

GROUP 37A

POWER STEERING

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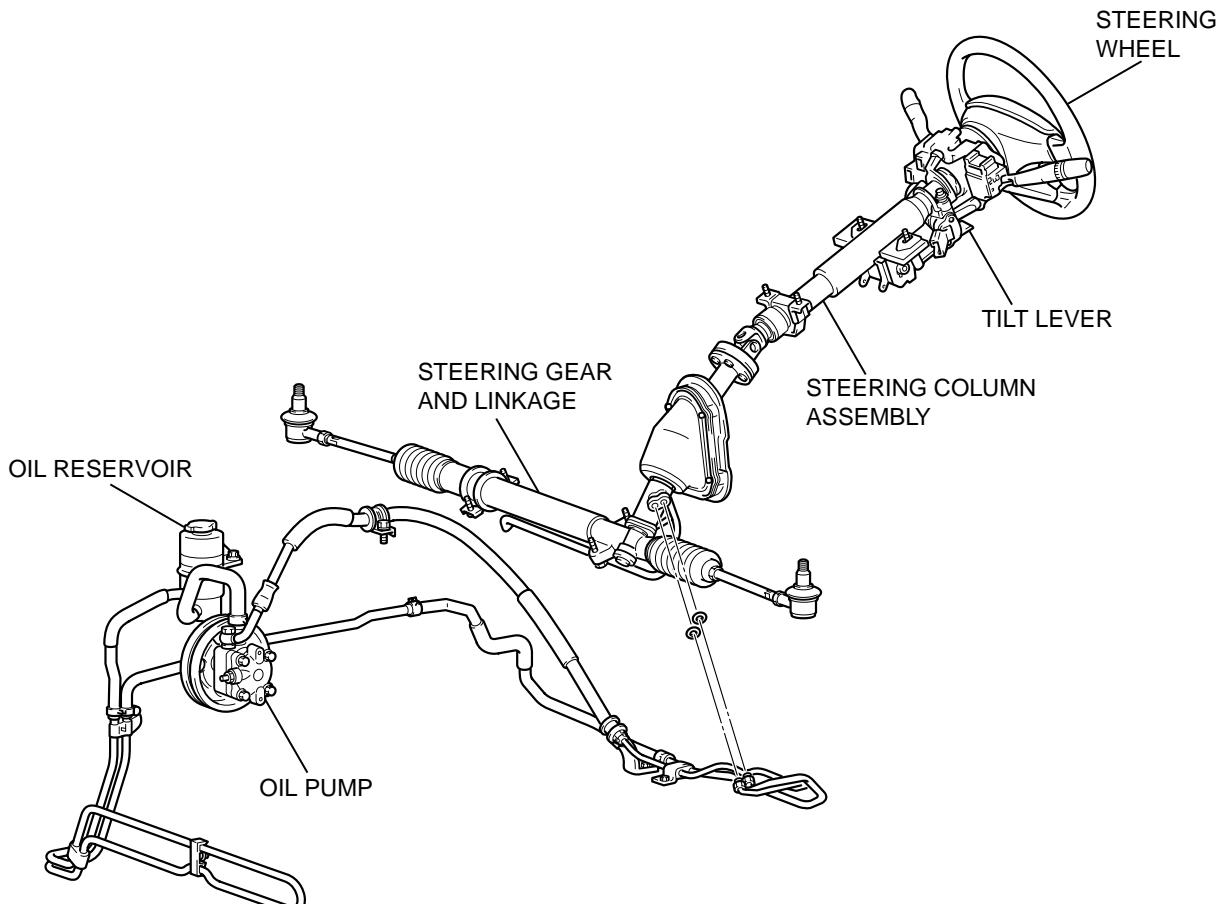
GENERAL INFORMATION

The vehicle uses engine speed-responsive hydraulic power steering.

The steering wheel has four spokes. In addition, all vehicles are equipped with SRS (Supplemental Restraint System).

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The steering column in all vehicles has a shock absorber mechanism and a tilt steering mechanism. A vane-type oil pump with a fluid flow control system has been included. The steering gear and linkage is rack and pinion type.



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POWER STEERING DIAGNOSIS

INTRODUCTION

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Hydraulic power steering is used for all vehicles. Faults in the power steering can include excessive play of the steering wheel, difficult steering wheel operation, noise, vibration, and oil leaks, etc.

Possible causes of these faults can include defects in the gear box, oil pump or steering linkage.

TROUBLESHOOTING STRATEGY

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Use these steps to plan your diagnostic strategy. If you follow them carefully, you will be sure that you have exhausted most of the possible ways to find a power steering fault.

1. Gather information from the customer.
2. Verify that the condition described by the customer exists.

3. Find the malfunction by following the Symptom Chart.
4. Verify malfunction is eliminated.

SYMPTOM CHART

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| SYMPTOMS | INSPECTION PROCEDURE | REFERENCE PAGE |
|--|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Excessive play of steering wheel | 1 | P.37A-3 |
| Difficult steering wheel operation (insufficient power assist) | 2 | P.37A-4 |
| Rattling noise | 3 | P.37A-6 |
| Shrill noise | 4 | P.37A-6 |
| Squealing noise | 5 | P.37A-7 |
| Hissing noise | 6 | P.37A-7 |
| Droning noise | 7 | P.37A-7 |
| Squeaking noise | 8 | P.37A-8 |
| Vibration | 9 | P.37A-8 |
| Oil leakage from hose connection | 10 | P.37A-9 |
| Oil leakage from hose assembly | 11 | P.37A-9 |
| Oil leakage from oil reservoir | 12 | P.37A-9 |
| Oil leakage from oil pump | 13 | P.37A-10 |
| Oil leakage from gear box | 14 | P.37A-10 |

SYMPTOM PROCEDURES

INSPECTION PROCEDURE 1: Excessive play of steering wheel

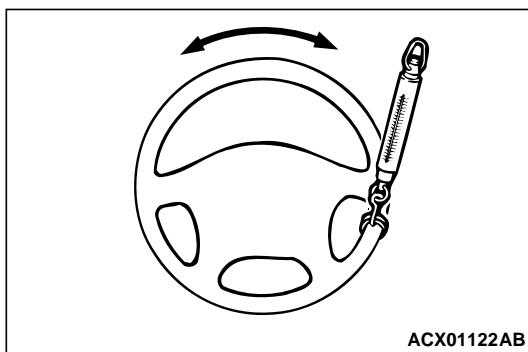
DIAGNOSIS

STEP 1. Check for looseness at the steering shaft coupling section and at the steering wheel linkage.

Q: Is there any looseness?

YES : Repair or replace the part. Then go to Step 3.

NO : Go to Step 2.

**STEP 2. Check the steering wheel free play.**

- (1) With engine running (hydraulic operation), set front wheels straight ahead.
- (2) Measure the play on steering wheel circumference before wheels start to move when slightly moving the steering wheel in both directions.

Limit: 30 mm (1.2 inches)

- (3) If the free play exceeds the limit value, set steering wheel straight ahead with engine stopped. Load approximately 5 N (1.1 pound) toward steering circumference and check play.

Standard value (steering wheel play with engine stopped): 10 mm (0.4 inch) or less

Q: Does the play exceed the standard value?

YES : Remove steering gear box (Refer to [P.37A-23.](#)) and check total pinion torque (Refer to [P.37A-25.](#)). Then go to Step 3.

NO : Go to Step 3.

STEP 3. Check steering wheel play.

Verify that the steering wheel play is not excessive.

Q: Is the steering wheel play excessive?

YES : Repeat to Step 1.

NO : Diagnosis is complete.

INSPECTION PROCEDURE 2 : Difficult steering wheel operation (insufficient power assist)**DIAGNOSIS****STEP 1. Check the power steering belt tension.**

Refer to GROUP 00, Maintenance Service – Drive Belts [P.00-39.](#)

Q: Is the power steering belt tension within the standard value?

YES : Go to Step 2.

NO : Adjust the tension. (Refer to GROUP 00, Maintenance Service – Drive Belts [P.00-39.](#)) Then go to Step 10.

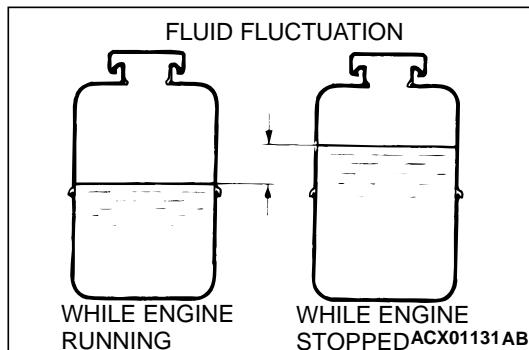
STEP 2. Check the belt for damage.**Q: Is the belt damaged?**

YES : Replace the belt. Then go to Step 10.

NO : Go to Step 3.

STEP 3. Check the fluid level.

- (1) Park the vehicle on a flat, level surface, start the engine, and then turn the steering wheel several times to raise the temperature of the fluid to approximately 50 – 60°C (122 – 140°F).
- (2) With the engine running, turn the wheel all the way to the left and right several times.
- (3) Check the fluid in the oil reservoir for foaming or milkiness. Check the difference of the fluid level when the engine is stopped, and while it is running. If the change of the fluid level is 5 mm (0.2 inch) or more, bleed air from the system. (Refer to [P.37A-16.](#))

**Q: Is fluid foamy?**

YES : Go to Step 10.
NO : Go to Step 4.

STEP 4. Check for entry of air.**Q: Has air entered?**

YES : Bleed the air. Refer to [P.37A-16.](#) Then go to Step 10 .
NO : Go to Step 5.

STEP 5. Check each hose for crushing or twisting.**Q: Is there fault?**

YES : Repair or replace the hose. Then go to Step 10.
NO : Go to Step 6.

STEP 6. Check for oil leaks.**Q: Are there oil leaks?**

YES : Repair it. Then go to Step 10.
NO : Go to Step 7.

STEP 7. Check the wheel alignment (camber and caster).

Refer to GROUP 33A, On-vehicle Service – Front Wheel Alignment Check and Adjustment [P.33A-5.](#)

Q: Is there fault?

YES : Repair it. Then go to Step 10.
NO : Go to Step 8.

STEP 8. Check the gear box rack piston seal for damage.**Q: Is there damage?**

YES : Replace it. Then go to Step 10.
NO : Go to Step 9.

STEP 9. Check for excessive tie rod end ball joint breakaway torque.Refer to [P.37A-14](#).**Q: Is there fault?****YES** : Replace the part. Then go to Step 10.**NO** : Go to Step 10.

STEP 10. Check steering wheel operation.

Verify that steering wheel operation is not difficult.

Q: Is the steering wheel operation difficult?**YES** : Repeat to Step 1.**NO** : Diagnosis is complete.

INSPECTION PROCEDURE 3: Rattling noise**DIAGNOSIS****STEP 1. Check for proper oil pump and gear box installation.****Q: Is the oil pump and gear box installation correct?****YES** : Go to Step 2.**NO** : Repair it. Then go to Step 4.**STEP 2. Check for interference of other parts with the steering column and power steering hoses.****Q: Is there interference?****YES** : Correct the interference. Then go to Step 4.**NO** : Go to Step 3.

STEP 3. Check for noise from inside the oil pump or gear box.**Q: Is there noise?****YES** : Replace the part. Then go to Step 4.**NO** : Go to Step 4

STEP 4. Check for rattling noise.

Confirm that no noise is generated.

Q: Is there noise?**YES** : Repeat to Step 1.**NO** : Diagnosis is complete.

INSPECTION PROCEDURE 4: Shrill noise**DIAGNOSIS****STEP 1. Check for entry of air.****Q: Has air entered?****YES** : Bleed the air. Refer to [P.37A-16](#). Then go to Step 3.**NO** : Go to Step 2.

STEP 2. Check for seizure in the oil pump.**Q: Is there seizure?****YES** : Replace the part. Then go to Step 3.**NO** : Go to Step 3.

STEP 3. Check symptoms.

Confirm that no noise is generated.

Q: Is there noise?**YES** : Repeat to Step 1.**NO** : Diagnosis is complete.

INSPECTION PROCEDURE 5: Squealing noise

DIAGNOSIS

STEP 1. Check the belt tension.

Refer to GROUP 00, Maintenance Service – Drive Belts [P.00-39](#).

Q: Is the belt tension incorrect?

YES : Adjust the belt tension. (Refer to GROUP 00, Maintenance Service – Drive Belts [P.00-39](#).) Then go to Step 3.

NO : Go to Step 2.

STEP 2. Check for seizure in the oil pump.

Q: Is there seizure?

YES : Replace the part. Then go to Step 3.
NO : Go to Step 3.

STEP 3. Check symptoms.

Confirm that no noise is generated.

Q: Is there noise?

YES : Repeat to Step 1.
NO : Diagnosis is complete.

INSPECTION PROCEDURE 6: Hissing noise

DIAGNOSIS

STEP 1. Check for entry of air.

Q: Has air entered?

YES : Bleed the air. (Refer to [P.37A-16](#).) Then go to Step 4.

NO : Go to Step 2.

STEP 3. Check the steering gear box for damage.

Q: Is there damage?

YES : Repair or replace the part. Then go to Step 4.
NO : Go to Step 4.

STEP 4. Check symptoms.

Confirm that no noise is generated.

Q: Is there noise?

YES : Repeat to Step 1.
NO : Diagnosis is complete.

STEP 2. Check each hose for crushing or twisting.

Q: Is there fault?

YES : Repair or replace the hose. Then go to Step 4.

NO : Go to Step 3.

INSPECTION PROCEDURE 7: Droning noise

DIAGNOSIS

STEP 1. Check the oil pump or oil pump bracket installation.

Q: Is the oil pump or oil pump bracket installation correct?

YES : Go to Step 2.

NO : Repair it. Then go to Step 3.

STEP 2. Check the oil pump for damage.

If a slight "beat noise" is produced by the oil pump when the steering wheel is turned fully and held in that position, this is not a malfunction.

Q: Is there damage?

YES : Replace the oil pump. Then go to Step 3.
NO : Go to Step 3.

STEP 3. Check symptoms.

Confirm that no noise is generated.

Q: Is there noise?

YES : Repeat to Step 1.
NO : Diagnosis is complete.

INSPECTION PROCEDURE 8: Squeaking noise

DIAGNOSIS

STEP 1. Check for interference of the wheel and vehicle body.

If interfering, adjust the steering angle.

(1) Place the front wheel on a turning radius gauge and measure the steering angle.

Standard value:

| ITEMS | 2.4L ENGINE | 3.0L ENGINE |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Inside wheel | $36^{\circ}36' \pm 2^{\circ}00'$ | $33^{\circ}06' \pm 2^{\circ}00'$ |
| Outside wheel (reference) | $30^{\circ}42'$ | $28^{\circ}30'$ |

(2) If the steering angle is not within the standard value, adjust the toe-in.

Standard value: $0 \pm 3 \text{ mm}$ ($0 \pm 0.12 \text{ inch}$)

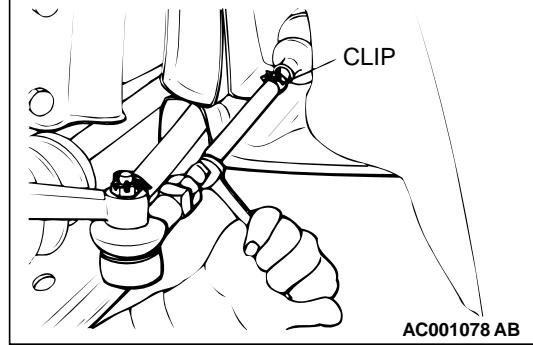
(3) Adjust the toe-in by undoing the clip and turning the left and right tie rod turnbuckles by the same amount (in opposite directions).

NOTE: The toe will move out as the left turnbuckle is turned toward the front of the vehicle and the right turnbuckle is turned toward the rear of the vehicle.

Q: Is the steering angle normal?

YES : Go to Step 2.

NO : Adjust the steering angle. Then go to Step 3.

**STEP 2. Check the steering gear box for damage.****Q: Is there damage?**

YES : Repair or replace the part. Then go to Step 3.

NO : Go to Step 3.

STEP 3. Check symptoms.

Confirm that no noise is generated.

Q: Is there noise?

YES : Repeat to Step 1.

NO : Diagnosis is complete.

INSPECTION PROCEDURE 9: Vibration

NOTE: A slight vibration may be felt when the stationary steering effort is made due to the condition of the road surface. To check whether the vibration actually exists or not, test-drive the vehicle on a dry concrete or asphalt surface. Moreover, a very slight amount of vibration is not a malfunction.

DIAGNOSIS

Q: Has air entered?

YES : Bleed the air. (Refer to [P.37A-16](#).) Then go to Step 3.

