Installation instructions:

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AKRAPOVIC SLIP-ON EXHAUST SYSTEM
for the
KAWASAKI Z 1000 (2003)

Congratulations on purchasing an Akrapovic exhaust system. Please read these installation instructions carefully. If you have any trouble installing the system please contact your authorized dealer!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Exclusion of Certain Liability

1. The manufacturer, importer or dealer shall not be liable for any incidental damage including personal injury or any other damages caused by improper installation or operation of the Akrapovic exhaust system. When installing the Akrapovic exhaust system be careful that the exhaust system does not touch other parts sensitive to high temperature.

2. Akrapovic makes no representation or warranties with regard to damage caused by the improper installation, use and maintenance of the Akrapovic exhaust system. The warranty is limited to defects recognized by our technical department and to normal use, and excludes items subject to normal wear (gaskets and damping wool). The guarantee is void in case of accident, modification, improper or competition use.

3. Do not attempt to install the Akrapovic exhaust system on a motorcycle for which it was not made or tested by Akrapovic.

4. When the exhaust system gets very hot during operation, be careful not to burn yourself on the exhaust system or parts which are in direct contact with it, even when the motor is not running. Also protect other people, especially children, from the injuries mentioned above.

5. In some cases Akrapovic exhaust system kits contain chemical products (ceramic anti-seizing grease; bolt sealant). Handle with care, do not inhale or swallow. Avoid excessive contact with skin, eyes or mucous membranes. Keep out of reach of children.

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Symbols

The following symbols are used throughout these installation instructions:

! CAUTION OR WARNING **INSTALLATION TIP**

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

BEFORE INSTALLING CHECK SCHEMATIC OF THE EXHAUST SYSTEM!

! IN CASE THAT SOME ITEMS IN THE AKRAPOVIC EXHAUST SYSTEM PACKAGE ARE MISSING PLEASE CONTACT YOUR AUTHORIZED DEALER. KEEP THE SCHEMATIC FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

! IT IS ESSENTIAL TO READ THESE INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY IN ORDER TO ENSURE PROPER INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF THE AKRAPOVIC EXHAUST SYSTEM.

! THE EXHAUST SYSTEM CAN BE EXTREMELY HOT. LET THE MOTORCYCLE 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 MOTORCYCLE.

❑ REMOVAL OF STOCK EXHAUST SYSTEM

1. put the motorcycle on a side stand, we recommend a racing stand
2. unscrew the bolts on the metal clamp (at the link pipe – collector joint) on both sides of the motorcycle
3. unscrew and remove the bolt from the stock metal muffler hanging bracket
4. remove the link pipes together with the mufflers from both sides of the motorcycle (the link pipes and mufflers are welded together). We recommend spraying the joint with a multi-purpose spray lubricant (WD-40 or equivalent)

❑ INSTALLATION OF THE AKRAPOVIC SLIP-ON EXHAUST SYSTEM

Installing the link pipes with mufflers:

1. The left-side component has a fitting welded onto the link pipe for mounting the rubber stopper which should be removed from the stock left-side link pipe and prevents damage to the link pipe when the side stand is raised. **(Figure 1)**
2. attach the metal clamps to both link pipes, making sure that they are correctly oriented so that it is possible to tighten them
3. slip the link pipe with muffler onto the stock header assembly **(Figure 2)**
4. correctly position the carbon-fiber clamp and slide it onto the muffler - bear in mind the **right offset** of the carbon-fiber clamp for the **left muffler (Figure 8)** and the **left offset** for the **right muffler** viewed from the rear **(Figure 9).** WARNING: open the clamp to slightly wider than the diameter of the outer sleeve of the muffler – do not scrape it along the muffler outer sleeve! **(Figure 3)**
5. tighten the carbon-fiber clamp to the stock bracket – use the stock bolts and the ALU washer from the Akrapovic kit. Do not fully tighten. Make sure that the ALU washer is correctly positioned. **(Figure 4, 5)**
6. loosely tighten the bolts on the metal clamps **(Figure 6)**
7. the installation procedure is the same on both sides of the motorcycle
8. the rubber stopper which was removed from the stock left-side link pipe must be installed on the left-side link pipe
9. make sure the link pipes and mufflers are not touching the engine or the frame of the motorcycle, and make sure that the mufflers are in line with the longitudinal axis of the motorcycle and that they are parallel with each other
10. correct position of the installed Akrapovic SLIP-ON system **(Figure 10)**

final installation:

