

**Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.** 19001 South Western Avenue, S207 Torrance, CA 90509-2991

TMS-NTC-13286 February 27, 2014

Recall Management Division National Highway Traffic Safety Administration 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

Re: Toyota Safety Recall 13V-557 - Preliminary and Remedy Dealer Notification

To whom it may concern,

Please find attached the Preliminary and Remedy Dealer Notification Letter for Toyota Safety Recall 13V-557 on the following Toyota vehicles:

• Certain 2013 – 2014 Model Year Tacoma 4 Cylinder Vehicles

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (310) 468-5316.

Sincerely,

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**Quality Compliance Assistant Manager** 

Attachments:

- Toyota 13V-557 (D0U) Dealer Notification (Preliminary)
- Toyota 13V-557 (D0U) Dealer Notification (Remedy)

Wayne Hutchinson / TMS Toyota Customer Services Product Quality and Service Support, Quality Compliance November 22, 2013 Approved By: Bob Waltz

To:All Toyota DealersFrom:Product Support Division

### Safety Recall D0U – Remedy Available Certain 2013-2014 Model Year Tacoma Vehicles Equipped with a 4-Cylinder Engine (2TR-FE) Valve Spring Replacement

As previously announced on November 07, 2013, Toyota filed a Defect Information Report (DIR) with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) informing the agency of our intent to conduct a voluntary Safety Recall on certain 2013-2014 Model Year Tacoma vehicles equipped with a 4-Cylinder engine (2TR-FE).

- Toyota has completed remedy preparations and will begin owner notifications in late Nov. 2013.
- A Dealer Letter containing additional information (i.e. Technical Instructions, reimbursement procedures, parts ordering information, etc.) has been posted on TIS.
- Please refer to TIS for vehicle applicability and additional information.
- Special Service Tools will be shipped Monday (11/25/2013) for arrival on Tuesday (11/26/2013).

### **Customer and Media Contacts**

- A FAQ has been attached for your use in the event you receive a customer contact. If a customer has further questions, please direct the inquiry to the Toyota Customer Experience Center at 1-800-331-4331.
- If you are a dealership associate and have any questions, please contact your District Service/Parts Manager.
- In the event you are contacted by the News media, it is imperative that all media contacts (local and national) receive a consistent message. Please direct all media contacts to Cindy Knight (310) 468-2170, in Toyota Corporate Communications. (Please do not provide these numbers to customers or call if you are a dealer associate. Please provide these contacts to only media associates.)





Safety Recall D0U - Remedy Notice Certain 2013-2014 Model Year Tacoma 4-Cylinder Vehicles Valve Spring Replacement

## **Customer Frequently Asked Questions**

Published Early November, 2013

We at Toyota care greatly about your safety; we are providing the following information to keep you informed of the recall details.

### Q1: What is the condition?

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A2B: You do not need an owner letter to have this recall completed; however, to assist the dealer in confirming vehicle eligibility, we request that you present this notice at the time of your service appointment.

### **Q3:** Are there any warnings or indicators of this condition?

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As required by Federal law (49 Code of Federal Regulations §577.13), Toyota is advising that dealers are not to deliver any new vehicles in their inventory that are involved in a Safety Recall unless the vehicle has been remedied. Vehicle Safety Recall completion can be verified through TIS.

Note: Before any new 2013 to 2014 Tacoma vehicles are delivered, dealerships must check eligibility in TIS. If covered, the Safety Recall remedy must be performed prior to delivery.

### 4. Dealer/District Summary Reports

We have enclosed the following Safety Recall D0U Summary Reports in the Region/Private Distributor (PD) Service Manager/Customer Service Operations Manager/Director of Service package:

- Region/PD Summary Report that provides an overview of the entire Region/PD for this Safety Recall.
- A District Summary Report that indicates the number of covered vehicles per dealership in each district for this Safety Recall.
- Dealer Summary Reports, containing the number of covered vehicles in each dealership's primary marketing area. <u>Please note that the summary reports will identify vehicles that our records show to be in dealer inventory.</u>

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### 6. Parts Ordering Process (Dealer Ordering Solutions)

Orders can be placed through the dealership's facing PDC. The kits have been placed on Dealer Ordering Solutions and will be systematically released daily based on dealer ordering criteria. Each dealer has received specific dealer ordering criteria in an email from their facing PDC Manager based on Repair Order Volume \* PDC Affected UIO. Therefore, it is vital that each dealership work with both Parts and Service to immediately file Safety Recall claims and coordinate appropriate kit orders.

