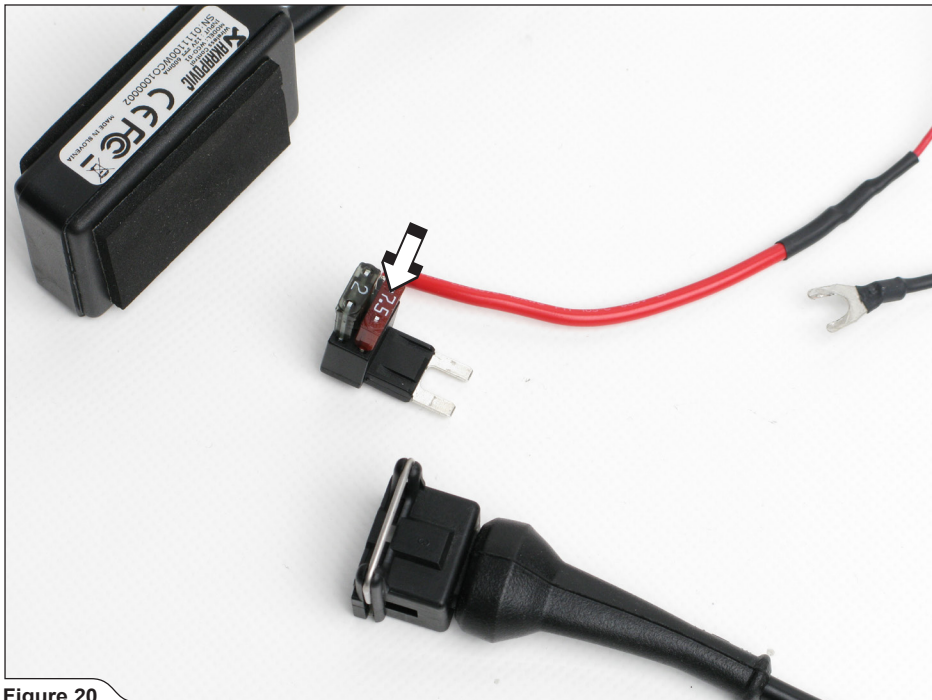
15. **For optional wireless kit only:** remove the marked 7.5A fuse from F16 fuse spot (**Figure 19**).



**Figure 19**

16. **For optional wireless kit only:** insert the 7.5A fuse into the transmitter's fuse connector (Figure 20).

**! CAUTION:** in case of broken supplied fuse, use only automotive 2A and 7.5A small-blade fuses (Figure 20)!



**Figure 20**

17. **For optional wireless kit only:** insert the transmitter's fuse connector into the F16 fuse spot, tuck the transmitter into the fuse box, tighten the ground connector (black thin wire) to the negative pole of the battery and secure the wires using tie wraps, as shown (**Figure 21**).

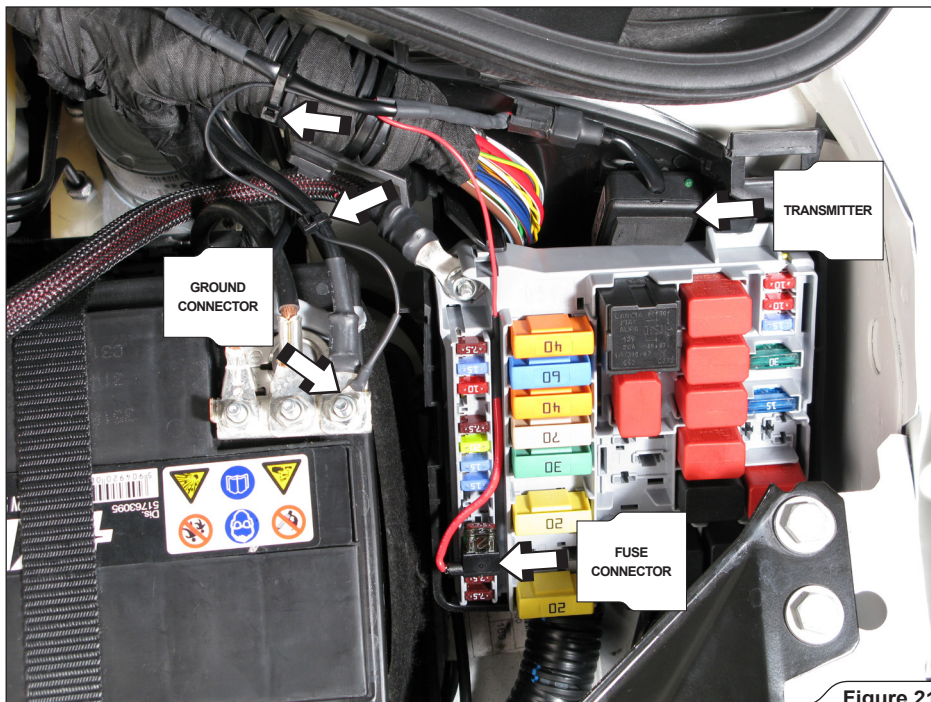


Figure 21



18. **For optional wireless kit only:** carefully pull the marked vacuum tube off the vacuum distributor (Figure 22).

