Technical Bulletin



SERVICE BULLETIN

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ALTIMA AND MAXIMA; NOISE FROM TRUNK AREA

This bulletin has been amended. See AMENDMENT HISTORY on the last page.

Please discard previous versions of this bulletin.

APPLIED VEHICLES: 2018 Altima (L33)

2017-2019 Maxima (A36)

APPLIED VINS: Altima: Vehicles built from 1N4(*)L3A(**)JC 100261 to

1N4(*)L3A(**)JC 127731

2017 Maxima: Vehicles built after 1N4AA6A(**)HC 444883

2018 Maxima: All

2019 Maxima: Vehicles built before 1N4AA6A(**)KC 370720

APPLIED DATES: Altima: Vehicles built from August 1, 2017 to October 11, 2017

Maxima: Vehicles built from August 1, 2017 to February 1, 2019

IF YOU CONFIRM

A ticking, tapping, or popping type of noise is coming from the area of the right rear parcel shelf or right rear passenger seatback area while driving.

ACTION

- 1. Widen the gap between two pieces of body paneling in the right side trunk area.
- 2. Fill the gap with expanding foam.
 - Refer to SERVICE PROCEDURE in this bulletin for the repair 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

NOTE: All pictures show repairs performed on a Maxima. The Altima is similar.

CAUTION: Handle interior parts carefully to avoid damage. Work with clean hands and clean tools to avoid dirt and stains.

IMPORTANT: Follow all cautions, warnings, and notes in the Electronic Service Manual (ESM) when working on or near a Supplemental Restraint System (SRS), such as an air bag.

1. Open the trunk.



Figure 1

2. Remove the three (3) clips.

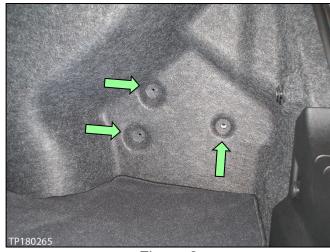


Figure 2

3. Pull back the trunk mat and carpet.



Figure 3

- 4. Recline forward the right rear passenger seatback.
- 5. Remove the clip.

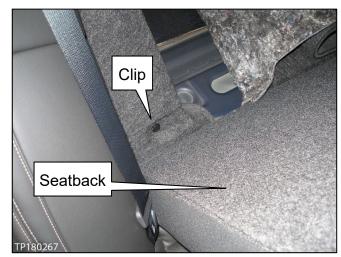


Figure 4

6. Unfasten the 'hook & loop' fastener.



Figure 5

7. Carefully peel back the trunk side finisher.



Figure 6

- 8. Insert a <u>plastic</u> interior pry tool where shown in Figures 7 and 8, and then carefully widen the gap between the two body panels about 3/32 inch (3 mm).
 - Make sure to insert the plastic interior pry tool at least 1³/₈ inches (35 mm) up into the gap, and then spread apart.

CAUTION: Do NOT use a metal pry tool. It may puncture through the body panels. Use an interior plastic pry tool similar to the one shown on the next page, below PARTS INFORMATION.

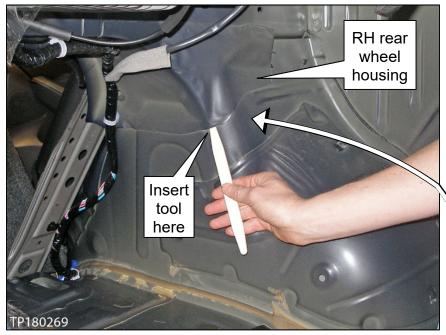


Figure 7

- 9. Widen the gap and fill the area where shown in Figure 8 with expanding foam.
 - See PARTS INFORMATION for recommended products.
 - Spray the expanding foam into the gap just widened.

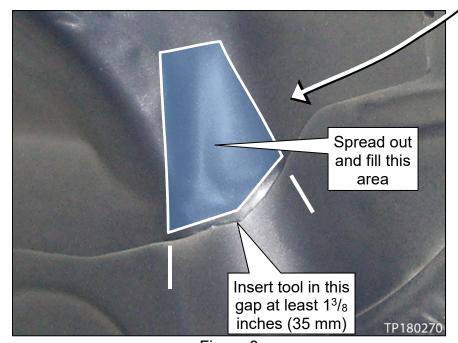


Figure 8

- 10. Wipe off any expanding foam that is not between the two body panels before it dries.
- 11. Reassemble the vehicle in reverse order of disassembly.
- 12. Test drive the vehicle, and verify the noise has stopped.

PARTS INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION	PART NUMBER	QUANTITY
QUAD FOAM *		1 can **

^{*} An equivalent 1-part polyurethane expanding foam product may be used. See **EXPENSE CODE** below. Available through retail and hardware stores.

^{**} One can should repair multiple vehicles.

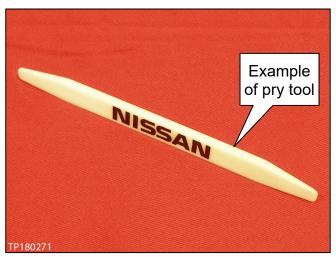


Figure 9



Figure 10

CLAIMS INFORMATION

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

DESCRIPTION	PFP	OP CODE	SYM	DIA	FRT
Adjust Body Panels	(1)	BX6NAA	ZL	32	0.4

⁽¹⁾ Reference the Parts Information table above, and use the Rear Wheel House (G6700-****) as the Primary Failed Part (PFP).

EXPENSE CODE:

EXPENSE CODE	DESCRIPTION	MAX AMOUNT
563	Polyurethane Foam	\$2.40

AMENDMENT HISTORY

PUBLISHED DATE	REFERENCE	DESCRIPTION
April 12, 2018	NTB18-032	Original bulletin published.
February 19, 2019 NTB18-032a		APPLIED VEHICLES, APPLIED VINS, and APPLIED DATES revised.