Additional Part Ordering information can be found in the dealer communication.

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It is imperative that all media contacts (local and national) receive a consistent message. In this regard, all media contacts must be directed to Cindy Knight (310) 468-2170 in Toyota Corporate Communications. (Please do not provide this number to customers. Please provide this contact to only media associates.)

### The attached Dealer Notification Letter contains additional details.

Please review this remedy notification with your staff to assure that all relevant personnel have been briefed regarding this subject.

Thank you for your cooperation.

### Enclosures

- Region/Private Distributor Assistant General Managers CC: Region/Private Distributor Customer Service Operations Managers Region/Private Distributor Service Managers/Directors/VPs Region/Private Distributor Parts Managers/Directors/VPs Region/Private Distributor Customer Services Field Managers Region/Private Distributor Technical Services and Training Managers Region/Private Distributor District Service and/or Parts Managers **Region/Private Distributor Customer Relations Managers** Region/Private Distributor PDC Managers Region/Private Distributor Field Technical Specialists Region/Private Distributor Service Training Specialists Region/Private Distributor Vehicle Operations Managers All NAPC General Managers All TMS Sales Administration Managers All TMS Product Quality & Service Support Managers
  - All Field Product Engineers

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### To: All Toyota Dealer Principals, Service Managers, and Parts Managers

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### Toyota has completed remedy preparations and will now begin mailing the remedy owner letter.

### **Condition**

The engines in the involved vehicles contain valve springs which could have been produced with corrosive pitting on the surface of the spring due to improper maintenance of manufacturing equipment by one of two suppliers. The corrosive pitting could lead to fatigue cracks, which could result in breakage of the valve spring over time. If this occurs, the driver can notice an abnormal noise and rough engine performance. In some cases, the engine could fail and stop while the vehicle is being driven, increasing the risk of a crash.

### Remedy

Authorized Toyota dealers will replace the engine valve springs at **no charge** to the vehicle owner. For additional information on repair procedures, please refer to TIS.

The following information is provided to inform you and your dealers of the owner notification timing and your degree of involvement.

### 1. Owner Letter Mailing Date

Toyota has completed remedy preparations and will begin to notify owners in late November, 2013. A sample of the owner notification letter has been included for your reference.

Toyota tries very hard to obtain current customer name and address information when mailing owner letters. In



the event your dealership receives a notice for a vehicle that was sold prior to the Safety Recall announcement, it is the dealership's responsibility to forward the owner letter to the customer who purchased the vehicle.

Please note that only owners of the covered vehicles will be notified. If a dealer is contacted by an owner who has not yet received the notification, please *verify coverage by confirming through Dealer Daily/TIS.* Dealers should perform the procedure as outlined in the Technical Instructions located on TIS.

### 2. Dealer/Owner Lists

Summary Reports, containing the number of covered vehicles in your dealership's primary marketing area, have been enclosed in the dealer package. (Please verify eligibility by confirming through Dealer Daily or TIS prior to performing repairs.)

### 3. New Vehicles in Dealership Inventory

As required by Federal law (49 Code of Federal Regulations §577.13), dealers are not to deliver any new vehicles in their inventory that are involved in a Safety Recall unless the vehicle has been remedied. Vehicle Safety Recall completion can be verified through TIS. Reports containing new vehicles in dealer inventory were previously provided by a member of your Region/PD and will also be enclosed in the hard copy package.

Note: The dealer inventory VIN list is for reference purposes only. Before any new 2013-2014 Tacoma vehicles are delivered, dealerships must check eligibility in TIS. If covered, the Safety Recall remedy must be performed prior to delivery.

### 4. Pre-Owned Vehicles in Dealer Stock

Toyota requests that dealers verify whether their Pre-Owned vehicles in dealer inventory are covered by this Safety Recall. If a vehicle is covered the dealer should perform the Safety Recall remedy prior to customer delivery.

### 5. Number and Identification of Covered Vehicles

There are approximately 4,000 Toyota Tacoma vehicles (Certain 2013-2014 Model Year) equipped with a 4-Cylinder Engine (2TR-FE) covered by this Safety Recall in the US.