**! WARNING:** make sure not to damage any part of the vehicle during this process!

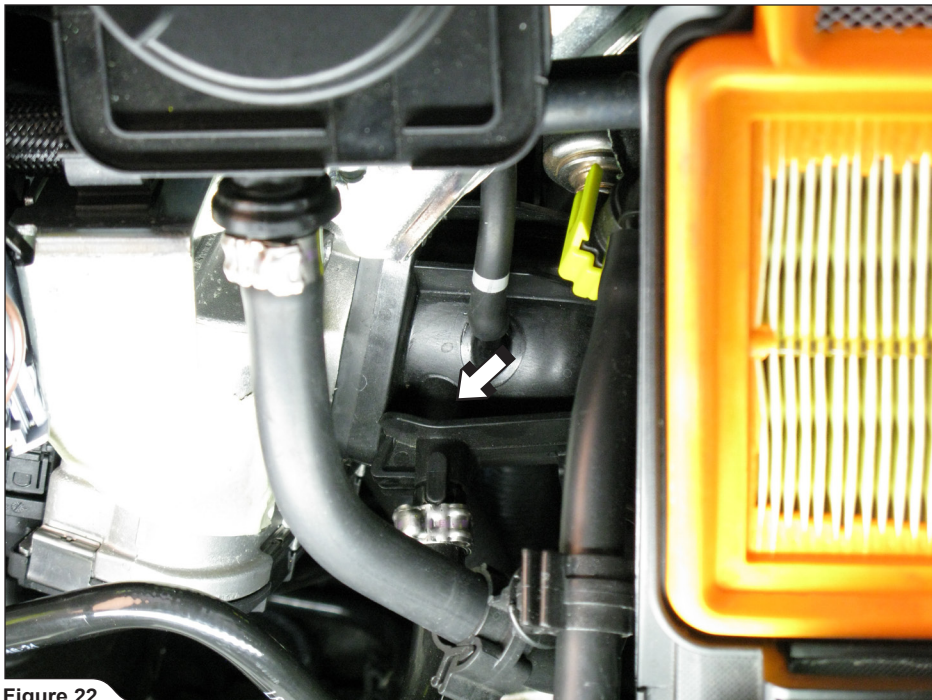


Figure 22

19. **For optional wireless kit only:** instal the Akrapovič electromagnetic valve assembly between the original vacuum tube and vacuum distributor, as shown (**Figure 23, 24**).



**Figure 23**

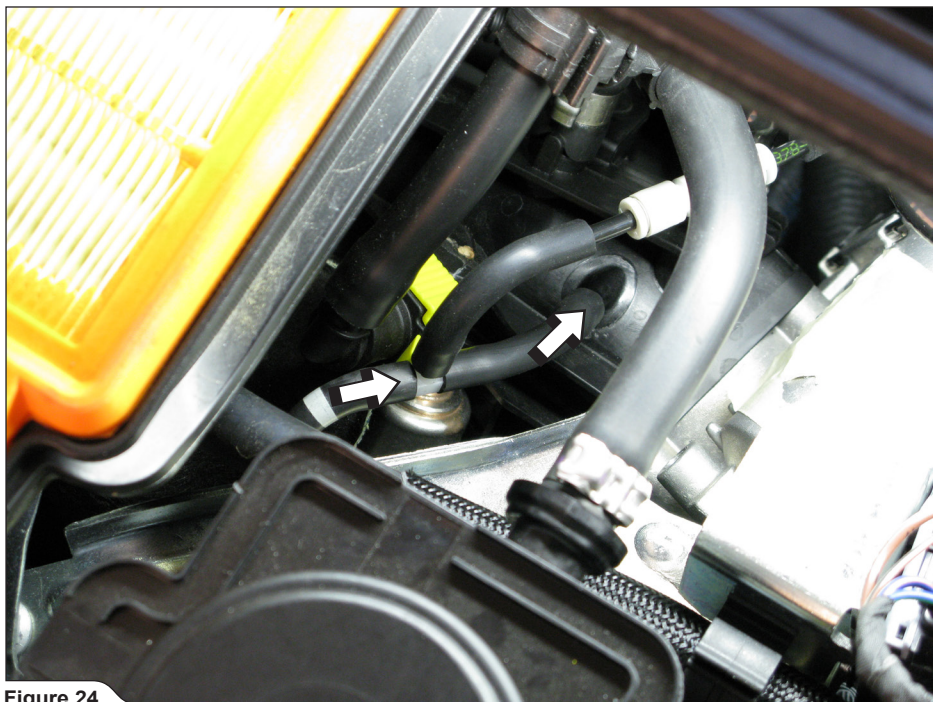


Figure 24

20. **For optional wireless kit only:** screw the electromagnetic valve's bracket onto the chassis, using marked original bolt (Figure 25).