NO : Go to Step 2.

STEP 1. Check for entry of air.

STEP 2. Check the steering gear box for damage.

Q: Is there damage?

YES : Repair or replace the part. Then go to Step

3.

NO : Go to Step 3.

STEP 3. Check symptoms.

Confirm that no noise is generated.

Q: Is there noise?

YES : Repeat to Step 1.

NO : Diagnosis is complete.

INSPECTION PROCEDURE 10: Oil leakage from hose connection

DIAGNOSIS

STEP 1. Check for loosening of the flare nut.

Q: Is the flare nut loose?

YES : Tighten it to 15 N·m (11 ft-lb). Then go to Step 3.

NO : Go to Step 2.

STEP 2. Check the insertion of the hose and the clamp installation state.

Q: Are they correct?

YES : Go to Step 3.

NO : Repair or replace the part. Then go to Step 3.

STEP 3. Check symptoms.

Check that no oil is leaking.

Q: Is there oil leakage?

YES : Repeat to Step 1.

NO : Diagnosis is complete.

INSPECTION PROCEDURE 11: Oil leakage from hose assembly

DIAGNOSIS

STEP 1. Check the hose for damage or clogging.

Q: Is the hose damaged or clogged?

YES : Repair or replace it. Then go to Step 2.

NO : Go to Step 2.

STEP 2. Check symptoms.

Check that no oil is leaking.

Q: Is there oil leakage?

YES : Repeat to Step 1.

NO : Diagnosis is complete.

INSPECTION PROCEDURE 12: Oil leakage from oil reservoir

DIAGNOSIS

STEP 1. Check the oil reservoir for damage.

Q: Is there damage?

YES : Repair or replace it. Then go to Step 3.

NO : Go to Step 2.

STEP 2. Check for overflowing.

Q: Is there overflowing?

YES : Adjust fluid level. Then go to Step 3.

NO : Go to Step 3.

STEP 3. Check symptoms.

Q: Is there oil leakage?

YES : Repeat to Step 1.

NO : Diagnosis is complete.

INSPECTION PROCEDURE 13: Oil leakage from oil pump

DIAGNOSIS

STEP 1. Check the oil pump body for damage.**Q: Is there damage?**

YES : Replace the part. Then go to Step 3.

NO : Go to Step 2.

STEP 2. Check the O-ring or oil seal for damage.**Q: Is there damage?**

YES : Replace the part. Then go to Step 3.

NO : Go to Step 3.

STEP 3. Check symptoms.

Check that no oil is leaking.

Q: Is there oil leakage?

YES : Repeat to Step 1.

NO : Diagnosis is complete.

INSPECTION PROCEDURE 14: Oil leakage from gear box

DIAGNOSIS

STEP 1. Check the gear box housing for damage.**Q: Is there damage?**

YES : Replace the part. Then go to Step 3.

NO : Go to Step 2.

STEP 2. Check the oil-ring or oil seal for damage.**Q: Is there damage?**

YES : Replace the part. Then go to Step 3.

NO : Go to Step 3.

STEP 3. Check symptoms.

Check that no oil is leaking.

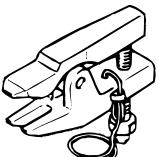
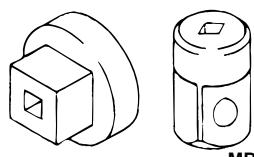
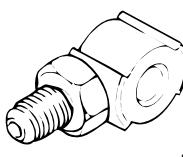
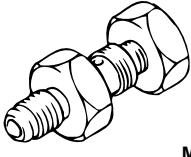
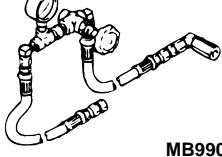
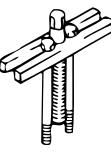
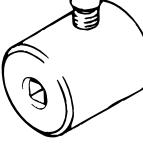
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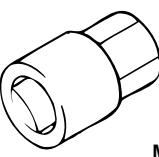
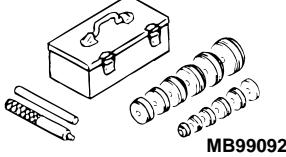
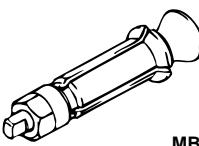
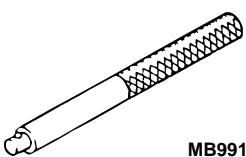
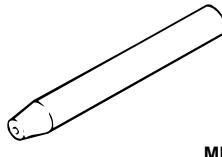
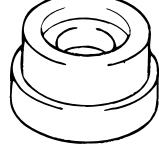
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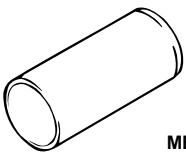
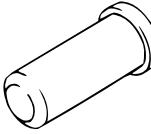
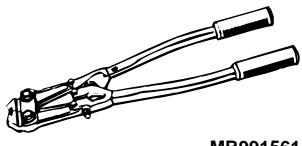
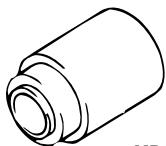
NO : Diagnosis is complete.

SPECIAL TOOLS

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| TOOL | TOOL NUMBER AND NAME | SUPERSESSION | APPLICATION |
|---|--|---|--|
|  MB990635 | MB991113 or MB990635 Steering linkage puller | MB991113-01, MB990635-01 or general service tool | Tie rod end disconnection |
|  MB990326 | MB990326 Preload socket | General service tool | Tie rod end ball joint breakaway torque check |
|  MB991548 | MB991548 Power steering oil pressure gauge adapter (Pump side) | MB991548-01 | Oil pump pressure test |
|  MB991549 | MB991549 Power steering oil pressure gauge adapter (Hose side) | MB991549-01 | |
|  MB990662 | MB990662 Oil pressure gauge assembly | MB990662-01 | |
|  MB990803 | MB990803 Steering wheel puller | General service tool | Steering wheel removal |
|  MB991006 | MB990228 or MB991006 Preload socket | MB990228-01 | Gear box total pinion torque check |

| TOOL | TOOL NUMBER AND NAME | SUPERSESSION | APPLICATION |
|---|--|-------------------------------------|---|
|  MB991204 | MB991204 Torque wrench socket | General service tool | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rack support adjustment • Rack support cover removal |
|  MB990925 | MB990925 Bearing and oil seal installer set | MB990925-01 or general service tool | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oil seal and bearing installation • MB990926, MB990927, MB990938, MB990939 (For details, refer to GROUP 26, Special Tools P.26-4.) |
|  MB991120 | MB991120 Needle bearing puller | Tool not available | Needle roller bearing removal |
|  MB991199 | MB991199 Oil seal installer | General service tool | Oil seal installation |
|  MB991197 | MB991197 Bar (long type) | General service tool | |
|  MB991202 | MB991202 Oil seal and bearing installer | General service tool | Needle roller bearing installation |
|  MB991212 | MB991213 Rack installer | General service tool | Rack installation |
|  MB991203 | MB991203 Oil seal and bearing installer | Tool not available | Oil seal and bearing installation |

| TOOL | TOOL NUMBER AND NAME | SUPERSESSION | APPLICATION |
|--|--|-------------------------|---------------------------|
|  MB991317 | MB991317 Seal ring installer | Tool not available | Seal ring installation |
|  MB991152 | MB991152 Dust cover installer | General service tool | Oil seal installation |
|  MB991561 | MB991561 Boot band crimping tool | — | Bellows band installation |
|  MB990776 | MB990776 Front axle base | MB990776-01 | Dust cover installation |

ON-VEHICLE SERVICE

STEERING WHEEL FREE PLAY CHECK

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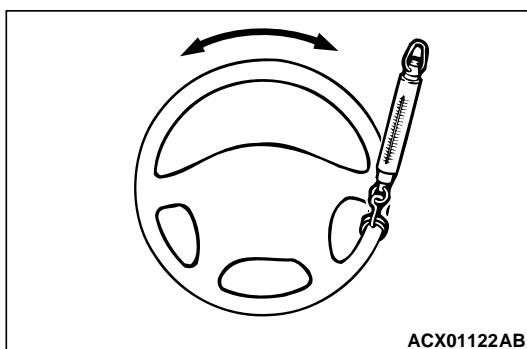
1. With the engine running (hydraulic operation), set the front wheels straight ahead.
2. Measure the play on the steering wheel circumference before the wheels start to move when slightly moving the steering wheel in both directions.

Limit: 30 mm (1.2 inches)

3. When the play exceeds the limit, check for the play on the steering shaft and steering linkage connection. Correct or replace.
4. If the free play still exceeds the limit value, set the steering wheel straight ahead with the engine stopped. Load 5 N (1.1 pound) towards the steering wheel circumference and check the play.

Standard value (steering wheel play with the engine stopped): 10 mm (0.4 inch) or less

5. If the play exceeds the standard value, remove the steering gear box (Refer to P.37A-23.) and check total pinion torque (Refer to P.37A-25.).

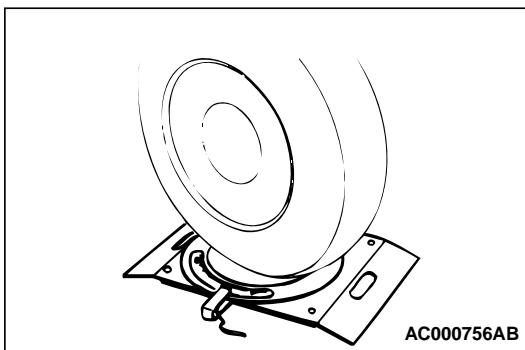


STEERING ANGLE CHECK

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1. Place the front wheel on a turning radius gauge and measure the steering angle.

Standard value:



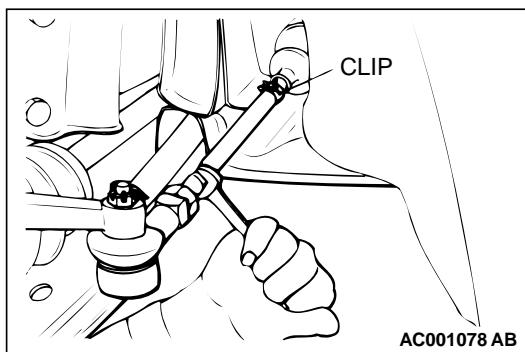
| ITEMS | SPECIFICATION | |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2.4L ENGINE | 3.0L ENGINE |
| Inside wheel | 36°36' ± 2°00' | 33°06' ± 2°00' |
| Outside wheel (reference) | 30°42' | 28°30' |

2. If the steering angle is not within the standard value, adjust the toe-in.

Standard value: $0 \pm 3 \text{ mm (0} \pm 0.12 \text{ inch)}$

3. Adjust the toe-in by undoing the clip and turning the left and right tie rod turnbuckles by the same amount (in opposite directions).

NOTE: The toe will move out as the left turnbuckle is turned toward the front of the vehicle and the right turnbuckle is turned toward the rear of the vehicle.



TIE ROD END BALL JOINT BREAKAWAY TORQUE CHECK

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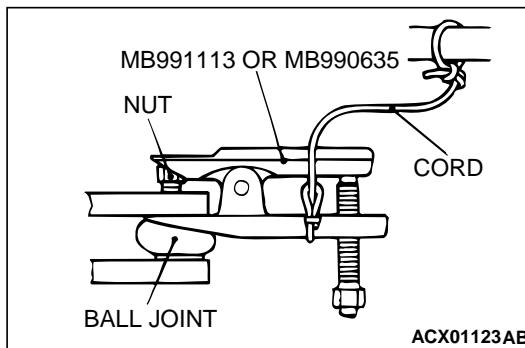
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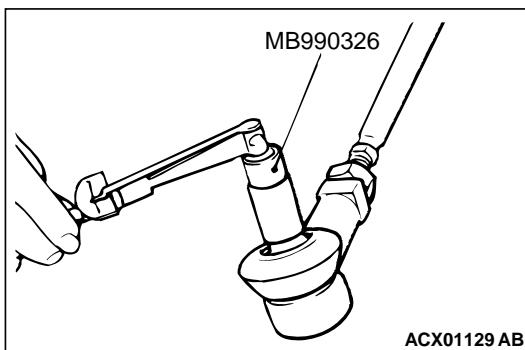
- MB990326: Preload Socket
- MB991113 or MB990635: Steering Linkage Puller

⚠ CAUTION

- Loosen the nut from the ball joint instead of removing it.
- Hang special tool MB991113 or MB990635 with ropes to prevent it from falling.

1. Use special tool MB991113 or MB990635 to disconnect the ball joint.





2. Move the ball joint stud several times and install the nut on the stud. Measure the ball joint breakaway torque with special tool MB990326.
Standard value: 0.5 – 2.5 N·m (4.4 – 22.1 in-lb)
3. If the breakaway torque exceeds the standard value, replace the tie rod end.
4. If the breakaway torque is under the standard value, check the ball joint for end play or ratcheting. If no end play or ratcheting, the ball joint can be re-used.
5. Tighten the nut to the specified torque and install a new cotter pin.

Tightening torque: 24 – 33 N·m (17 – 25 ft-lb)

STATIONARY STEERING EFFORT CHECK

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1. With the vehicle stopped on a flat and paved surface, turn the steering wheel to the straight ahead position.
2. Start the engine and check the engine idle speed.

Standard value:

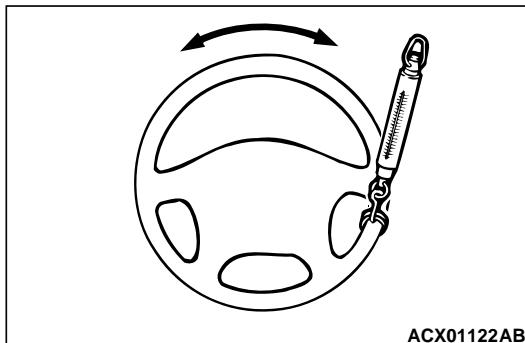
| ENGINE | ENGINE IDLE SPEED r/min |
|-------------|-------------------------|
| 2.4L Engine | 750 ± 100 |
| 3.0L Engine | 700 ± 100 |

3. Attach a spring scale to the outer circumference of the steering wheel and measure the steering force required to turn the steering wheel from the straight ahead position to the left and right (within a range of 1.5 turns). Also check to be sure that there is no significant fluctuation of the required steering effort.

Standard value:

Steering effort: 30 N (6.7 lb) or less

Fluctuation allowance: 5.9 N (1.33 lb) or less

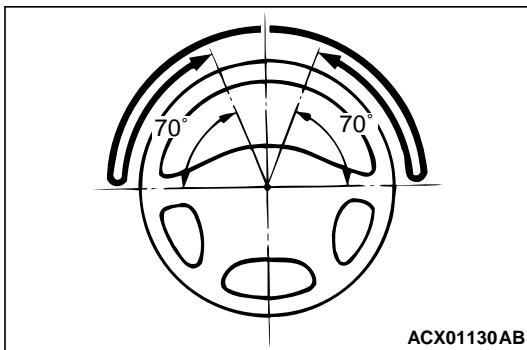


STEERING WHEEL RETURN TO CENTER CHECK

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Conduct a road test:

1. Make both gradual and sudden turns and check the steering wheel return.



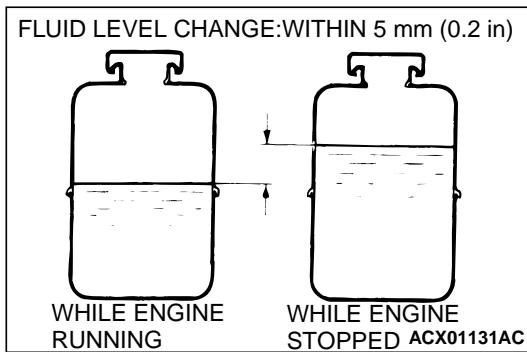
- At a speed of approximately 35 km/h (22 mph), turn the steering wheel 90 degrees, hold a few seconds, then release. If the steering wheel then returns 70 degrees or more, the return can be judged satisfactory.

NOTE: There will be a momentary feeling or "heaviness" when the wheel is turned quickly, but this is not abnormal. (Oil pump discharge amount is especially apt to be insufficient during idling.)

DRIVE BELT TENSION CHECK

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Refer to GROUP 00, Maintenance Service – Drive Belts [P.00-39](#).