1. tighten the bolts on all of the brackets and clamps to which the exhaust system and the other dismounted parts of the motorcycle are attached
2. clean grease spots:
    a. muffler – titanium outer sleeve: use a soft cloth sprayed with a multi-purpose spray lubricant (WD-40 or equivalent)
    b. muffler – carbon-fiber outer sleeve: use a soft dry cloth
    c. stainless steel link pipe: use a soft cloth sprayed with a contact cleaner, then wipe with a soft dry cloth

    Cleaning will prevent spots from burning onto the surface. Do not use aggressive chemical cleaners, because they can damage the sticker.
3. replace all of the dismounted stock parts and cowlings in the reverse order from the order in which they were removed
4. **Check the operation of the brakes and suspension. Make sure all the bolts are sufficiently tightened. In case the exhaust system touches the cowling or other parts repeat the adjustment of the exhaust system or contact your authorized dealer.**

! IT IS NORMAL IF WHITE SMOKE COMES OUT OF THE MUFFLER ON FIRST OPERATION.

! DO NOT STAND BEHIND THE MUFFLER ON FIRST OPERATION.

❑ **MAINTENANCE OF THE AKRAPOVIC EXHAUST SYSTEM**

1. Clean the titanium muffler outer sleeve with a multi-purpose spray lubricant (WD-40 or equivalent) and carbon fiber outer sleeve with soft and dry cloth. Do not use aggressive chemical cleaners, because they can damage the sticker. A change in the color of the exhaust system is normal due to the high temperatures.
2. The wearing out of the muffler silencing material depends on the type of the motor and riding style. Contact your dealer/serviceman if visible changes appear on muffler's outer sleeve or the noise level is increased.
3. Periodically that all the bolts are sufficiently tight.

Photos:



Figure 1

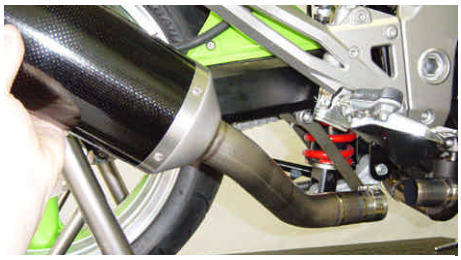


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Figure 3

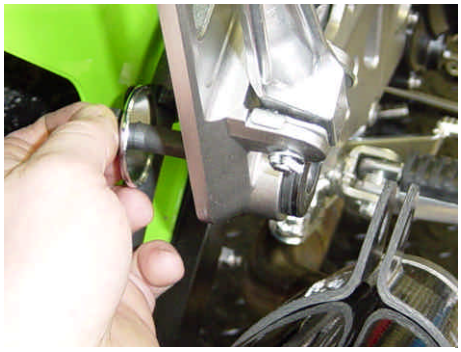


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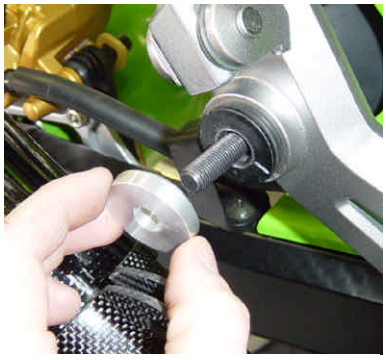


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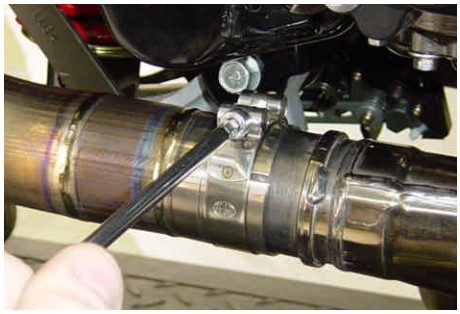


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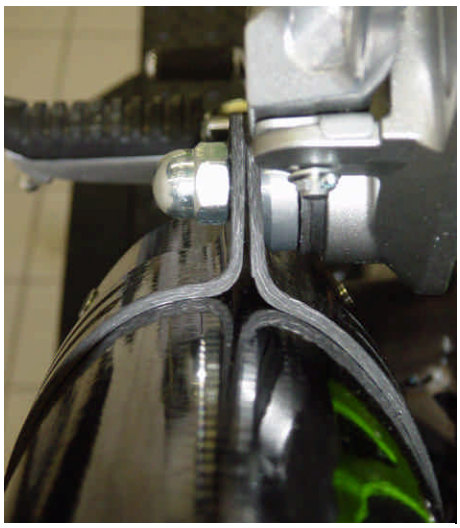