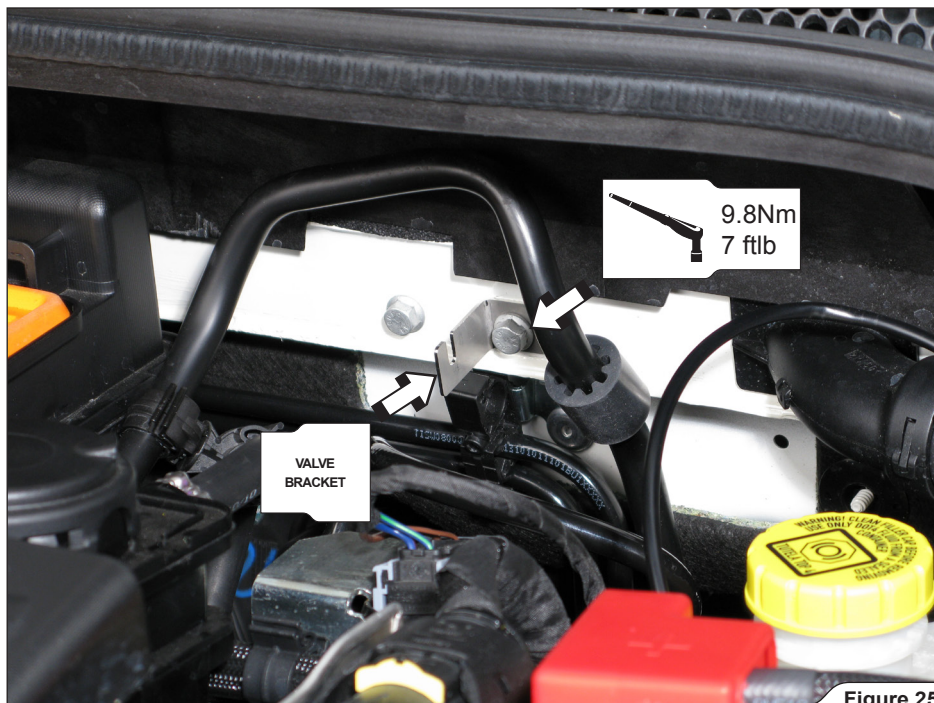
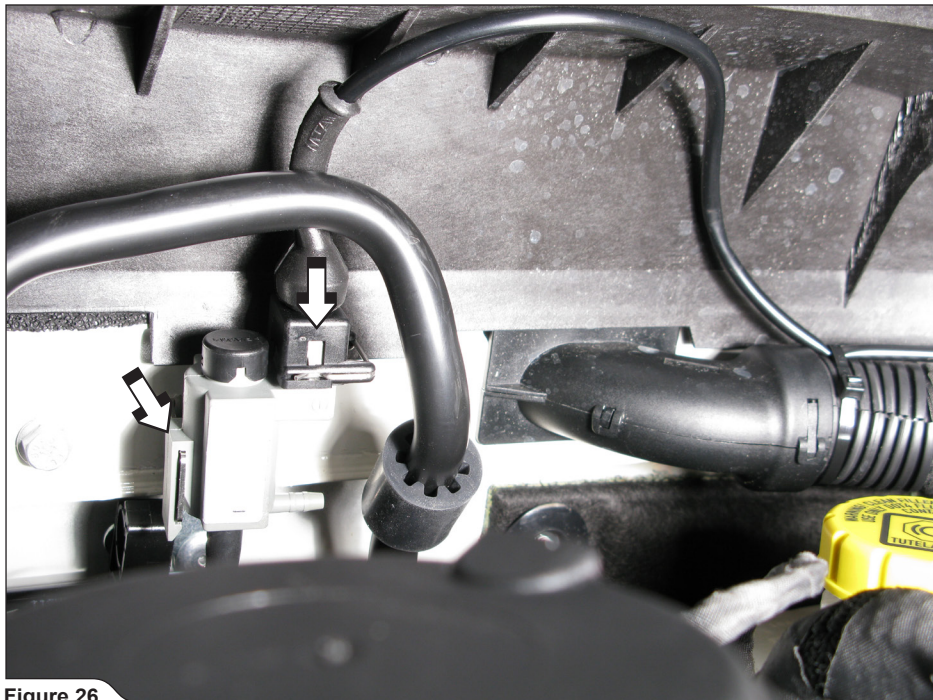


Figure 25

21. **For optional wireless kit only:** clip the electromagnetic valve onto the bracket and plug the transmitter's connector onto the valve (**Figure 26**).



**Figure 26**



22. **For optional wireless kit only:** grind the lower fuse box cover as shown (Figure 27).



