



Service Bulletin

PRELIMINARY INFORMATION

Subject: Normal Characteristic - Ignition Switch Hard To Rotate From The Lock Position / Steering Column Lock Info

Models: 2012 - 2013 Chevrolet Sonic

The following diagnosis might be helpful if the vehicle exhibits the symptom(s) described in this PI.

Condition/Concern

In rare cases it is possible a customer may comment that when returning to the vehicle the ignition key requires high effort or may not turn from the lock position.

Recommendation/Instructions

Important: Do NOT replace any parts for this concern.

This model is equipped with a steering column lock. If the vehicle is turned off with the steering wheel turned it may rotate back against the steering lock causing the lock to bind, resulting in the key cylinder binding. This concern generally happens after turning into a parking spot or driveway.

To prevent this from happening, advise the customer to make sure the front wheels are pointing in the straight ahead with the steering wheel centered when turning the ignition off.

Please follow this diagnostic or repair process thoroughly and complete each step. If the condition exhibited is resolved without completing every step, the remaining steps do not need to be performed.

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