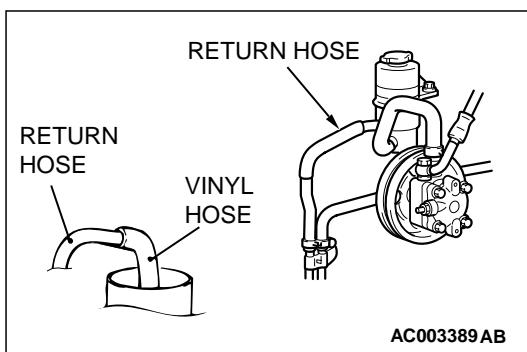
FLUID LEVEL CHECK

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- Park the vehicle on a flat, level surface, start the engine, and then turn the steering wheel several times to raise the temperature of the fluid to approximately 50 – 60°C (122 – 140°F).
- With the engine running, turn the wheel all the way to the left and right several times.
- Check the fluid in the oil reservoir for foaming or milkiness. Check the difference of the fluid level when the engine is stopped, and while it is running. If the change of the fluid level is 5 mm (0.2 inch) or more, air bleeding should be done.

FLUID REPLACEMENT

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- Raise and support the front wheels.
- Disconnect the return hose connection.
- Connect a vinyl hose to the return hose, and drain the fluid into a container.

CAUTION

Be careful not to position the high-tension cable near the fuel rail.

- Disconnect the high-tension cable.
- While operating the starting motor intermittently, turn the steering wheel all the way to the left and right several times to drain all of the fluid.
- Connect the return hose securely, and then secure with the clip.
- Fill the oil reservoir with MITSUBISHI POWER STEERING FLUID up to the lower position of the filler, and then bleed the air.

POWER STEERING SYSTEM BLEEDING

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Perform air bleeding procedure as necessary after replacing the steering gear box or the steering fluid lines.

1. Raise and support the front wheels.
2. Disconnect the high-tension cable. Turn the steering wheel all the way to the left and right five or six times while using the starter motor to crank the engine intermittently several times (for 15 to 20 seconds).

⚠ CAUTION

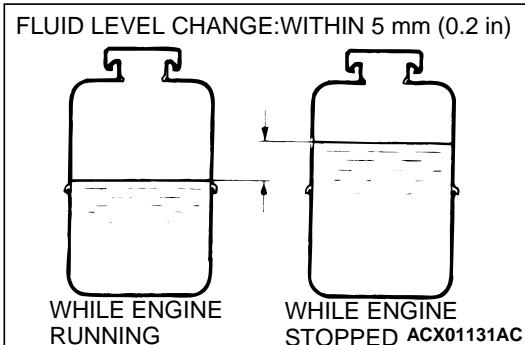
- Be careful not to place the high-tension cable near the fuel rail.
- Perform air bleeding only while cranking the engine. If air bleeding is performed while the engine is running, air could enter the fluid. During air bleeding, refill the steering fluid supply so that the level never falls below the lower mark on the dipstick.

3. Connect the high-tension cable. Start the engine (idling).
4. Turn the steering wheel to the left and right until there are no air bubbles in the oil reservoir.
5. Confirm that the fluid is not milky, and that the level is between the high and low dipstick marks.
6. Confirm that there is very little change in the fluid level when the steering wheel is turned left and right.
7. Confirm that the change in the fluid level is no more than 5 mm (0.2 inch) when the engine is stopped and when it is running.

⚠ CAUTION

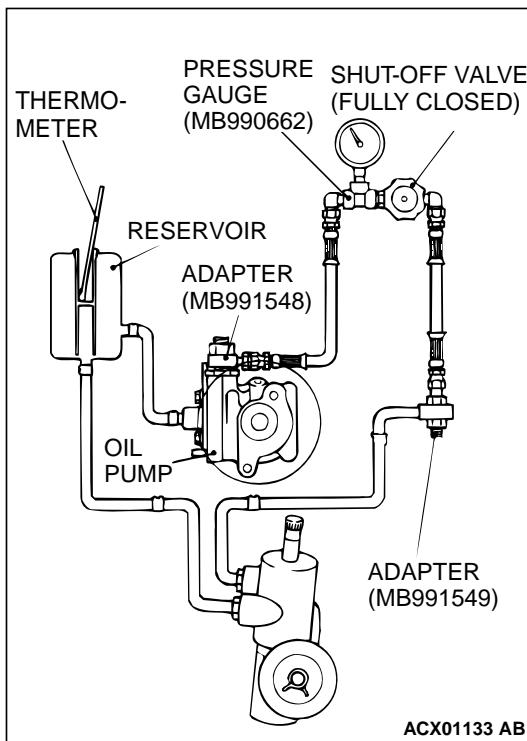
If the fluid level rises suddenly after the engine is stopped, the air has not been completely bled. If air bleeding is not complete, there will be abnormal noises from the pump and the flow-control valve, and this condition could cause reduce the life of the power steering components.

8. If the change of the fluid level is 5 mm (0.2 inch) or more, the air has not been completely bled from the system. Air bleeding procedure must be repeated.



OIL PUMP PRESSURE TEST

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Required Special Tools:

- MB990662: Pressure Gauge
- MB991548: Power Steering Oil Pressure Gauge Adapter (Pump Side)
- MB991549: Power Steering Oil Pressure Gauge Adapter (Hose Side)

1. Disconnect the pressure hose from the oil pump, and then connect special tools MB991548, MB990662 and MB991549.
2. Bleed air, then turn the steering wheel several times while the vehicle is not moving so that the temperature of the fluid rises to approximately 50 – 60°C (122 – 140°F).
3. Start the engine and idle it at 1,000 ± 100 r/min.

CAUTION

The pressure gauge shut-off valve must not remain closed for more than 10 seconds.

4. Fully close the shut-off valve of the pressure gauge and measure the oil pump relief pressure to confirm that it is within the standard value range. Open it again immediately after checking the pressure.

Standard value: 8.3 – 9.5 MPa (1,209 – 1,280 psi)

5. If it is not within the standard value, replace the oil pump.
6. Check whether or not the hydraulic pressure is the standard value when no-load conditions are created by fully opening the shut-off valve of the pressure gauge.

Standard value: 0.8 – 1.0 MPa (116 – 145 psi)

7. If it is not within the standard value, the probable cause is a malfunction of the oil line or steering gear box, so check these parts and repair as necessary.
8. Turn the steering wheel all the way to the left or right; then check whether or not the retention hydraulic pressure is the standard value.

Standard value: 8.3 – 9.5 MPa (1,209 – 1,280 psi)

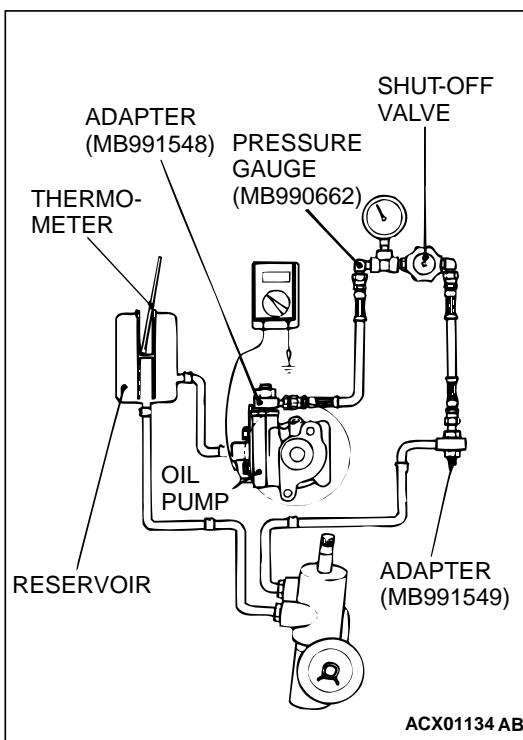
9. If not the standard value, overhaul the steering gear box. Remeasure fluid pressure.
10. Remove special tools MB991548, MB990662 and MB991549, and then tighten the pressure hose to the specified torque.

Tightening torque: 57 N·m (42 ft-lb)

11. Bleed the system.

POWER STEERING PRESSURE SWITCH CHECK

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Required Special Tools:

- MB990662: Pressure Gauge
- MB991548: Power Steering Oil Pressure Gauge Adapter (Pump Side)
- MB991549: Power Steering Oil Pressure Gauge Adapter (Hose Side)

1. Disconnect the pressure hose from the oil pump, and then connect special tools MB991548, MB990662 and MB991549.
2. Bleed air, and then turn the steering wheel several times while the vehicle is not moving so that the temperature of the fluid rises to approximately 50 – 60°C (122 – 140°F).
3. The engine should be idling.
4. Disconnect the connector for the oil pressure switch, and place an ohmmeter.
5. Gradually close the shut-off valve of the pressure gauge and increase the hydraulic pressure, then check whether or not the hydraulic pressure that activates the switch is the standard value.

Standard value: 1.8 – 2.4 MPa (261 – 348 psi)

6. Gradually open the shut-off valve and reduce the hydraulic pressure; then check whether or not the hydraulic pressure that deactivates the switch is the standard value.

Standard value: 0.8 – 2.4 MPa (116 – 348 psi)

7. Remove special tools MB991548, MB990662 and MB991549, and then tighten the pressure hose to the specified torque.

Tightening torque: 57 N·m (42 ft-lb)

8. Bleed the system.

BALL JOINT DUST COVER INSPECTION

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1. Press the dust cover with your finger to check whether the dust cover is cracked or damaged.
2. If the dust cover is cracked or damaged, replace the tie rod end.

NOTE: If the dust cover is cracked or damaged, the ball joint could be damaged.

STEERING WHEEL AND SHAFT ASSEMBLY

REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION

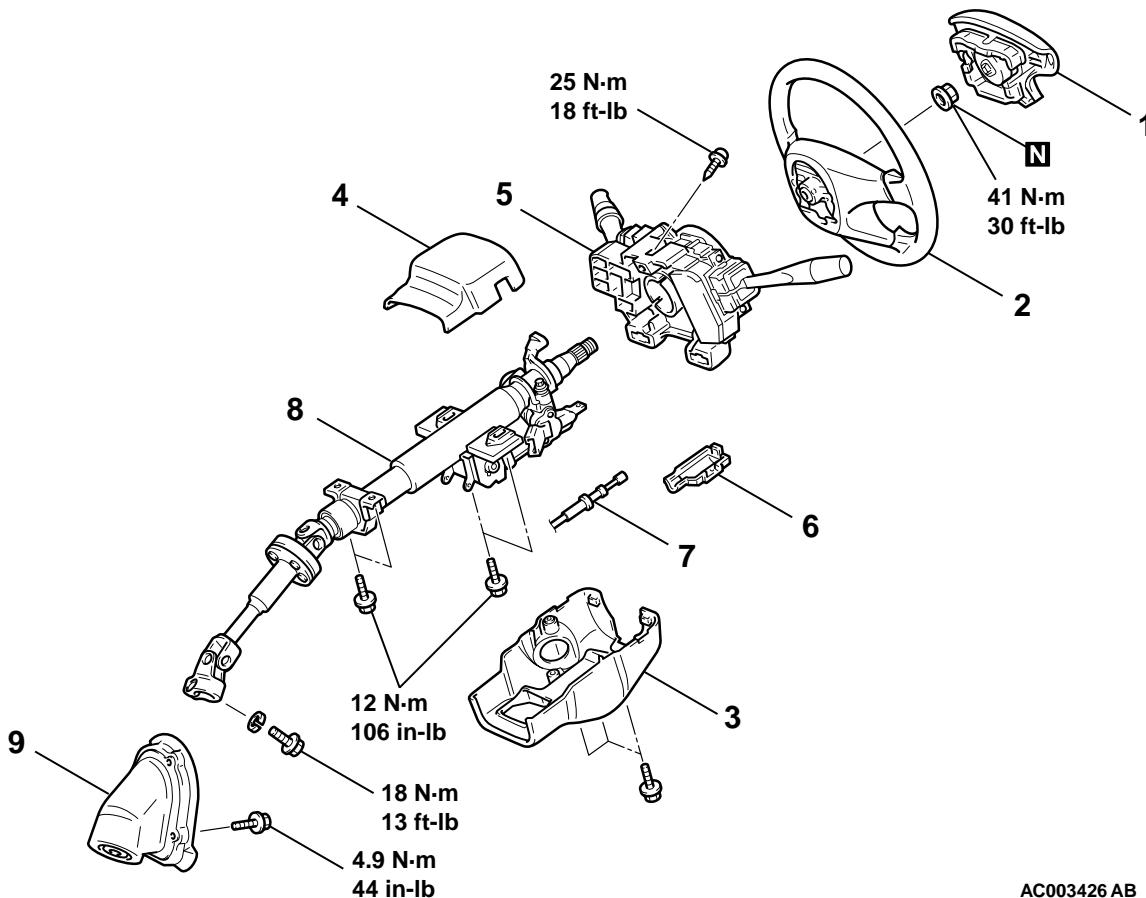
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WARNING

- Before removing the air bag module, refer to GROUP 52B, Service Precautions and Air Bag Module and Clock Spring [P.52B-15](#).
- When removing and installing the steering wheel, do not let it bump against the air bag module.

Post-installation Operation

Checking Steering Wheel Position with Wheels Straight
Ahead



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REMOVAL STEPS

1. AIR BAG MODULE (REFER TO GROUP 52B, AIR BAG MODULE AND CLOCK SPRING [P.52B-67](#).)
2. STEERING WHEEL
 - INSTRUMENT PANEL UNDER COVER (REFER TO GROUP 52A, INSTRUMENT PANEL [P.52A-4](#).)
3. LOWER COLUMN COVER
4. UPPER COLUMN COVER

REMOVAL STEPS (Continued)

5. CLOCK SPRING AND COLUMN SWITCH ASSEMBLY (REFER TO GROUP 52B, AIR BAG MODULE AND CLOCK SPRING [P.52B-67](#).)
6. COVER
7. KEY INTERLOCK CABLE
8. STEERING SHAFT ASSEMBLY
9. STEERING COVER ASSEMBLY

Required Special Tool:

- MB990803:Steering Wheel Puller

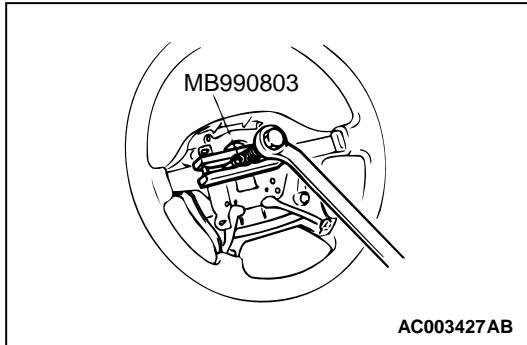
REMOVAL SERVICE POINT

<<A>> STEERING WHEEL REMOVAL

CAUTION

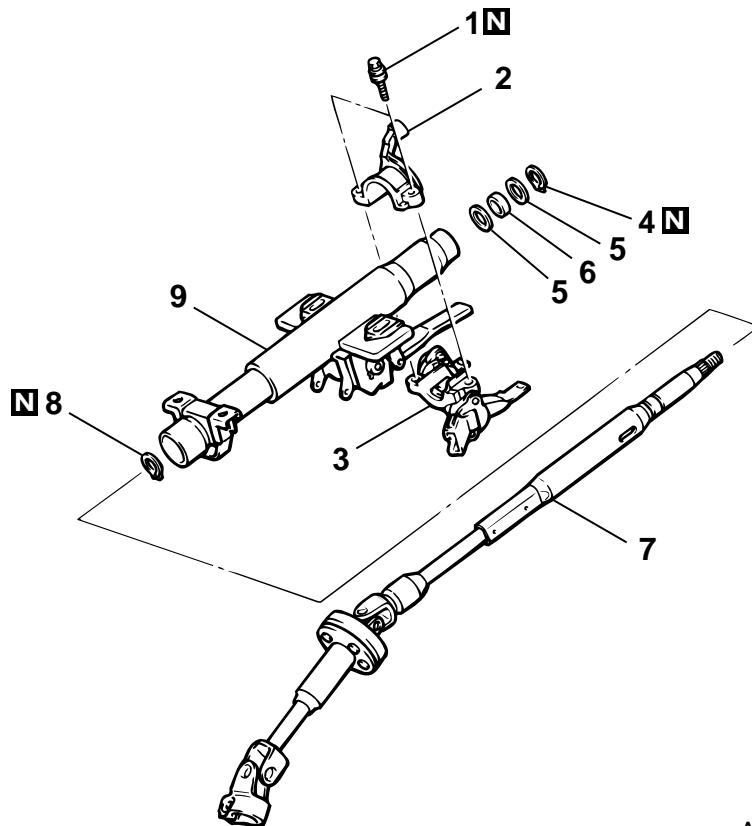
Do not hammer on the steering wheel to remove it; doing so will damage the collapsible mechanism.

Use special tool MB990803 to remove the steering wheel.