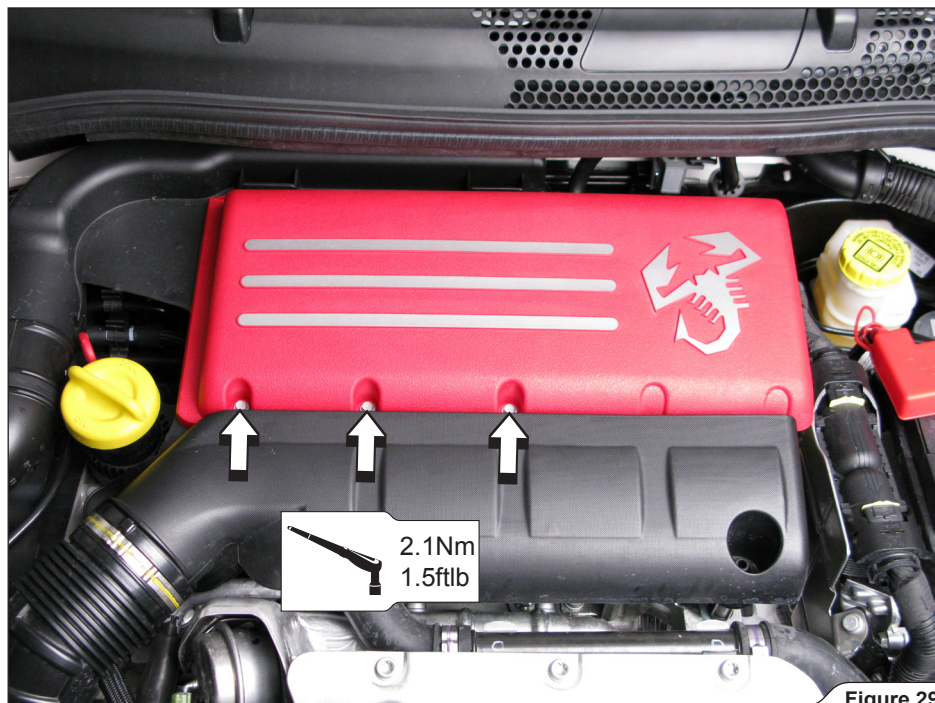
**Figure 27**

23. **For optional wireless kit only:** assemble both covers back onto the fuse box (**Figure 28**).
- ! **WARNING:** make sure not to damage any part of the vehicle or transmitter during this process!



**Figure 28**

24. **For optional wireless kit only:** reinstall the engine cover (Figure 29).



