

## Audi B9 Billet Aluminum Front Strut Brace Installation Overview



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Billet Aluminum Front Strut Brace, we appreciate your business!**

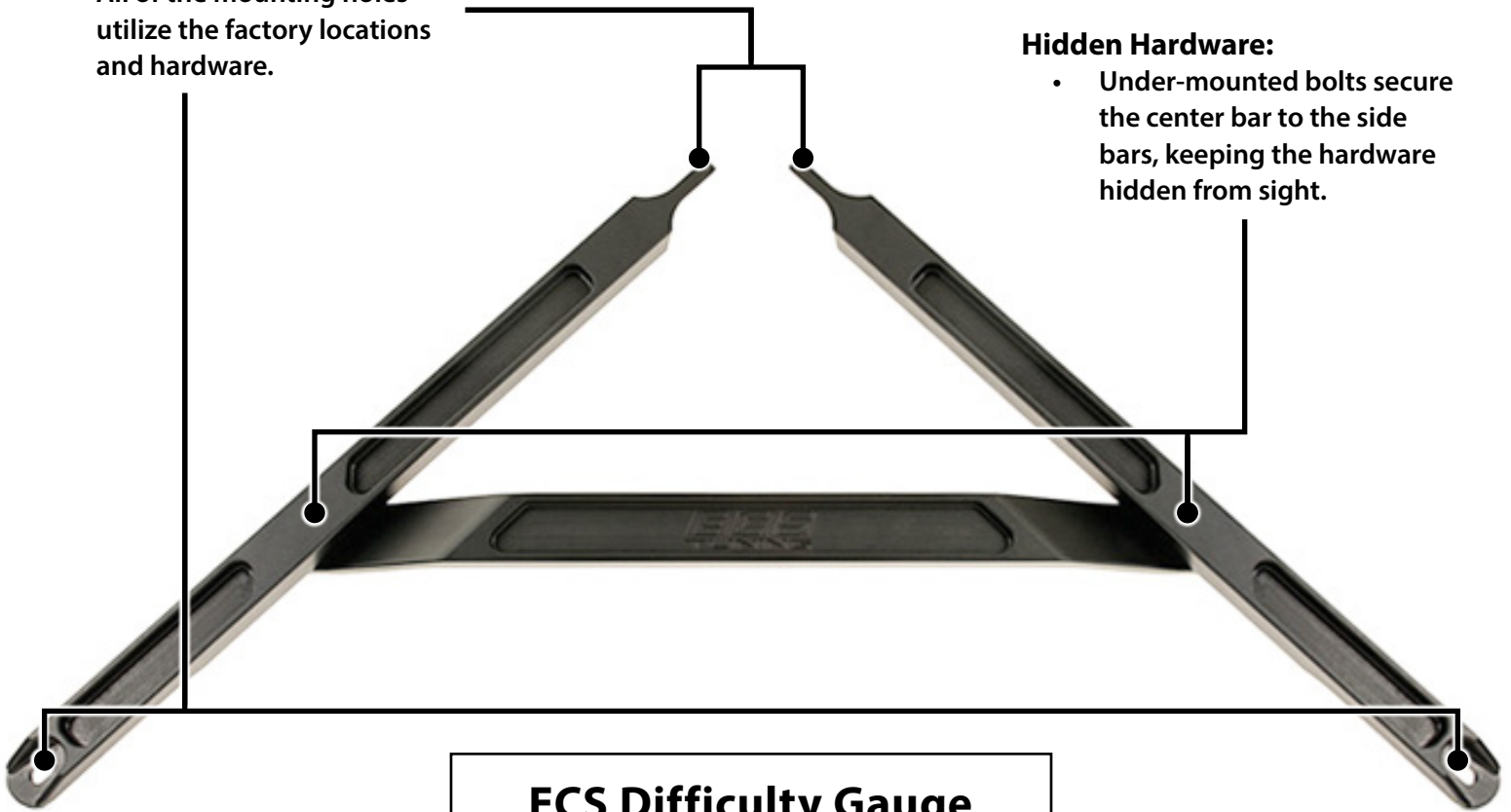


### Easy Installation:

- All of the mounting holes utilize the factory locations and hardware.

### Hidden Hardware:

- Under-mounted bolts secure the center bar to the side bars, keeping the hardware hidden from sight.



