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June 16, 2005

U.S. Department of Transportation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Office of Defects Investigation
NSA-10.01, 400 7th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20590

Dear NHTSA,

You people are dead wrong posting that "autobytel.com" service recalls page inside my ODI Number 10121765 <documents>. That Campaign Number 96V129000 dated 1995-Jul-10 is for 1995 & 1996 Tacoma 2WD pickups dealing with front suspension supports...LOL! First off my truck is not a Tacoma and it's not a 2WD. My truck is a regular 1995 Toyota SR5 4dr cab 4x4 pickup. Problem I encountered was a defective steering component: drag link, not suspension supports. To the best of my knowledge I didn't send that "autobytel.com" page, even though I have accessed the autobytel.com website. That page is misleading because it gives consumers a false sense that my defect was addressed and everything is "hokey dorie" now and nothing to worry about. I have copies of every piece of certified mail I've sent you, Toyota, and THAT vice-president of Toyota. I checked the copies I sent you and that "autobytel.com" was not among them. I might have sent it be accident, if I did...it was not meant to be. Please remove it from my documents.

I will enclose a few pages of the Toyota Special Service Campaign SSC T06 (96V-129) which is the SAME one as the autobytel.com one #96V129000 you posted in my documents. Check your web site for RC-96V129-NH; it's in PDF format 87 pages and 1.63 MB in size. Toyota thinks they have answered my prayers by notifying me of a recall that deals with a possible loss of steering...LOL! Front suspension supports in a 2WD Tacoma was not my problem...again my truck is not a 2WD Tacoma...but dealing with human less computers with a company as big as Toyota...I am not all that surprised. That's another reason I send paper mail also known as snail mail.

My truck is 10 years old now, my incident happened almost 3 years ago. I'm sure Toyota is keeping their fingers crossed hoping no one else will loose steering such as I. But then again I'm thinking more like a human now...and I must stop that!

I have notified everyone I know that owns a 1995 Toyota pickup. I know because of the age of my vehicle Toyota will continue shrugging it off as an everyday occurrence. I guess what bothers me the most is no response from Toyota other than their auto-replies from their human less computers. If I owned a company such as Toyota I would at least follow up on a safety issue such as mine...but they "ARE" overwhelmed with complaints such as bad light bulbs, seats and/or belts, batteries, noisy interiors, bad paint, tires, etc....I have seen them all. Lord Help us all if it's a safety issue like steering. I even sent certified mails to the vice-president of Toyota... and No Replies.

But you can make a pretty safe bet...almost unlimited bet! My next truck will NOT be a Toyota. Have a great day.

Michael
6/24/05

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Recalls

1991 Toyota Tacoma Xtracab 2200 4WD

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3 Recall Notices

These recall notices may not apply to all vehicles. Please contact your dealer for more details or contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-DASH-2-CUT (1-888-327-4236).

Security
 > Toyota

Campaign Number: 98V120001 Dates: 1996-Jul-10

Component: Suspension: Front

Defect Summary: UNDER CERTAIN DRIVING CONDITIONS, THE FRONT SUSPENSION SUPPORT CAN CRACK LEADING TO FAILURE OF THE SUPPORT.

Consequence Summary: THIS CONDITION CAN RESULT IN LOSS OF VEHICLE CONTROL.

Corrective Summary: DEALERS WILL REPAIR THE SUSPENSION SUPPORT.

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Available
 Vehicle info
 on Autobytel

ADVER

Campaign Number: 98V120001 Dates: 1996-Jul-10

Component: Electrical System: Battery

Defect Summary: THE BATTERY CAN HAVE A DEFECTIVE WELD INSIDE THE POSITIVE AND/OR NEGATIVE TERMINAL ALLOWING THE CONNECTION INSIDE THE TERMINAL TO SEPARATE.

Consequence Summary: THIS CONDITION CAN RESULT IN A NO-START CONDITION, OR A BATTERY EXPLOSION.

Corrective Summary: DEALERS WILL REPLACE DEFECTIVE BATTERIES.

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NOT THE PROBLEM I HAD.

REMOVE
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from ODI Number: 10121765
 I don't belong
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<http://www.autobytel.com/content/cars/service/index.cfm/action/RecallsView/vehicleid/5824> 5/21/2005

YAHOO! MAIL

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Date: Mon, 23 May 2005 08:09:05 -0700 (PDT)

From:

Subject: Re: Fwd: Toyota recall...from

To:

CC: "317 The Best" <317VG@yahoogroups.com>, "Lords" <Loadmaster@yahoogroups.com>, ConsumerCare@autobytel.com, stoeth@lemonauto.com, jplungle@detnews.com

For anyone interested, The Toyota Special Service Campaign - T06.

