## **Technical Bulletin**



# SERVICE BULLETIN

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## 2013 - 2014 ALTIMA SEDAN; REAR COMBINATION LAMP SCRATCHES PAINT

APPLIED VEHICLE: 2013 - 2014 Altima Sedan (L33)

#### IF YOU CONFIRM:

Contact marks on the painted surface of the body are visible anywhere along the forward edges of either rear combination lamp.



Figure 1

#### **ACTION:**

- 1. Using standard auto body repair practices, perform a Refinish Half-Block Repair to the area(s) affected by the rear combination lamp(s).
- 2. Apply a piece of protective urethane tape (see **PARTS INFORMATION**) on <u>both</u> sides of the vehicle where shown in the **SERVICE PROCEDURE**.

**IMPORTANT:** The purpose of ACTION (above) is to give you a quick idea of the work you will be performing. You MUST closely follow the entire SERVICE PROCEDURE as it contains information that is essential to successfully completing this repair.

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#### SERVICE PROCEDURE

- 1. Remove both rear combination lamps.
  - For removal procedure, refer to the L DRIVER CONTROLS > EXL Exterior Lighting System section of the Electronic Service Manual (ESM), if needed.
- 2. Using standard auto body repair practices, perform a Refinish Half-Block Repair to the area of the body that has surface contact marks.

**NOTE:** This repair must be performed by a qualified auto body/paint shop. Refer to the Nissan Warranty Paint Flat Rate Manual for information on or definition of a Refinish Half-Block Repair.

3. After the Refinish Half-Block Repairs are completed, make sure the area shown in Figure 2 is clean and dry.

**NOTE:** The right rear combination lamp area is shown in all pictures of this bulletin. The left rear side is similar.

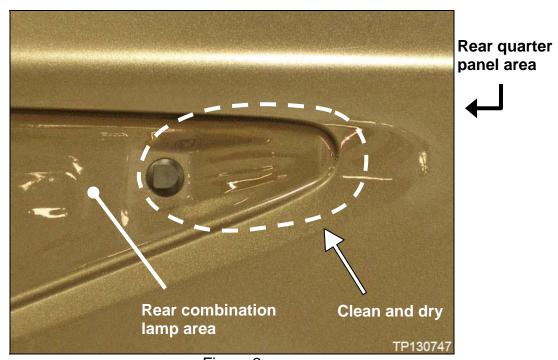


Figure 2

- 4. Position the template with protective urethane tape up against the pin as shown in Figure 3.
  - This puts the template close to where it needs to be.
  - Templates are labeled as "L" for left / driver side, and "R" for right / passenger side.
- 5. While in this position, move the template as needed to locate the protective urethane tape where shown in Figure 3.

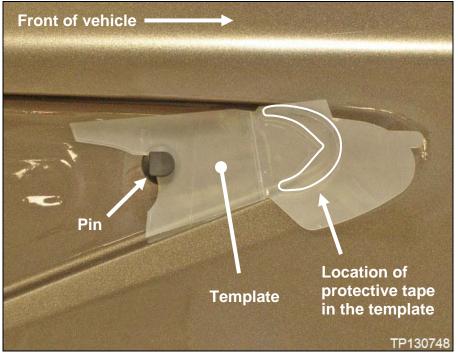


Figure 3

Figure 4 shows where the protective tape ends up when applied.

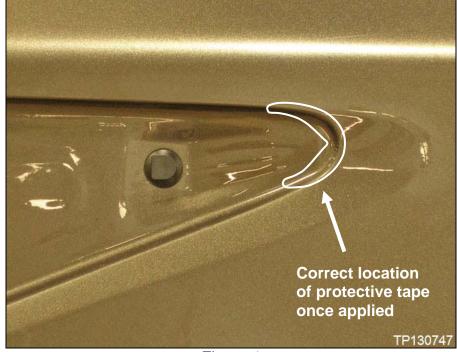


Figure 4

- 6. Apply the template to the body.
  - Apply the template as instructed in Figure 5.
  - The area of the template adhered to the body will keep the protective tape in the desired position.
  - Make sure the protective tape is positioned correctly.
  - Save all of the backing pieces. They will be used during combination lamp installation.

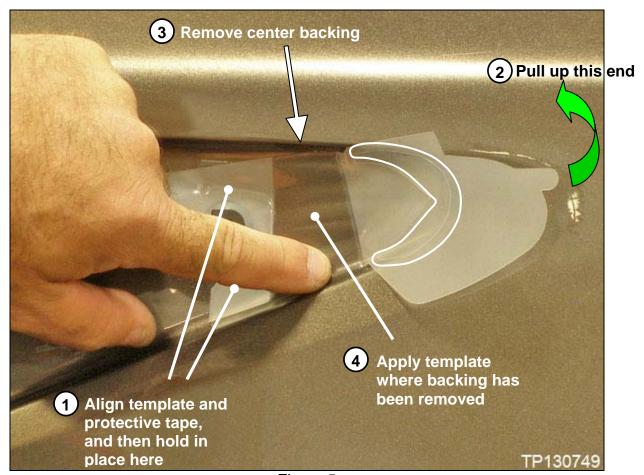


Figure 5

- 7. Apply the protective tape to the body.
  - Apply the protective tape as instructed in Figure 6.
  - Make sure the protective tape is positioned correctly.

