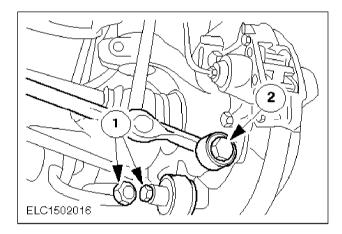
Rear Axle Assembly - Remove and Install (15 214 0)

Workshop Equipment

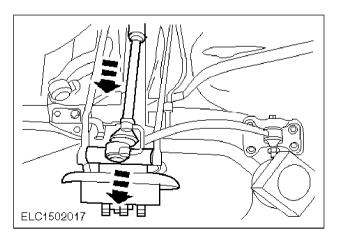
Transmission jack	
Materials	
Rear axle transmission fluid (Hypoid)	SQM-2C9002-AA

Remove

- 1. Preparatory measures.
 - Raise the vehicle.
 - Remove the rear wheels.



- c 2. Remove the tie bar and the lower suspension arm from the stub axle (on both sides).
 - 1 Remove the lower suspension arm bolt.
 - 2 Remove the tie bar bolt and pull the tie bar downwards.



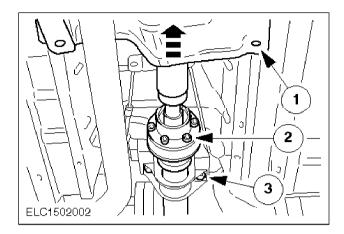
3. Remove the rear wheel driveshafts from the rear axle assembly.

Swivel the wheel suspension assembly and the driveshafts outwards.

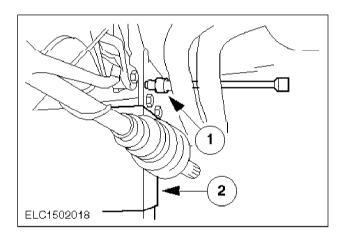
Note:

Close off the rear axle assembly using suitable plugs.

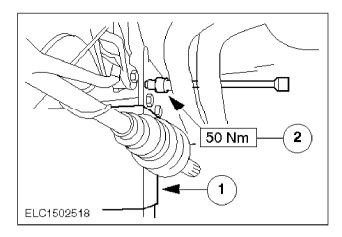
• Remove the driveshafts from the rear axle assembly and tie them up.



- **c** 4. Remove the driveshaft and release the rear axle housing/tube.
 - 1 Release the heat shield (four clip-nuts) and move it forwards.
 - 2 Remove the driveshaft from the rear axle housing/tube (six bolts). Support the rear axle differential assembly on a transmission jack.
 - 3 Release the transmission extension housing from the body.

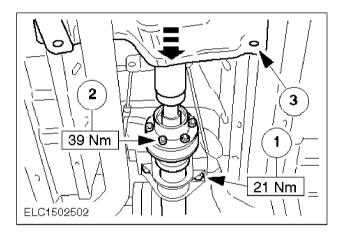


- 5. Remove the rear axle differential assembly
 - 1 Remove the bolts from the differential carrier.
 - 2 Lower the rear axle differential assembly.

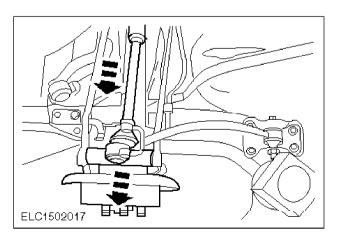


Install

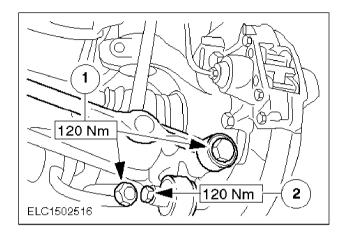
- **c** 6. Install the rear axle differential assembly
 - 1 Raise the rear axle differential assembly.
 - Fit the differential carrier bolts.
 - Fit the rear axle housing/tube bolts.
 - 2 Tighten the differential carrier.



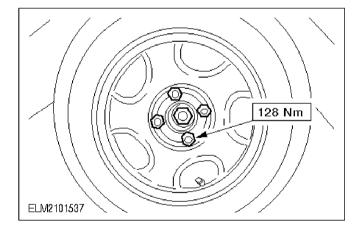
- **c** 7. Tighten the rear axle housing/tube and fit the driveshaft.
 - 1 Tighten the transmission extension housing.
 - 2 Fit the driveshaft and a new gasket to the rear axle housing/tube.
 - 3 Move the heat shield to the rear and secure it with four clip-nuts.



- **c** 8. Fit the rear wheel driveshafts.
 - Remove the blanking plugs.
 - Push the wheel suspension and the driveshaft outwards and fit the driveshaft in the rea differential assembly.



- 4 Attach the tie bar and the lower suspension arm to the stub axle (on both sides).
 - 1 Fit the lower suspension arm to the stub axle.
 - 2 Fit the tie bar to the stub axle.
 - Check the oil level (to the level check hole).
 - Fit the wheels.
 - Lower the vehicle.



c 10 Tighten the wheel nuts.