

## BimmerWorld Premium and Race Wheel Studs Installation and Use Guidelines for Heavy Track and Race

## **IMPORTANT WARNINGS!**

- Wheel studs are not lifetime products. Metal fasteners have a fatigue life and should be replaced
  periodically, depending on use. We recommend every two years for typical club use or every one year for
  heavy use. For a pro racecar receiving pit stops, we replace every half-season.
- A wheel stud's life is measured in torque cycles (number of times you torque the lug nut).
- ALWAYS TORQUE NUTS COLD! Torquing hot will result in over-torqueing after cool-down, reducing stud service life.
- Do not over-torque during install! Let the thread-locker do its job! Properly preparing the threaded surfaces as described will result in a strong joint that will endure throughout the stud's service life.
- One broken stud will put additional stress on the remaining studs, causing accelerated fatigue. If you break one stud on a hub, replace all remaining studs immediately.

## **Install Tips**

**Thread-Locker:** BimmerWorld Race and Premium wheel studs have the appropriate thread-locker preapplied. To be sure the new thread-locker bonds properly, clean each stud hole with a thread tap and wire brush to remove all traces of old thread-locker and/or debris. Follow with brake cleaner and compressed air as a final clean and degrease (wear safety googles).

**Tightening:** Thread stud into hub hand-tight. Use double nutting technique to torque studs:

- 1. Thread one nut onto stud, leaving  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$  thread between the nut and the hub face.
- 2. Thread on a second nut; butt against the first and tighten down, holding the first nut with a box-end wrench tighten to approximately 70 ft-lb.
- 3. Using the second nut (farthest from the hub), torque stud between 50 and 80 ft-lb. If you cannot reach this torque level, further tighten the two nuts together.
- 4. Holding inner nut with wrench, loosen outer nut. Unthread both.

When using our studs, torque lug nuts to 75 ft-lbs.