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Model: 425-184 (Manufacturer Part Number: YW50AS)

For Chevy Silverado, Suburban, Avalanche, Tahoe; GMC Sierra, Yukon, Yukon XL; Cadillac Escalade

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the maXpeedingrods 425-184 Intermediate Steering Shaft. It covers product overview, compatibility, installation guidelines, maintenance, and troubleshooting. Please read this manual thoroughly before installation and use to ensure proper function and safety.



Image 1.1: Overview of the maXpeedingrods 425-184 Intermediate Steering Shaft. This image displays the complete steering shaft assembly, featuring its robust construction and flexible boot.

The intermediate steering shaft is a critical component in your vehicle's steering system, connecting the steering column to the steering gear. This maXpeedingrods replacement part is designed to restore precise steering control and eliminate common issues associated with worn or damaged original equipment.

2. PRODUCT FEATURES

- **Direct Replacement:** Engineered to directly replace OE numbers 19210226, 25862740, 25862789, 425-184, and 425184.
- **Durable Construction:** Built to undergo thorough torsional, tensile, and fatigue testing for reliable and long-lasting operation.
- **Enhanced Steering:** Designed to restore smooth and responsive steering performance.
- **Quality Materials:** Manufactured from high-quality materials for optimal durability and performance.



Image 2.1: Key features of the intermediate steering shaft. This graphic highlights the product's attributes such as ease of installation, stable performance, and high-quality design.

3. COMPATIBILITY

The maXpeedingrods 425-184 Intermediate Steering Shaft is compatible with a range of General Motors vehicles. Please verify your vehicle's make, model, and year against the list below to ensure proper fitment.

- **Cadillac Escalade:** 2007-2014
- **Chevy Cheyenne:** 2007-2014
- **Chevy Silverado 1500:** 2007-2014
- **Chevy Suburban 1500:** 2007-2014
- **Chevy Avalanche:** 2007-2012
- **Chevy Tahoe:** 2007-2012
- **GMC Sierra 1500:** 2007-2012
- **GMC Yukon:** 2007-2014
- **GMC Yukon XL 1500:** 2007-2014

Important: Always cross-reference the OE part numbers with your vehicle's existing part to confirm compatibility.

Intermediate Steering Shaft

For Chevy Silverado 1500 Tahoe GMC
Yukon Cadillac



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Image 3.1: Visual representation of vehicle compatibility. This image shows the steering shaft with a list of compatible Chevy, GMC, and Cadillac models.

4. SPECIFICATIONS

Attribute	Value
Model Number	425-184
Manufacturer Part Number	YW50AS
Replacement OE Numbers	19210226, 25862740, 25862789, 425-184, 425184
Length	123 mm
Diameter	63 mm
Placement on Vehicle	Front

Mounting Hardware Included	No
Item Weight	3.75 pounds
Product Dimensions	10.24 x 4.33 x 4.33 inches

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OE Part Number



425-184

25862740

425184

25862789

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Image 4.1: Display of original equipment (OE) part numbers. This image lists the specific OE numbers that the maXpeedingrods 425-184 steering shaft replaces.

5. INSTALLATION GUIDELINES

Replacing an intermediate steering shaft requires mechanical knowledge and appropriate tools. It is highly recommended that installation be performed by a qualified professional to ensure safety and correct function.

5.1 Safety Precautions

- Always disconnect the vehicle's battery before starting any work.
- Ensure the vehicle is securely supported on jack stands or a lift.

- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), including safety glasses and gloves.
- Never work under a vehicle supported only by a jack.

