

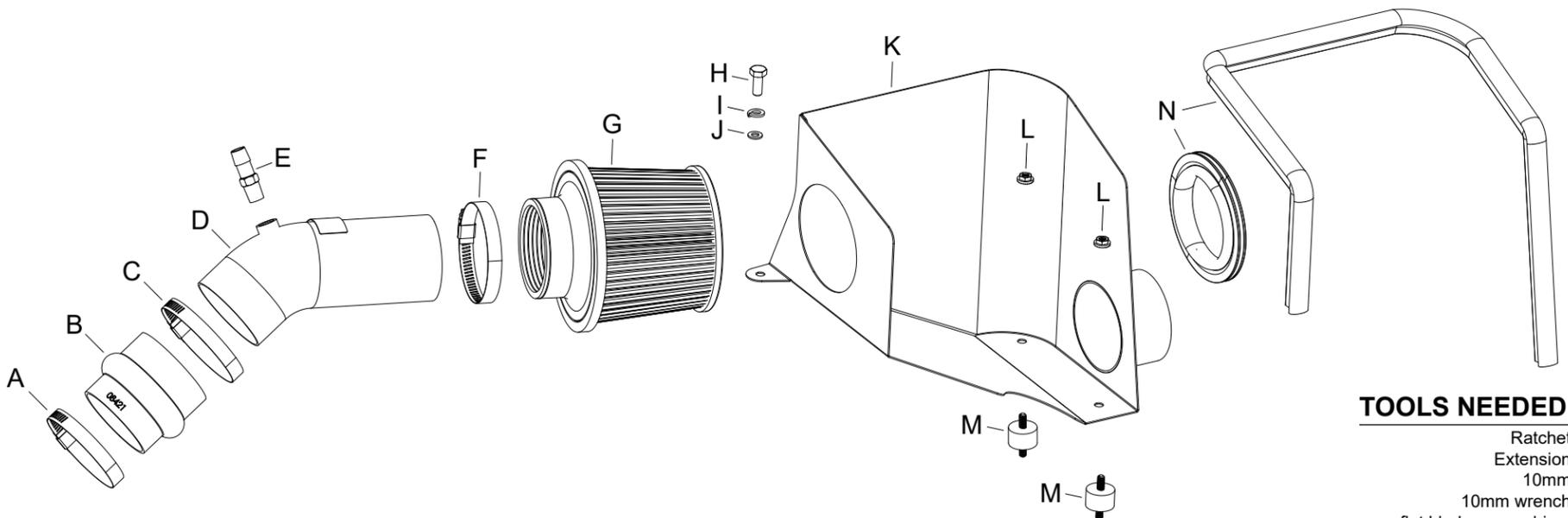


## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

**21-851C (Gun Metal Gray Finish)**  
**KIA**  
**2017-18 Forte**  
**L4-2.0L**

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### TOOLS NEEDED:

Ratchet  
 Extension  
 10mm  
 10mm wrench  
 flat blade screw driver  
 pliers  
 9/16" wrench

### PARTS LIST:

Description	Qty.	Part #	Description	Qty.	Part #	Description	Qty.	Part #
A HOSE CLAMP; #44 STAINLESS	1	08560	F HOSE CLAMP; #48	1	9452	K HEAT SHIELD	1	20-8636
B HOSE; HUMP 3" TO 2.75" X 3"L	1	08421	G AIR FILTER; 3" X 5" DRYFLOW	1	21-203DK	L NUT; SERRATED M6	2	KIT20WFCZ060
C HOSE CLAMP; #48	1	08601	H BOLT; M6-1.00 X 16MM, SS	1	07812	M STUD; M6-1.00 M/M, RUBBER	2	07027
D INTAKE TUBE	1	2-1623	I WASHER; M6 SPLIT LOCK	1	1-3025	N EDGE TRIM; 3/4" BULB, 46"L	1	102487
E VENT; STRT, 1/2" HOSE, NPT	1	080022	J WASHER; 6MM FLAT, SS	1	08269			

If you need any assistance please call 1-800-858-3333 to speak with a representative in our Customer Service Center before returning the product.

Read and understand these instructions **BEFORE** attempting to install this product. Failure to follow installation instructions and not using the provided hardware may damage the intake tube, throttle body and engine.

