

Pingel® Electric Speed Shifter Kit for 2008-2009 KAWASAKI KFX450R #77103 Installation Instructions

Read all instructions thoroughly, look at photos and all components before attempting installation.
This product is not designed or intended to be used as an assistive device for any particular disability.

All the components of this Electric Speed Shifter Kit have been assembled and tested as a unit before leaving our factory and have been found to be in working order at the time of shipping. **We strongly recommend that you bench test this unit following the directions included on the separate page.** Installation of this kit requires detailed knowledge of the ATV model, its electronics and mechanics. It is assumed that the installer has access to the proper tools and a working knowledge of them, test equipment (such as a volt meter), and factory service manuals. The following instructions must be read in their entirety and any questions should be answered prior to attempting installation. Incorrect installation will result in damage to Electric Speed Shifter components. If after reading the instructions you do not feel comfortable installing the kit, please find a qualified technician to do the installation. Installation time is 2-3 hours.

Disconnect negative battery cable before attempting any work on ATV.

INSTALLATION OF DUAL BUTTON HANDLEBAR CONTROL:

Loosen the clutch perch and slide it toward the steering shaft so there is at least 5/8" between the switch housing and the clutch perch. Disassemble the switch housing. Remove the left handgrip. Note: WD-40 sprayed inside grip will aid in removal. This is also easiest done with the switch housing removed and swung out of the way.

Slide the Pingel dual button handlebar control on to the handlebar far enough to allow room for the reinstallation of the handgrip. Reinstall the handgrip back onto the ATV securing it with some type of grip glue. Slide the Pingel dual button handlebar control as close to the handgrip as possible and tighten the setscrew located on the backside. Reassemble the switch housing moving it as close to the dual button handlebar control as possible. Slide the clutch perch as close to the switch housing as possible and retighten it.

Route the cable from the dual button handlebar control neatly along the handlebar and into the front area where the relays are mounted. The final location of this cable assembly will be between the relays, see figure 1. Secure this cable with the wire ties provided.

INSTALLATION OF CONTROL MODULE AND FUSED WIRE HARNESS:

The mounting location of the control module is between the relays. Remove the front fender/headlight body panel which will access the relay area. The control module is supplied with Velcro to install on the bottom of the box to secure it. The wire assembly previously run from the handlebar control will now be connected to the control module. The handlebar connector has 4 pins and should be connected to the appropriate receptacle from the control module.

The large 4-pin connector coming from the control module should be connected to the large 4-pin connector from the fused wire harness. The small 3-pin connector on the fused harness is used for the electronic engine kill module. There are three loose wires coming from the fused wire harness; the black (negative) goes to frame ground, the large red (positive) goes to the battery access post, and the small red is for switched 12v power. The large red and black wires should be cut to the shortest length needed to reach the battery access post and frame which will give maximum power for the Electric Speed Shifter kit. Note: leave the small red wire as long as possible until the next step. Solder the ring terminals provided onto the cut ends of the large red and black wires then attach the black to a frame ground and the large red to the access post that the positive battery cable routes to, see figure 3. The small red lead can be connected to the yellow with red striped wire which is located in the relay closest to the positive battery access post, see figure 2. Cut the small red wire to the proper length and use a blue quick tab connector provided to make this connection (soldering is preferred).



Figure 1



Figure 2

INSTALLATION OF ELECTRONIC ENGINE KILL MODULE:

The electronic engine kill module is mounted on the underneath of the ATV nose and may be secured with the supplied Velcro to install on the bottom of the box, see figure 4. Insert the small male plug of the electronic engine kill module into the small female plug located on the fused wiring harness. Plug in the cable (included loose in kit) which has a four pin male rubber plug on one end and is blank on the other end into the small female plug of the electronic engine kill module. Route the loose end (has no rubber plug) of the cable which was just plugged into the electronic engine kill module to the ATV ignition coil securing either one of the two wires inside the Pingel cable to the blue with white stripe wire that goes to the ATV ignition coil, see figure 5. Cut the cable to the correct length and use a blue quick tab connector provided to make this connection (soldering is preferred). The remaining wire in the Pingel cable can be cut off as it will not be used. Secure this cable with the wire ties provided.

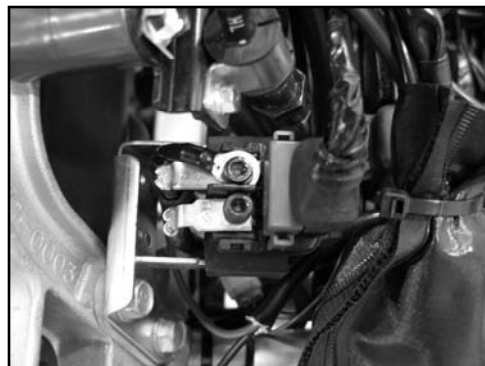


Figure 3

INSTALLATION OF SHIFT ARM BRACKET:

Remove the bolt that holds on the shift lever to the splined shaft. Mark the rotated location and remove the shift lever from the splined shaft. Place the Pingel shift lever bracket over the backside of the stock shift lever and slide it as far as possible towards the hole for the splined shaft. Use a 3/16" drill to make two small point marks on the back of the stock shift lever by twisting the drill bit with your fingers through the mounting holes, as shown in figure 6.

