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> Freightliner Dash Support LH (Left-Hand) - A18-26081-000 User Manual

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MODEL: A18-26081-000

Brand: Freightliner

1. Introduction

This manual provides essential information for the proper installation and maintenance of the Freightliner Dash Support LH, part number A18-26081-000. This component is designed to provide structural support for the dashboard assembly on the left-hand side of compatible Freightliner vehicles. Adhering to these instructions will help ensure correct fitment and long-term performance.



Figure 1: Angled view of the Freightliner Dash Support LH.

2. Safety Information

- Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), such as safety glasses and gloves, when working on vehicles.
- Ensure the vehicle is parked on a level surface, the engine is off, and the parking brake is engaged before beginning any work.
- Disconnect the vehicle's battery if instructed by specific repair procedures or if working near electrical components.
- Refer to the vehicle's service manual for specific disassembly and reassembly procedures related to the dashboard area.
- If you are unsure about any step, consult a qualified automotive technician.

3. Package Contents

Verify that all components are present and undamaged upon opening the package.

- 1x Freightliner Dash Support LH (Part Number: A18-26081-000)

4. Installation

The installation of the dash support requires careful attention to detail. It is recommended that this procedure be performed by a qualified technician or individuals with experience in automotive interior work.

4.1. Tools and Materials (Typical)

- Socket wrench set
- Screwdriver set (Phillips and flathead)
- Trim removal tools (plastic pry tools)
- Work light
- Shop rags

4.2. Installation Steps

1. **Prepare the Vehicle:** Ensure the vehicle is off, parked, and the battery is disconnected if necessary.
2. **Access the Installation Area:** Carefully remove any dashboard trim panels, fasteners, or components that obstruct access to the existing dash support or the mounting location for the new support. Refer to your vehicle's specific service manual for detailed instructions on dashboard disassembly.
3. **Remove Old Support (if applicable):** If replacing an existing dash support, unfasten and remove the old component. Note the orientation and mounting points for reference.
4. **Position the New Dash Support:** Align the Freightliner Dash Support LH (A18-26081-000) with the designated mounting points on the left-hand side of the dashboard structure. Ensure it fits securely and correctly.

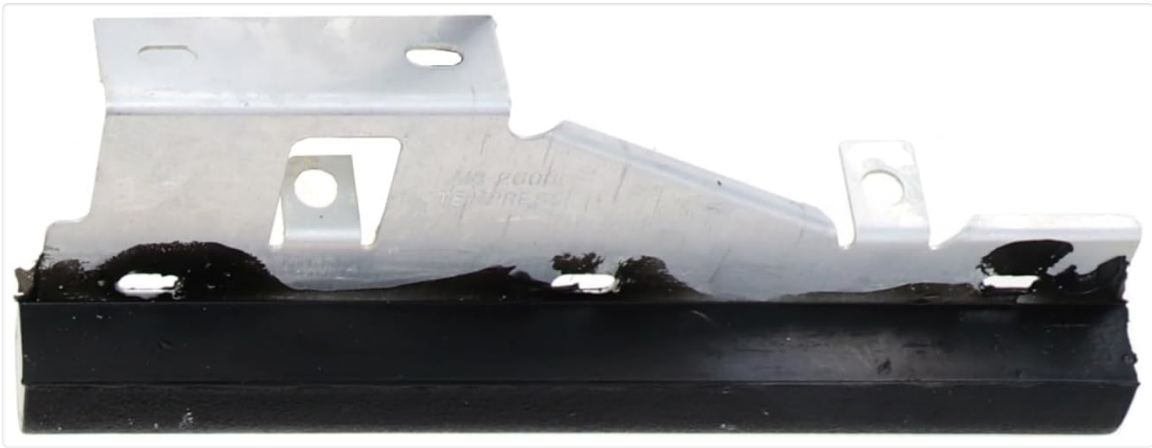


Figure 2: Side view illustrating the mounting bracket design of the dash support.

5. **Secure the Support:** Install the necessary fasteners (bolts, screws, clips) to firmly attach the dash support to the vehicle's frame or dashboard structure. Tighten fasteners to the manufacturer's specified torque values, if available.
6. **Reassemble Dashboard:** Carefully reattach all removed dashboard trim panels and components in reverse order of disassembly. Ensure all connections are secure and no wires are pinched.
7. **Final Check:** Once reassembled, gently test the stability of the dashboard area to confirm the support is properly installed and the dashboard is secure. Reconnect the battery if it was disconnected.

5. Maintenance

The Freightliner Dash Support LH is a durable component designed for long service life with minimal maintenance. Regular inspection is recommended.

- **Periodic Inspection:** During routine vehicle maintenance, visually inspect the dash support and its mounting points for any signs of looseness, corrosion, or damage.
- **Cleaning:** If the visible portion of the support requires cleaning, use a soft, damp cloth and a mild automotive interior cleaner. Avoid harsh chemicals or abrasive materials.
- **Fastener Check:** If accessible, periodically check the tightness of the mounting fasteners to ensure they remain secure.

6. Troubleshooting

If issues arise after installation, consider the following:

- **Loose Dashboard:** If the dashboard feels loose or rattles, re-check all mounting fasteners for the dash support and other dashboard components. Ensure they are tightened correctly.
- **Improper Fit:** If the dash support does not fit correctly, verify that the correct part number (A18-26081-000) was used for your specific Freightliner vehicle model and year. Ensure no obstructions are preventing proper alignment.
- **Damaged Component:** If the dash support itself appears damaged, it may need to be replaced. Contact your supplier for assistance.

7. Specifications

Attribute	Detail
Manufacturer	Freightliner
Brand	Freightliner
Model	Dash Support LH
Part Number	A18-26081-000
Item Weight	1 pounds
Package Dimensions	1 x 1 x 1 inches
Exterior Finish	Painted
ASIN	B09D4YYTJV
Date First Available	August 19, 2021

8. Warranty and Support

For specific warranty information regarding the Freightliner Dash Support LH (A18-26081-000), please refer to the documentation provided at the time of purchase or contact your authorized Freightliner dealer or parts supplier directly. Warranty terms and conditions may vary.

For technical support or further assistance, please contact your Freightliner service center or an authorized parts distributor.

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