DISASSEMBLY AND ASSEMBLY

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DISASSEMBLY STEPS

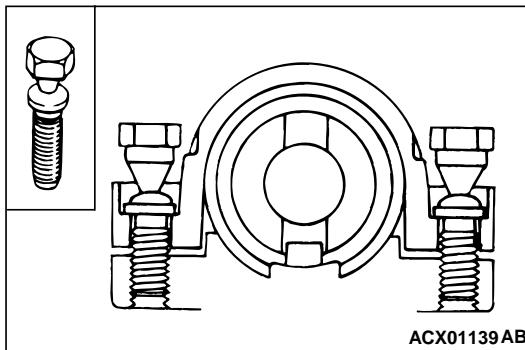
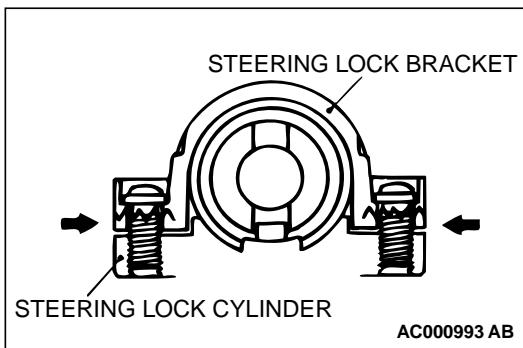
- >>A<< 1. SPECIAL BOLT
- >>A<< 2. STEERING LOCK BRACKET
- <<A>> 3. STEERING LOCK CYLINDER
- >>A<< 4. SNAP RING
- 5. STOPPER

DISASSEMBLY STEPS (Continued)

- 6. SPACER
- 7. STEERING SHAFT ASSEMBLY
- 8. SNAP RING
- 9. STEERING COLUMN ASSEMBLY

DISASSEMBLY SERVICE POINT**<<A>> STEERING LOCK BRACKET/STEERING LOCK CYLINDER REMOVAL**

If it is necessary to remove the steering lock cylinder, use a hacksaw to cut the special bolts at the steering lock bracket side.

**ASSEMBLY SERVICE POINT****>>A<< STEERING LOCK CYLINDER/STEERING LOCK BRACKET/SPECIAL BOLT INSTALLATION****CAUTION**

The steering lock bracket and bolts must be replaced with new ones when the steering lock is installed.

1. When installing the steering lock cylinder and steering lock bracket to the column tube, temporarily install the steering lock in alignment with the column boss.
2. After checking that the lock works properly, tighten the special bolts until the head twists off.

POWER STEERING GEAR BOX ASSEMBLY

REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION

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WARNING

Before removing the steering gear box, refer to GROUP 52B. Center the front wheels. Failure to do so may damage the SRS clock spring and render the SRS system inoperative, risking serious injury.

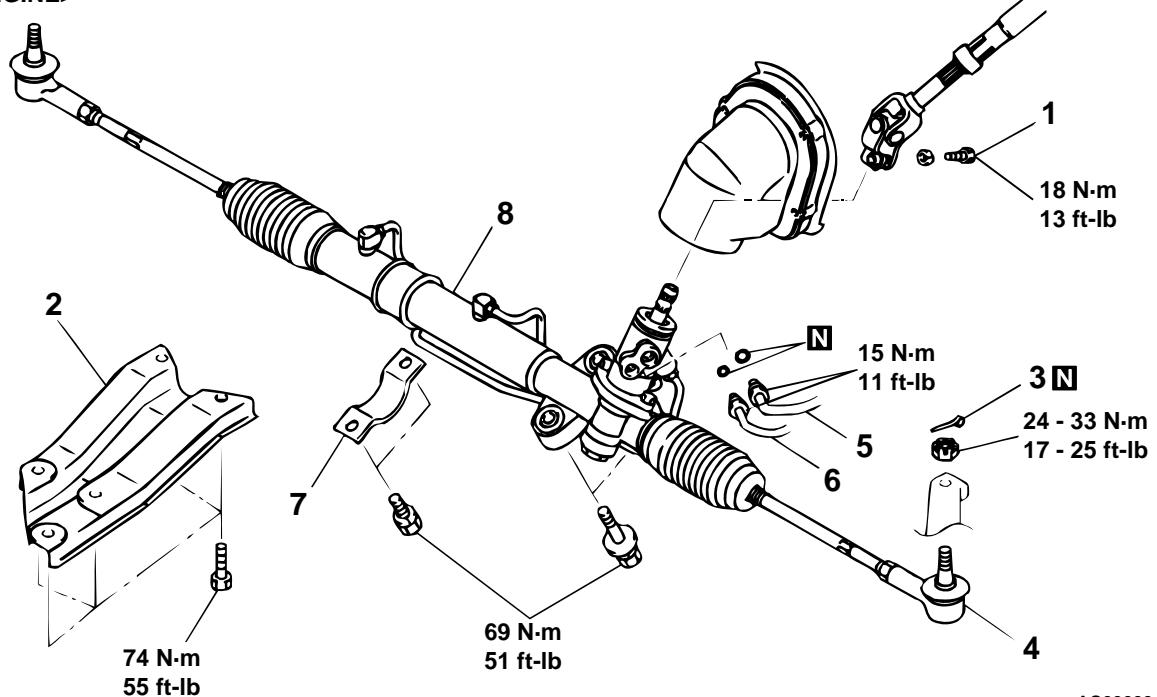
Pre-removal Operation

- Power Steering Fluid Draining (Refer to P.37A-16.)
- Center Member Removal (Refer to GROUP 32, Engine Roll Stopper, Centermember P.32-9.)
- Front Exhaust Pipe Removal (2.4L Engine: Refer to GROUP 15, Exhaust Pipe and Main Muffler P.15-18, 3.0L Engine: Refer to GROUP 15, Exhaust Pipe and Main Muffler P.15-19.)
- Stabilizer Bar Removal <2.4L Engine> (Refer to GROUP 33A, Stabilizer Bar P.33A-15.)
- Clock Spring Removal (Refer to GROUP 52B, Air Bag Module and Clock Spring P.52B-67.)

Post-installation Operation

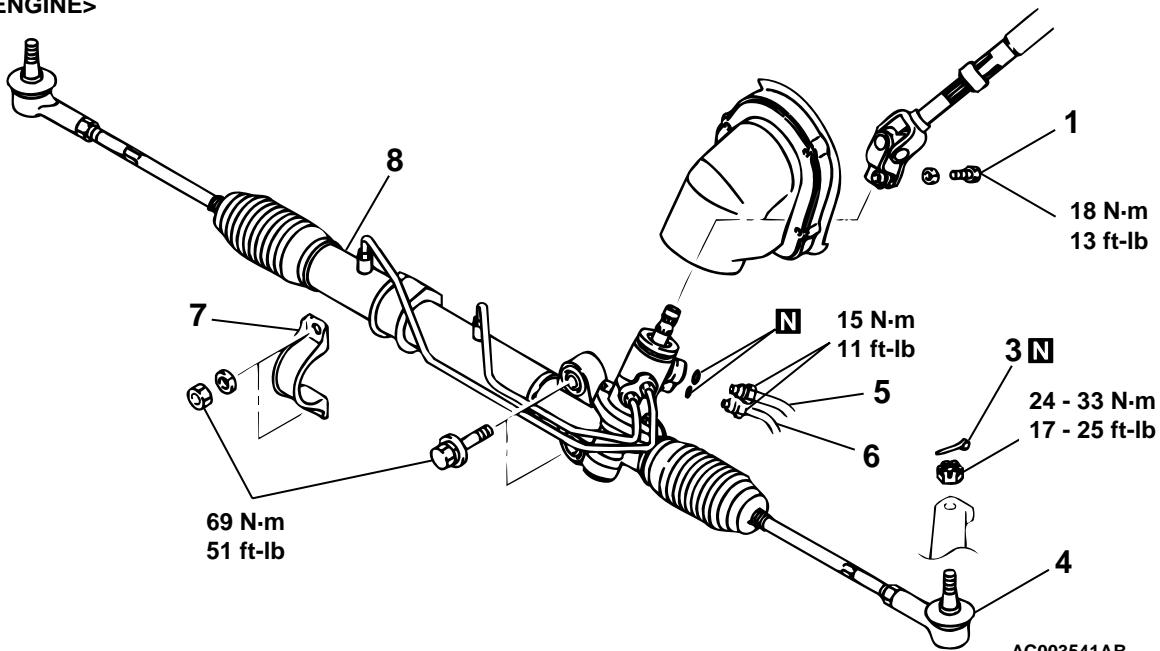
- Check the Dust Cover for Cracks or Damage by Pushing it with Finger.
- Stabilizer Bar Installation <2.4L Engine> (Refer to GROUP 33A, Stabilizer Bar P.33A-15.)
- Front Exhaust Pipe Installation (2.4L Engine: Refer to GROUP 15, Exhaust Pipe and Main Muffler P.15-18, 3.0L Engine: Refer to GROUP 15, Exhaust Pipe and Main Muffler P.15-19.)
- Center Member Installation (Refer to GROUP 32, Engine Roll Stopper, Centermember P.32-9.)
- Power Steering Fluid Supplying (Refer to P.37A-16.)
- Power Steering Fluid Line Bleeding (Refer to P.37A-16.)
- Clock Spring Installation (Refer to GROUP 52B, Air Bag Module and Clock Spring P.52B-67.)
- Checking Steering Wheel Position with Wheels Straight Ahead.
- Front Wheel Alignment Adjustment (Refer to GROUP 33A, On-vehicle Service – Front Wheel Alignment Check and Adjustment P.33A-5.)

<2.4L ENGINE>



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<3.0L ENGINE>

**REMOVAL STEPS**

1. STEERING SHAFT ASSEMBLY AND GEAR BOX CONNECTING BOLT
2. STAY <2.4L ENGINE>
3. COTTER PIN
4. TIE ROD END AND KNUCKLE CONNECTION

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REMOVAL STEPS (Continued)

| | |
|-------|--------------------------------------|
| >>B<< | 5. RETURN HOSE CONNECTION |
| >>A<< | 6. PRESSURE TUBE ASSEMBLY CONNECTION |
| <> | 7. CYLINDER CLAMP |
| | 8. GEAR BOX ASSEMBLY |

Required Special Tools:

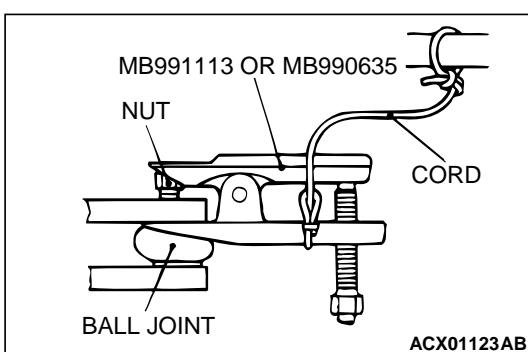
- MB990228 or MB991006: Preload Socket

- MB991113 or MB990635: Steering Linkage Puller

REMOVAL SERVICE POINTS**<<A>> TIE ROD END DISCONNECTION****CAUTION**

- Loosen the nut from the ball joint instead of removing it.
- Hang special tool MB991113 or MB990635 with ropes to prevent it from falling.

Use special tool MB991113 or MB990635 to disconnect the ball joint.

**<> GEAR BOX ASSEMBLY REMOVAL****CAUTION**

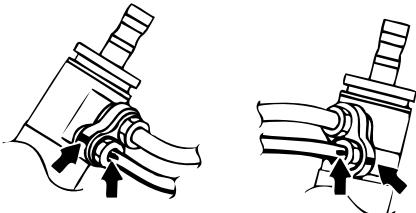
Be sure not to damage the bellows and the tie rod end dust cover when removing the gear box assembly.

INSTALLATION SERVICE POINTS

>>A<< PRESSURE TUBE ASSEMBLY INSTALLATION

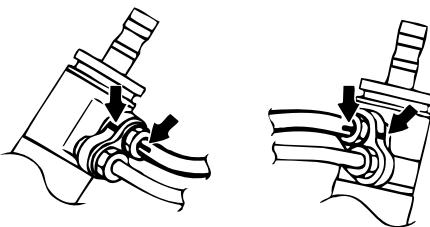
Align the marks on the pressure tube assembly and steering gear box, and install the pressure tube assembly.

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<2.4L ENGINE> <3.0L ENGINE>



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>>B<< RETURN HOSE ASSEMBLY INSTALLATION

Align the marks on the return hose assembly and steering gear box, and install the return hose assembly.

STEERING GEAR SHAFT ASSEMBLY
INSPECTION

Gear Box Total Pinion Torque Check

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CAUTION

When holding the steering gear box assembly in a vice, secure its mounting positions. If it is secured in any other places, the gear housing may become deformed or damaged.

Using special tool MB990228 or MB991006, rotate the pinion gear at the rate of one rotation in approximately 4 to 6 seconds to check the total pinion torque.

Standard value: 0.8 – 1.9 N·m (6.9 – 16.5 in-lb)

[Change in torque: 0.7 N·m (6.1 in-lb) or less]

NOTE: When measuring, remove the bellows from the rack housing.

Measure the pinion torque through the whole stroke of the rack. If the measured value is not within the standard range, first adjust the rack support cover, and then check the total pinion torque again.

If the total pinion torque cannot be adjusted to within the standard range by adjusting the rack support cover, check the rack support cover, rack support spring, rack support and replace any parts if necessary.

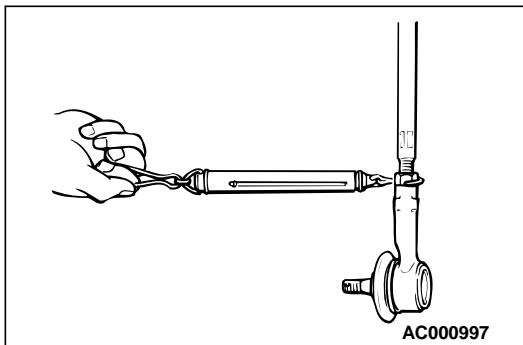
MB990228
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Tie Rod Swing Resistance Check

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1. Give 10 hard swings to the tie rod.
2. Measure the tie rod swing resistance with a spring balance.
Standard value: 4.0 – 18.6 N (17.8 – 82.7 lb) [1.0 – 4.9 N·m (8.7 – 43.4 in-lb)]
3. If the measured value exceeds the standard value, replace tie rod.
4. If the measured value is below the standard value, the tie rod can be re-used if it swings smoothly without excessive play.



Tie Rod End Ball Joint Dust Cover Check

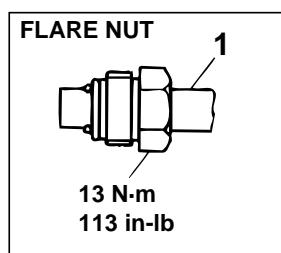
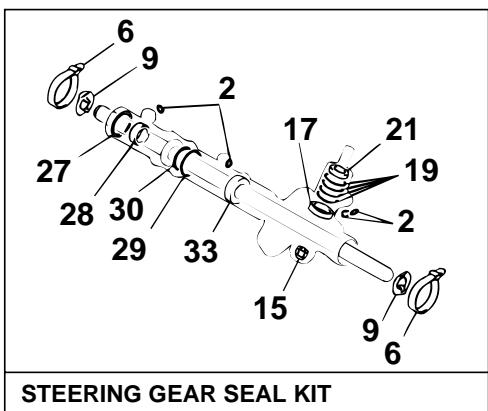
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1. Check the dust cover for cracks or damage by pushing it with your finger.
2. If the dust cover is cracked or damaged, replace the tie rod end. (Refer to [P.37A-27](#).)

NOTE: Cracks or damage of the dust cover may damage the ball joint. If it is damaged during service work, replace the dust cover. (Refer to [P.37A-37](#).)

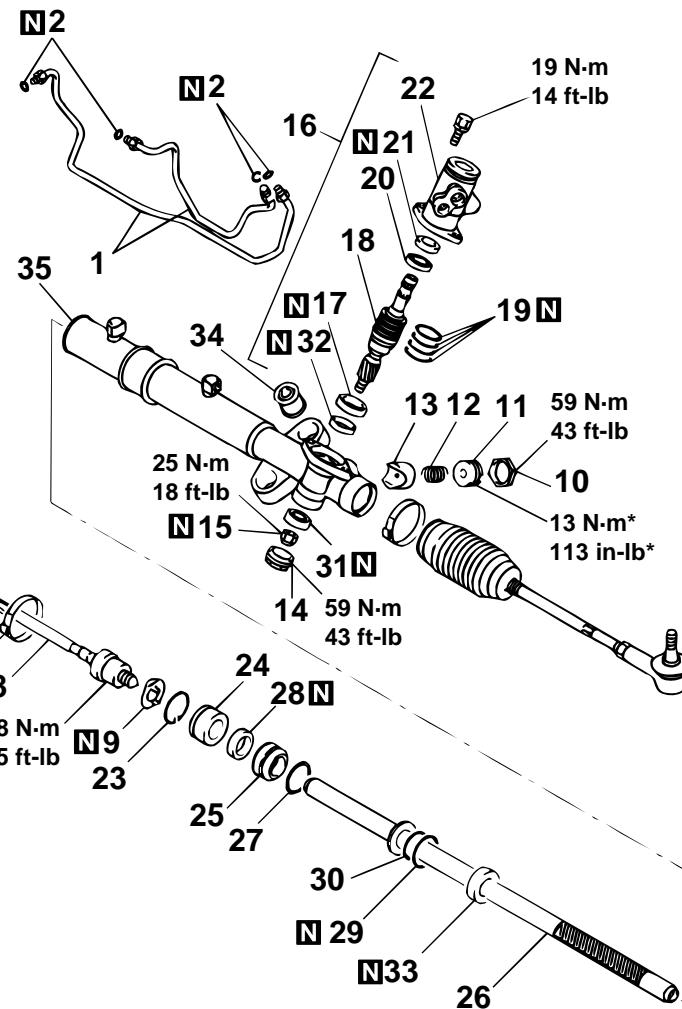
DISASSEMBLY AND ASSEMBLY

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NOTE

*: Return the rack support cover - 10°.