WMI	MY	VIN Range		
		VDS	Serial	
		JX4CN	X034357 - X036229	
		JX4GN	X025419 - X027068	
	2013	NX4CN	X030012 - X031655	
5TF		PX4EN	X018179 - X018921	
		TX4CN	X034282 - X036301	
		TX4GN	X025430 - X027031	
		UX4EN	X023036 - X024062	

wмi	MY	VIN Range		
•••		VDS	Serial	
		JX4CN	X036327 - X036707	
		JX4GN	X027072 - X027381	
	2014	NX4CN	X031490 - X032068	
5TF		PX4EN	X018871 - X019097	
		TX4CN	X036321 - X037696	
		TX4GN	X027086 - X027367	
		UX4EN	X024066 - X024277	

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A UIO matrix by state is provided to inform your dealership of the number of covered vehicles in your state.

STATE	UIO
AK	13
AL	63
AR	29
AZ	78
CA	693
CO	30
СТ	45
DC	0
DE	13
FL	340
GA	131

ΓΑΤΕ	UIO	
HI	74	
IA	13	
ID	11	
L	120	
IN	36	
KS	25	
KY	46	
LA	63	
MA	126	
MD	82	
ME	28	

STATE	UIO	
MI	22	
MN	14	
MO	63	
MS	38	
MT	10	
NC	118	
ND	1	
NE	6	
NH	64	
NJ	119	
NM	21	

UIO	
25	
81	
73	
29	
59	
102	
12	
74	
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294	
	25 81 73 29 59 102 12 74 7 71

STATE	UIO
UT	23
VA	132
VT	27
WA	79
WI	23
WV	40
WY	2

### 6. Parts Ordering Process

Orders can be placed through the dealership's facing PDC. The kits have been placed on Dealer Ordering Solutions and will be systematically released daily based on dealer ordering criteria.

Part Number	Part Description		Quantity
04003-43175	Valve Spring Kit		1
	The kit above includes the following parts		
90501-32055	Valve Spring (with Orange Mark)	16	
96723-19014	O-Ring	1	
96723-19011	O-Ring (for camshaft oil delivery pipe)	1	
11213-75041	Cylinder Head Cover Gasket	1	
11214-75012	No.2 Cylinder Head Cover Gasket	1	

Each dealership will receive specific dealer ordering criteria in an email from TMS Special Activity Group based on Repair Order Volume \* PDC Affected UIO. Dealer ordering criteria will also be available through the Customer Service Leader at their facing PDC. Therefore, it is vital that each dealership work with both Parts and Service to immediately file Safety Recall claims and coordinate appropriate kit orders. A sample of the Parts Allocation Report has been attached below for your reference.



### **IMPORTANT PARTS ORDERING UPDATE**

All Safety Recall, Service Campaign (SSC/LSC) and Customer Support Program (CSP) parts will be eligible for the Monthly Parts Return Program. Please refer to PANT Bulletin 2011-087 for campaign parts that are currently returnable under the Monthly Parts Return Program and additional details.

### 7. Technician Training Requirements

The repair quality of covered vehicles is extremely important to Toyota. All dealership associates involved in the recall process are required to successfully complete E-Learning course SC13A. To ensure that all vehicles have the repair performed correctly; technicians performing this recall repair are required to currently hold at least one of the following certifications levels:

- Engine Expert
- Drive Train Expert
- Master
- Master Diagnostic Technician

It is the dealership's responsibility to select technicians with the above certification level or greater to perform this Safety Recall repair. Carefully review your resources, the technician skill level, and ability before assigning technicians to this repair. It is important to consider technician days off and vacation schedules to ensure there are properly trained technicians available to perform this repair at all times.

### 8. <u>Remedy Procedures</u>

Please refer to TIS for Technical Instructions on inspection and repair.

Conduct all applicable, non-completed Safety Recall and Service Campaigns on the vehicle during the time of appointment.

### 9. Warranty Reimbursement Procedure



Model	Op. Code	Description	Flat Rate Hour
Tacoma	3531KA	Replace All Valve Springs	3.0 hr/vehicle

• The flat rate times include 0.1 hours for administrative cost per unit for the dealership.

• Rental Vehicle may be claimed through the Toyota Rent-A-Car (TRAC) Program for a maximum of 1 day. Follow the Toyota Transportation Assistance Program (TTAP) Guidelines.

