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Model: 49-2780 | Brand: ReadyLift

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the proper installation, operation, and maintenance of the ReadyLift 49-2780 8.0-inch Lift Kit. This kit is designed to provide an 8.0-inch lift for specific Ford F250 and F350 truck models, enhancing vehicle clearance and performance.

1.1. Vehicle Compatibility

- 2011-2018 Ford F250
- 2011-2018 Ford F350

This kit includes SST3000 shocks and is specifically configured for vehicles utilizing a one-piece drive shaft.

2. SAFETY INFORMATION

WARNING: Installation of this lift kit modifies the vehicle's suspension and handling characteristics. Professional installation is highly recommended. Failure to follow instructions or improper installation can lead to serious injury or death.

- Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment, including safety glasses and gloves, during installation.
- Ensure the vehicle is securely supported on a level surface using jack stands before beginning any work. Never rely solely on a jack.
- Disconnect the vehicle's battery before starting work to prevent accidental electrical discharge.
- Refer to the vehicle's factory service manual for specific torque specifications and procedures not covered in this document.
- After installation, a professional alignment is mandatory to ensure proper vehicle handling and tire wear.

3. WHAT'S IN THE BOX

The ReadyLift 49-2780 8.0" Lift Kit includes the following components:

- Front Coil Springs
- Rear Leaf Springs
- SST3000 Shocks (multiple units)
- Various Brackets and Mounts
- U-Bolts and Associated Hardware
- Drive Shaft Spacer/Adapter
- All necessary fasteners and small parts for installation



This image displays all components included in the ReadyLift 49-2780 8.0-inch Lift Kit. Visible parts include front coil springs, rear leaf springs, SST3000 shocks, various brackets, U-bolts, and hardware necessary for installation.

4. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

Installation of this lift kit requires specialized tools and mechanical expertise. It is strongly recommended that installation be performed by a certified automotive technician.

4.1. General Installation Steps (Overview)

1. **Pre-Installation Check:** Verify all components are present and undamaged. Read through all instructions thoroughly before beginning.
2. **Vehicle Preparation:** Park the vehicle on a level surface, engage the parking brake, and block the wheels. Lift the vehicle and support it securely with jack stands. Remove wheels and tires.
3. **Disassembly:** Carefully remove existing suspension components as instructed in the detailed installation guide (not included in this general manual). This typically includes shocks, springs, and associated hardware.
4. **Component Installation:** Install new ReadyLift components, including coil springs, leaf springs, shocks, brackets, and drive shaft modifications, following the specific sequence and torque specifications provided in the full installation instructions.
5. **Final Assembly:** Reinstall wheels and tires. Lower the vehicle to the ground.
6. **Post-Installation Checks:** Perform all checks outlined in Section 5.1.
7. **Professional Alignment:** Immediately after installation, have the vehicle professionally aligned to correct steering geometry and prevent premature tire wear.

5. OPERATING GUIDELINES

5.1. Post-Installation Checks

- **Torque Verification:** Re-check all fasteners for proper torque after 50-100 miles of driving and periodically thereafter.
- **Fluid Levels:** Check brake fluid, power steering fluid, and other relevant fluid levels.
- **Tire Pressure:** Adjust tire pressure according to the tire manufacturer's recommendations for the new tire size (if applicable).
- **Steering and Suspension:** Inspect for any unusual noises, vibrations, or loose components.

5.2. Driving Considerations

A lifted vehicle will have a higher center of gravity, which can affect handling characteristics. Drive cautiously and be aware of the following:

- Increased rollover risk, especially during sharp turns or evasive maneuvers.
- Longer braking distances may occur.
- Changes in headlight aim may require adjustment.
- Be mindful of overhead clearances (garages, car washes, low bridges).

6. MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance is crucial to ensure the longevity and safe operation of your ReadyLift 8.0" Lift Kit.

- **Periodic Inspection:** Regularly inspect all suspension components for wear, damage, or corrosion. Pay close attention to bushings, shocks, and fasteners.
- **Fastener Torque:** Periodically re-check the torque on all bolts and nuts associated with the lift kit, especially after off-road use.
- **Cleaning:** Keep suspension components clean, especially after driving in mud, salt, or corrosive environments, to prevent premature wear and corrosion.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you experience any issues after installing your ReadyLift 8.0" Lift Kit, consider the following common problems and solutions:

- **Unusual Noises (Clunking, Squeaking):**
 - Check all fasteners for proper torque.
 - Inspect bushings for wear or improper seating.
 - Ensure no components are contacting other parts of the vehicle.
- **Poor Handling or Steering Issues:**
 - Verify that a professional wheel alignment has been performed.
 - Inspect steering components for looseness or damage.
 - Check tire pressure.
- **Vibrations:**
 - Check drive shaft angles and balance.
 - Inspect wheel and tire balance.
 - Ensure all components are securely fastened.

For persistent issues, contact a certified automotive technician or ReadyLift customer support.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Model Number	49-2780
Brand	ReadyLift
Maximum Lifting Height	8 Inches
Included Components	8.0" Lift Kit with SST3000 Shocks - 1 Piece Drive Shaft
Material	Metal
Auto Part Position	Front
Item Weight	146.8 pounds
Product Dimensions	13 x 48 x 27.75 inches

UPC	804879578758
ASIN	B079KRZXT4

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For information regarding product warranty, please refer to the official ReadyLift website or contact their customer support directly. ReadyLift provides support for their products and can assist with technical questions or concerns.

ReadyLift Contact Information:

Please visit the official ReadyLift website for the most current contact details and support resources.