This is the one about the (1995-1996 Tacoma Front Suspension Support) from the National Highway Safety Administration (NHTSA). The attached file is in .PDF format and requires Adobe Reader to open. If you do not have Adobe Reader, click on this link, www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readmain.html and download the reader for free.

Cliff

Hey All,

I have e-mailed several of you about my previous "drag link" problem I had in Dec 02. But if you know anyone that drives a 1995 Toyota rather it be a pickup, 4-runner, Tacoma, etc...I would strongly tell them about a possible defect. I have searched for years on Toyota recalls....the only one that even comes close to my truck is for a 1995 Toyota Tacoma SR5 Xtracab 4x2 (2 wheel drive). For a beefed up front suspension brackets <for the shocks>. First off mine is NOT a Tacoma, and mine is a 4x4, and a "drag link" has NOTHING to do with suspension...LOL

I have e-mailed everyone I know from Toyota Headquarters, dealerships, to NHTSA...

I GIVE UP!

Take Care,

Attachments

Files:

 RC_96V129_MM.pdf (1.6MB)

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- Attach this card to the back of the mailpiece, or on the front if space permits.

1. Article Addressed to:

X VICE PRESIDENT
TOYOTA MOTOR CORPORATE
SERVICES OF NORTH AMERICA, INC.
1850 M Street, NW
WASHINGTON, DC
20036

2. Article Number
(Transfer from service label)

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PS Form 3811, February 2004

Domestic Return Receipt

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COMPLETING THIS SECTION OF THE CARD

A. Signature

X *M. Dow*

☐ Agent

☐ Addressee

B. Received by (Printed Name)

M. Dow

C. Date of Delivery

5-30-05

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4. Restricted Delivery? (Extra Fee)

☐ Yes

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This Recall
is NOT THE PROBLEM I HAD -
A DRAG LINK IS NOT A
SUSPENSION SUPPORT.
LOL!

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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Saburo Inui
Vice President
Toyota Motor Corporate Services
of North America, Inc.
1830 M Street, NW
Washington, DC 20036

NSA-111paw
96V-129

Dear Mr. Inui:

This acknowledges receipt of your Defect Information Report dated July 9, 1996, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports." This recall involves 90,000 Toyota Motor Corporate Services of North America, Inc. (Toyota) 1995 through 1996 Tacoma 2WD model vehicles. Under certain driving conditions, the front suspension can crack leading to the failure of the support. The assigned ID Number for this recall campaign is 96V-129.

Toyota is responsible for the remedy of these vehicles from this date forward, regardless of vehicle age, mileage, or ownership. You should know that the agency provides a listing of safety recalls to the media at the end of each month. This recall will be a part of that listing.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED

In order for us to complete our file on this matter, please provide the manufacturing dates of the vehicles involved in this recall campaign.

Please provide this information, referencing the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's identification codes on page 1 of this letter, to this office by September 11, 1996.

NOTIFICATION TO PURCHASERS

In accordance with Part 577, amended July 7, 1995, a draft owner notification letter must be submitted for review prior to mailing.

QUARTERLY STATUS REPORTS

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within 1 month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. For instance, the current calendar quarter began on July 1 and ends on September 30, 1996. As noted in your report, owner notification is expected to begin in August 1996. Therefore, the first quarterly report is due by October 30, 1996. In the case where the recall appears to be completed, quarterly reporting is required until your company is notified otherwise by this office. The following chart provides due dates for each of the six quarterly reports.

<u>QUARTER</u>	<u>QUARTER BEGINS</u>	<u>QUARTER ENDS</u>	<u>DUE DATE</u>
1st Quarter	July 1, 1996	September 30, 1996	October 30, 1996
2nd Quarter	October 1, 1996	December 31, 1996	January 30, 1997
3rd Quarter	January 1, 1997	March 31, 1997	April 30, 1997
4th Quarter	April 1, 1997	June 30, 1997	July 30, 1997
5th Quarter	July 1, 1997	September 30, 1997	October 30, 1997
6th Quarter	October 1, 1997	December 31, 1997	January 30, 1998

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Pat Wallace or Mrs. Barbara Hayes at (202) 366-5232 or fax at (202) 366-7882.

Sincerely,

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Jonathan D. White, Chief
Recall Analysis Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Safety Assurance

TOYOTA
TOYOTA MOTOR CORPORATE SERVICES OF NORTH AMERICA, INC.