**Figure 29**



25. **For optional wireless kit only:** unscrew the marked bolts and nut. Remove the installations protection off the vehicle (**Figure 30**).

**! WARNING:** make sure not to damage any part of the vehicle during this process!

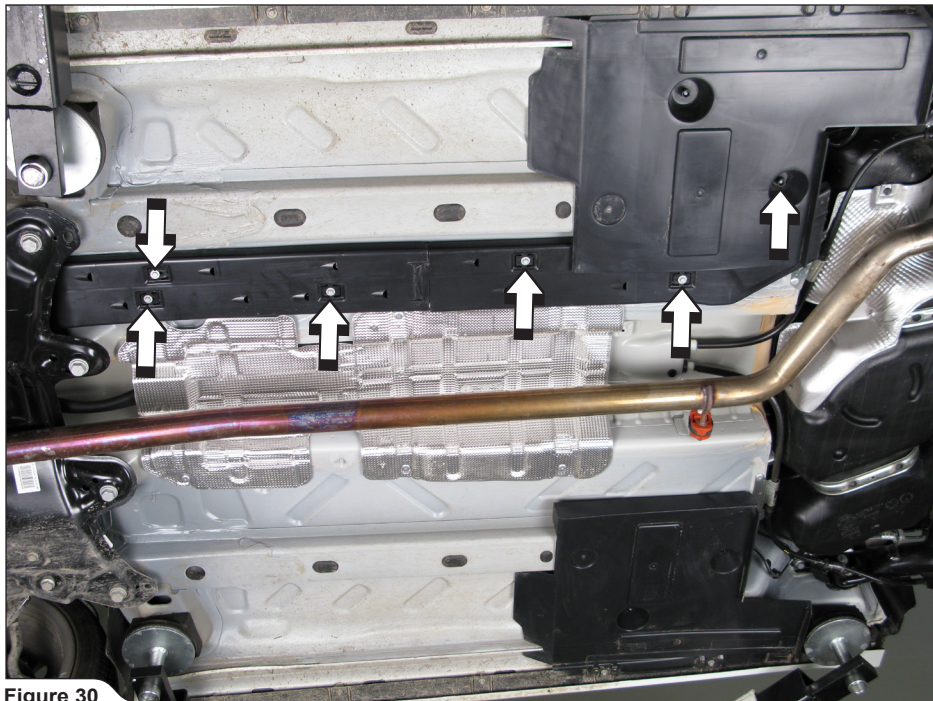
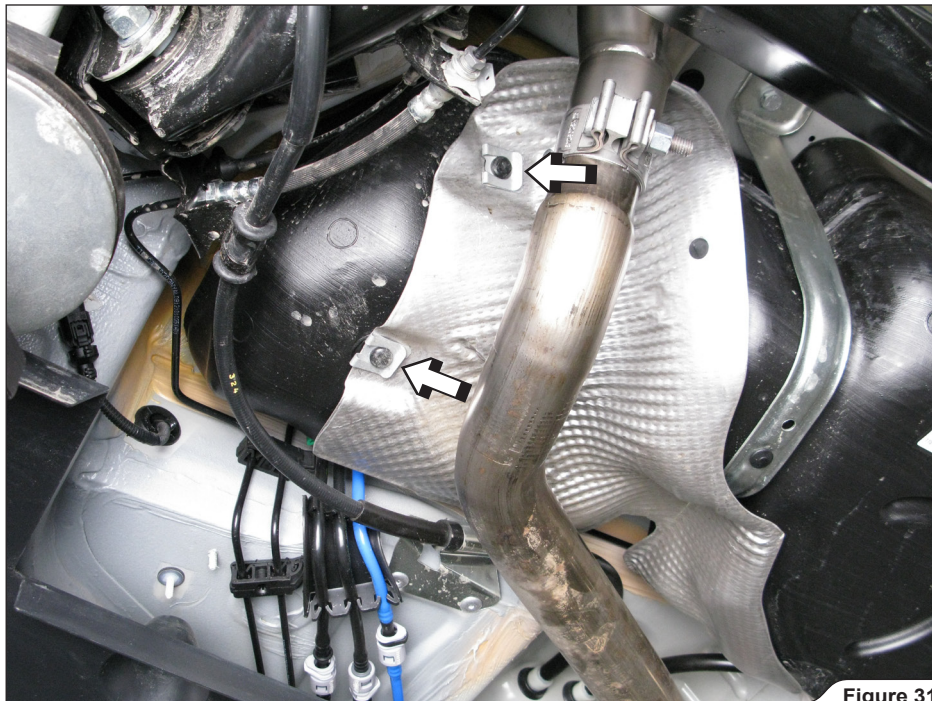