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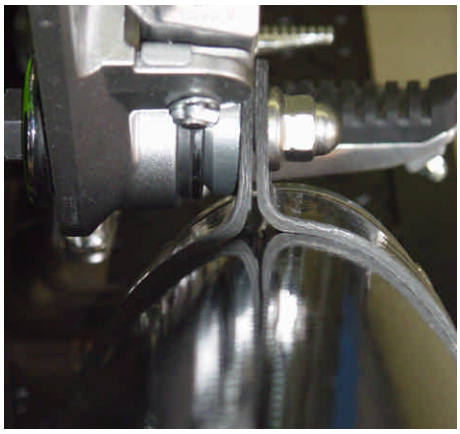


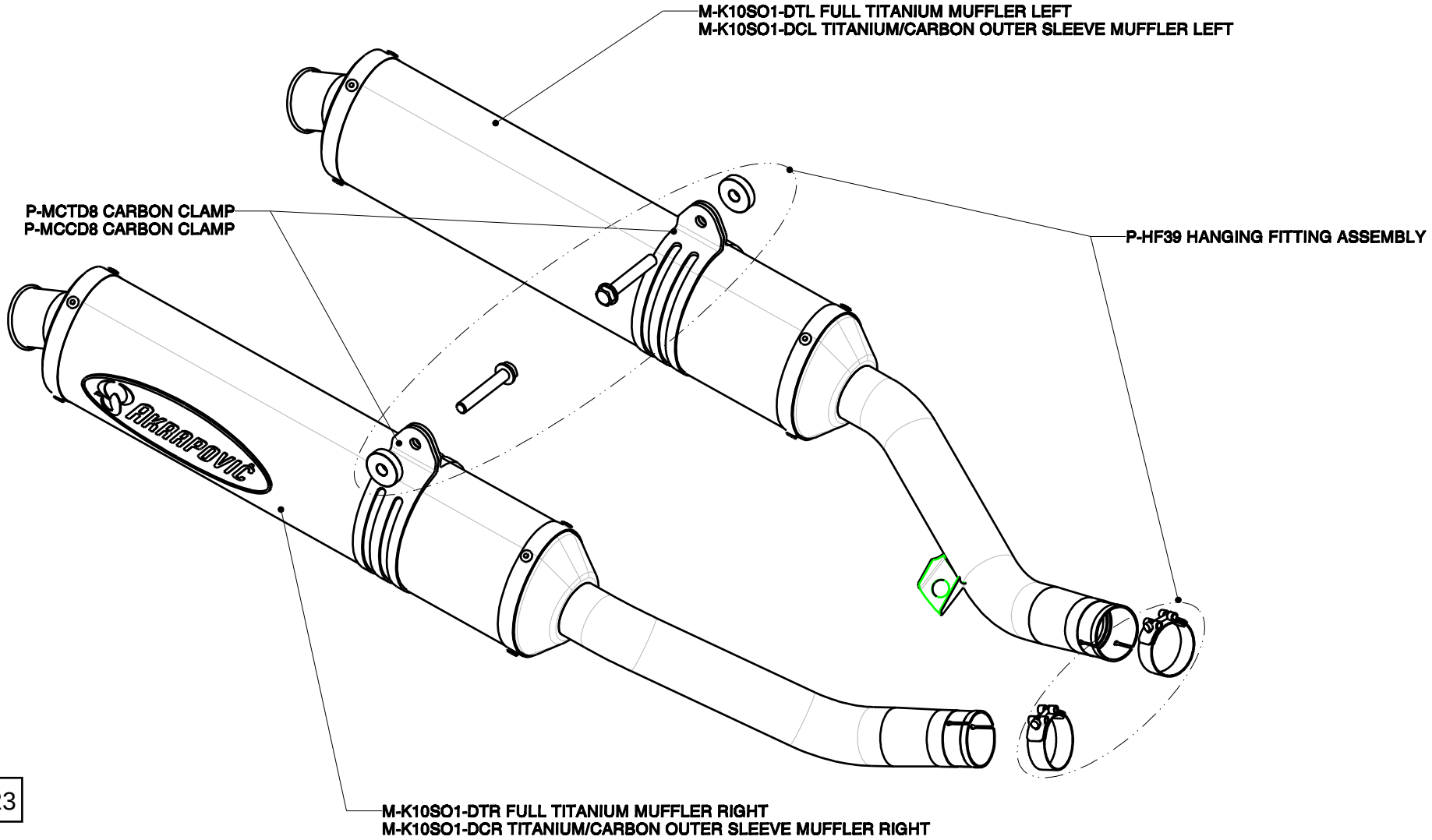
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Figure 10