WASHINGTON OFFICE
1850 M STREET, N.W., WASHINGTON, D.C. 20036

TEL: (202) 775-1707
FAX: (202) 483-8513

July 9, 1996

967-129 (01)

Mr. Michael Brownlee
Associate Administrator for Safety Assurance - NSA-01
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20590

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OFFICE
DEFECTS INVESTIGATION

Re: Toyota Tacoma Front Suspension
Part 573, Defect Information Report

Dear Mr. Brownlee:

In accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966 and 49 CFR Part 573, on behalf of Toyota Motor Corporation ["TMC"], we hereby submit a Defect Information Report concerning a safety recall of certain 1995 to 1996 model Toyota Tacoma vehicles to address a possible front suspension support problem.

Should you have any questions about this report, please contact Mr. Jim Ohashi of my staff at (202) 775-1707.

Sincerely,

TOYOTA MOTOR CORPORATE
SERVICES OF NORTH AMERICA, INC.


Saburo Imui
Vice President

SI:ds
Attachment

DEFECT INFORMATION REPORT

96V-129 (02)

1. Vehicle Manufacturer Name:

TABC, Inc. ["TABC"]
6375 Paramount Blvd.
Long Beach, CA 90801

Affiliated U.S. Sales Company:

Toyota Motor Sales, USA, Inc. ["TMS"]
19001 South Western Avenue
Torrance, CA 90509

2. Identification of Affected Vehicles:

Based on production records, we have determined the affected vehicle population as set forth in the table below.

Make/ Car Line	Model Year	Manufact- urer	VIN ⁽¹⁾		Production Period
			VDS	VIS	
Toyota Tacoma 2WD	1995- 1996	TABC Inc.	TBD ⁽²⁾	TBD ⁽²⁾	TBD ⁽²⁾

Note:

(1) Although the involved vehicles are within the above VIN ranges, not all vehicles in these ranges were sold in the U.S.

(2) Information of VIN and production period will be reported to NHTSA as soon as it is available.

3. Total Number of Vehicles Potentially Affected:

Approximately 90,000 units

4. Percentage of Vehicles Estimated to Actually Experience Malfunction:

Unknown

5. Description of Problem:

If the front suspension of the subject vehicle is repeatedly exposed to simultaneous up-and-down and back-and-forth motions, e.g. driving over "speed bumps" under severe braking, the front suspension support may crack, which could ultimately lead to failure of the support. This could result in the loss of vehicle control.

6. Chronology of Principal Events:

February 1996 through April 1996

TMC received information from TMS concerning a failed front suspension support on a 1995 model Tacoma, which resulted in inability to drive the vehicle. TMC then conducted a review of the production process as well as an investigation of the recovered part. However, no abnormalities were found at that time.

May 1996 through June 1996

After receiving some additional information of a similar nature, TMC conducted replicate tests to verify if the condition was due to a vehicle defect. Although no problems were found in the normal simulation test, a failure which was similar to that of the recovered parts was replicated in an inordinately severe test condition.

July 1996

After analysis of the results of its investigation, Toyota determined that the front suspension support of the subject vehicles may have insufficient strength under certain very severe driving conditions. Therefore, it decided to conduct a safety recall, and production was changed to strengthen the subject component.

Toyota is aware of no injuries or accidents relating to this problem.

7. Description of Corrective Repair Action:

All known owners of the subject vehicles will be notified by first class mail to return their vehicles to a Toyota dealer for repair of the suspension support at no cost.

8. Recall Schedule:

Due to lack of special repair tools and repair specialist availability, mailing of the owner notifications will commence at the end of August and be completed around the middle of September 1996.

Copies of the owner notification and dealer instructions will be submitted as soon as they are available.

96V-129



SSC T06

Technical Instructions



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29001 South Western Avenue
P.O. Box 2991
Irvine, CA 92609-2991
(312) 618-4000
(312) 618-7800 Fax

TO: ALL TOYOTA DEALER PRINCIPALS,
SERVICE MANAGERS, PARTS MANAGERS

SUBJECT: SPECIAL SERVICE CAMPAIGN - T06
(1995-1996 TACOMA FRONT SUSPENSION SUPPORT)

As previously communicated, Toyota will initiate a Special Service Campaign to install a reinforcement kit on the front suspension supports of 1995 and certain 1996 model year Tacoma 4x2 vehicles.

Toyota has determined that if the front suspension of 1995 and certain 1996 model year Tacoma 4X2's are subjected to certain repeated driving conditions, such as simultaneous vertical and horizontal loading, (e.g. driving over a speed bump under severe braking), it may develop a crack, which could ultimately lead to failure of the front suspension support, possibly resulting in the loss of vehicle control.

The following information is provided to inform you and your staff of the campaign schedule and your degree of involvement.

As required by Federal Regulation, dealers are not to deliver any new vehicle acquired in their inventory which is involved in a safety recall until the necessary modification has been performed. Consequently, it is vital NOT to deliver any Tacoma 4X2 vehicles until they have been modified.