Using the top back of a vise, anvil or other stable surface, center punch the two small points marked on the backside of the stock shift lever, as shown in figure 7. Use a 3/16" drill bit and drill the two points that were center punched.

Put the two 10-24 x 7/8" bhscs through the stock shift arm and the Pingel shift arm bracket and tighten the 10-24 locknuts onto the assembly.

Reassemble the shift lever onto the ATV splined shaft.

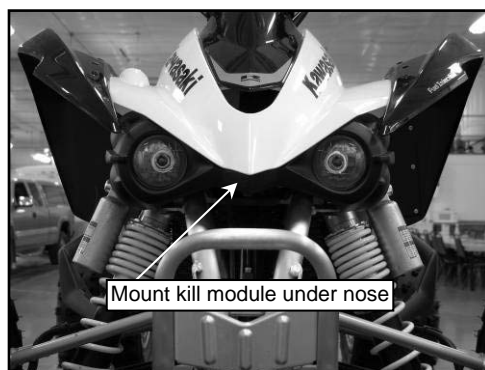


Figure 4

INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC SHIFT CYLINDER BRACKET:

Remove the two bolts that hold the upper left motor mount to the frame, see figure 8. Install the Pingel cylinder support bracket by applying thread locker to the 8mm x 35mm shcs and inserting the top bolt through the top hole on the cylinder support bracket, the 1/16" thick aluminum washer and into the frame. Insert the bottom bolt through the bottom hole on the cylinder support bracket, the cable support bracket and into the frame, see figure 8. Tighten both bolts. Note: All bolts should be torqued according to the service manual.

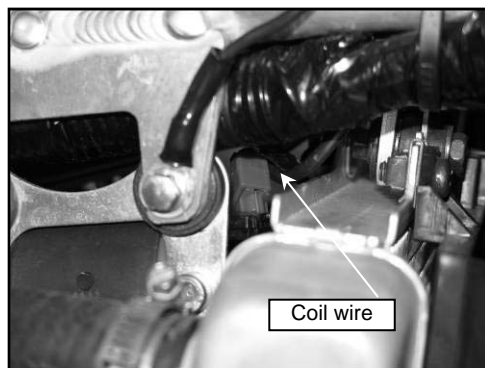


Figure 5

INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC SHIFT CYLINDER AND UP/DOWN ADJUSTMENT:

Install the shift cylinder onto the shift cylinder support bracket using the Pingel clamp and (2) ¼-20 x ¾" shcs. Leave these bolts loose for now, as adjustment will be needed next. Note: The next procedure may require two people. Pull and hold the shift lever to the full up shift position and while holding the rod end in its most inward position move the shift cylinder in the clamp until the hole in the rod end aligns with the hole in the shift arm bracket, then tighten the two bolts of the Pingel clamp. Note: You may need to roll the ATV back and forth to be certain that it is fully in gear.

ADJUSTMENT OF ELECTRIC SHIFT CYLINDER FOR NO SHAFT BIND:

The rod end on the shift cylinder must be located in the middle of its side play left to right. If the rod end does not line up correctly with the face of the Pingel shift lever bracket, you can add one or more thin ¼" flat washer(s) to move the rod end away from the Pingel shift lever bracket. Note: four washers are included in the kit. Install the ¼-28 x 1¼" bhscs through the rod end of the shift cylinder, the ¼" flat washer(s), the shift arm bracket and tighten on the ¼-28 locknut as shown in figure 9. This step is important because if there is any bind in the linkage system the shifter will not work correctly. Note: On some ATV models you may be able to get more sideways adjustment by moving the foot shifter on its splined shaft.

ROUTING SHIFT CYLINDER CABLE:

Route the electric cable from the shift cylinder to the control module located between the relays. Attach the cable by pushing the connector into the receptacle on the control module. Secure all wires away from heat and moving parts with the supplied wire ties.



Figure 6

COMPLETING INSTALLATION:

Your electric speed shifter kit installation should now be complete. Reconnect negative battery cable. In the interest of safety this is the recommended starting procedure: To arm the electric shifter, make sure the ATV is in neutral and pull in the clutch lever, then start the engine. With the clutch lever pulled in, push either button on the handlebar control and **hold it for five seconds**; release the clutch lever slowly (in case the ATV is accidentally in gear). The system is now turned on and will shift when either button is pressed. When the key is turned off, the power to the control module is disengaged so this procedure must be performed every time the ATV is turned back on. Pull in the clutch lever and check shifter movement by pushing either button on the handlebar control. It will only be necessary to use the clutch when starting, stopping and finding neutral. Upshifting and downshifting will not require the use of the clutch. The operator may use the clutch and foot shifter manually without harm to any components.