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DISASSEMBLY STEPS

1. FEED TUBE
2. O-RING
- >>0<< 3. TIE ROD END JAM NUT
- >>0<< 4. TIE ROD END
5. BELLOW CLIP
- >>N<< 6. BELLOW BAND
7. BELLOW
- <<A>> >>M<< 8. TIE ROD
- <<A>> >>M<< 9. TAB WASHER
- >>L<< • TOTAL PINION TORQUE ADJUSTMENT
- >>K<< 10. JAM NUT
- <> >>K<< 11. RACK SUPPORT COVER
12. RACK SUPPORT SPRING
13. RACK SUPPORT
- >>J<< 14. END PLUG
15. JAM NUT
16. VALVE HOUSING ASSEMBLY
- <<C>> >>I<< 17. OIL SEAL

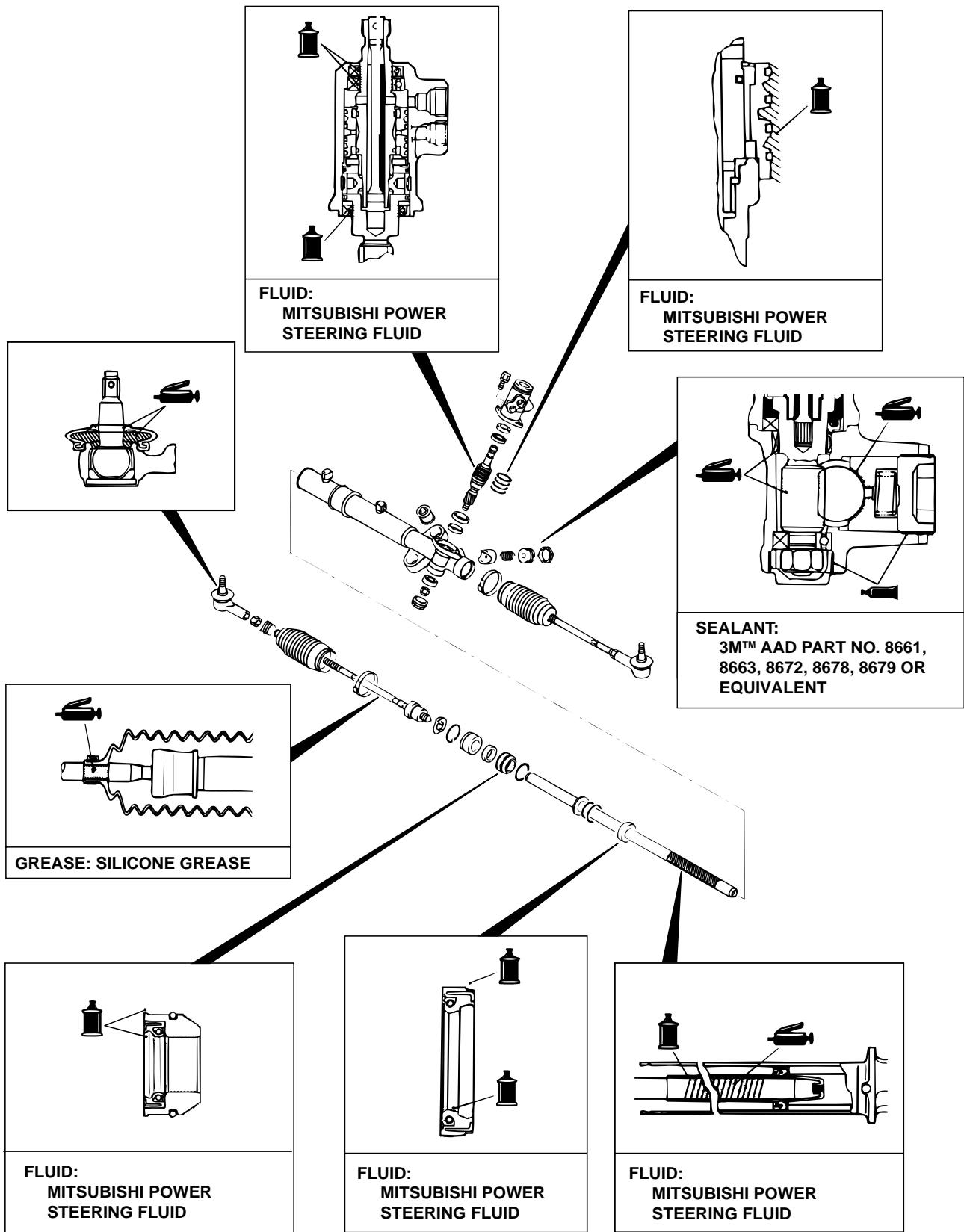
DISASSEMBLY STEPS (Continued)

- <<C>> 18. PINION AND VALVE ASSEMBLY
- <<D>> >>H<< 19. SEAL RING
- <<E>> >>G<< 20. BALL BEARING
- <<E>> >>G<< 21. OIL SEAL
22. VALVE HOUSING
- <<F>> >>F<< 23. CIRCLIP
24. RACK STOPPER
- >>E<< 25. RACK BUSHING
- <<G>> >>D<< 26. RACK
- >>C<< 27. O-RING
- <<H>> >>C<< 28. OIL SEAL
29. SEAL RING
30. O-RING
- <<I>> >>B<< 31. BALL BEARING
- <<J>> >>B<< 32. NEEDLE ROLLER BEARING
- <<K>> >>A<< 33. OIL SEAL
34. BUSHING
35. RACK HOUSING

Required Special Tools:

- MB990228 or MB991006: Preload Socket
- MB990776: Front Axle Base
- MB990927: Installer Adapter
- MB990938: Bar (Snap-in type)
- MB990939: Brass Bar
- MB991120: Needle Bearing Puller
- MB991152: Dust Cover Installer
- MB991197: Bar (Long type)
- MB991199: Oil Seal Installer
- MB991202: Oil Seal and Bearing Installer
- MB991203: Oil Seal and Bearing Installer
- MB991204: Torque Wrench Socket
- MB991213: Rack Installer
- MB991317: Seal Ring Installer

LUBRICATION AND SEALING POINTS

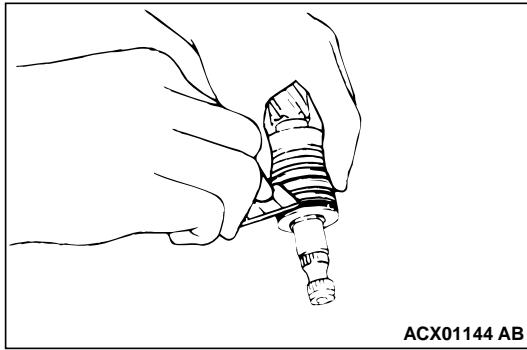
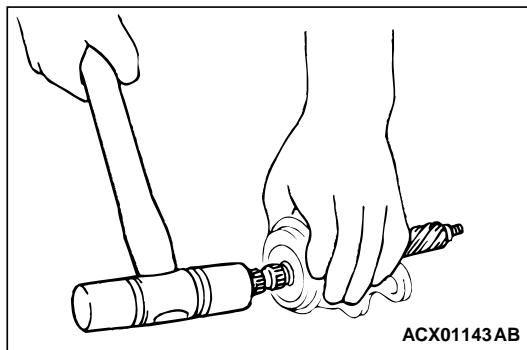
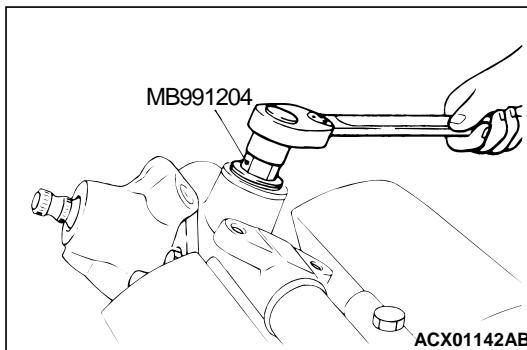
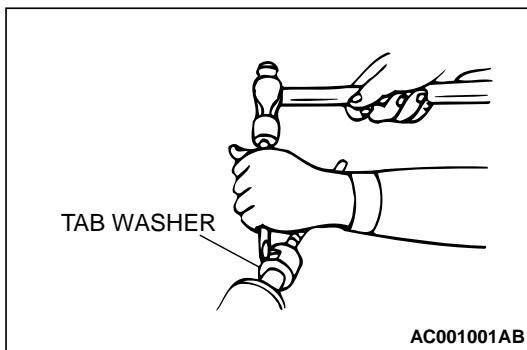


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DISASSEMBLY SERVICE POINTS

<<A>> TIE ROD/TAB WASHER REMOVAL

Unstake the tab washer which secures the tie rod and rack with a chisel.

<<C>> OIL SEAL/PINION AND VALVE ASSEMBLY
REMOVAL

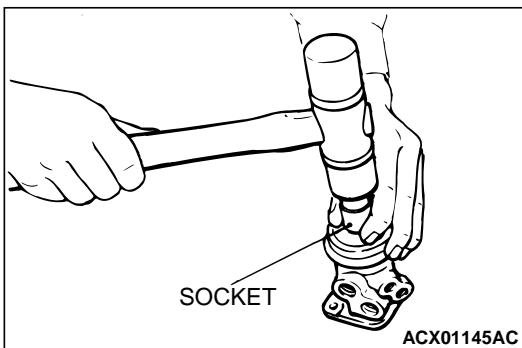
Using a plastic hammer, gently tap the pinion to remove it.

<<D>> SEAL RING REMOVAL

CAUTION

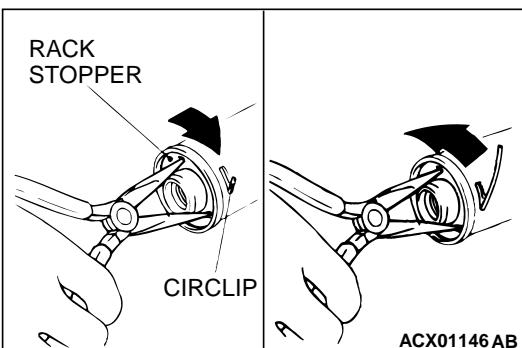
When cutting the seal ring, be careful not to damage the pinion and valve assembly or the rack.

Cut the seal ring and remove it from the pinion and valve assembly and the rack.



<<E>> BALL BEARING/OIL SEAL REMOVAL

Using a socket, remove the oil seal and the ball bearing from the valve housing simultaneously.



<<F>> CIRCLIP REMOVAL

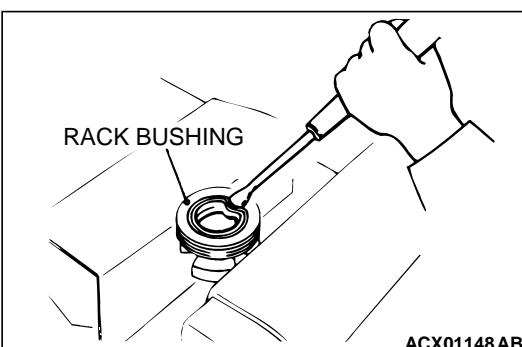
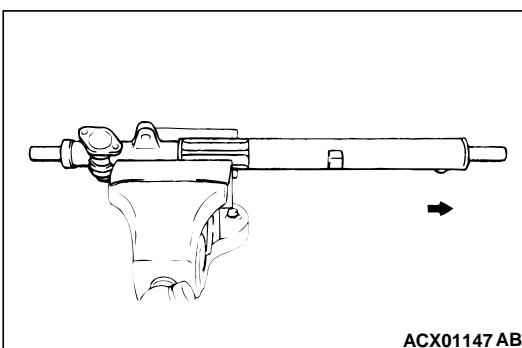
CAUTION

If the rack stopper is first turned counterclockwise, the circlip will get caught in the slot in the housing and the rack stopper will not turn.

1. Turn the rack stopper clockwise until the end of the circlip comes out of the slot in the rack housing.
2. Turn the rack stopper counterclockwise to remove the circlip.

<<G>> RACK REMOVAL

Pull out the rack slowly. At this time also take out the rack stopper and the rack bushing simultaneously.

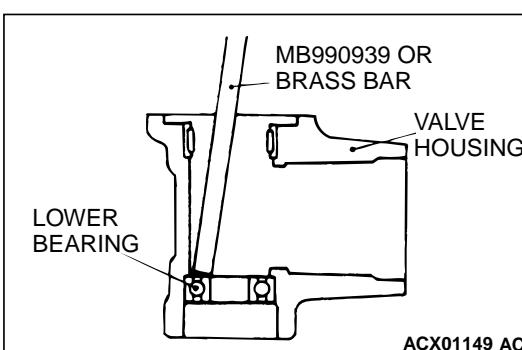


<<H>> OIL SEAL REMOVAL

CAUTION

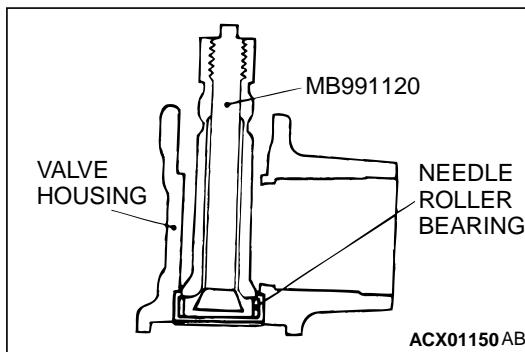
Do not damage oil seal press fitting surface.

Partially bend oil seal and remove from rack bushing.



<<I>> BALL BEARING REMOVAL

Use a brass bar or special tool MB990939 to remove the ball bearing from the gear housing.

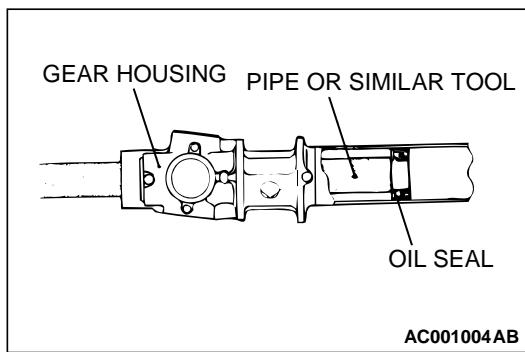


<<J>> NEEDLE ROLLER BEARING REMOVAL

⚠ CAUTION

Do not open special tool MB991120 excessively to prevent damaging housing interior.

Use special tool MB991120 to remove the needle roller bearing from the rack housing.

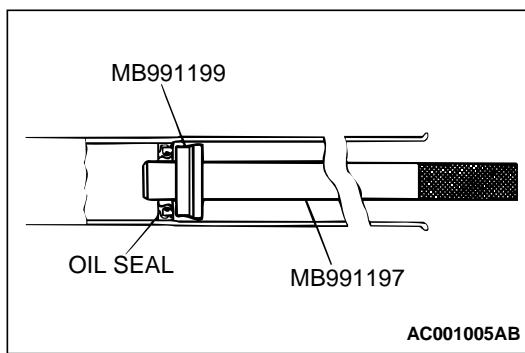


<<K>> OIL SEAL REMOVAL

⚠ CAUTION

Be careful not to damage the inner surface of the rack cylinder of the gear housing.

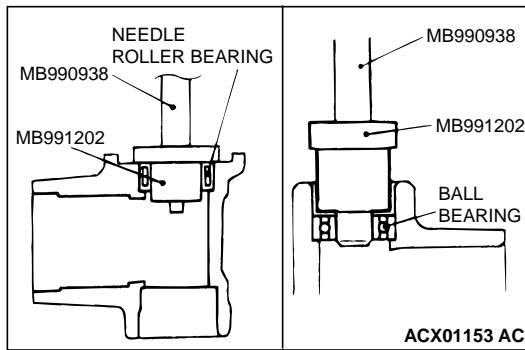
Use a piece of pipe or similar tool to remove the oil seal from the gear housing.