1. Owner Notification Letter Mailing Date

August, 1996 (copy attached)

2. Identification of Involved Vehicles and Modification Procedures

Refer to the enclosed Technical Instructions.

3. Special Service Campaign Kit

A Special Service Campaign kit which includes the necessary SST's and an initial supply of chemicals will be shipped to each dealer at no charge.

Contents of the Campaign Kit:

Coil Spring Compressor SST (P/N: 09727-22011-ST)	2
Spatter Protector	2 Upper and 2 Lower Shields
Suspension Support for Welding Practice	1 Piece
Suspension Support Mounting Plate	1 Piece
Reinforcement Plates for Welding Practice	2 Pieces (For Left and Right Sides)
Return Shipment Box for Suspension Support	1
Pre-addressed, Prepaid 2 nd Day Air Shipping Label	1
Plastic Zip-lock Bag for Welding Technician Qualification Test Record Form	1
MAGNAFLUX [®] Spotcheck Kit	1 Kit containing 3 Chemicals
3M [®] Weld-thru Coating (3M [®] P/N: 051131-05913)	1 Can
Dealer Sales and Service Informational Video	1

INDEMNIFICATION FOR CAMPAIGN SERVICES RENDERED

Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. agrees to assume the defense of the DEALER and to indemnify and hold it harmless solely with respect to inspections, corrections and/or modifications which are performed upon vehicles pursuant to this Special Service Campaign subject to the following conditions:

DEALER agrees that trained personnel, including professional welders where necessary, will perform all appropriate inspections, corrections and/or modifications, including disassembly and re-assembly of components, in compliance with all of the directives set forth in the attached Special Service Campaign T06 Technical Instructions.

4. Parts Ordering

Part No.	Part Name	Description	Quantity/vehicle
D4006-13135	Reinforcement Kit	4 Reinforcement Plates	1 Kit
94184-81000	Nut	For Shock Absorber and Stabilizer Bar	4
95381-03220	Cotter Pin	Tie Rod End Cotter Pin	2

Parts supply is anticipated to be adequate for launch. The necessary parts can be ordered through your facing PDC. The reinforcement kit as well as the nuts will be **MANUALLY ALLOCATED** based on each dealer's involved owner list for this campaign.

5. Reimbursement Procedures

Submit Special Service Campaign claims following the procedures described in the Toyota Warranty Policy & Procedures Manual. The operation codes to be used for this campaign are as follows:

(1) FOR ACTUAL VEHICLE MODIFICATION

SSC #	Op. Code	Description	Flat Rate Hour
T06	6501G1	Disassembly, Magnaflux Inspection, Refinishing, Reassembly and Alignment. (With ABS)	4.4 hrs/vehicle
	6501G2	Disassembly, Magnaflux Inspection, Refinishing, Reassembly and Alignment. (Without ABS)	4.3 hrs/vehicle
	*6501G4	Disassembly, Magnaflux Inspection, Welding Reinforcement Plates, Refinishing, Reassembly and Alignment. (With ABS)	6.4 hrs/vehicle
	*6501G5	Disassembly, Magnaflux Inspection, Welding Reinforcement Plates, Refinishing, Reassembly and Alignment. (Without ABS)	6.3 hrs/vehicle

*Op. Codes to be used if welding is performed by dealer personnel. If welding is performed by outside company, use the 6501G1 or 6501G2 Op. Code plus the sublets shown below as applicable:

- Include price of \$5.00 per vehicle for special primer, paint and MAGNAFLUX® chemicals under sublet type "WD".
- Include actual rental vehicle reimbursement under sublet type "ZZ".
- Include actual expense incurred for welding reinforcement plates on vehicle under sublet type "WD".

NOTE: The above flat rate time includes 0.1 hours of administrative cost per unit for the dealership.

(2) FOR PRACTICE WELDING ONLY

Op. Code	Description	Flat Rate Hour
6501G6	Practice weld with dealer personnel*	1.0 hr/practice

- Use default Vehicle Identification Number: 4TAUN41B199999999.
- Date of First Use: 08-01-1998.
- Claim type: "SC".
- SSC Number: "T06".

* If practice welding is performed by outside company, use sublet as shown below:

- Include actual expense incurred for practice welding under sublet type "WD".

NOTE: The above flat rate time includes 0.1 hours of administrative cost per unit for the dealership.

5. Disclosure Label

To inform potential buyers that an involved new vehicle has been modified it will be necessary for you to affix a disclosure label, sent to you separately, to each modified new vehicle in your inventory. This will apply to new vehicles that have been modified at dealerships or have been received at dealerships with the modification already performed. The label must be affixed on the passenger's side window above the Monroney label and must not be removed from the vehicle until it is first sold at retail.