### 10. Campaign Special Service Tools

In a separate shipment, which is scheduled to arrive the week of November 18<sup>th</sup>, your dealership will be sent a package containing special service tools for this campaign. When received, the package will have a fluorescent (green, orange, yellow, or pink) label like the sample shown below for easy identification.



## **Do Not Refuse Shipment**

Tools included in the package of special service tools:					
Image	Name	Image	Name		
	Air Hose Assembly and Air Adapter/set		Remover and Replacer Lever		
(Free Contraction of the second secon	Valve Spring Retainer Remover		Fulcrum Bracket for Cylinders #3 and #4		
	Valve Spring Retainer Replacer	5	Fulcrum Bracket for Cylinders #1 and #2		
	Valve Retainer Check Tool				
NOTE: These tools <i>CANNOT</i> be ordered through the parts or tools system. There is a very limited supply of tools. If any tool becomes damaged or additional tools are needed, contact your regional representative.					

### 11. Repair Quality Confirmation

The repair quality of covered vehicles is extremely important to Toyota. To help ensure that all vehicles have the repair performed correctly, please designate at least one associate (someone other than the individual who performed the repair) to verify the repair quality of every vehicle prior to customer delivery.

### 12. Campaign Designation Decoder



### 13. Media Contacts

It is imperative that all media contacts (local and national) receive a consistent message. In this regard, all media contacts must be directed to Cindy Knight (310) 468-2170 in Toyota Corporate Communications. (Please do not provide this number to customers. Please provide this contact to only media associates.)

### 14. Customer Contacts

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Please note the attached FAQ is published on the www.Toyota.com website for customer viewing.

Please review this entire package with your Service and Parts staff to familiarize them with the proper step-by-step procedures required to implement this Safety Recall.

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

### Certain 2013-2014 Model Year Tacoma Vehicles Equipped with a 4-Cylinder Engine (2TR-FE) Valve Spring Replacement IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

This notice applies to your vehicle: VIN

URGENT SAFETY RECALL

This is an important Safety Recall. The remedy will be performed at **NO CHARGE** to you.

Dear Toyota Owner:

This notice is being sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Toyota has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2013-2014 Model Year Tacoma vehicles.

You received this notice because our records, which are based primarily on state registration and title data, indicate that you are the current owner.

### What is the Condition?

On certain 2013-2014 Model Year Tacoma vehicles equipped with a 4-Cylinder engine (2TR-FE), the engine valve springs, made by one of two suppliers, could fracture and break. This is the result of improper maintenance of manufacturing equipment used to make the part. If a spring breaks, abnormal noise and rough engine performance will occur. In some cases the engine could fail and stop while the vehicle is being driven, increasing the risk of a crash.

#### What will Toyota do?

Any authorized Toyota dealer will replace all the engine valve springs at **NO CHARGE** to you.

### What should you do?

This is an important Safety Recall

Please contact any authorized Toyota dealer to schedule an appointment to have the remedy performed as soon as possible.

The repair will take approximately one business day. However, depending on the dealer's work schedule, it may be necessary to make your vehicle available for a longer period of time.

You do not need an owner letter to have this recall completed; however, to assist the dealer in confirming vehicle eligibility, we request that you present this notice at the time of your service appointment.

If you would like to update your vehicle ownership or contact information, you may do so by registering at <u>www.toyota.com/ownersupdate</u>. You will need your full 17-digit Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) to input the new information.

#### What if you have other questions?

- Your local Toyota dealer will be more than happy to answer any of your questions and set up an appointment to perform the repair.
- You can find additional information and locate a Toyota dealer in your area by going online and visiting <u>www.toyota.com/recall</u>.
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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, 1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E., Washington, D.C. 20590, or call the toll free Vehicle Safety Hot Line at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153), or go to http://www.safercar.gov.

If you are a vehicle lessor, Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

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.



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## **TECHNICAL INSTRUCTIONS**

## FOR

## SAFETY RECALL DOU

## VALVE SPRING REPLACEMENT

CERTAIN 2013 TO 2014 MODEL YEAR TACOMA (2TR-FE)

In order to perform this campaign, technicians must be an Engine Expert, Drivetrain Expert, Master Technician, or Master Diagnostic Technician. If you have questions regarding certification, contact your regional representative.