ASSEMBLY SERVICE POINTS

>>A<< OIL SEAL INSTALLATION

1. Apply a coating of the MITSUBISHI POWER STEERING FLUID to the both sides of the oil seal.
2. Using special tools MB991199 and MB991197, press the oil seal into the rack housing.

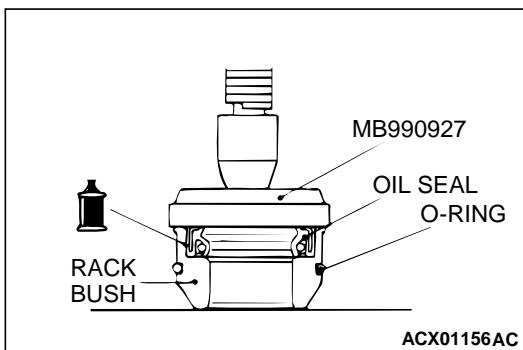


>>B<< NEEDLE ROLLER BEARING/BALL BEARING INSTALLATION

⚠ CAUTION

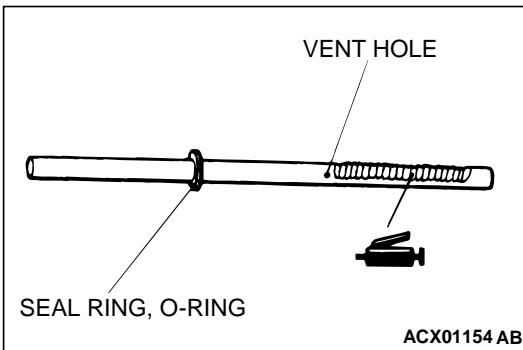
Press-fit straight. Valve housing is aluminum, and may become deformed if Press-fit on an angle.

1. Apply MITSUBISHI POWER STEERING FLUID to housing, bearing and oil seal press fitting surface.
2. Press fit needle roller bearing with special tools MB990938 and MB991202.



>>C<< OIL SEAL/O-RING INSTALLATION

1. Apply a coating of the MITSUBISHI POWER STEERING FLUID to the outside of the oil seal and O-ring.
2. Use special tool MB990927 to press fit oil seal until it touches rack bush end.

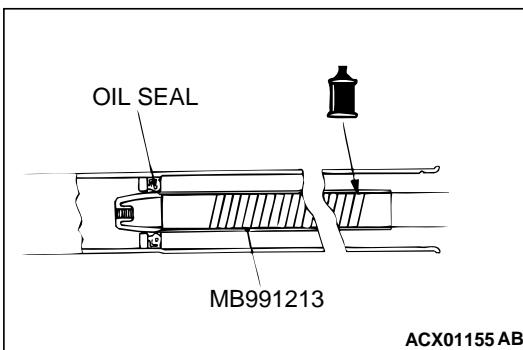


>>D<< RACK INSTALLATION

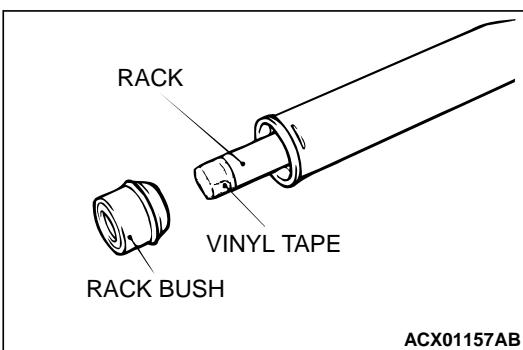
CAUTION

Do not close the vent hole in the rack with grease.

1. Apply a coating of multipurpose grease to the rack teeth face.



2. Cover rack serrations with special tool MB991213.
3. Apply MITSUBISHI POWER STEERING FLUID to special tool MB991213.
4. Align center of oil seal with rack to prevent retainer spring from slipping. Slowly insert rack from power cylinder side.

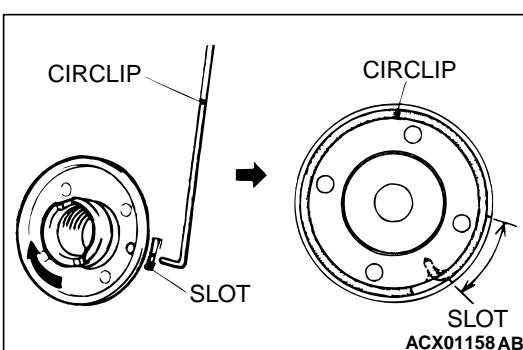


>>E<< RACK BUSHING INSTALLATION

CAUTION

Do not allow oil seal retainer spring to slip out.

Wrap the rack end with vinyl tape, apply a coating of the MITSUBISHI POWER STEERING FLUID, and then install the rack bushing and rack stopper.

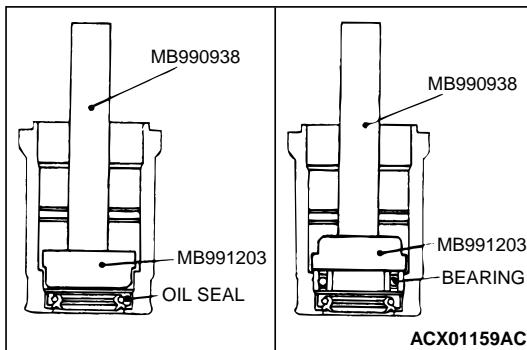


>>F<< CIRCLIP INSTALLATION

CAUTION

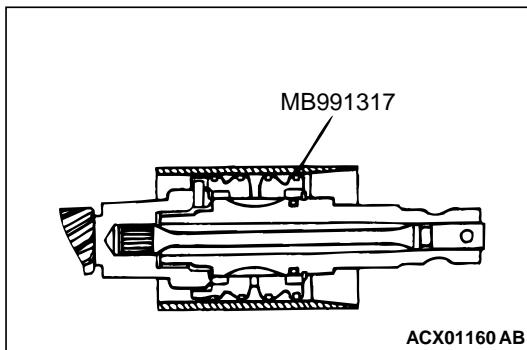
Insert circlip to rack stopper hole whilst turning rack stopper clockwise.

Insert circlip to rack stopper hole through cylinder hole. Turn rack stopper clockwise and insert circlip firmly.



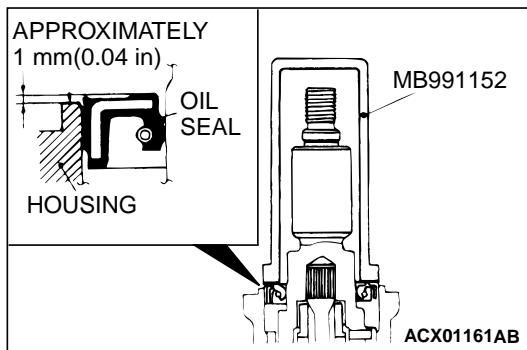
>>G<< OIL SEAL/BALL BEARING INSTALLATION

Apply a coating of the MITSUBISHI POWER STEERING FLUID to the outside of the oil seal/ball bearing. Using special tools MB990938 and MB991203, press the oil seal/ball bearing into the valve housing.



>>H<< SEAL RING INSTALLATION

Because the seal rings expand after installation, tighten after installing by using special tool MB991317 to compress the rings, or press down by hand.

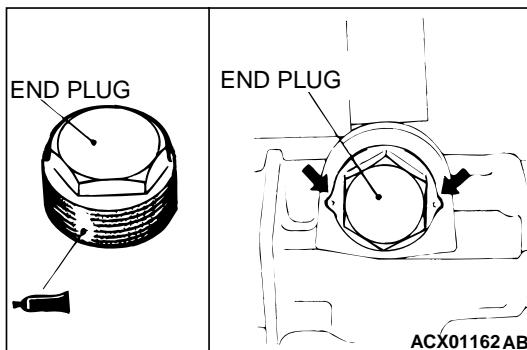


>>I<< OIL SEAL INSTALLATION

⚠ CAUTION

To eliminate a seal malfunction at the valve housing alignment surface, the upper surface of the oil seal should project outward approximately 1 mm (0.04 inch) from the housing edge surface.

Using special tool MB991152, press the oil seal into the valve housing.

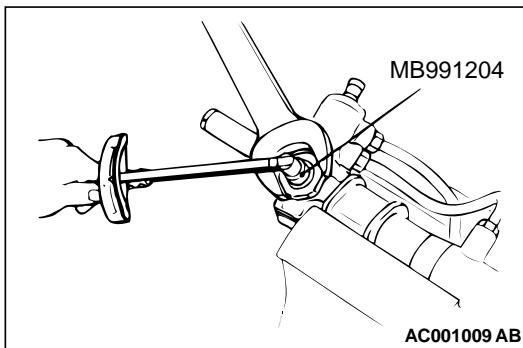


>>J<< END PLUG INSTALLATION

1. Apply the 3M™ AAD Part number 8661, 8663, 8672, 8678, 8679 or equivalent to the threaded part of the end plug.
2. Secure the threaded portion of the end plug at two places by using a punch.

>>K<< RACK SUPPORT COVER/JAM NUT INSTALLATION

1. Position rack at its center.
2. Apply the 3M™ AAD Part number 8661, 8663, 8672, 8678, 8679 or equivalent to the threaded part of the ruck support cover.



3. Use special tool MB991204 to tighten rack support cover to 13 N·m (113 in-lb).
4. Turn the rack support cover by 10 degree counterclockwise.
5. Use special tool MB991204 to hold the rack support cover, and then tighten the jam nut to 59 ± 10 N·m (44 \pm 7 ft-lb).

>>L<< TOTAL PINION TORQUE ADJUSTMENT

⚠ CAUTION

- When adjusting, set at the highest value of the standard value range.
- Be sure there is no ratcheting or catching when operating the rack towards the shaft.
- Measure the total pinion torque through the whole stroke of the rack.

NOTE: If the total pinion torque cannot be adjusted to the standard value within the specified return angle, check the rack support cover components and replace any parts if necessary.

1. Using special tool MB990228 or MB991006, rotate the pinion shaft at the rate of one rotation in four to six seconds to check the total pinion torque and the change in torque.

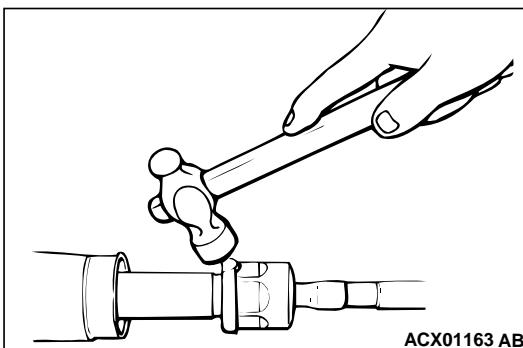
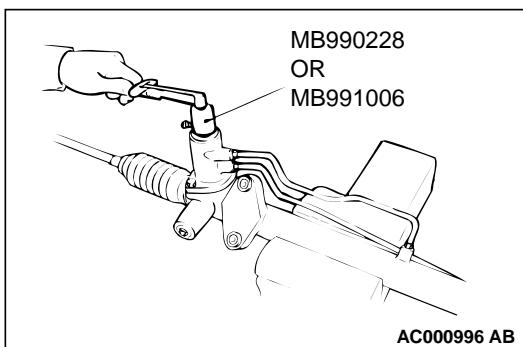
Standard value:

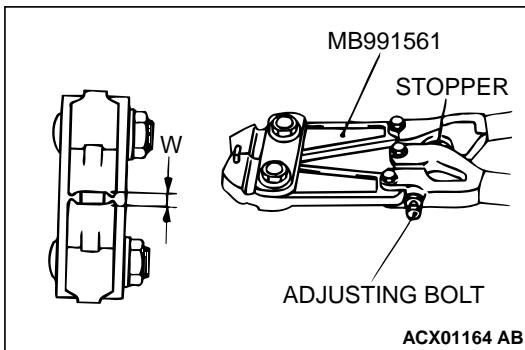
Total pinion torque: 0.8 – 1.9 mm (6.9 – 16.5 in-lb)
[Change in torque: 0.7 N·m (6.1 in-lb) or less]

2. If the total pinion torque or the change in torque is outside the standard value, return the rack support cover within 0 degree angle to 30 degree angle, and adjust again.

>>M<< TAB WASHER/TIE ROD INSTALLATION

After installing tie rod to rack, fold tab washer end (two locations) to tie rod notch.





>>N<< BELLows BAND INSTALLATION

1. Turn the adjusting bolt of special tool MB991561 to adjust the opening dimension (W) to the standard value.

NOTE: The dimension (W) is adjusted by approximately 0.7 mm (0.03 inch) per one turn.

NOTE: Do not turn the adjusting bolt more than one turn.

Standard value (W): 1.9 mm (0.07 inch)

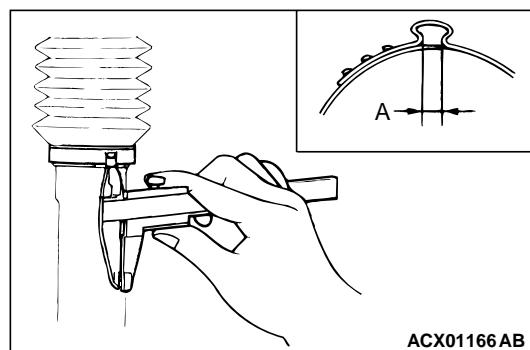
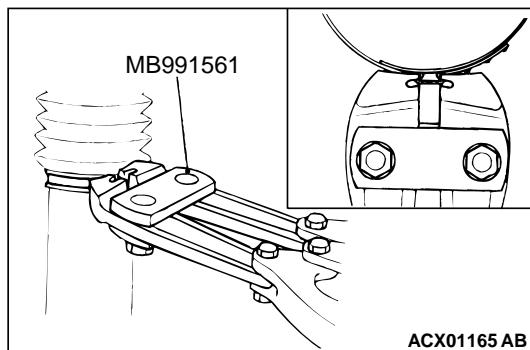
<When more than 1.9 mm (0.07 inch)>: Screw in the adjusting bolt.

<When less than 1.9 mm (0.07 inch)>: Loosen the adjusting bolt.

CAUTION

- Hold the rack housing, and use special tool MB991561 to crimp the bellows band securely.
- Crimp the bellows band until special tool MB991561 touches the stopper.

2. Use special tool MB991561 to crimp the bellows band.



3. Check that crimped width (A) is within the standard value.

Standard value (A): 1.4 – 1.8 mm (0.06 – 0.07 inch)

<When more than 1.8 mm (0.07 inch)>: Readjust the dimension (W) of step (1) to the value calculated by the following equation, and repeat step (2).

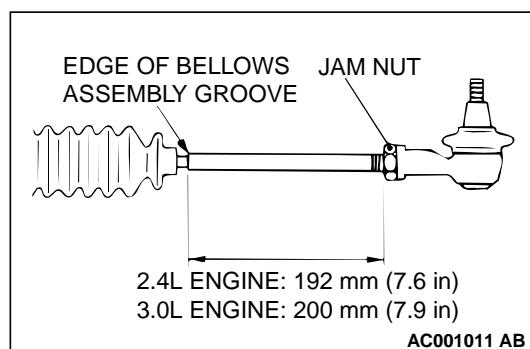
$W = 5.5 \text{ mm (0.22 inch)} - A$ [Example: if (A) is 1.9 mm (0.07 inch), (W) is 3.6 mm (0.14 inch).]

<When less than 1.4 mm (0.06 inch)>: Remove the bellows band, readjust the dimension (W) of step (1) to the value calculated by the following equation, and use a new bellows band to repeat steps (2) to (3).

$W = 5.5 \text{ mm (0.22 inch)} - A$ [Example: if (A) is 1.3 mm (0.05 inch), (W) is 4.2 mm (0.17 inch).]

**>>O<< TIE ROD END/TIE ROD END JAM NUT
INSTALLATION**

Screw in the tie rod end to achieve the right and left length as illustrated. Lock with the jam nut.



INSPECTION

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RACK

- Check the rack tooth surfaces for damage or wear.
- Check the oil seal contact surfaces for uneven wear.

- Check the rack for bends.

PINION AND VALVE ASSEMBLY

- Check the pinion gear tooth surfaces for damage or wear.
- Check for worn or defective seal ring.

BEARING

- Check for roughness or abnormal noise during bearing operation.
- Check the bearing for play.
- Check the needle roller bearings for roller slip-off.