Please review this entire package with your Service and Parts staff to familiarize them with the proper step-by-step procedure and implement this Special Service Campaign to ensure customer satisfaction.

Thank you for your cooperation.
TOYOTA MOTOR SALES, U.S.A., INC.

Enclosures

SAMPLE

SSC T06 - 1995 to 1996 TACOMA 4X2 VEHICLE FRONT SUSPENSION SUPPORT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

Dear Toyota Owner:

This notice is being sent to you in accordance with the requirement of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Toyota has determined that a defect related to the front suspension supports exists in 1995 and certain 1996 model year Tacoma 4X2 vehicles.

WHAT IS THE PROBLEM?

If the front suspension supports of 1995 and certain 1996 model year Tacoma 4X2's are subjected to certain repeated driving conditions, such as simultaneous vertical and horizontal loading, (e.g. driving over a speed bump under severe braking), it may develop a crack, which could ultimately lead to failure of the front suspension support, possibly resulting in the loss of vehicle control.

WHAT WILL TOYOTA DO?

Any Toyota dealer will install a reinforcement kit to the front suspension supports at NO COST to you.

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO?

Contact any authorized Toyota dealer and make an appointment to have the necessary modification performed as soon as possible.

The labor time for installation of the reinforcement kit is approximately 6 hours. However, depending upon the dealer's work schedule, it may be necessary to make your vehicle available for a longer period of time.

Please present this notice to the dealer when you bring the vehicle in for the repair.

If you no longer own the vehicle, please indicate so on the enclosed postage paid form, providing us with the name and address of the new owner.

WHAT IF YOU HAVE OTHER QUESTIONS?

Please contact any Toyota dealer or call the Toyota Customer Assistance Center at 1-800-331-4331.

If you believe that the dealer or Toyota has failed or is unable to remedy the defect within a reasonable time, you may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590, or call the toll free Auto Safety Hot Line at 800-424-9393 (Washington, D.C. area residents may call 998-0123).

We have sent this notice in the interest of your continued satisfaction with our products and we sincerely regret any inconvenience this condition may have caused you.

Thank you for driving a Toyota.

Sincerely,

TOYOTA MOTOR SALES, U.S.A., INC.
CORPORATE PRODUCT TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT

SAMPLE

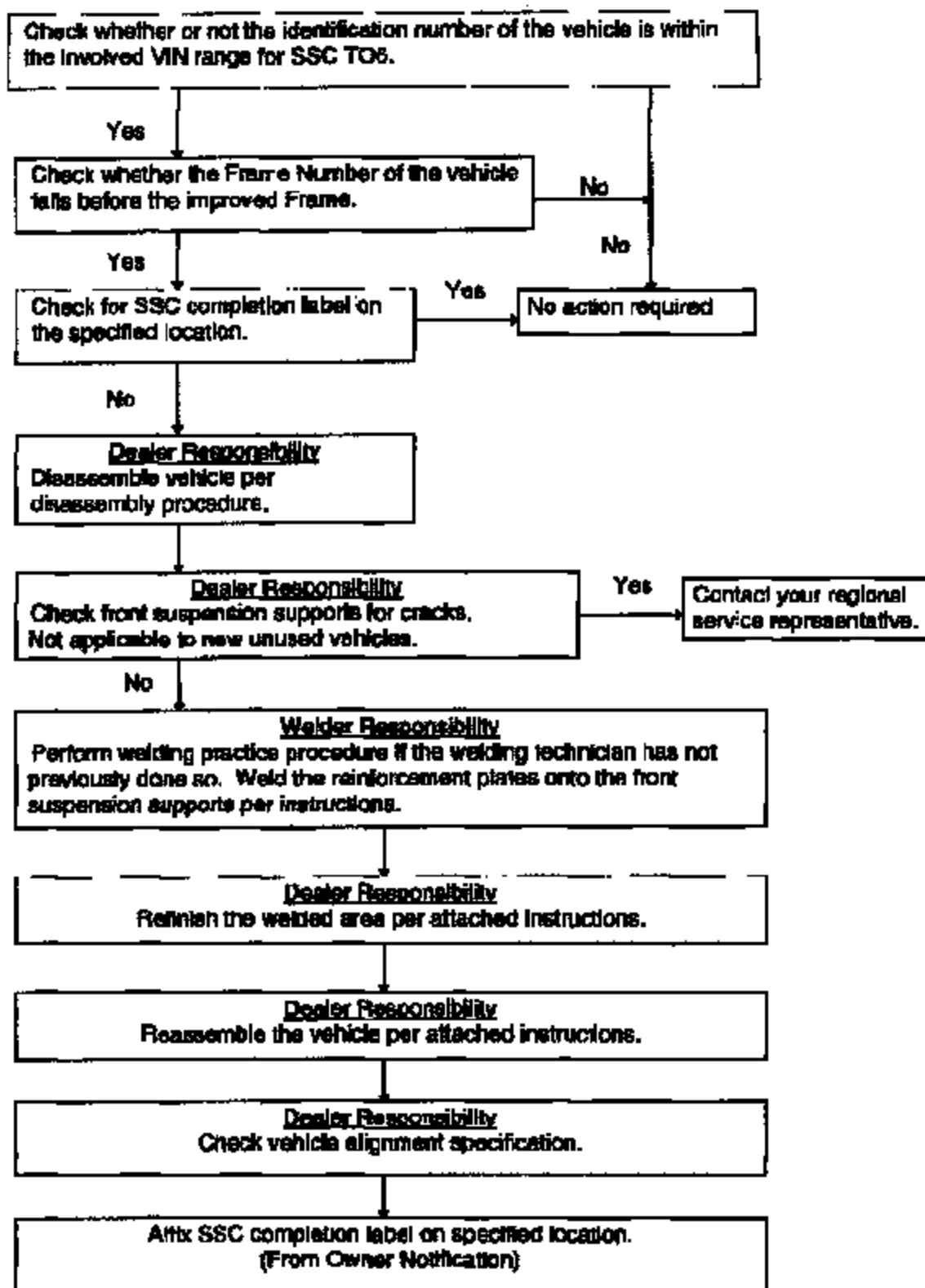
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Technical Instructions