## I. OPERATION FLOW CHART

The flow chart is for reference only. *DO NOT* use it in place of the full technical instructions. Follow *ALL* steps as outlined in the full technical instructions to confirm the campaign is completed correctly.



## **II. IDENTIFICATION OF COVERED VEHICLES**

### A. COVERED VIN RANGE

WMI	Veer	VIN Range		14/8/1	Veer	VIN Range	
VVIVII	Year	VDS	Range	WMI	Year	VDS	Range
		JX4CN	X034357-X036229			JX4CN	X036327-X036707
		JX4GN	X025419-X027068			JX4GN	X027072-X027381
5TF 20		NX4CN	X030012-X031655	5TF	2014	NX4CN	X031490-X032068
	2013	PX4EN	X018179-X018921			PX4EN	X018871-X019097
		TX4CN	X034282-X036301			TX4CN	X036321-X037696
		TX4GN	X025430-X027031			TX4GN	X027086-X027367
		UX4EN	X023036-X024062			UX4EN	X024066-X024277

NOTE:

- Check the TIS Vehicle Inquiry System to confirm the VIN is involved in this Safety Recall, and that the campaign has not already been completed prior to dealer shipment or by another dealer.
- TMS warranty will not reimburse dealers for repairs conducted on vehicles that are not affected or were completed by another dealer.

## **III. PREPARATION**

### A. PARTS

Part Number	Part Description	Quantity
04003-43175	Valve Spring Kit	1
	*The kit above includes the following parts.	
90501-32055	Valve Spring (with Orange Mark)	16
96723-19014	O-Ring (for timing chain guide)	1
96723-19011	O-Ring (for camshaft oil delivery pipe)	1
11213-75041	Cylinder Head Cover Gasket	1
11214-75012	No.2 Cylinder Head Cover Gasket	1

### **B. MATERIALS**

- Protective Tape
- Paint Pen
- String or Rope
- Cloths or Rags •

### C. TOOLS & EQUIPMENT

- Standard hand tools
  - 10mm hex bit socket
- Torque wrench Techstream Protective eyewear
  - Protective gloves
- CAMPAIGN TOOLS These tools are provided to the dealership. These tools are necessary when performing this repair.

### VALVE SPRING REMOVER AND REPLACER KIT



## **REMOVER AND REPLACER SUPPORT TOOL KIT**



NOTE: These tools CANNOT be ordered through the parts or tools system. There is a very limited supply of tools, but if additional tools are needed, contact your regional representative.

## **IV. BACKGROUND**

The engines in the involved vehicles contain valve springs which could have been produced with corrosive pitting on the surface of the spring due to improper maintenance of manufacturing equipment by one of two suppliers. The corrosive pitting could lead to fatigue cracks, which could result in breakage of the valve spring over time. If this occurs, the driver can notice an abnormal noise and rough engine performance. In some cases, the engine could fail and stop while the vehicle is being driven, increasing the risk of a crash.



- Union Nut Wrench 17mm
- Inspection mirror
- Toyota Genuine Adhesive 1324 = 00883-00070 or Equivalent
- Toyota Genuine Seal Packing Black = 00295-00103
- Engine Oil

## **V. SAFETY PRECAUTIONS**



## **VI. COMPONENTS**



## VII. CYLINDER HEAD DISASSEMBLY

## 1. CHECK FOR DTCS

a) If any DTCs have been set, repair the vehicle using the procedure for the DTCs and freeze frame data, and clear DTCs.

### 2. DISCONNECT NEGATIVE CABLE FROM BATTERY TERMINAL







### 14. SET THE ENGINE TO TDC FOR CYLINDER #1

- a) Turn the crankshaft clockwise and align the timing mark on the crankshaft pulley with the zero degree point on the timing chain cover.
- b) Check the timing marks on the camshaft timing gears and ensure that they are aligned with the timing marks on the No.1 camshaft bearing cap as shown below.
- c) If they are not aligned turn the engine clockwise 360 degrees and recheck.







c) While holding the tensioner release, rotate the camshaft clockwise 80 degrees, which places the engine at 10 degrees BTDC of No. 1 cylinder.

# NOTE: This is the correct piston position for removing the valve springs for cylinders 1 & 4

d) This clockwise rotation will tighten the chain on the guide and will compress the tensioner.

NOTE: The chain will become slightly loose.