Figure 30

26. **For optional wireless kit only:** undo the two marked heat shield's clips (**Figure 31**).



**Figure 31**

27. **For optional wireless kit only:** connect the Akrapovič rubber vacuum hose to the vacuum actuator and direct the hose to the electromagnetic valve in the engine compartment, as shown (Figure 32, 33, 34, 35, 36).

! **WARNING:** direct the rubber vacuum hose in such a way, that it doesn't touch any hot or moving parts of the vehicle!

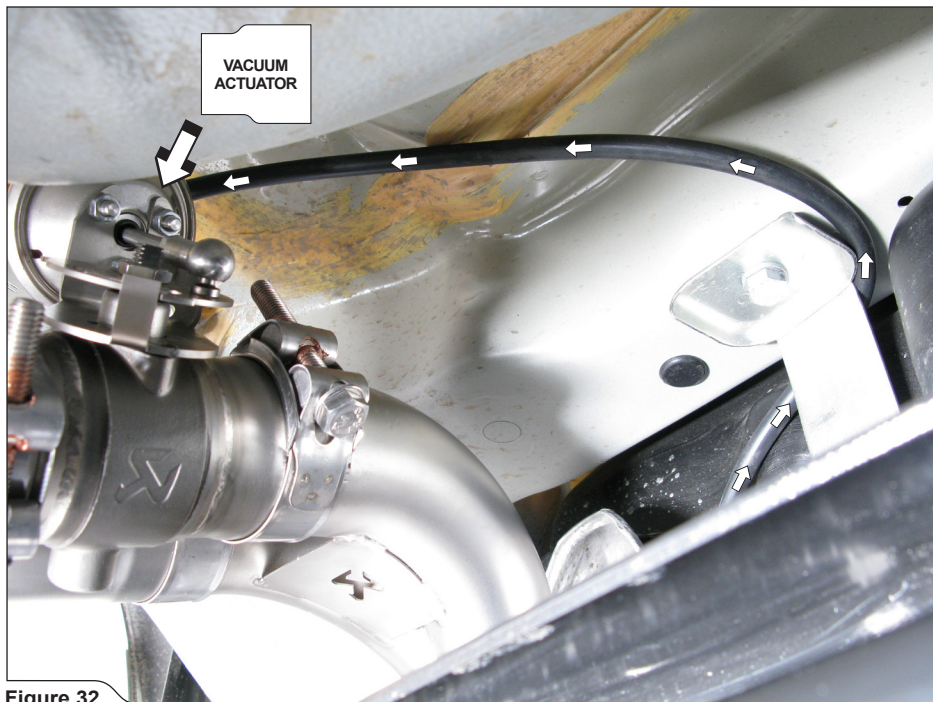
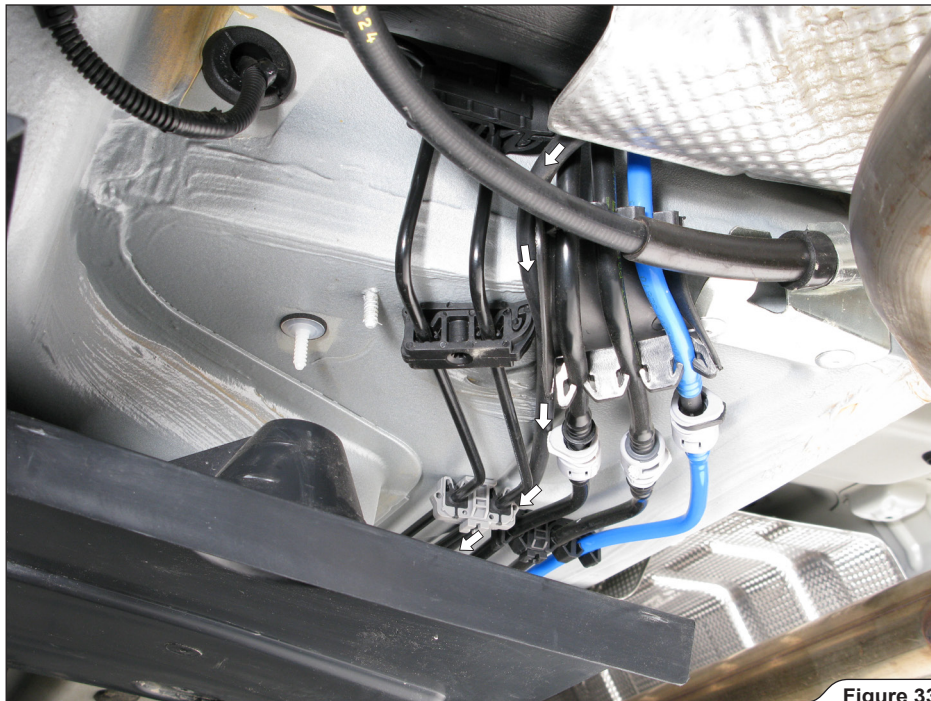


