A-3517, A-3517-AOR, A-3517-OR, A-3517-X

Installation Instructions

Inspect the end of your steering shaft where the bushing has to slide into position and the steering housing where the bushing presses in. If there are any burrs, file or sand them until they are smooth. Apply a liberal coat of grease to the white cotton bushing to help it slide over the shaft easier, and a light coat of grease or oil to the housing OD to make it slide into the steering housing easier. If you have just painted your steering housing, make sure you don't have any paint where the bushing presses in. This are should be bare metal. Make sure you have the bushing in the proper position before pressing it into the housing. Use a wooden block and hammer to tap into position.

If you have purchased one of the early versions that gets mounted with the provided screws for mounting, you will need to drill and tap the bushing after you have pushed it into position. This is how Ford did it and you can confirm this in the Ford Service Bulletins book. Using a center punch, mark the bushing where you need to drill using the steering housing as your guide. Drill hole using a #21 drill bit but only drill deep enough for the provided mounting screws. Tap to 10/32. If you don't have a #21 drill bit, you can get by with a 5/32 bit but it will be a little tighter to tap.