1. INVOLVED VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION AND EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS
2. DISASSEMBLY PROCEDURE
3. DYE CHECK PROCEDURE
4. SELECTING WELDING TECHNICIANS
5. WELDING PRACTICE
6. WELDING REINFORCEMENT PLATES
7. CLEANING AND REFINISHING
8. REASSEMBLY AND ALIGNMENT

**INVOLVED VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION AND
EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS**

❖ Operation Flow Chart



INVOLVED VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION & EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

1. CHECK VEHICLE INVOLVEMENT BY VIN

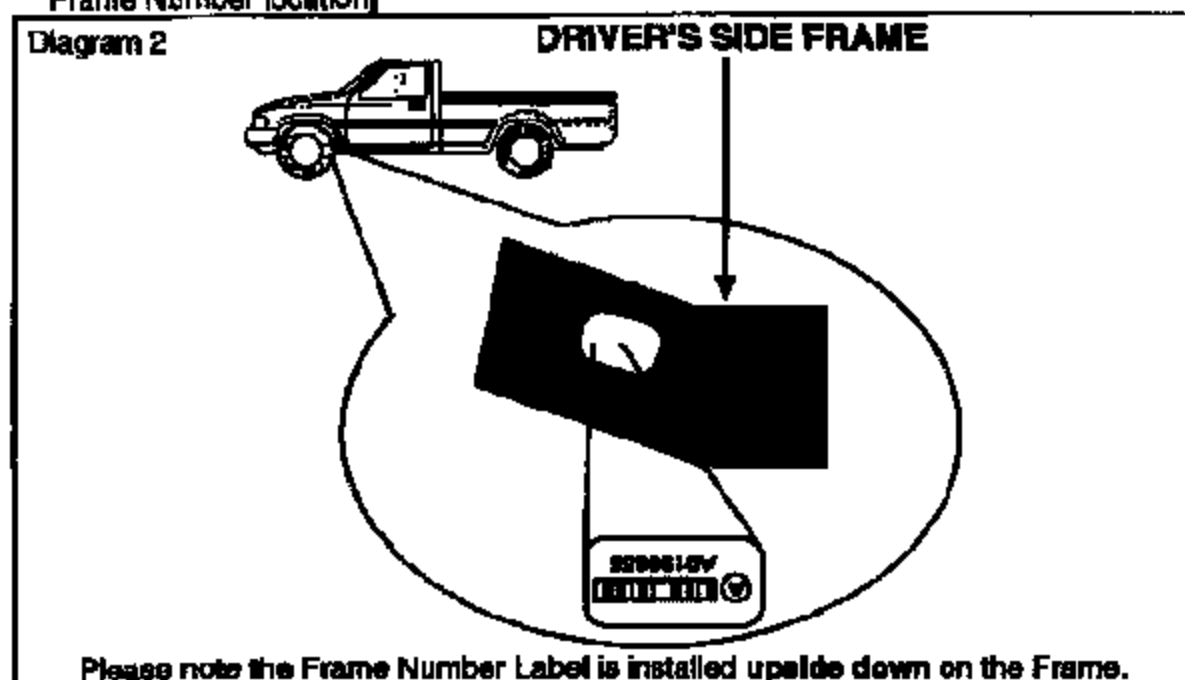
Check the VIN range to determine if the vehicle is involved in SSC T06. If the vehicle is outside of the VIN range it is not involved.

