

ABOUT TR3A UPPER STEERING COLUMNS.

Background on TR3-3B upper steering columns, improvements and relevance to steering rack conversions.

Sometime between TS26000 and TS34000 the steering column was changed to a split type with a short shaft out of the steering box and a separate upper column assembly. This type of upper column is essential if you are installing a steering rack conversion to a car fitted with the one piece column.

We supply the upper column as a set along with all the individual parts as follows: -

121154X Upper column kit consisting of a hollow inner shaft 205221 and an outer column with plastic bushes fitted top and bottom.

RTR3315K Upper column kit consisting of a solid inner shaft RTR3384 and an outer column with superior gimbaled bushes fitted top and bottom. This assembly is only supplied if 121154X is not available.

121154 Outer shaft assembly with bushes. Not available new. Use RTR3381-1 or second hand part 121089SH

RTR3381-1 performs the same function as 121154 with the benefit of having superior gimbaled bushes fitted top and bottom.

121089 Outer column without bushes. Not available new. Use RTR3381-1, RTR3382-1 or second hand part 121089SH

RTR3382-1 Outer column assembly consisting of an outer column RTR3381-1 fitted with superior gimbaled bushes RTR3492 to the top and 209423UP to the bottom.

205221 Inner hollow shaft

RTR3384 Solid inner shaft. This shaft is only supplied if 121154X is not available.

Bushes

The original upper bush 043314 is a simple felt strip which can squeak and rapidly deforms to allow a significant amount of sideways play.

RTR3492 Upper superior gimbaled bush similar to 209423UP type fitted to the bottom of the upper column. Replaces 043314

209423UP Superior gimbaled bush for the lower end of the outer column. Similar in design to the standard part 209423 but manufactured from superior modern materials. This bush is used at the top of the lower column too.

RTR3492K Kit of superior bushes for a split column arrangement

RTR3492-1K Kit of superior bushes for a solid column arrangement

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