Figure 32

**! WARNING:** direct the vacuum hose between fuel tank and heat shield (Figure 33)!



**Figure 33**



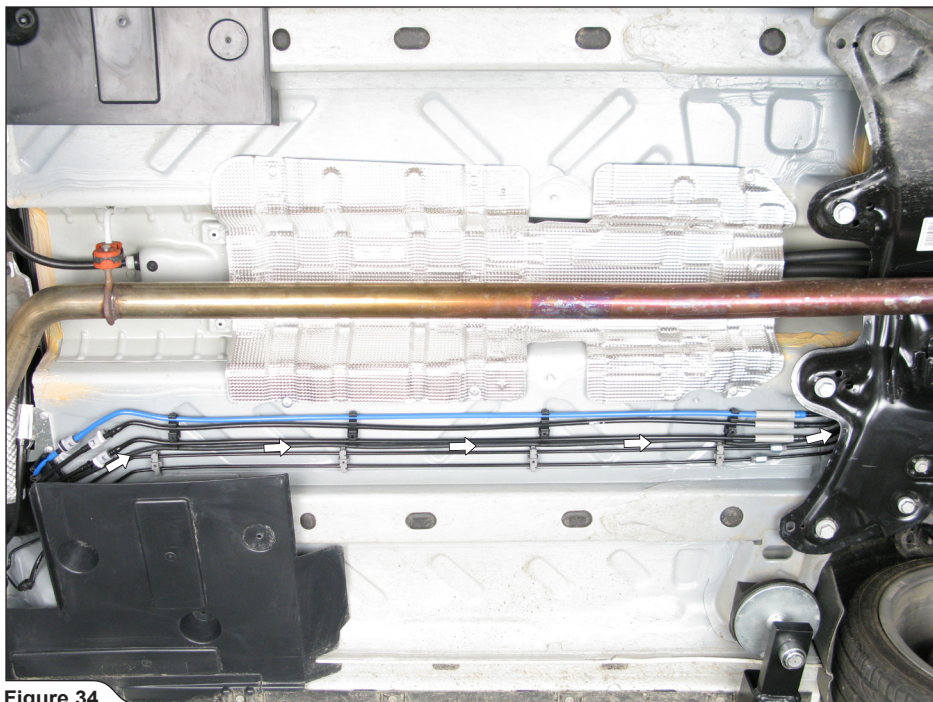


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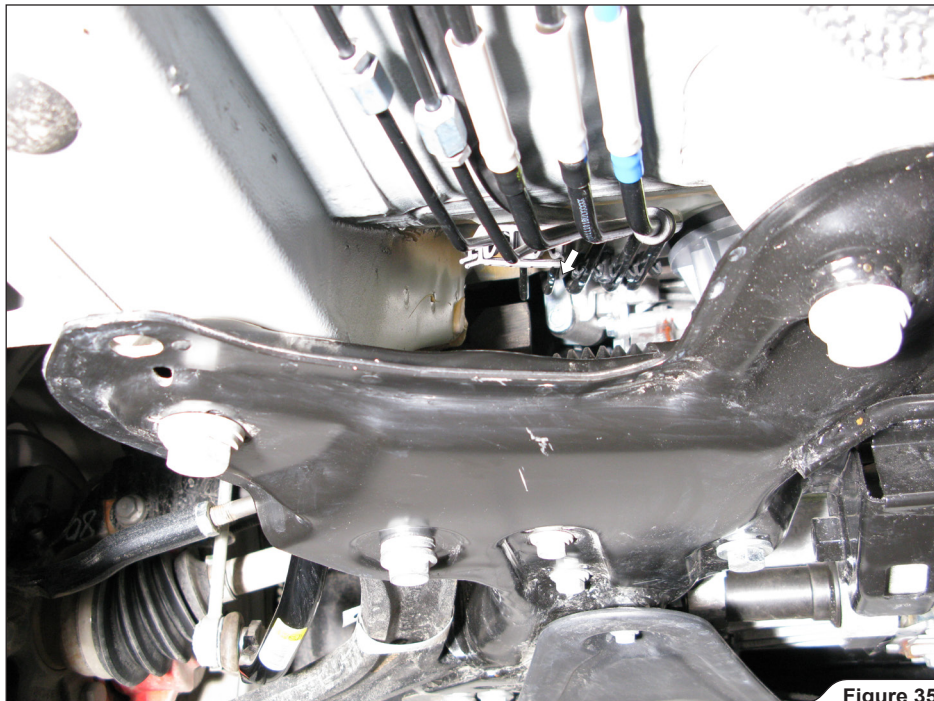


Figure 35

! **CAUTION:** secure (use additional plastic tie wrap) the rubber vacuum hose, as shown (Figure 36)!

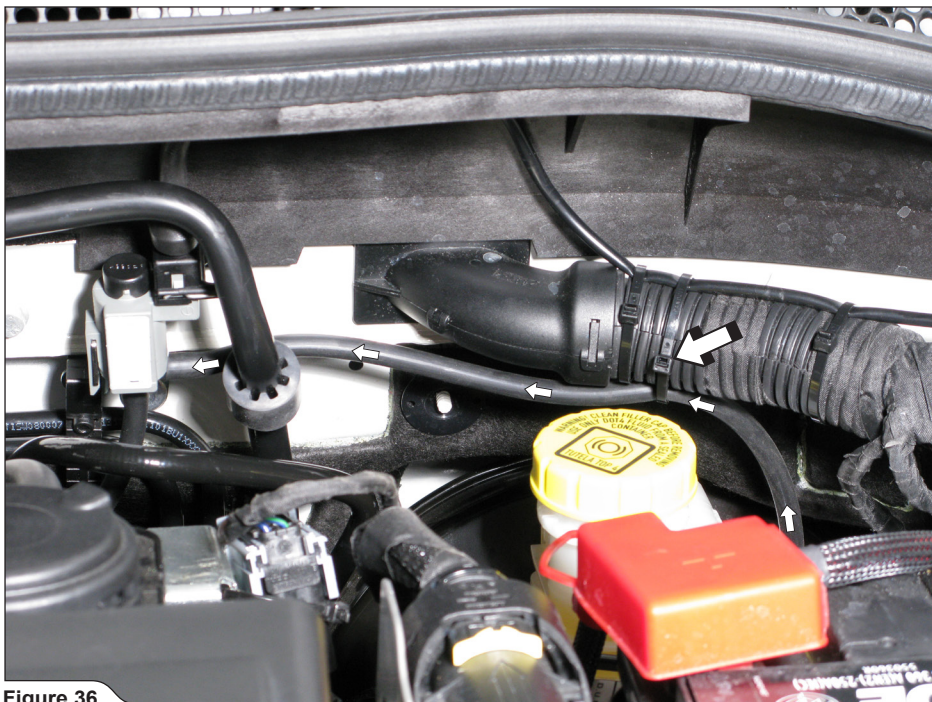


Figure 36



28. **For optional wireless kit only:** reinstall the heat shield's clips and the installations protection (Figure 37, 38).

