DECO Coil Spring Rater
300-1000
300-2000
300-3000
300-5000

INSTRUCTIONS
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1. Select the proper plates for the top and bottom of the spring to be checked.
2. Place spring into spring rater, flat end down. If spring doesn’t have a flat end, then it must fit the ramped top plate evenly or you cannot check the spring.
3. Center spring in lower and upper plates.
4. Install pins securely in top plate at the lowest free position above the spring.
5. Jack the spring up until it touches the top plate.
6. Record lower plate height from the scale. Pressure gauge should read zero.
7. Jack the lower plate up 1" from free height location.
8. Jack lower plate 1" higher, (2" total compression from free height).
9. Record pressure reading.
10. Gradually release pressure from the jack, and remove spring
11. Record free length and rate of spring.
12. Subtract pressure reading obtained in step #8 (compression), from the reading obtained in step #10 (2" compression).
13. The end result is the spring rate.

IMPORTANT

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<td>• Use a sturdy table or bench</td>
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<td>• Wear safety goggles</td>
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