- e) Release the tensioner stopper held by the screw driver.
- f) Using the screw driver, move the tensioner stopper down as shown.
- g) Insert the screw driver through the tensioner stopper hole and placing the screw driver tip below the body of the tensioner. This will lock the tensioner in the compressed position.
- h) Secure the screw driver with tape to prevent it from coming out during the repair procedure.



## **19. REMOVE THE NO. 2 CAMSHAFT TIMING SPROCKET**

STOP

- a) Remove the camshaft timing sprocket with two technicians as shown below.
- b) Technician A will hold the camshaft using two wrenches placed on the hexagon location of the camshaft to ensure they do not rotate during the sprocket removal process.
- c) Technician B will safely remove the timing chain sprocket from the camshaft.
- d) Slowly release camshafts to their resting/neutral position.
  - The valve spring force will cause the cams to rotate outward. If the chain is removed without
  - holding the camshafts they could turn violently and it could result in injuries.
    - DO NOT insert your fingers between the chain and timing sprocket/gear.
    - If the camshafts are held improperly, the wrenches will be difficult to remove.





e) Leave the timing gear on the intake camshaft.

NOTE: Slack in the chain is okay.

f) Place clean rags over the chain cover as shown to prevent anything from falling into the engine assembly.



## 20. REMOVE CAMSHAFTS

a) Using the sequence shown loosen the 4 bolts in several passes and remove the No. 1 camshaft bearing cap.

NOTE: If the No.1 camshaft bearing cap is not removed first, it could be deformed.

b) Using the sequence shown loosen the 12 bolts in several passes and remove the bearing caps.

NOTE: 4 bolts have already been removed during the oil delivery pipe removal process.

c) Remove the No. 2 camshaft (exhaust camshaft).

d) While holding the chain by hand, remove the intake cam.

- e) Tie up the chain with rope to prevent it from falling into the chain case.
- f) Place clean rags over the chain cover as shown to prevent anything from falling into the engine assembly.
- g) Readjust the 3 oil galley rags that were previously placed on the head to ensure the plug the galleys.







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### 6. CHECK THE CRANKSHAFT POSITION

a) After slowly applying the air pressure, ensure the crankshaft has not rotated.

STOP

If the crankshaft has rotated, discharge the air pressure, and then set the crankshaft position again.

- Always wear protective eye wear and gloves during the spring removal process.
- Always apply air pressure to apposing cylinders to prevent crank from rotating.
- Always open air valve slowly so crank will not rotate. Crank rotation is caused by the cylinder at TDC filling up and building air pressure first, this is why slow application is crucial.





f) Install the *NEW* valve spring and orient the orange mark so it is easy to see.

NOTE: The spring has no orientation however ensure the valve spring orange mark faces toward the front of the engine so you can confirm all springs have been replaced before reassembly.

- g) Place the spring retainer facing up in your hand.
- h) Install the keepers into the retainer.
- i) Place the replacer tool over the valve retainer and keepers.
- j) Confirm all parts are secured by the magnets and aligned for proper installation.
- k) Confirm the guide shaft is fully extended or the keepers and retainer will fall off.
- I) Hold your hand under the tool to ensure the retainer and keepers do not fall.
- m) Using the replacer tool, compress and reinstall the valve retainer and keepers.

- n) Check the keepers to ensure they have engaged securely.
- o) Place the keeper check tool onto the valve and confirm the check tool is seated on the keepers and is not at an angle
- p) Gently tap the keeper check tool to ensure the keepers are seated properly.

**STOP** 

Hammering with excessive force or at an incorrect angle can cause severe damage to the valve stem.

- q) Mark the retainer to ensure you do not repeat the replacement steps.
- r) Repeat steps **7.a.** through **7.q.** for the remainig 3 valves on this cylinder.



- Disconnect the air hose form the regulator. t)
- Gradually open the regulator valve to slowly bleed off the air pressure in the cylinders. u)
- Fully close the regulator valve. V)





c) Use the same procedure to replace the valve springs on cylinders # 3.

NOTE: Cyl. #3 valve springs are much harder to compress due to their location, it is strongly recommended that you use the support tools provided. See section XI for instructions.

d) Use the same procedure to replace the valve springs on cylinders # 2.

### 10. CONFIRM THAT ALL VALVE SPRINGS HAVE BEEN REPLACED

- a) Confirm that all valve springs have the orange mark on them.
- b) Visually check all retainers and keeperss and confirm that they are installed and seated properly.

