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#### **Walker 55545**

# Walker 55545 Direct Fit Exhaust Resonator and Pipe Assembly User Manual

Model: 55545 | Brand: Walker

#### **NTRODUCTION**

This manual provides essential information for the installation, operation, and maintenance of your Walker 55545 Direct Fit Exhaust Resonator and Pipe Assembly. Designed for durability and precise fit, this component is made from aluminized steel to ensure long-lasting performance.

The Walker 55545 is engineered to perform like original equipment, offering a direct-fit design that is fixture checked for accuracy. Its construction inhibits corrosion, promoting optimal performance throughout its lifespan.

# Compatibility

• Fits 2006-2012 Toyota RAV4 models.

Before installation, always verify compatibility with your vehicle's specific year, make, model, engine, and trim.

#### SETUP AND INSTALLATION

The Walker 55545 exhaust assembly is designed for easy, direct-fit installation. While professional installation is recommended, this section provides general guidance.

### **Required Tools and Safety Precautions**

- Appropriate wrenches or sockets
- · Jack stands or vehicle lift
- · Safety glasses and gloves
- Penetrating oil (optional, for rusted bolts)
- Exhaust hanger removal tool (optional)

**Safety First:** Always ensure the vehicle is securely supported on jack stands or a lift. Allow the exhaust system to cool completely before beginning work. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment.

#### **Installation Steps**

- 1. **Prepare the Vehicle:** Park the vehicle on a level surface and engage the parking brake. Lift the vehicle safely using a jack and secure it with jack stands.
- 2. **Remove Old Component:** Locate the existing exhaust resonator and pipe assembly. Loosen and remove any bolts connecting it to the catalytic converter or other exhaust components. Carefully detach the exhaust hangers from their rubber isolators. Support the old assembly as you remove it to prevent it from falling.

- 3. Inspect Mounting Points: Clean any rust or debris from the mating flanges and hanger locations on the vehicle.
- 4. **Install New Assembly:** Position the new Walker 55545 assembly under the vehicle. Align the flanges and carefully insert the hangers into their rubber isolators.
- 5. **Secure Connections:** Hand-tighten the bolts connecting the new assembly to the existing exhaust system. Ensure all connections are properly aligned and seated.
- 6. Final Tightening: Once aligned, progressively tighten all bolts to the manufacturer's specifications. Do not overtighten.
- 7. **Check Clearance:** Verify that the new exhaust assembly has adequate clearance from all vehicle components (frame, suspension, fuel lines, etc.). Adjust as necessary.
- 8. Lower Vehicle: Carefully lower the vehicle to the ground.
- 9. Test System: Start the engine and check for any exhaust leaks. Listen for unusual noises or vibrations.

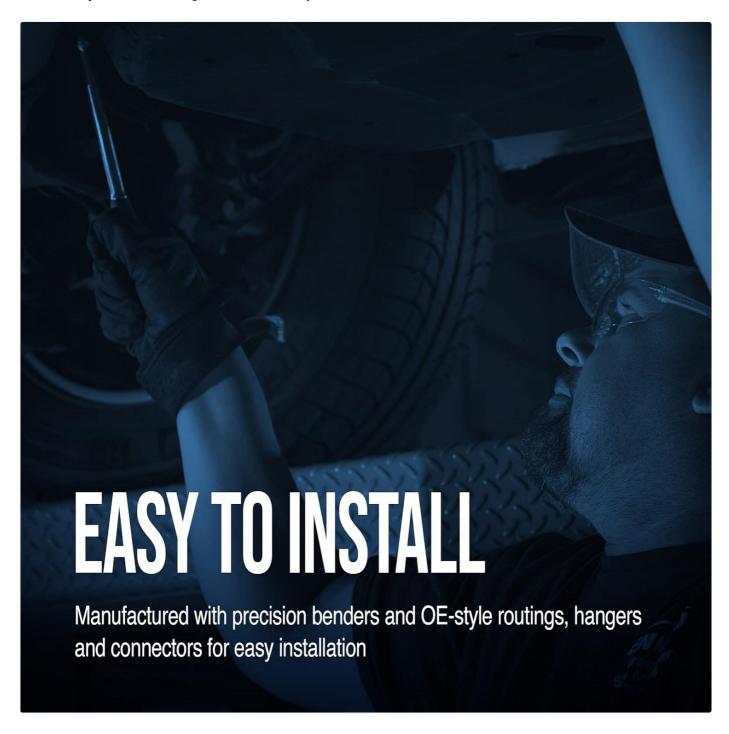


Figure 1: Illustration of a mechanic installing an exhaust pipe. The Walker 55545 is manufactured with precision bends and OE-style routings, hangers, and connectors for straightforward installation.



Figure 2: Hands-on installation of an exhaust component. The design facilitates easy integration with existing vehicle systems.

# **OPERATING PRINCIPLES AND BENEFITS**

The Walker 55545 Direct Fit Exhaust Resonator and Pipe Assembly is a critical component of your vehicle's exhaust system, designed to reduce exhaust noise and ensure proper exhaust flow.

