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Guaranteed Spring Tension with Schaeffler Automotive Aftermarket

Pre-Tensioned Ruville Suspension Springs now available for the first time on the independent Aftermarket

Under its Ruville brand Schaeffler Automotive Aftermarket is the first to make a wide ranging portfolio of pre-tensioned suspension springs for passenger cars available to the independent Aftermarket. This patented mounting solution allows garages to replace the springs of the front axle in a way that's simple, fast and damage-free because the use of a spring compressor is not necessary.

The new repair solution – which is available for selected Audi, Seat, Skoda and Volkswagen models – not only covers more than 30 million vehicles on the road in Europe today, the portfolio will be expanded by further applications during the course of this year as well. The Aftermarket specialists have given its new Ruville products a 10-year guarantee.

Suspension springs are important to safety and they undergo extreme load due to the fact that they expand and contract millions of times and are subjected to stone impacts, dirt and corrosive materials like road salt. Some spring compressors used to install non-pre-tensioned springs can damage the surface coating even before the spring begins its work as part of the chassis system. The result – the affected areas can begin to rust. This not only has a negative effect on the service life of the spring, in a worst-case scenario it can lead to pre-mature spring fracture.

“The Ruville suspension springs are pre-tensioned to the exact length needed for mounting, which protects their sensitive surfaces from getting damaged during installation because garages no longer require a special tool, like a spring compressor. Not only can spring replacement be carried out much faster, it is safer and easier than ever before,” says Maik Evers, Director Program Management Ruville, Schaeffler Automotive Aftermarket. And all pre-tensioned Ruville suspension springs are manufactured according to strict OE guidelines.

Incidentally, the specialists from Schaeffler Automotive Aftermarket recommend always replacing both suspension springs of a single axle to ensure optimal damping characteristics of the chassis. If springs of different ages and service lives are mounted to the same axle, the right and left sides can react differently, which can have a negative effect on both handling and driving safety.

For additional information about this new product from Schaeffler Automotive Aftermarket, and about the entire portfolio of Ruville suspension springs, please visit .

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- Press picture

Under its brand Ruville, Schaeffler Automotive Aftermarket has pre-tensioned suspension springs for passenger cars in its portfolio, effective immediately. This new mounting solution is currently available for selected models from Audi, Seat, Skoda and Volkswagen. It will be expanded by further applications during the course of this year.

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