OTHERS

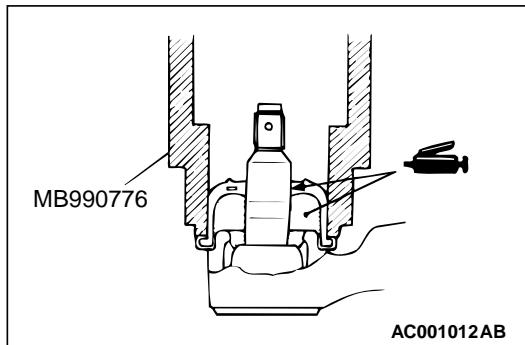
- Check the cylinder inner surface of the rack housing for damage.
- Check the boots for damage, cracking or deterioration.
- Check the rack support for uneven wear or dents.
- Check the rack bushing for uneven wear or damage.

TIE ROD END BALL JOINT DUST COVER REPLACEMENT

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If the dust cover is damaged accidentally during service work, replace the dust cover as follows:

1. Apply grease to the lip and inside of the dust cover.
2. Drive in the dust cover with special tool MB990776 until it is fully seated.
3. Check the dust cover for cracks or damage by pushing it with your finger.



POWER STEERING OIL PUMP ASSEMBLY

REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION

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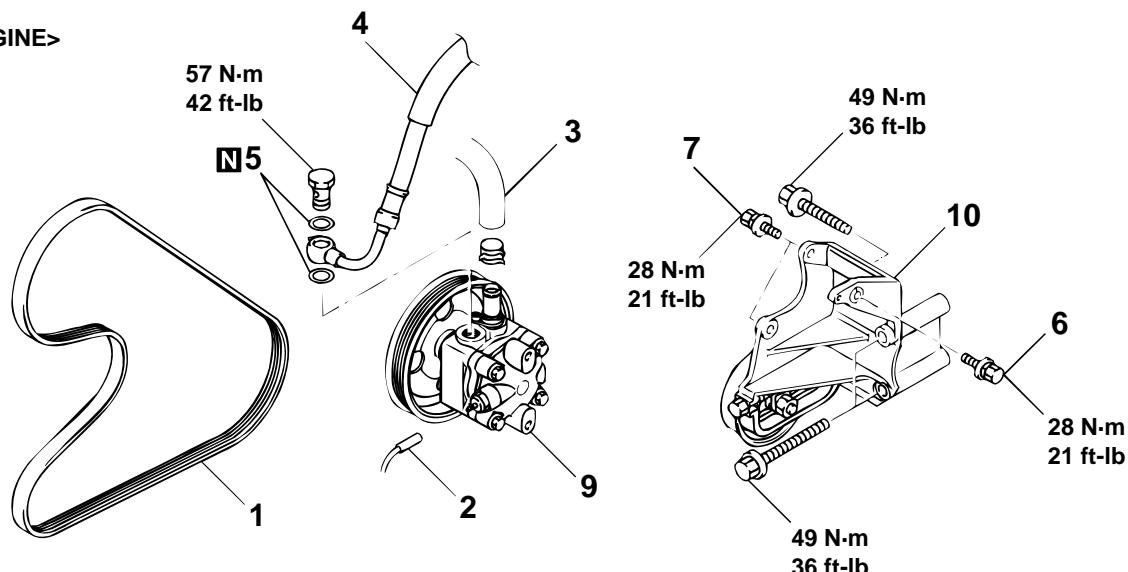
Pre-removal Operation

Power Steering Fluid Draining (Refer to [P.37A-16.](#))

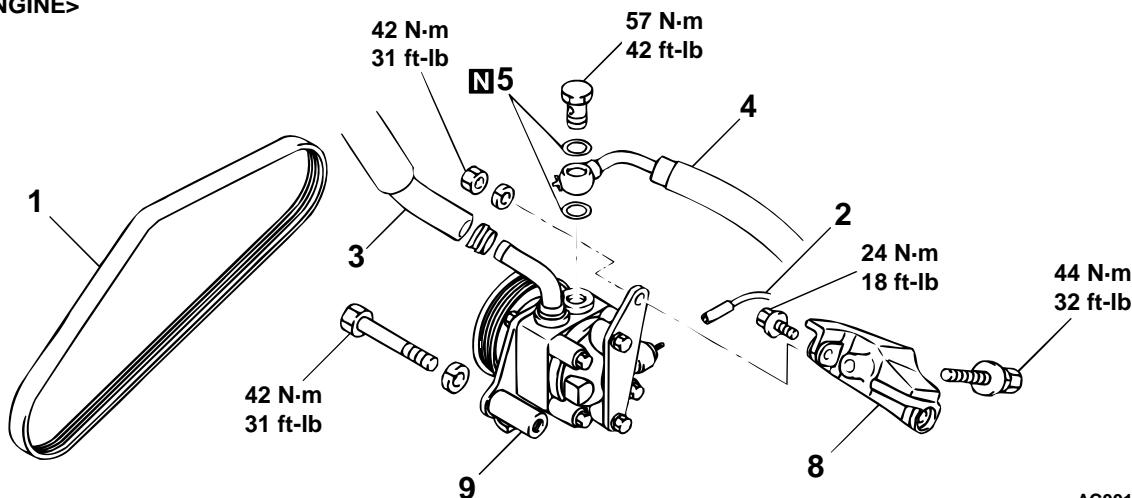
Post-installation Operation

- Power Steering Fluid Level Check (Refer to [P.37A-16.](#))
- Drive Belt Tension Check (Refer to [P.37A-16.](#))
- Power Steering Fluid Line Bleeding (Refer to [P.37A-16.](#))
- Oil Pump Pressure Test (Refer to [P.37A-18.](#))

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REMOVAL STEPS

1. DRIVE BELT
2. PRESSURE SWITCH CONNECTOR
3. SUCTION HOSE
4. PRESSURE HOSE
5. GASKET
6. BOLT

REMOVAL STEPS (Continued)

7. BOLT
8. POWER STEERING PUMP
BRACKET
9. OIL PUMP
10. OIL PUMP BRACKET

INSPECTION

Check the drive belt for cracks.

Check the drive shaft assembly for uneven rotation.

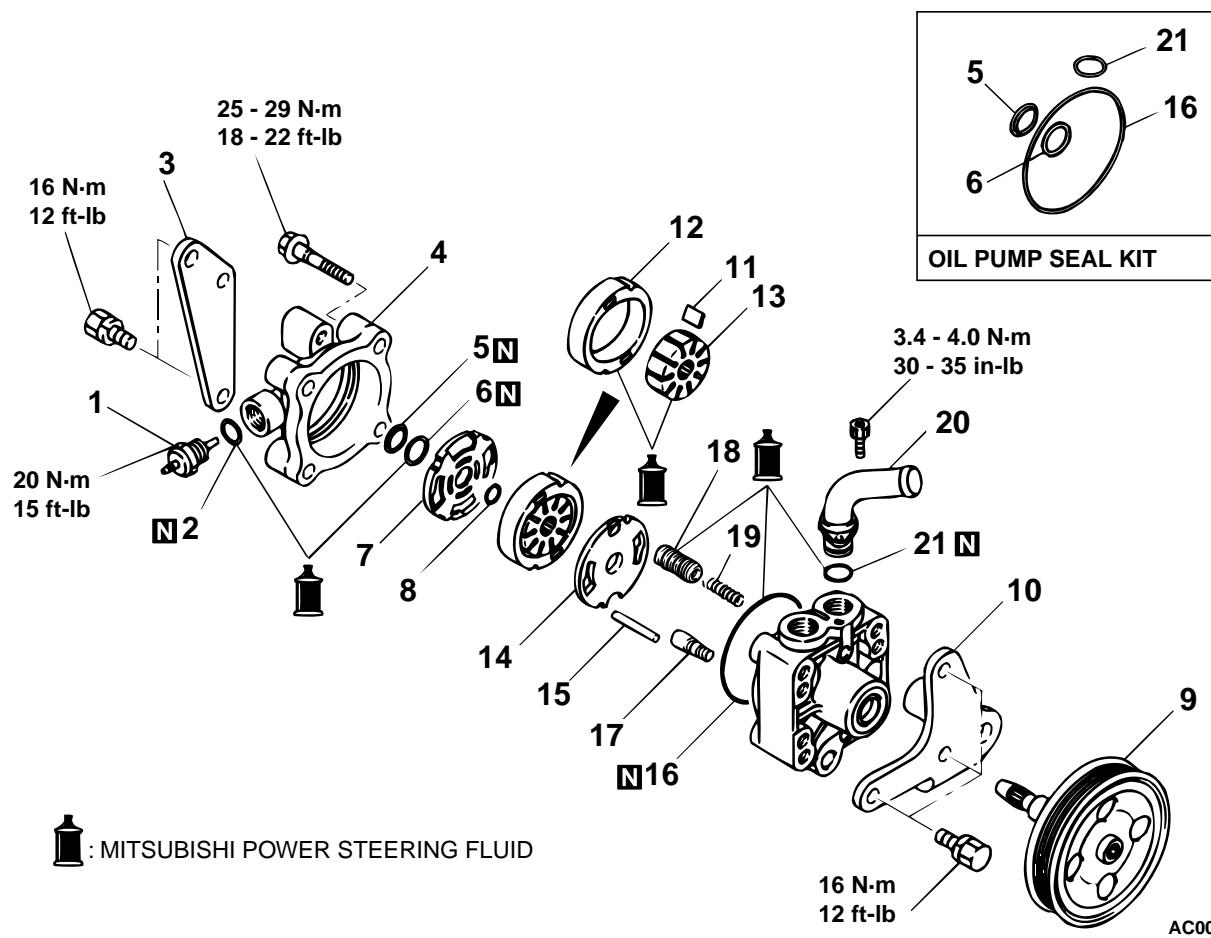
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DISASSEMBLY AND ASSEMBLY

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CAUTION

Do not disassemble the pressure switch assembly and valve subassembly.



DISASSEMBLY STEPS

1. PRESSURE SWITCH ASSEMBLY
2. O-RING
3. REAR BRACKET <3.0L ENGINE>
4. REAR COVER
5. BACKUP RING
- >>A<< 6. O-RING
7. SIDE PLATE (REAR)
8. SNAP RING
9. DRIVESHAFT ASSEMBLY
10. FRONT BRACKET <3.0L ENGINE>
- >>D<< 11. VANE

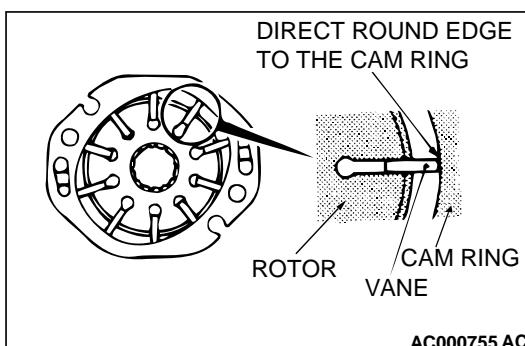
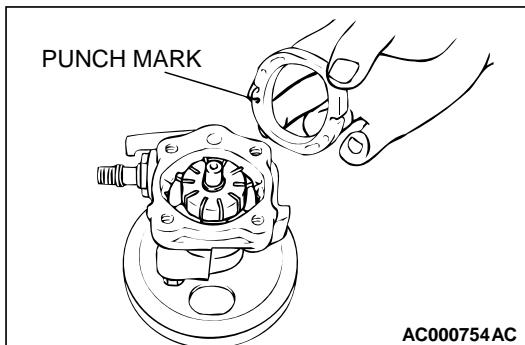
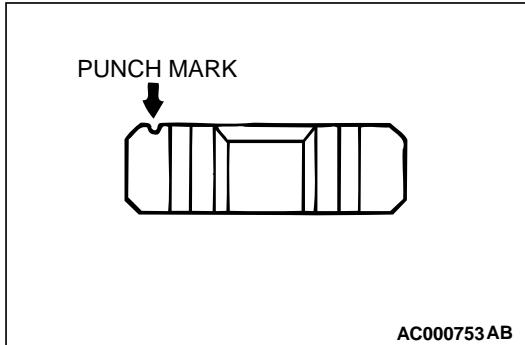
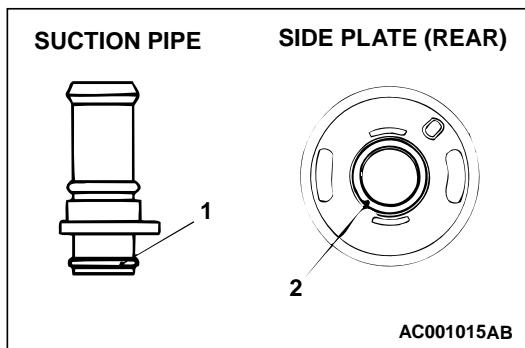
DISASSEMBLY STEPS (Continued)

- >>C<< 12. CAM RING
- >>B<< 13. ROTOR
14. SIDE PLATE (FRONT)
15. LOCK PIN
16. O-RING
17. VALVE SUBASSEMBLY
18. SPOOL ASSEMBLY
19. SPRING
20. SUCTION PIPE
- >>A<< 21. O-RING

ASSEMBLY SERVICE POINTS

>>A<< O-RING INSTALLATION

| NO. | ID x WIDTH mm (in) |
|-----|--------------------------|
| 1 | 13.3 x 1.6 (0.52 x 0.06) |
| 2 | 15.0 x 2.0 (0.59 x 0.08) |



>>B<< ROTOR INSTALLATION

Install the rotor to the pulley assembly so that the rotor's punch mark is at the pump cover side.

>>C<< CAM RING INSTALLATION

Install the cam ring with the punch mark facing the side plate.

>>D<< VANE INSTALLATION

Install the vanes on the rotor, paying close attention to the installation direction.

INSPECTION

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- Check the valve subassembly for clogging.
- Check the driveshaft assembly for wear or damage.
- Check the rotor and vane groove for "stepped" wear.
- Check the contact surface of cam ring and vanes for "stepped" wear.
- Check the vanes for damage.

POWER STEERING HOSES

REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION

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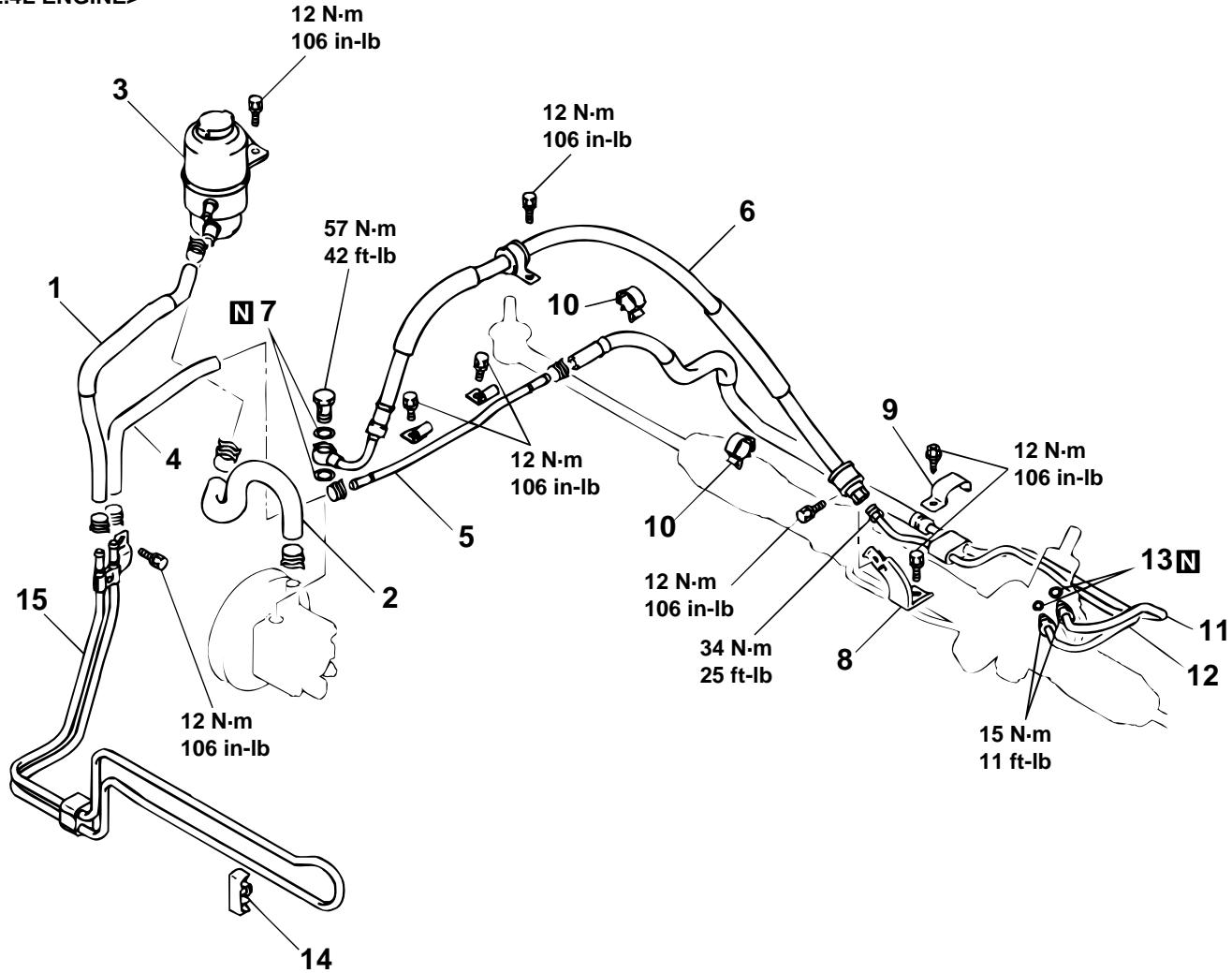
Pre-removal Operation

Power Steering Fluid Draining (Refer to P.37A-16.)

