

KoubaLink Installation Instructions

*Fits: Honda 2014-up CRF125F PN. CRF125F-2
Replaces stock link assembly PN. 52475-K28-910
(Lowers the rear 1.75")*

1) Raise the motorcycle with a bike stand, milk crate, etc., so the rear wheel is slightly off the ground. Remove the left foot peg / kickstand mount and lower chain slider. Remove front and rear linkage bolts that secure the stock linkage. Remove the steel center sleeve located inside the bearing of the stock sleeve.

2) The KoubaLink comes with the bearings and seals, so put a little grease inside the two needle bearings first, and then install the "center sleeve" from your old OEM link into the KoubaLink. Be sure the center sleeve from your stock link is clean and greased full length. You are now ready to install the new link by holding it back in place with the bearing end forward and the engraving readable from the right side. After aligning the link eyes with the link mounts, push the mounting bolts back through. *You will need to raise the swing arm to get the eyes to line up. Front bolt goes in from the right side and the rear bolt goes in from the left side.

3) After installing the KoubaLink, be sure the grease fitting is facing back and slightly down. You may want to pump a little grease into the grease fitting now before you torque the mounting bolt nuts as sometimes after tightening the nuts the air will not escape from the bearings and is difficult to get the grease in. Install the two 17 mm nuts and torque to approx. 35 lb-ft.

*NOTE: Always loosen/tighten the nut and not the head of the bolt.

4) For the 1.75" laden rear lowering, set the race sag (amount of vertical movement of the rear axle FROM no weight to bike weight plus rider weight) at 3.0" with rider in full riding gear, standing on the pegs. This sag adjustment can be changed by turning the two large nuts on top of the rear spring. (More preload = less sag, and less preload = more sag. Turning the spring preload nuts clockwise will increase the preload/lessen the sag and visa versa.) The easiest way we have found to change the preload adjustment is to loosen the top jam nut, lube the threads on the shock and turn the spring and all by grasping the bottom of the spring. It will turn easier if the rear wheel is off the ground.

5) The front fork tubes can be slid up in the triple clamps until they almost touch the stock handlebars, we do not recommend going farther than 3/4" of the fork tubes showing above the top triple clamp not counting the thickness of the fork caps. If the front pushes or will not turn quick enough we recommend lessening the rear sag rather than sliding the fork tubes up farther.

***Disclaimer: Raising or lowering the rear more than the front can change the geometry and could affect the handling, so be careful out there.**

If you like what the KoubaLinks do for your suspension, please tell everyone, if you do not, please tell us. We can be contacted at our e-mail address below and are always interested in your questions or comments.