TESTING ENGINE KILL MODULE:

Unplug the electric shift cylinder from the control module. Take note of the positions of the dipswitches on the electronic engine kill module. Position all three of the dipswitches to the off position. Pull in the clutch lever (hold it in until the end of the test), start the ATV and put it into neutral. Arm the system by holding one of the buttons for five seconds as explained in the previous instructions. Rev the engine to approximately 1500-2000 rpm and hold it there, push either button and listen for the engine to miss as one of the buttons is pushed. If the miss is not present, your kill is not correctly installed. Recheck your connections, making certain all wires are properly connected per the wiring instructions. Reconnect the shift module after verifying the kill module is working properly. Return the dipswitches on the kill module to the position noted before the test was started.

Be certain that all of the round connectors are properly coupled and tight. If the ATV is not shifting or the kill module is not working, check that these plugs are properly seated and that the internal connector pins are making good contact with their sockets (i.e. no pins are bent). Also check that one of the pins has not moved off to the side of their respective sockets when pushing the plug together.

ADJUSTING KILL TIME AND ADJUSTING CYLINDER:

The factory preset kill time may not be correct for every application. Kill adjustment is set by moving the dipswitches on the electronic engine kill module to the desired time on the chart.

If a more aggressive shift is desired, you can go shorter one setting at a time until the shift is missed, then back to the last setting that allowed the ATV to shift. If you desire a more low performance, smoother shift or if the ATV goes into a false neutral or stays in the same gear, you can adjust the kill time by going longer one setting at a time until the desired shift is achieved.

The preset kill time should be acceptable for most trail riding conditions. For performance riding or racing it may require a shorter kill time setting than the preset time.

WARNING: You may want to take caution shifting at wide open throttle in the first two or three gears so the ATV does not flip over backwards.

If shifting up or down is not achieved, you may need to readjust the up/down positioning of the cylinder and/or readjust the cylinder for no bind as explained earlier in the instructions.

Note: A shift light is available for your ATV, Pingel part #89631 which will help you with performance shifting.

After fine adjustment has been made remove each clamp bolt and apply thread locker to the end threads, but remove only one clamp bolt at a time so as not to lose your adjustment of the shift cylinder location.

Note: in the wire harness we have installed one 40-amp fuse for constant power. A spare 40-amp fuse is also supplied.

Prolonged repeated operation of the shifter (actuating the shifter repeatedly in rapid succession beyond normal use) can discharge the ATV battery and damage the shift cylinder and/or the control module and cause missed shifts. The normal battery takes 30-60 minutes to recharge after starting the ATV so use the shifter sparingly in this time.

If using this product in conjunction with nitrous oxide, the nitrous system must be killed with the ignition in order to prevent engine damage.

This unit is not waterproof. Do not subject it to pressure washing or extreme moisture.

Installation of the Electric Speed Shifter Kit still maintains OEM Shifting.

If you have any questions please call 608-339-7999



Figure 7

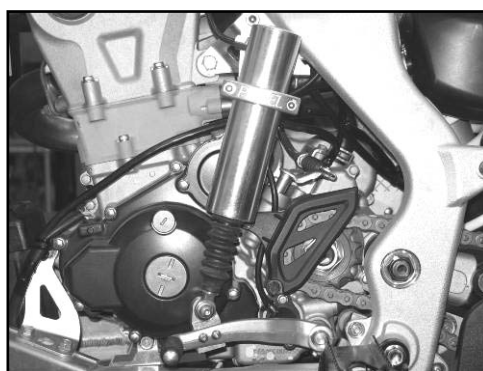


Figure 8



Figure 9

Items Included: 2008-2009 KAWASAKI KFX450R

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| 1 - Shift cylinder support bracket with cylinder clamp (threaded) | 1 - 1/4-28 locknut |
| 1 - Cylinder clamp (through-holes) | 1 - Shift cylinder |
| 2 - 8mm x 1.25mm x 35mm SHCS | 2 - Ring terminals |
| 1 - 3/4" O.D. x 1/16" Thick Aluminum washer | 3 - Blue quick tab connector |
| 1 - Fused wiring harness | 10 - Wire ties |
| 1 - 7/8" handlebar dual button control assembly | 1 - Tube torque-thread locker |
| 1 - Pingel shift arm bracket | 1 - Spare 40-amp fuse |
| 2 - 10-24 x 7/8" BHSCS | 1 - Control module |
| 2 - 10-24 locknuts | 1 - Electronic engine kill module |
| 1 - 1/4-28 x 1-1/4" BHSCS | 1 - Electronic engine kill module wire leads |
| 4 - 1/4" washers | |

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