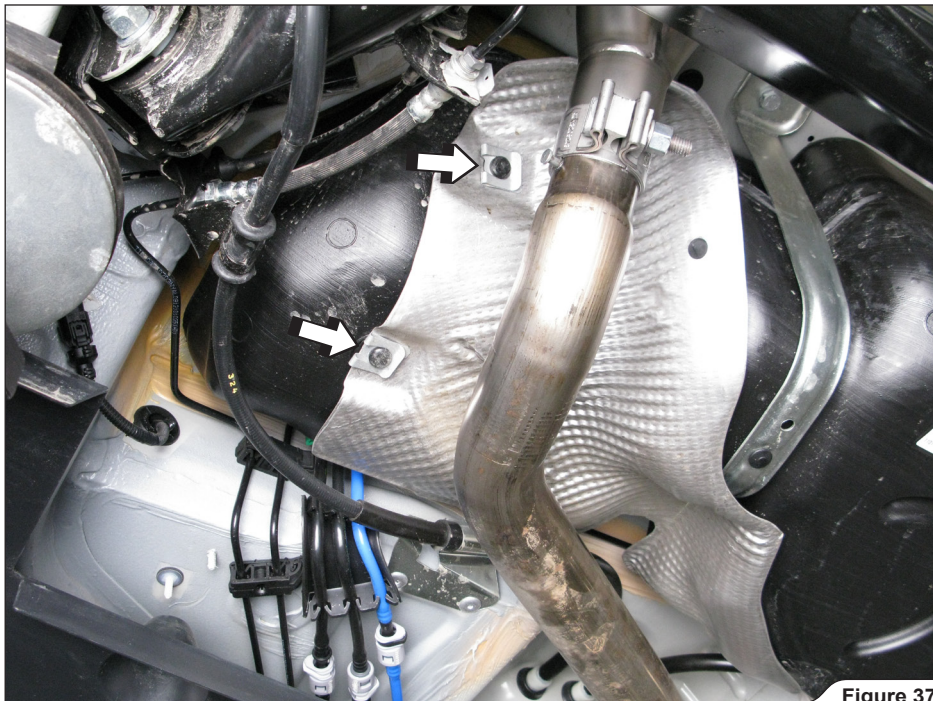


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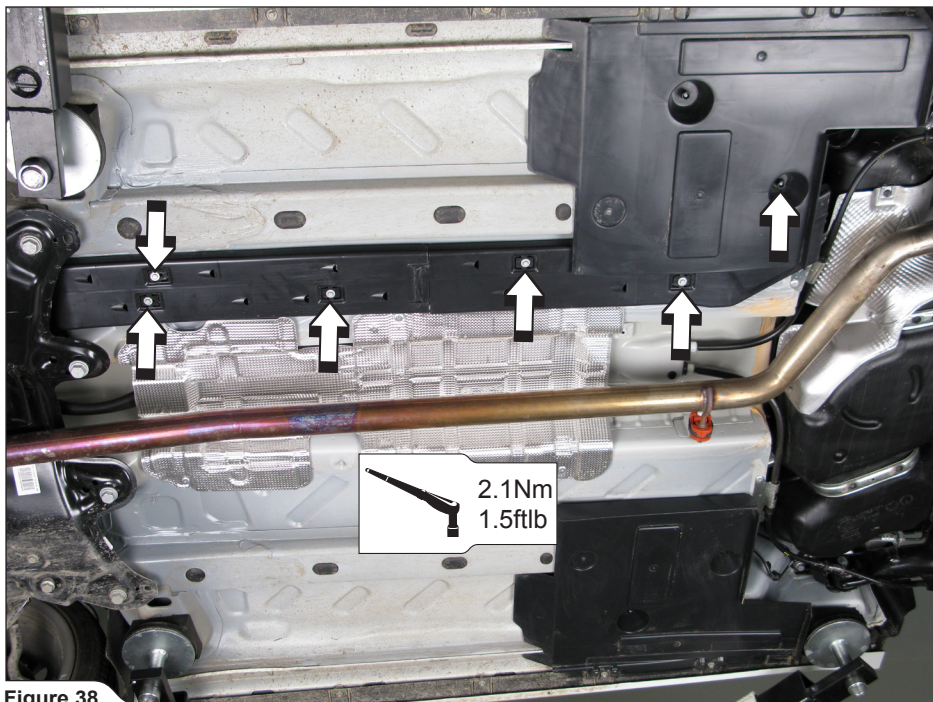


Figure 38

**!** **CAUTION:** secure all vacuum tubing connections, using clamps from Akrapovič installation kit! Install the clamps with corresponding tube clamp pliers (Figure 39).



**Figure 39**

## Final installation:

- ! **WARNING:** check vehicle manufacturer manual for tightening torques (for dismantled stock parts)!
- ! **WARNING:** make sure all the nuts and bolts are sufficiently tightened. In case the exhaust system touches the cowl or other parts, repeat the adjustment of the exhaust system or contact your authorized dealer.

## **MAINTENANCE OF THE AKRAPOVIČ EXHAUST SYSTEM:**

1. Clean the titanium exhaust components with a multi-purpose spray lubricant (WD-40 or equivalent), carbon fiber exhaust components with soft and dry cloth and stainless steel components with soft cloth sprayed with contact cleaner, then wipe with soft and dry cloth. A change in the color of the exhaust system is normal due to high temperatures.
2. Periodically make sure all the bolts and springs are sufficiently tight.

- ! **WARNING:** clean all exhaust components before the first start of the engine or the stains will burn onto the surfaces!
- ! **IT IS NORMAL FOR WHITE SMOKE TO COME OUT OF THE MUFFLER AT FIRST OPERATION.**
- ! **DO NOT STAND BEHIND THE MUFFLER AT FIRST OPERATION.**
- ! **DO NOT USE AUTOMOTIVE WHEEL CLEANERS OR ANY CLEANING PRODUCTS WHICH CONTAIN ACIDIC ADDITIVES TO CLEAN THE AKRAPOVIČ EXHAUST SYSTEMS.**

## **WARNING**

Please note that certain aftermarket exhaust systems may not comply with applicable California laws and regulations, and may therefore be prohibited for use on California highways or roads, or on roads or vehicles otherwise subject to emissions control requirements.

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