### ECS Difficulty Gauge



**1 - Easy**

2 - Moderate

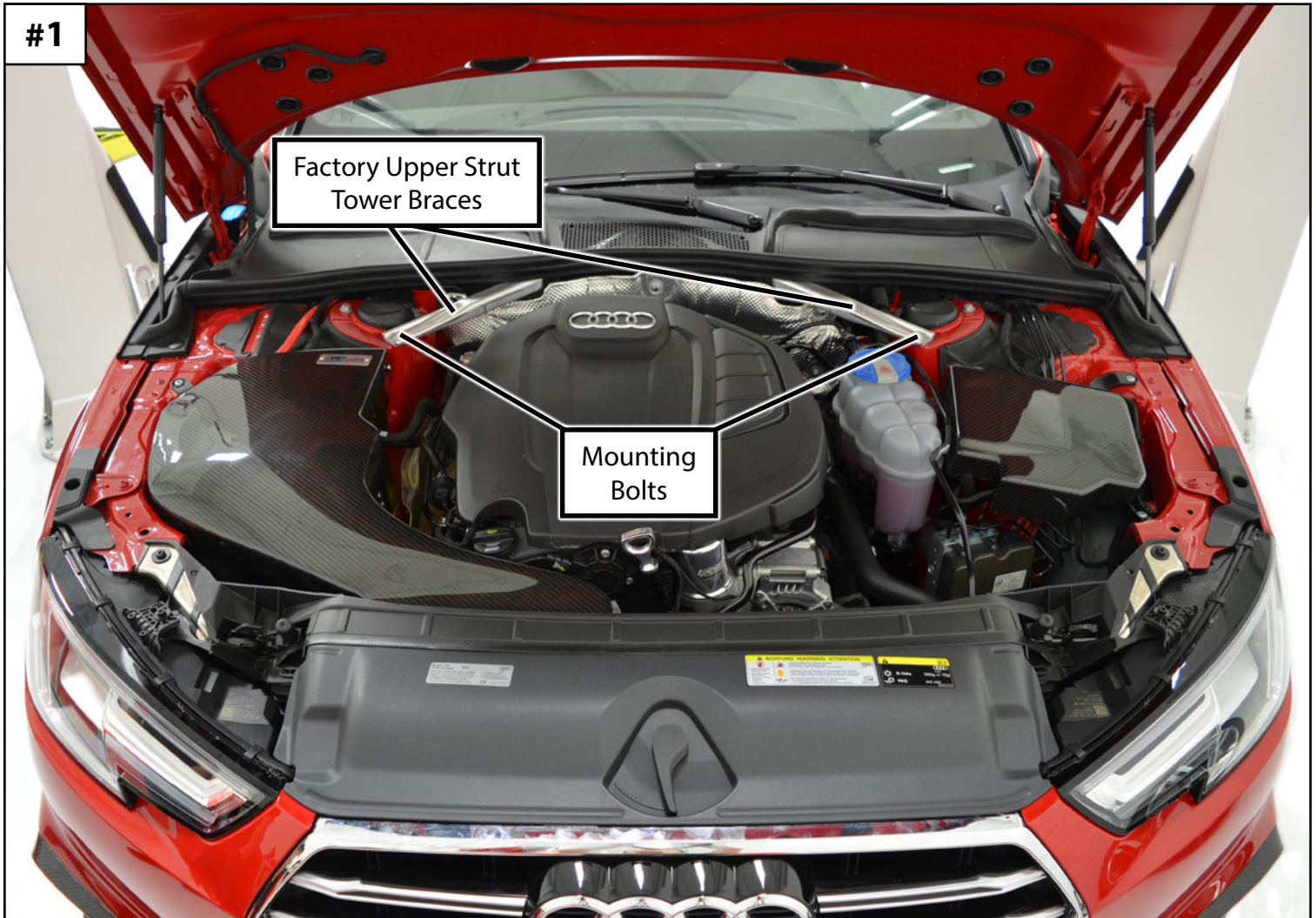
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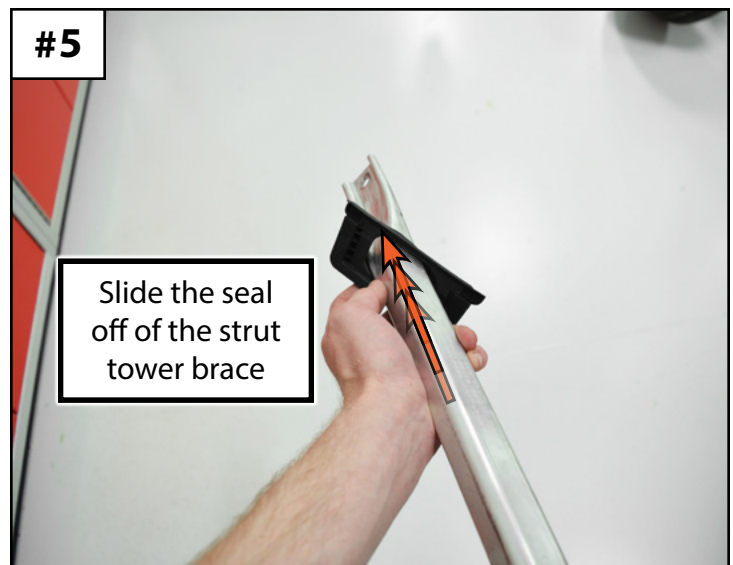
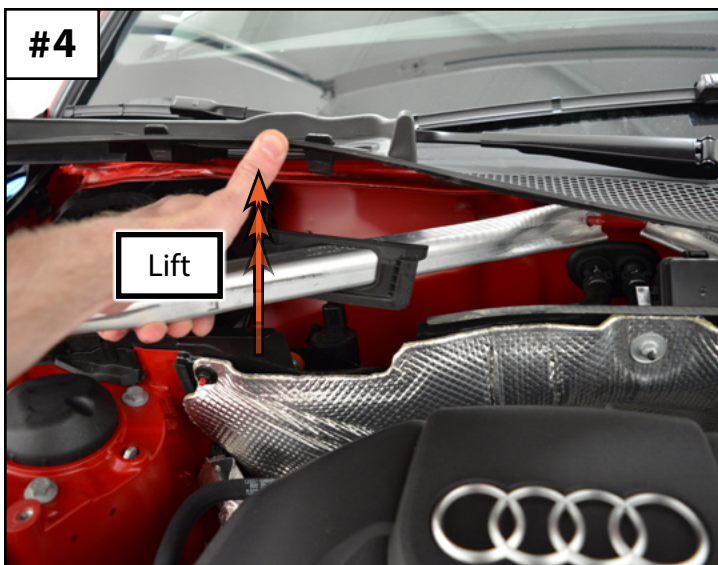
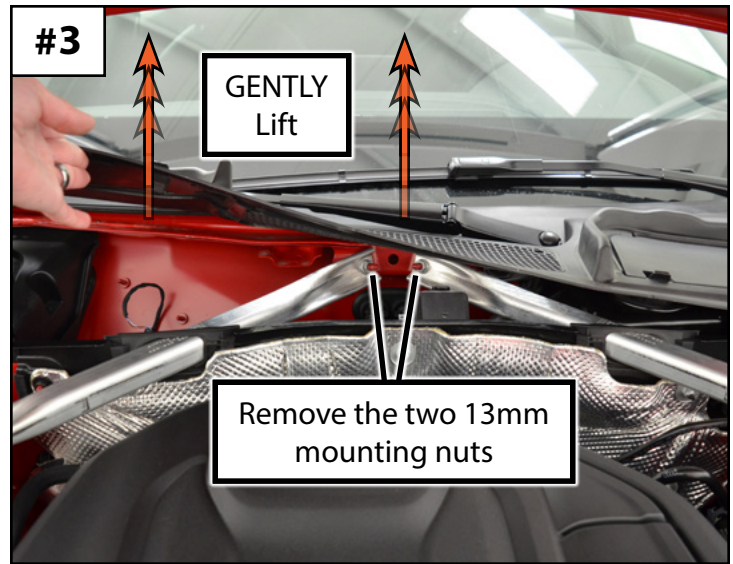
To perform this install we will be removing the wiper cowl seal, then lifting the front edge of the wiper cowl slightly (but **NOT** removing the entire cowl) in order to gain access to the two hidden nuts which secure the rear of the strut tower braces to the bulkhead. Now let's get started!