## IX. REINSTALL CYLINDER HEAD COVER






e) Prior to reinstallation, confirm the orientation of the timing sprocket by matching the mark that was place the sprocket during the removal process that indicates which side faces outward.







# 8. TORQUE BEARING CAP BOLTS

- a) Using the sequence illustrated, evenly tighten the 20 bolts to the specified torque in several passes. **Specified Torque:** 16 N\*m (158 kgf\*cm, 11ft\*lbf)
- b) Put a mark onto each bolt after torqueing to show each bolt as been tightened.

- Tighten the bolt for the oil delivery pipe to the specified torque. **Specified Torque:** 12N\*m (122 kgf\*cm, 9 ft.\*lbf)
- d) Put a mark onto the bolt after torqueing to show that it has been tightened.

# 9. RELEASE THE CHAIN TENSIONER

- a) Remove the tape that is securing the small screw driver.
- b) Remove the screw driver to disengage the tensioner stopper

# 10. REMOVE RAGS AND TOOLS

- Remove the rags from the spark plug holes and oil passages.
- Check for to ensure there are no loose components or tools in the head assembly.

Ensure to remove all rags otherwise engine damage could occur on start up.

- 11. ENSURE ROCKER ARMS ARE IN CORRECT POSITION
- 12. CHECK ALIGNMENT OF TIMING MARKS
  - a) Rotate the crankshaft 2 complete turns clockwise and confirm that the timing marks still align properly.

If this step is skipped, the rocker arms may come off when the engine is started.

Note: When the crankshaft is rotated you may here a clicking noise from the chain tensioner as it extends to tension the

**13. REINSTALL SPARK PLUGS Specified Torque:** 18 N\*m (184 kgf\*cm, 13 ft\*lbf)







### 5. REINSTALL V BELT

- a) Ensure to install the belt in the proper route and rotational direction on the pulleys.
- b) Rotate the hex bolt head on the left side of the tensioner clockwise to release the tensioner and install the v-belt.



#### 6. REINSTALL AIR CLEANER ASSEMBLY W/INTAKE AIR CONNECTOR

- a) Remove the tape from the throttle body.
- b) Install air cleaner assembly as shown below.





- a) Confirm that all necessary parts are installed.
- b) Confirm that no tools or rags have been left in the engine compartment.
- c) Reconnect the negative battery terminal.

#### 8. START ENGINE AND LISTEN FOR ANY ABNORMAL NOISE

#### 9. CONDUCT TEST DRIVE

#### **10. PERFORM FINAL CHECK**

- a) Check for DTCs.
- b) Check for oil leaks.
- c) Restore system settings such as radio presets, clocks, etc.

# ◄ VERIFY REPAIR QUALITY ►

- Confirm that all valve springs have been replaced and are properly installed.
- Complete as test drive and confirm no abnormal noises are present.
- Confirm there are no oil leaks or abnormal noises coming from the engine.
- Confirm all systems presets have been reset.

If you have any questions regarding this update, please contact your area representative.

## XI. REMOVER AND REPLACER SUPPORT TOOL INSTRUCTIONS

1. REMOVER AND REPLACER SUPPORT TOOL

NOTE: The use of these support tools are not required but they were developed to help assist when the valve springs are hard to compress due to their location.





## 4. SUPPORT TOOL USE

**STOP** 

- a) Insert the lever into the bracket as shown.
- b) Adjust the ball on the lever so that the ball is centered on the top of the remover/replacer.
- c) Ensure that the remover/replacer is correctly seated (square) against the valve spring.
- d) Gently press down with two hands to remove/install the valve spring keeper and retainer.

A large amount of force can be applied using the support tools, use caution, otherwise damage to the engine or valves can occur.









## 5. REMOVE THE SUPPORT TOOL BRACKETS

c) Remove the bracket and place the bracket mounting bolt back into the cylinder #3 and #4 bracket for storage.

6. REMOVE THE PROTECTIVE TAPE FROM THE BRAKE TUBES

## **XII. APPENDIX**

A. CAMPAIGN DESIGNATION DECODER



**B. CAMPAIGN PARTS DISPOSAL** 

Please make sure all campaign parts (original parts) removed from the vehicle are disposed of in a manner in which they will not be reused, *unless requested for parts recovery return.*