### TO START:

1. Turn off the ignition and disconnect the negative battery cable.

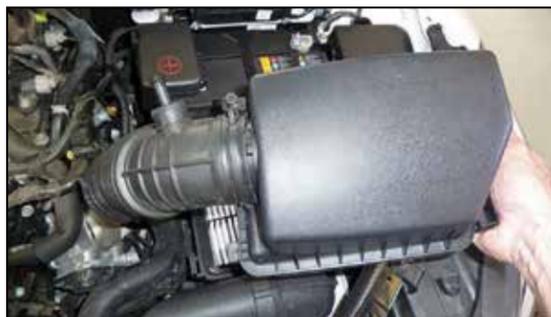
**NOTE: Disconnecting the negative battery cable erases pre-programmed electronic memories. Write down all memory settings before disconnecting the negative battery cable. Some radios will require an anti-theft code to be entered after the battery is reconnected. The anti-theft code is typically supplied with your owner's manual. In the event your vehicles anti-theft code cannot be recovered, contact an authorized dealership to obtain your vehicles anti-theft code.**



2. Lift the decorative engine cover up and remove it from the vehicle



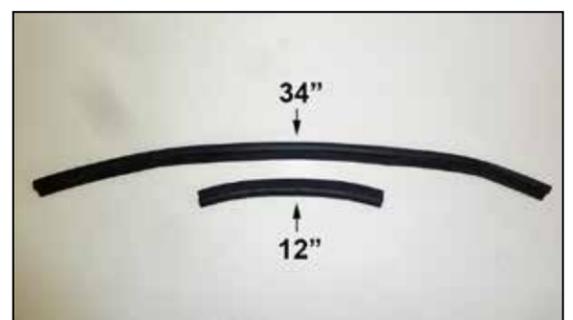
3. Disconnect the crank case vent hose from the factory intake tube.



4. Loosen the hose clamp that secures the intake tube to the throttle body, release the two clips that secure the upper air filter housing and then remove the upper air filter housing and intake tube assembly.



5. Remove the three bolts that secure the lower air filter housing to the inner fender and then remove the lower air filter housing from the vehicle. **NOTE: AEM recommends that customers do not discard factory air intake.**



6. Cut the provided edge trim as shown, one section will be 12" long and the other section will be 34" long.



7. Install the 12" edge trim into the hole of the heat shield and the 34" section around the outside of the heat shield as shown.



8. Install the two-provided rubber mounted studs onto the frame as shown.



9. Install the heat shield into the vehicle so the studs protrude through holes in the heat shield, secure the heat shield with the provided hardware.



10. Install the provided coupler (08421) onto the throttle body and secure with the provided hose clamp.



11. Install the provided vent fitting into the intake tube as shown.

**NOTE: Plastic NPT fittings are easy to cross thread. Install the vent fitting "hand" tight, then turn it two complete turns with a wrench.**



12. Install the AEM® tube through the heat shield and then into the coupler at the throttle body. Do not secure at this time.



13. Install the air filter onto the intake tube, adjust the tube and filter for best fit and then secure with the provided hose clamps.



14. Connect the factory crank case vent hose to the fitting installed into the intake tube and secure with the factory clamp.



### Reassemble Vehicle

Position the inlet pipes for the best fitment. Be sure that the pipes or any other components do not contact any part of the vehicle. Tighten the rubber mount, all bolts, and hose clamps. Check for proper hood clearance. Re-adjust pipes if necessary and re-tighten them. Inspect the engine bay for any loose tools and check that all fasteners that were moved or removed are properly tightened. Reconnect negative battery terminal and start engine. Let the vehicle idle for 3 minutes. Perform a final inspection before driving the vehicle.

### Service and Maintenance

AEM Induction Systems requires cleaning the intake system's air filter element every 100,000 miles. When used in dusty or off-road environments, our filters will require cleaning more often. We recommend that you visually inspect your filter once every 25,000 miles to determine if the screen is still visible. When the screen is no longer visible some place on the filter element, it is time to clean it. To clean, purchase our Synthetic air filter cleaner, part number 99-0624 and follow the easy instructions. Use window cleaner to clean your powder coated AEM® intake tube.

**NOTE: DO NOT USE aluminum polish on powder coated AEM® intake tubes.**

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### AEM Air Intake System Warranty Policy

AEM® warrants that its intake systems will last for the life of your vehicle. AEM will not honor this warranty due to mechanical damage (i.e. improper installation or fitment), damage from misuse, accidents or flying debris. AEM will not warrant its powder coating if the finish has been cleaned with a hydrocarbon-based solvent. The powder coating should only be cleaned with a mild soap and water solution. Proof of purchase of both the vehicle and AEM intake system is required for redemption of a warranty claim.

This warranty is limited to the repair or replacement of the AEM part. In no event shall this warranty exceed the original purchase price of the AEM part nor shall AEM be responsible for special, incidental or consequential damages or cost incurred due to the failure of this product. Warranty claims to AEM must be transportation prepaid and accompanied with dated proof of purchase. This warranty applies only to the original purchaser of product and is nontransferable. Improper use or installation, use for racing, accident, abuse, unauthorized repairs or alterations voids this warranty. AEM disclaims any liability for consequential damages due to breach of any written or implied warranty on all products manufactured by AEM. Warranty returns will only be accepted by AEM when accompanied by a valid Return Merchandise Authorization (RMA) number. Credit for defective products will be issued pending inspection. Product must be received by AEM within 30 days of the date RMA is issued.

If you have a warranty issue, please call (800) 992-3000 and our customer service department will assist you. A proof of purchase is required for all AEM warranty claims.