## Honda K20 \& K24 Alternator Relocation Kit - Belt Tension Guide

When installing your Alternator Relocation Kit, it is very important that the drive belt is correctly tensioned. The implications of having the belt too tight can cause the alternator casing to fracture or break, if it is too loose the belt can slip and cause unnecessary wear, noise and heat along with potentially overheating the engine if the water pump isn't driven.

1. Install the Alternator Relocation Kit according to the instructions and fit the belt. Please note that a different length belt may be required for certain combinations of pulleys. We recommend that you refer to the table in our description to identify the pulley that you currently have.
2. Identify the Crank Pulley and Alternator pulley you have installed (See Image 1 \& Table 1).


| Table 1 - Pulley Codes |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Part Number | Vehicle |
| 13810-RRA-A02 | 2002-2006 Base RSX (k20a3) |
|  | 2002-2005 Civic Si (k20a3) |
|  | 2004-2008 TSX (k24a2) |
|  | 2002-2006 CR-V (k24a1) |
|  | 2003-2005 Accord (k24a4) |
| 13810-PRB-A01 | $\begin{gathered} \text { 2002-2004 RSX Type-S } \\ \text { (k20a2) } \end{gathered}$ |
| 13810-RRC-003 | 2007-2011 Civic FD2R (k20a) |

3. If you are using a protective case on your smartphone, you will need to remove this for the next steps to achieve accurate results from the microphone. You will need to identify the microphone's location; this is typically located at the base of the phone.
4. Download the "Easy Tension" App on your smartphone from either the Play Store or App Store.
5. Once the Easy Tension App has been downloaded, please open the App and select the Tension Meter function (shown below).

Image 2

6. You will need to input the following settings.

- Belt Type - Poly V
- Belt Profile - PK
- Number of Ribs - $\mathbf{7}$
- Span Length - Refer to Table 2 (below)


## Image 3



To find your belt span length value, you will need to use a rule or tape measure to measure the span length of the belt in between the points the belt does not have contact with both the crank pulley and alternator pulley. The table below (Table 2) shows the span length for different crank pulleys and different Alternator pulleys if you are using one of our underdrive pulleys ( $10 \%$ or $20 \%$ ).

| Table 2 - Alternator Pulley VS Span Length |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Crank Pulley | Alternator Pulley | Span Length (mm) | Span Length <br> (Inches) |
|  | Standard | 212.4 | 8.36 |
|  | 10\% Reduced | 212.9 | 8.38 |
|  | 20\% Reduced | 213.4 | 8.40 |
| K20A2 Crank Pulley | Standard | 211.5 | 8.33 |
|  | 10\% Reduced | 212.1 | 8.35 |
|  | 20\% Reduced | 212.7 | 8.38 |
| K24 Crank Pulley | Standard | 210.8 | 8.30 |
|  | 10\% Reduced | 211.4 | 8.32 |
|  | 20\% Reduced | 212.2 | 8.35 |

7. Using the Belt span from the Crank Pulley to Alternator, hold the microphone approximately 1-3cm away from the belt. Do not let the microphone touch the belt. Please note, typically, this is accessible from the right-side inner wheel arch and will require the removal of the wheel and inner arch liner. Please see example below (Image 4).
8. Press 'Measurement Button'.
9. Use your thumb to pluck the belt in a downwards motion.

## Image 4


10. Ensure the quality reading is above $80 \%$ If it is below than this make sure there is no background noise and retry.

## Image 5


11. Adjust the Belt tension accordingly to be within the Gates recommended range (Figure 3)

| Table 3 - Recommended Tension Ranges (Gates) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Units | lbs | $\mathbf{N}$ |
| Tension Range Lower | 105 | 467 |
| Tension Range Higher | 145 | 645 |

12. For Reference the OE Honda Automatic Belt tensioner is set at 550 N .

## Ensuring A Reliable and Accurate Reading

When tensioning the belt, please ensure that the rear two rear bolts are tight as this can affect the belt tension significantly.

When increasing or decreasing the belt tension, adjust the tensioning bolt by no more than a quarter of a turn at a time, this adjustment will have a large affect of the belt tension.

Once the belt tension is set, it is recommended to run the engine for $\mathbf{3 0}$ seconds before switching the engine off and rechecking the belt tension.

Please take multiple readings to ensure a good accuracy.
Do not let the microphone on the phone touch the belt. The microphone must be held $1-3 \mathrm{~cm}$ away from the belt, parallel to the belt (as shown in Image 4).

Do not measure the belt tension without tightening the rear two bolts on the tensioner assembly.