Kawasaki Z1000 Slip-on, model year 2003

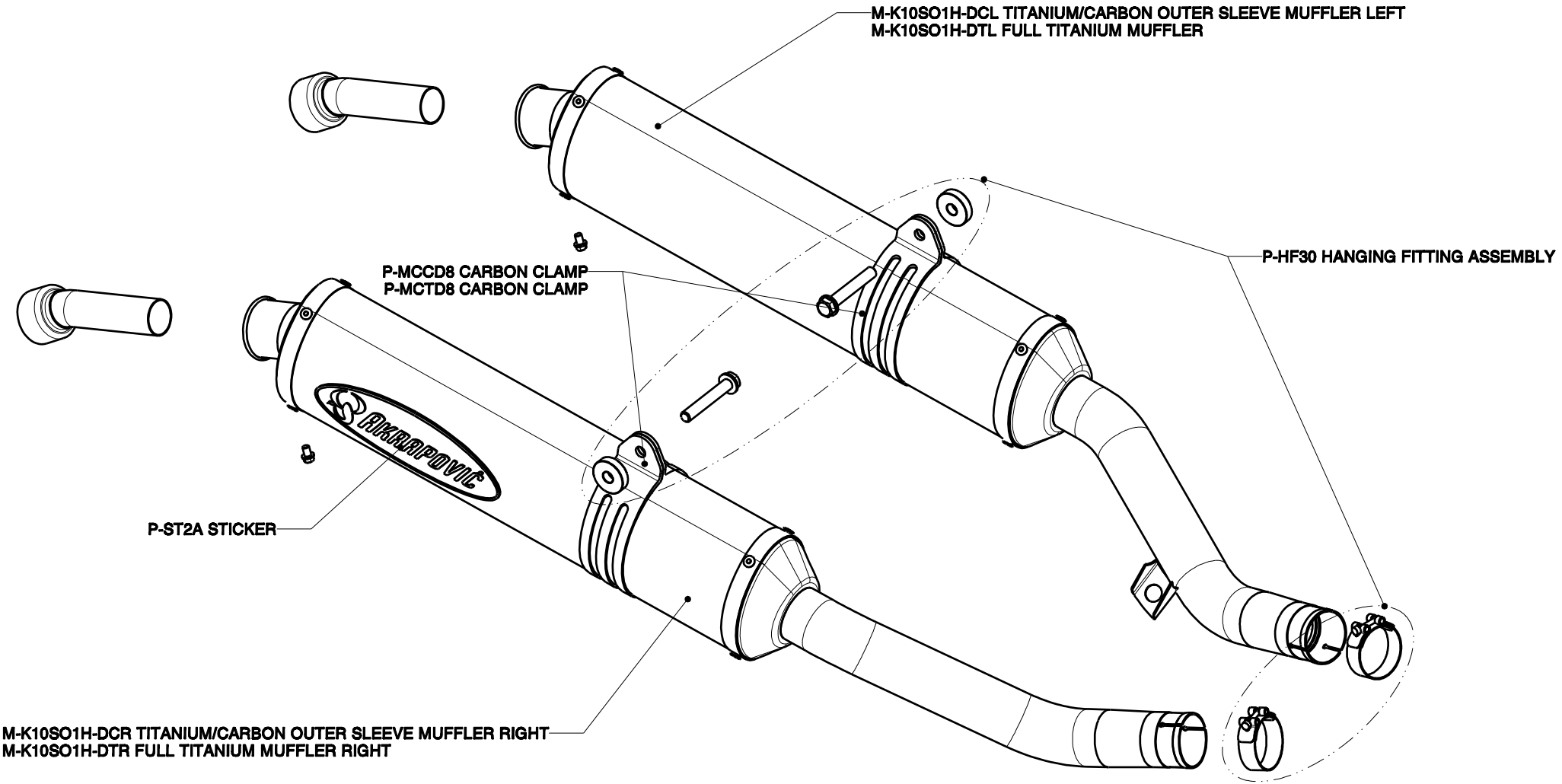
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