# **Key Features and Advantages**

- **OE-Style Performance:** Engineered to meet or exceed original equipment specifications, ensuring reliable performance and fit.
- Noise Reduction: The integrated resonator helps to dampen exhaust sound, contributing to a quieter ride.
- Optimized Flow: Precision bends and routings ensure efficient exhaust gas flow, which can contribute to engine efficiency.
- **Durability:** Constructed from durable aluminized steel, providing resistance against corrosion and extending the lifespan of the component.



Figure 3: The Walker 55545 is designed for OE-style performance, ensuring your vehicle operates as intended.

# **MAINTENANCE**

The Walker 55545 exhaust assembly is built for long-term durability with minimal maintenance. However, periodic inspection is recommended to ensure continued optimal performance.

# **Inspection Guidelines**

- Visual Check: Periodically inspect the entire exhaust system for signs of rust, cracks, holes, or loose connections. Pay close attention to welds and flanges.
- Hanger Integrity: Check rubber exhaust hangers for signs of wear, cracking, or deterioration. Worn hangers can lead to excessive movement and noise.
- Noise Assessment: Listen for any new or unusual exhaust noises, such as rattling, hissing, or loud rumbling, which could
  indicate a leak or loose component.
- **Corrosion:** While made from aluminized steel to inhibit corrosion, extreme conditions can still affect the material. Address any significant corrosion promptly.

If any issues are detected during inspection, it is recommended to consult a qualified automotive technician for repair or replacement.



Figure 4: Walker exhaust components are made from high-quality materials for durability and long life, reducing the need for frequent maintenance.

#### **Troubleshooting**

This section addresses common issues that may arise with exhaust system components. If you experience problems, review these points before seeking professional assistance.

#### **Common Issues and Solutions**

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Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Loud exhaust noise / Hissing sound	Exhaust leak (loose connection, crack, hole)	Inspect all connections and the pipe for leaks. Tighten loose bolts. If a crack or hole is found, the component may need replacement or professional repair.
Rattling or banging noise	Loose exhaust hangers, exhaust pipe hitting vehicle components	Check all exhaust hangers for proper seating and condition. Ensure adequate clearance between the exhaust pipe and vehicle chassis/components. Adjust hangers or pipe position if necessary.
Vibration	Misaligned exhaust, worn engine/transmission mounts	Verify exhaust alignment. If vibration persists and is not related to the exhaust, inspect engine and transmission mounts.

For persistent or complex issues, it is always best to consult a certified mechanic.

# **S**PECIFICATIONS

Detailed technical specifications for the Walker 55545 Direct Fit Exhaust Resonator and Pipe Assembly.

Attribute	Detail
Model Number	55545
Brand	Walker
Installation Type	Bolt-On
Material	Aluminized Steel (Alloy Steel)
Item Weight	9.3 pounds
Product Dimensions	51 x 18 x 6 inches
Country of Origin	USA
UPC	086387555456
Vehicle Service Type	Car

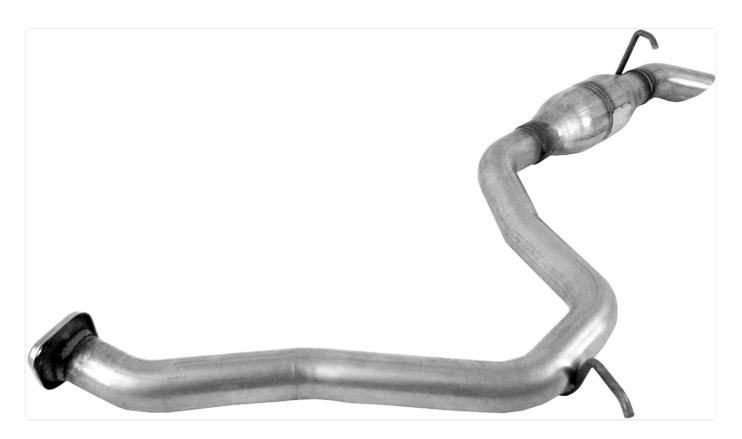


Figure 5: The Walker 55545 Direct Fit Exhaust Resonator and Pipe Assembly, showcasing its design and components.



Figure 6: Detail of exhaust pipe flanges, highlighting the precision engineering for a direct fit.



Figure 7: Walker offers a variety of lengths and diameters to meet diverse vehicle repair needs.

# WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Walker stands behind the quality of its products. For specific warranty information regarding the Walker 55545 Direct Fit Exhaust Resonator and Pipe Assembly, please refer to the warranty documentation included with your purchase or visit the official Walker website.

For technical support, installation questions, or assistance with product issues, please contact Walker customer service through their official channels. Always provide your product model number (55545) and any relevant purchase details when seeking support.

**Note:** Using premium Walker accessories when installing Walker catalytic converters and mufflers is recommended for a complete exhaust system upgrade and optimal performance.



Figure 8: For a complete exhaust system upgrade, consider pairing the Walker 55545 with other premium Walker components.

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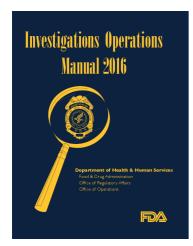
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