5.2 General Installation Steps (Consult a Service Manual for Specifics)

1. **Prepare the Vehicle:** Park the vehicle on a level surface, engage the parking brake, and disconnect the negative battery terminal.
2. **Access the Steering Shaft:** Depending on the vehicle, this may involve removing interior trim panels, underbody shields, or other components to gain access to the steering column and steering gear connections.
3. **Mark Alignment:** Before removal, mark the orientation of the existing steering shaft to both the steering column and the steering gear. This is crucial for maintaining proper steering wheel alignment.
4. **Remove Fasteners:** Loosen and remove the bolts securing the old intermediate steering shaft to the steering column and the steering gear.
5. **Remove Old Shaft:** Carefully detach and remove the old steering shaft.
6. **Install New Shaft:** Position the maXpeedingrods 425-184 steering shaft, aligning it with the marks made earlier. Ensure it slides smoothly onto both the steering column and steering gear splines.
7. **Secure Fasteners:** Install and tighten the bolts to the manufacturer's specified torque settings. Refer to your vehicle's service manual for exact torque values.
8. **Reassemble:** Reinstall any removed components, trim panels, or shields.
9. **Reconnect Battery:** Reconnect the negative battery terminal.
10. **Test Steering:** Start the vehicle and slowly turn the steering wheel lock-to-lock several times to ensure smooth operation and no binding. Check for any unusual noises or resistance.

Note: Improper installation can lead to steering issues, loss of control, and serious injury. If you are not confident in performing this installation, seek professional assistance.



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Image 5.1: Close-up view of the steering shaft's universal joints and clamping mechanisms. This image illustrates the design of the connection points for installation.



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Image 5.2: Another detailed view showing the ends of the steering shaft, highlighting the bolts and clamps used for securing it in place.

6. OPERATION

Once correctly installed, the maXpeedingrods 425-184 Intermediate Steering Shaft operates as an integral part of your vehicle's steering system. It transmits rotational motion from the steering wheel, through the steering column, to the steering gear, which then directs the wheels. A properly functioning steering shaft ensures smooth, precise, and safe steering control.

After installation, the steering should feel responsive and free of excessive play or binding. If you notice any unusual steering behavior, such as looseness, stiffness, or noise, immediately investigate the cause.

7. MAINTENANCE

The maXpeedingrods 425-184 Intermediate Steering Shaft is designed for long-term durability and typically requires minimal maintenance. However, periodic inspection is recommended as part of your vehicle's routine service.

- **Visual Inspection:** During routine vehicle inspections, visually check the steering shaft for any signs of

damage, corrosion, or wear on the universal joints and protective boot.

- **Check Fasteners:** Ensure all mounting bolts remain tight. Loose fasteners can lead to play in the steering system.
- **Listen for Noises:** Pay attention to any clunking, grinding, or squeaking noises coming from the steering column area, especially when turning the steering wheel. These could indicate wear or issues with the shaft.

If any issues are detected, consult a qualified mechanic for diagnosis and repair.

8. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you experience steering issues after installing or while using the maXpeedingrods 425-184 Intermediate Steering Shaft, consider the following common problems and solutions:

Symptom	Possible Cause	Solution
Loose Steering / Excessive Play	Loose mounting bolts; worn universal joints (U-joints); incorrect installation.	Check and re-torque all mounting bolts. Inspect U-joints for play. Ensure proper installation alignment.
Stiff Steering / Binding	Misalignment during installation; damaged U-joints; interference with other components.	Verify shaft alignment. Inspect U-joints for damage or corrosion. Check for any obstructions.
Clunking or Popping Noises	Worn U-joints; loose fasteners; shaft contacting other components.	Inspect U-joints for wear. Check and re-torque fasteners. Ensure adequate clearance around the shaft.
Steering Wheel Off-Center	Incorrect alignment during installation.	Re-align the steering shaft according to the marks made during removal, or consult a professional for a steering alignment.

If troubleshooting steps do not resolve the issue, or if you are unsure about the diagnosis, it is recommended to consult a certified automotive technician.

9. WARRANTY AND CUSTOMER SUPPORT

maXpeedingrods stands behind the quality and performance of its products. All items are tested for reliability, durability, and performance.

If you have any questions, concerns, or require assistance with your maXpeedingrods 425-184 Intermediate Steering Shaft, please do not hesitate to contact our customer support team. We are available 24/7 and are committed to providing the best possible assistance.

For support, please visit the official maXpeedingrods website or refer to your purchase documentation for contact information.

Related Documents - 425-184

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