Model	VDS		Transmission	VIN Ranges*
	1995	1996		
Tacoma 4x2	4TAUN41B	4TANL42N	Manual	Z000001 - Z196726
			Automatic	Z000001 - Z196765
	4TAUN53B	4TAVL52N	Manual	Z000001 - Z197076
			Automatic	Z000001 - Z197072
	4TAVN59F	4TAVN52N	Both A/T & M/T	Z000001 - Z197100

*VIN Range starting after the Model Year Indicator (S = 1995, T = 1996).

2. CHECK VEHICLE INVOLVEMENT BY FRAME NUMBER

For those vehicles produced in June or July 1996 and fall within the VIN range, check the Frame Number to determine if the vehicle is equipped with an involved Frame or an Improved Frame (NOT INVOLVED). [See Diagram 2 for Frame Number location]

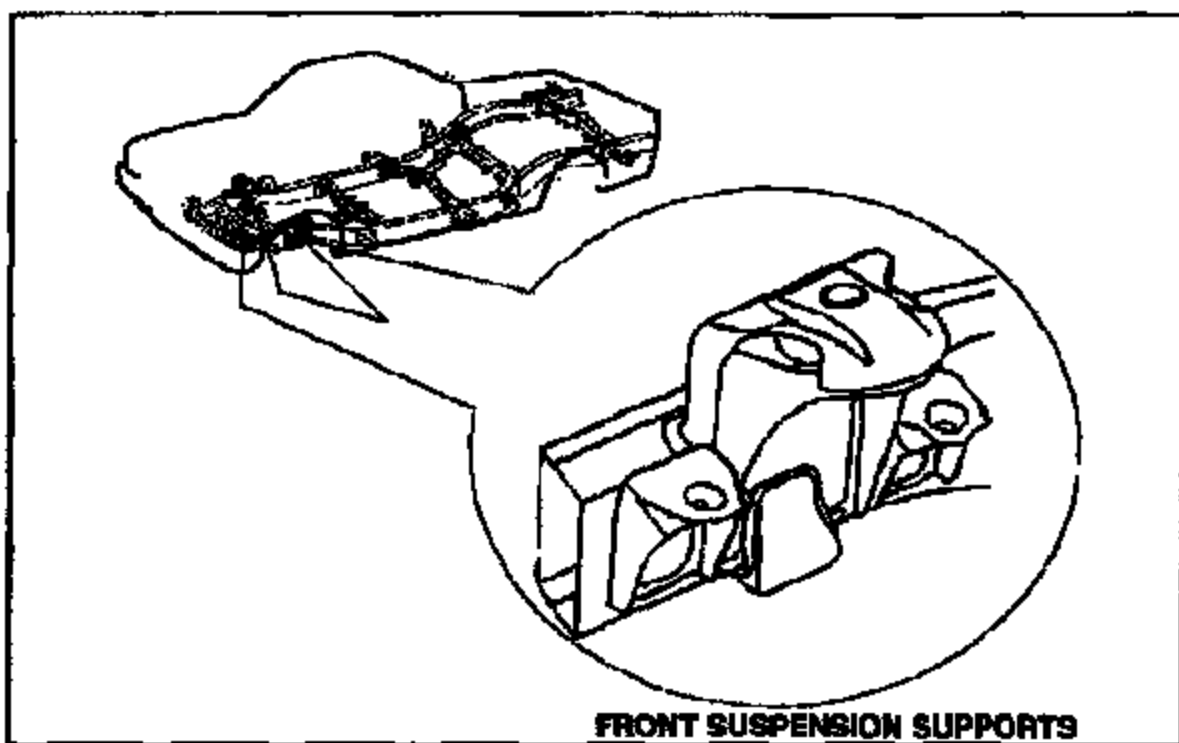


STARTING FRAME NUMBERS FOR IMPROVED FRAME

Model	VDS	Transmission	Starting Frame No. for Improved Frame*	
	1996			
Tacoma 4x2	4TANL42N	Manual	A	0105396 -
		Automatic	B	
	4TAVL52N	Manual	C	
		Automatic	D	
	4TAVN52N	Both A/T & M/T	E	