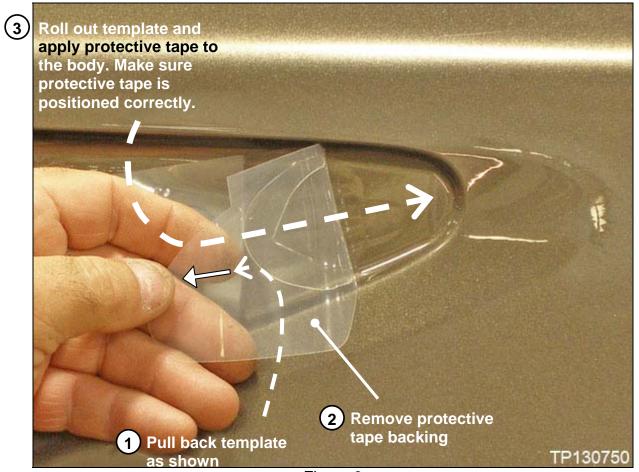


Figure 6

- 8. Smooth out the protective tape by rubbing the template on top of the tape. Work out any air bubbles (see Figure 7).
  - If necessary, use a suitable body tool to remove any air bubbles.
- 9. Remove the template (see Figure 7).

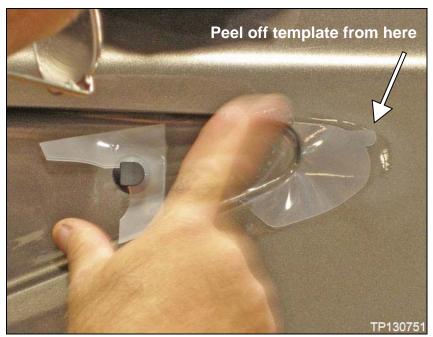


Figure 7

 With the template removed, the protective tape should stay on the body and be located where outlined in Figure 8.



Figure 8

- 10. Carefully reinstall both rear combination lamps.
  - Use the backing saved earlier to protect the painted surface while installing the combination lamps (see Figure 9).
  - For installation procedure, refer to the L DRIVER CONTROLS > EXL Exterior Lighting System section of the ESM, if needed.

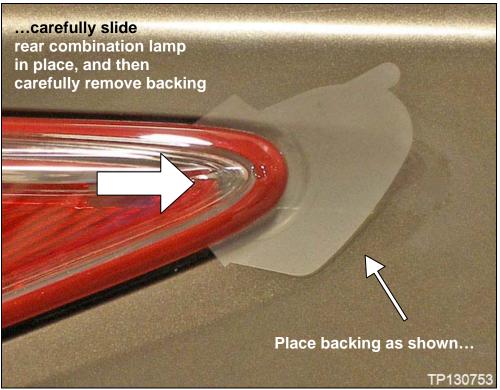


Figure 9

#### PARTS INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION	PART NUMBER	QUANTITY
PROTECTOR-CHIPPING FRONT, <b>LH</b>	6383 <b>9</b> -3TA0A	1
PROTECTOR-CHIPPING FRONT, <b>RH</b>	6383 <b>8</b> -3TA0A	1

## When painting is not required

### **CLAIMS INFORMATION**

Submit a Primary Part (PP) type line claim using the following claims coding:

DESCRIPTION	PFP	OP CODE	SYM	DIA	FRT
Install Urethane Tape to both sides without paint	(1)	RX4AAA	ZA	03	0.5

<sup>(1)</sup> Refer to the electronic parts catalog FAST and use the appropriate rear combination lamp part number (26550-XXXXX) as the Primary Failed Part (PFP).

## OR

## When painting is required

#### **CLAIMS INFORMATION**

Submit a Primary Part (PP) type line claim using the following claims coding:

DESCRIPTION	PFP	OP CODE	SYM	DIA	FRT
Install Urethane Tape to both sides with painting	(1)	RX4DAA	ZA	03	0.3

<sup>(1)</sup> Refer to the electronic parts catalog FAST and use the appropriate rear combination lamp part number (26550-XXXXX) as the Primary Failed Part (PFP).

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<sup>\*</sup> On the same repair line, claim for the Refinish Half Block paint repair operation code and paint expense.