- Step #1** • Remove the two 13mm bolts from the factory upper strut tower braces.



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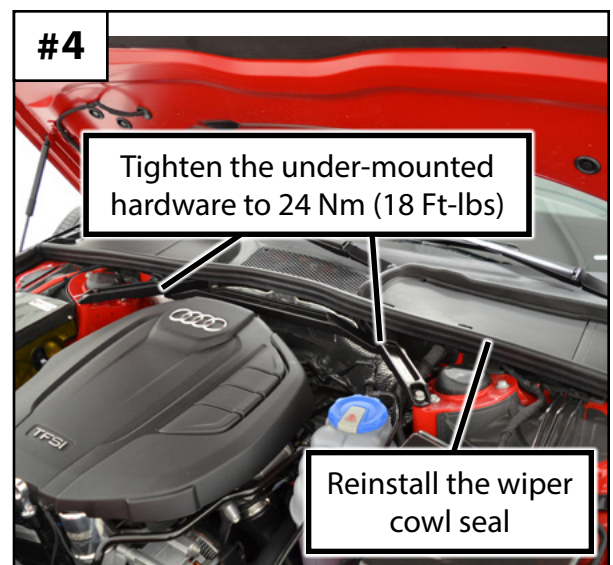
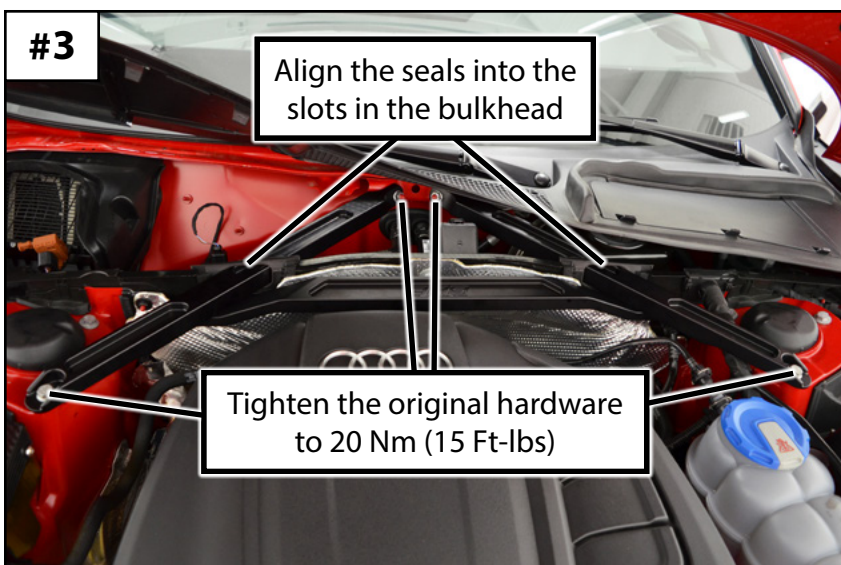
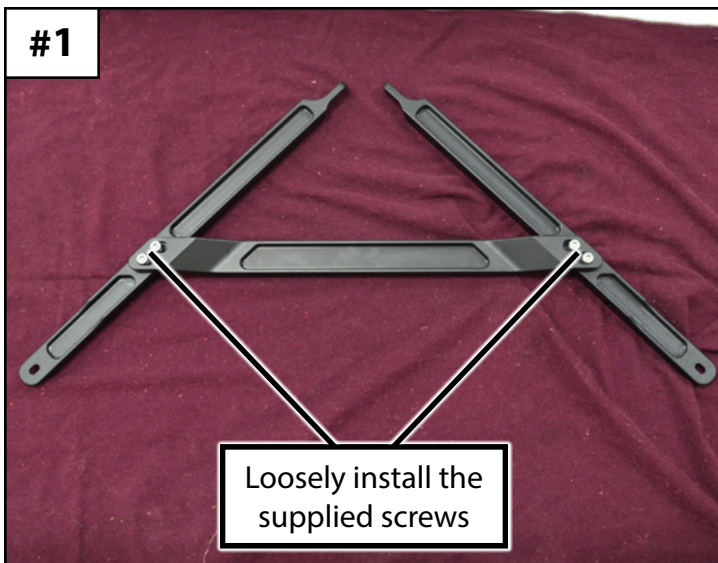
- Step #2** • Remove the wiper cowl seal by simply pulling it off as shown.
- Step #3** • Gently lift the wiper cowl panel upward just enough to locate the two 13mm mounting nuts on the rear of the braces and remove them.  
• Remove both of the 13mm mounting nuts from the factory upper strut tower braces.
- Step #4** • Lift the braces upward to slide the seals out of the slots in the bulkhead.  
• Remove the braces from the vehicle.
- Step #5** • Remove the seals from the braces by simply sliding them off as shown.



***You are now ready to install your new ECS Front Upper Strut Tower Brace!***

## Section 2: Installing the New Billet Aluminum Front Strut Brace

- Step #1**
- Place the new Billet Aluminum Front Strut Brace **UPSIDE DOWN** onto a clean, soft work surface.
  - Loosely install the supplied allen head screws into the brace as shown.
- Step #2**
- Slide the factory seals onto the new brace as shown.
- Step #3**
- Install the new brace into the vehicle in the reverse order of removal.
  - Be sure to align the seals into the slots in the bulkhead during install.
  - Tighten the factory mounting hardware to 20 Nm (15 Ft-lbs), then tighten the under-mounted allen head screws to 24 Nm (18 Ft-lbs).
- Step #4**
- Reinstall the wiper cowl seal.



***Your installation is now complete!***