*Vehicles built with these Frames and later are NOT INVOLVED in SSC T06

3. LOCATION OF INVOLVED PARTS



4. PARTS REQUIRED

Part No.	Part Name	Quantity/Vehicle
04006-13135	Reinforcement Plate Kit	1 kit required per vehicle
94184-61000	Nut (stabilizer bar & shock absorber)	4 required per vehicle
95981-03220	Cotter Pin (tie-rod end)	2 required per vehicle

5. EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

Equipment Description	Use
Vehicle Hoist	Lift vehicle to perform modification procedure
General service tools	Front suspension disassembly & reassembly
Cleaning cloths/towels	Use for general cleaning
Duct Tape	Temporarily seal ABS sensor to prevent contamination
*Tie Rod End Puller SST (P/N: 09611-20015-01)	Tie rod end removal
Bungee, rope or wire	Suspend the brake caliper during operations
*Coil Spring Compressor SST (SSC Kit) (P/N: 09727-22011-ST)	Coil spring removal & reinstallation
Lubricating oil	Lubricate threads of Coil Spring SST with light oil prior to each use
Silicone Spray or Rubber Lubricant	Lubrication to ease disassembly/reassembly of spring bumper stops
*MAGNAFLUX® Spotcheck Kit (SSC Kit)	Checking suspension support for cracks
*Suspension Support Assembly w/plates (SSC Kit)	For welding practice
Suspension Support Mounting Plate (SSC Kit)	Mount suspension support for welding practice
Bench Vise	Hold mounting plate and suspension support for welding practice
Fine-tip Permanent Marker (such as Sanford® Sharpie)	Placing alignment mark on reinforcement plates for accurate positioning
Vise Grip type pliers	Temporary reinforcement plate clamping
Gas Metal Arc Welder (GMAW) also referred to as Metal Inert Gas (MIG) welder	Reinforcement plate welding
Spatter Protector (SSC kit)	Protects the vehicle from welding spatter and grinding chips
White Marker (Soapstone)	Outline reinforcement plate location
Disk Grinder/Sander	Paint/excess material removal at weld area
Wire Brush	Cleaning of weld area
Air gun (shop air)	Cleaning of weld area
Brake Cleaner (e.g. Toyota Brake Cleaner P/N: 00289-2BC00)	Degreasing of Suspension Support & Reinforcement Plates prior to welding
*3M® Weld-thru Coating (one can in SSC Kit) (3M® P/N: 051131-05913)	Corrosion protection between welded surfaces
*Chassis Paint: Rustoleum® Hard Hat Black Top Coat (2179) Rustoleum® Hard Hat Red Primer(2169)	Refinishing of modified suspension support area
Torque Wrenches	Reassembly of suspension components
Wheel Alignment Equipment	Alignment check/adjustment

* See Suppliers for additional Tools, Chemicals and Paints.

(6) SUPPLIER LIST

EQUIPMENT	CONTACT
Tie Rod End Puller SST (P/N: 08611-20015-01)	OTC, A division of SPX Corporation 855 Eisenhower Drive, Owatonna, MN 55060 Phone: 1-800-833-8335
Coil Spring Compressor SST (P/N: 08727-22011-ST)	OTC, A division of SPX Corporation 855 Eisenhower Drive, Owatonna, MN 55060 Phone: 1-800-833-8335
*MAGNAFLUX® Spotcheck Kit (MAGNAFLUX® P/N: 01-3912-48)	See MAGNAFLUX® Authorized North American Distributors List enclosed with each kit.
3M® Weld-thru Coating (3M® P/N: 051131-05913)	Order from local body shop supply outlet or call 3M® @ 1-800-521-8180 ext. 6890 for the supplier nearest you.
Chassis Paint Rustoleum® Hard Hat Black Top Coat (2179) Rustoleum® Hard Hat Red Primer(2169)	Available from Grainger Industrial and Commercial Equipment Supplies or call 1-800-323-3584 for the supplies nearest you.

† Additional suspension support and reinforcement plates for practice welding,
if required, can be obtained by calling (310) 783-5316.

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DISASSEMBLY PROCEDURE

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1. Disconnect negative (-) terminal cable from the battery.

NOTE: Before disconnecting the battery, record the preset radio stations.

2. Raise vehicle on hoist.

3. Remove both front wheels.

4. On vehicles with ABS remove the ABS speed sensor:

(a) Remove the four (4) clamp bolts holding the sensor harness to the upper suspension arm and steering knuckle.

(b) Remove the speed sensor from the steering knuckle.

(c) Position the sensor out of the way.

NOTE: Using tape, seal the ABS sensor hole.

5. Remove stabilizer bar.

(a) Hold the bolt with a wrench, then remove the two (2) nuts, retainers, collars and cushions from the lower suspension arm.

(b) Remove the four (4) bolts and stabilizer bar with the cushions and brackets.

