

Service Bulletin

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MIL Comes On With DTC P0236

AFFECTED VEHICLES

| Year | Model | Trim Level | VIN Range | | |
|---------|-------|---|------------------------------------|--|--|
| 2019–20 | RDX | ALL | ALL | | |
| 2021 | RDX | 2WD | 5J8TC1ML000001 thru 5J8TC1ML011759 | | |
| 2021 | RDX | SH-AWD | 5J8TC2ML000001 thru 5J8TC2ML023920 | | |
| 2021 | RDX | SH-AWD (PMC) 5J8TC2MY000001 thru 5J8TC2MY0001 | | | |
| 2021 | TLX | ALL (Except Type-S) | ALL | | |

SYMPTOM

The MIL comes on with DTC P0236 (Turbocharger Boost Sensor Circuit Range/Performance Problem) stored.

POSSIBLE CAUSE

The PCM may misinterpret sensors inputs as a turbocharger issue when reducing boost pressure with condensation, the detection of P0236 is stored and misdetection occurs.

CORRECTIVE ACTION

Update the PGM-FI software.

WARRANTY CLAIM INFORMATION

The normal warranty applies.

| Operation Number | Description | Flat Rate Time | Defect Code | Symptom Code | Template ID | Failed Part Number |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------------|
| 1255D8 | Update the PGM-FI software. | 0.2 hr | 03217 | 01201 | B21021A | 37805-5YF-C23 |

Skill Level: Repair Technician

CLIENT INFORMATION: The information in this bulletin is intended for use only by skilled technicians who have the proper tools, equipment, and training to correctly and safely maintain your vehicle. These procedures should not be attempted by "do-it-yourselfers," and you should not assume this bulletin applies to your vehicle, or that your vehicle has the condition described. To determine whether this information applies, contact an authorized Acura automobile dealer.

SOFTWARE INFORMATION

NOTE: Unnecessary or incorrect repairs resulting from a failure to update the diagnostic and reprogramming software are not covered under warranty.

Before beginning the repair, make sure all diagnostic and reprogramming software are updated as listed.

| i-HDS Software Version | 1.006.033 or later | | | |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|
| HDS Software Version | 3.104.030 or later | | | |
| J2534 Rewrite Software Information | | | | |
| PC Application Version | 1.2.1.1 | | | |
| Database Update | 12-MAY-2021 or later | | | |
| NoticeDB Version | 12-MAY-2021 or later | | | |

Update only the systems and software listed in this service bulletin.

American Honda has validated and approved the Denso DST-I as the vehicle communication interface (VCI) to support this service bulletin.

For more information about updating vehicle systems, refer to service bulletin 01-026, *Updating Control Units/Modules*.

| Year/Model | Vehicle System | Program ID (or later) |
|--|----------------|-----------------------|
| 2019 RDX Advance | PGM-FI | 37805-5YF-C520 |
| 2019 RDX Advance (SH-AWD) | PGM-FI | 37805-5YF-C720 |
| 2019 RDX A-Spec, Base, Tech | PGM-FI | 37805-5YF-A920 |
| 2019 RDX A-Spec (SH-AWD) Base, (SH-AWD), Tech (SH-AWD) | PGM-FI | 37805-5YF-C820 |
| 2020 RDX Advance | PGM-FI | 37805-5YF-A150 |
| 2020 RDX Advance (SH-AWD) | PGM-FI | 37805-5YF-A250 |
| 2020 RDX A-Spec, Base, Tech | PGM-FI | 37805-5YF-A350 |
| 2020 RDX A-Spec (SH-AWD) Base, (SH-AWD), Tech (SH-AWD) | PGM-FI | 37805-5YF-A450 |
| 2021 RDX Advance | PGM-FI | 37805-5YF-C130 |
| 2021 RDX Advance (SH-AWD), LTD (PMC) (SH-AWD) | PGM-FI | 37805-5YF-C230 |
| 2021 RDX A-Spec, Base, Tech | PGM-FI | 37805-5YF-C330 |
| 2021 RDX A-Spec (SH-AWD) Base, (SH-AWD), Tech (SH-AWD) | PGM-FI | 37805-5YF-C430 |
| 2021 TLX Advance | PGM-FI | 37805-6S8-A550 |
| 2021 TLX Base, Tech, A-Spec | PGM-FI | 37805-6S8-A650 |
| 2021 TLX Advance (SH-AWD) | PGM-FI | 37805-6S8-A750 |
| 2021 TLX A-Spec (SH-AWD) Base, (SH-AWD), Tech (SH-AWD) | PGM-FI | 37805-6S8-A850 |

REPAIR PROCEDURE

NOTE:

- Make sure the 12-volt battery is fully charged before starting an update.
- Connect a fully charged jumper battery to the vehicle, and leave it connected during the entire procedure to maintain steady voltage.
- Do not use the GR8 because the vehicle requires a steady electrical current.
- Control module failure caused by the improper completion of a software update (early key cycle, low battery voltage, disconnected DLC cable, etc.) is not covered by warranty.
- If an error occurs during the update or the i-HDS freezes, do not disconnect the battery or turn the ignition to OFF. Reboot the i-HDS, and start over.
- To prevent control unit damage, do not operate anything electrical (headlights, audio system, brakes, A/C, power windows, door locks, etc.) during the update.
- Warranty reimbursement for technician labor is not allowed for routine checking/installation of any available software update.
- 1. Update the PGM-FI software using the J2534 Rewrite software with the DST-i. Refer to service bulletin 01-023, *Updating Control Units/Modules*. Delete any DTCs. NOTE: This update will not require entering a service bulletin number

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