

Engine Oil Consumption

AFFECTED VEHICLES

2010–13 MDX, 2011–12 RL, 2009–14 TL (SH-AWD™ only), and 2010–13 ZDX

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Some clients may complain that the Low Oil Pressure indicator comes on, requiring engine oil to be added, while others who routinely check the oil level as recommended in their owner's manual may find that oil consumption has exceeded their expectations.

If you get a vehicle in your shop for an oil consumption concern, be sure to run an oil consumption test using the *Engine Oil Consumption Test* job aid in SIS. If the oil consumption is excessive, and you're not noticing anything mechanically wrong, the piston rings may be clogged from carbon buildup.

To check for this, remove the pistons and see if the rings float freely on them. If they don't, just replace the pistons and rings. There's no need to replace the short block.