Post-installation Operation

- Power Steering Fluid Level Check (Refer to P.37A-16.)
- Power Steering Fluid Line Bleeding (Refer to P.37A-16.)

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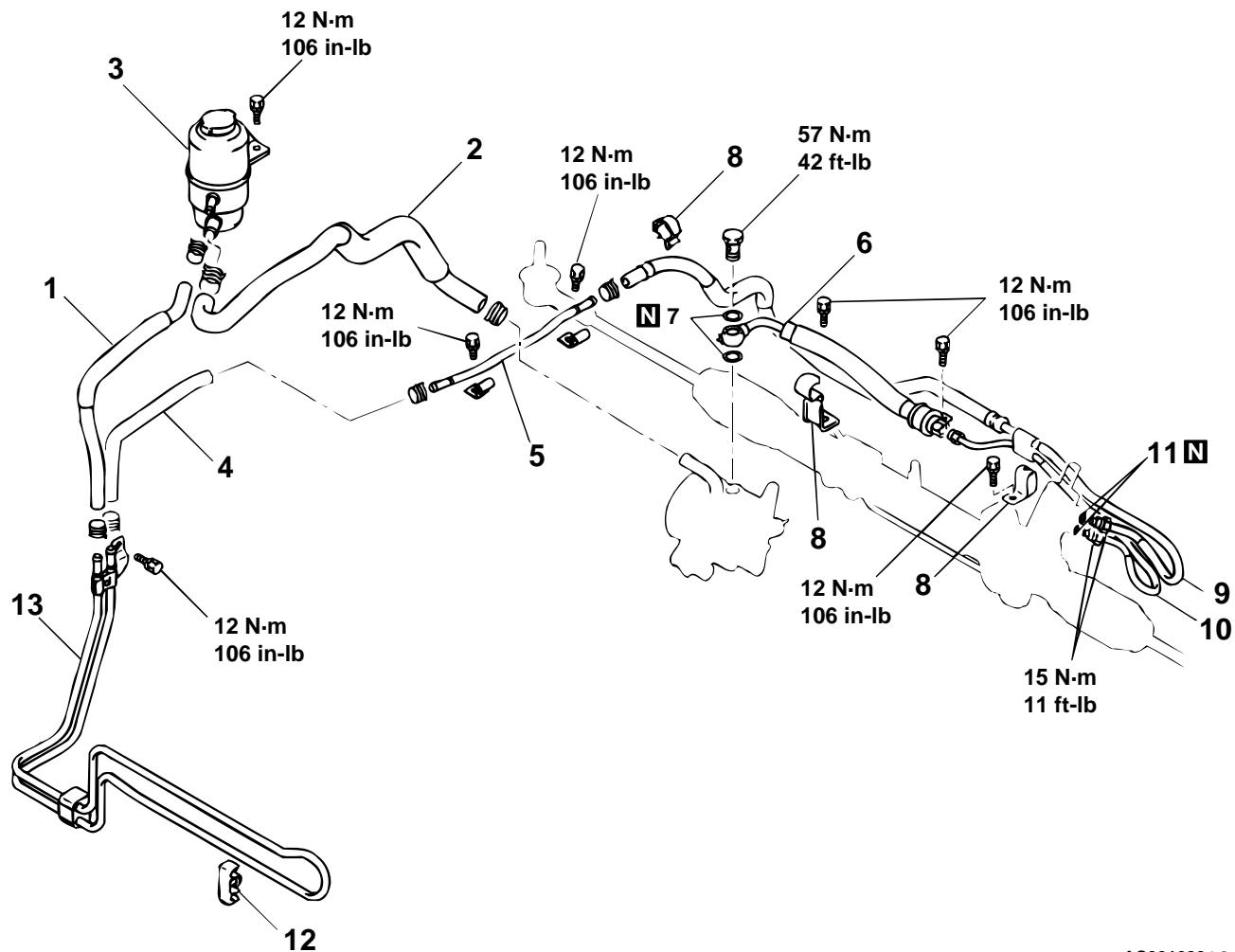
REMOVAL STEPS

>>F<< 1. RETURN HOSE
>>E<< 2. SUCTION HOSE
3. OIL RESERVOIR
>>D<< 4. RETURN HOSE
5. RETURN TUBE
>>C<< 6. PRESSURE HOSE
7. O-RING
8. BRACKET
9. CLAMP

REMOVAL STEPS (Continued)

10. CLIP
>>B<< 11. RETURN HOSE ASSEMBLY
>>A<< 12. PRESSURE TUBE ASSEMBLY
13. O-RING
• FRONT BUMPER (REFER TO GROUP 51, FRONT BUMPER P.51-2.)
14. CLIP
15. COOLER TUBE ASSEMBLY

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REMOVAL STEPS

- >>F<< 1. RETURN HOSE
- >>E<< 2. SUCTION HOSE
- 3. OIL RESERVOIR
- >>D<< 4. RETURN HOSE
- 5. RETURN TUBE
- >>C<< 6. PRESSURE HOSE
- 7. O-RING
- 8. CLIP

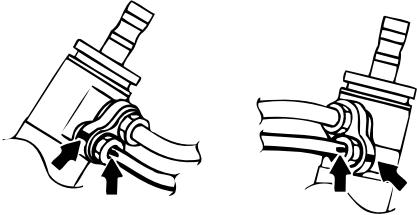
REMOVAL STEPS (Continued)

- >>B<< 9. RETURN HOSE ASSEMBLY
- >>A<< 10. PRESSURE TUBE ASSEMBLY
- 11. O-RING
- FRONT BUMPER ASSEMBLY
(REFER TO GROUP 51, FRONT BUMPER P.51-2.)
- 12. CLIP
- 13. COOLER TUBE ASSEMBLY

INSTALLATION SERVICE POINTS**>>A<< PRESSURE TUBE ASSEMBLY INSTALLATION**

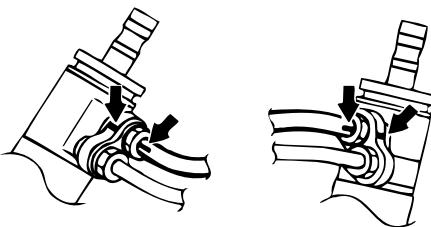
Align the marks on the pressure tube assembly and steering gear box, and install the pressure tube assembly.

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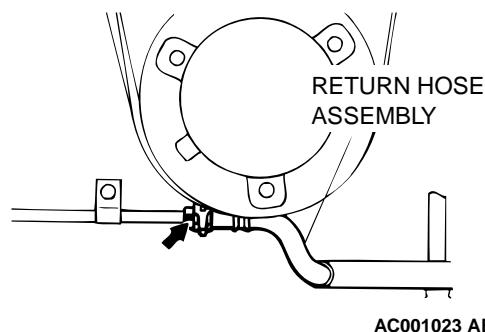


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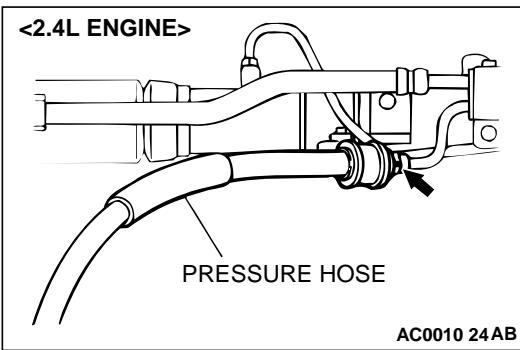
>>B<< RETURN HOSE ASSEMBLY INSTALLATION

1. Align the marks on the return hose assembly and steering gear box, and install the return hose assembly.

2. Install the return hose assembly so that the marking is positioned as shown in the illustration.

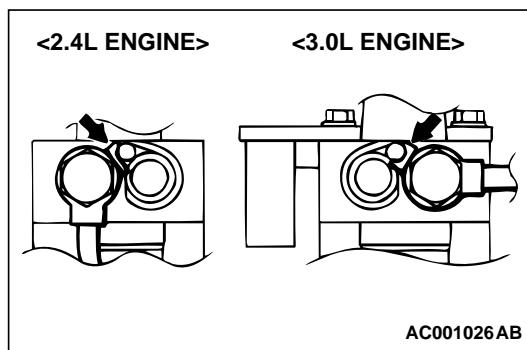
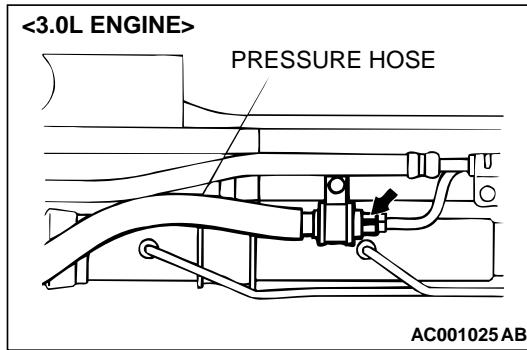


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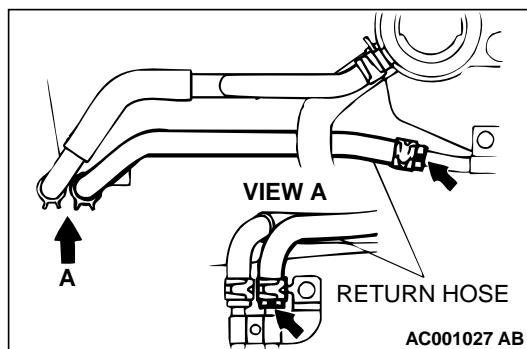


>>C<< PRESSURE HOSE INSTALLATION

1. Install the pressure hose at the gear box side so that the marking is positioned as shown in the illustration.



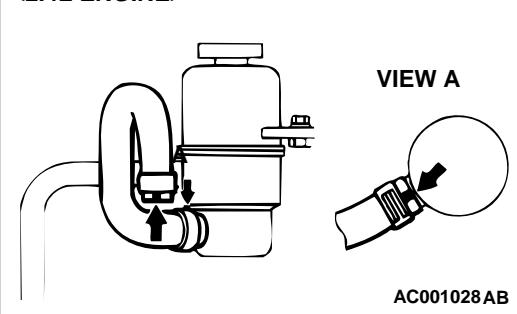
2. Install the pressure hose at the power steering oil pump side as shown in the illustration.



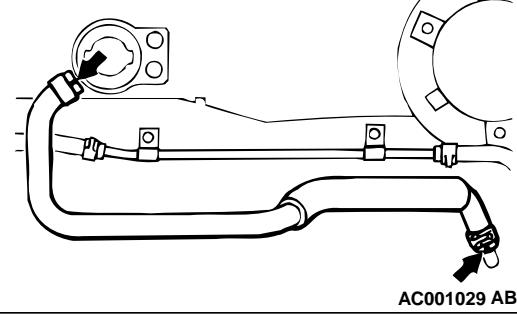
>>D<< RETURN HOSE INSTALLATION

Install the return hose so that the markings are positioned as shown in the illustration.

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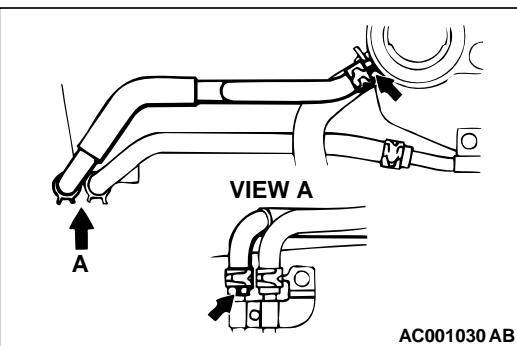


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>>E<< SUCTION HOSE INSTALLATION

Install the suction hose so that the markings are positioned as shown in the illustration.



>>F<< RETURN HOSE INSTALLATION

Install the return hose so that the markings are positioned as shown in the illustration.

SPECIFICATIONS

FASTENER TIGHTENING SPECIFICATIONS

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| ITEMS | SPECIFICATIONS |
|--|--------------------|
| Power steering gear box | |
| Cylinder clamp assembly nut, gear box assembly bolt <3.0L ENGINE> | 69 N·m (51 ft-lb) |
| Cylinder clamp assembly bolt, gear box assembly bolt <2.4L ENGINE> | 69 N·m (51 ft-lb) |
| End plug | 59 N·m (43 ft-lb) |
| Feed tube flare nut | 13 N·m (113 in-lb) |
| Pinion and valve assembly jam nut | 25 N·m (18 ft-lb) |
| Rack support cover | 13 N·m (113 in-lb) |
| Rack support cover jam nut | 59 N·m (43 ft-lb) |
| Return hose flare nut, pressure tube flare nut | 15 N·m (11 ft-lb) |

| ITEMS | SPECIFICATIONS |
|--|-------------------------------|
| Stay bolt <2.4L ENGINE> | 86 N·m (63 ft-lb) |
| Steering shaft and gear box connecting bolt | 18 N·m (13 ft-lb) |
| Tie rod | 88 N·m (65 ft-lb) |
| Tie rod end nut | 49 – 54 N·m (36 – 40 ft-lb) |
| Tie rod end to knuckle fixing nut | 24 – 33 N·m (17 – 25 ft-lb) |
| Valve housing bolt | 19 N·m (14 ft-lb) |
| Power steering hose | |
| Oil pump eye bolt | 57 N·m (42 ft-lb) |
| Oil reservoir, pressure hose, pressure tube, return tube, cooler tube bolt | 12 N·m (106 in-lb) |
| Pressure tube flare nut (Gear box side) | 15 N·m (11 in-lb) |
| Pressure tube flare nut (Pressure hose side) | 34 N·m (25 ft-lb) |
| Power steering oil pump | |
| Front/rear bracket bolt <3.0L ENGINE> | 16 N·m (12 ft-lb) |
| Oil pump bolt/nut <3.0L ENGINE> | 42 N·m (31 ft-lb) |
| Oil pump bracket bolt | M8 <2.4L ENGINE> |
| | M10 <2.4L ENGINE> |
| | M8 <3.0L ENGINE> |
| | M10 <3.0L ENGINE> |
| Oil pump eye bolt | 57 N·m (42 ft-lb) |
| Pressure switch assembly | 20 N·m (15 ft-lb) |
| Rear cover bolt | 25 – 29 N·m (18 – 22 ft-lb) |
| Suction pipe bolt | 3.4 – 4.0 N·m (30 – 35 in-lb) |
| Power steering wheel and shaft | |
| Clock spring and column switch assembly bolt | 25 N·m (18 ft-lb) |
| Steering shaft and gear box connecting bolt | 18 N·m (13 ft-lb) |
| Steering column assembly bolt | 12 N·m (106 in-lb) |
| Steering cover bolt | 5.0 N·m (44 in-lb) |
| Steering wheel nut | 41 N·m (30 ft-lb) |

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

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| ITEMS | SPECIFICATIONS |
|-------------------------|---|
| Power steering gear box | Type |
| | Rack and pinion |
| Oil pump | Gear ratio |
| | 45.74 |
| | Type |
| | Displacement cm ³ /rev (cu in/rev) |
| | 9.6 (0.59) |
| | Relief set pressure MPa (psi) |
| | 8.8 (1,276) |

SERVICE SPECIFICATIONS

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| ITEMS | | | STANDARD VALUE | LIMIT |
|--|--|---------------------------|--|----------|
| Steering wheel free play mm (in) | With engine running | | — | 30 (1.2) |
| | With engine stopped | | 10 (0.4) or less | — |
| Steering angle | Inside wheel | 2.4L ENGINE | 36°36' ± 2°00' | — |
| | | 3.0L ENGINE | 33°06' ± 2°00' | — |
| | Outside wheel (reference) | 2.4L ENGINE | 30°42' | — |
| | | 3.0L ENGINE | 28°30' | — |
| Tie rod end ball joint breakaway torque N·m (in-lb) | | | 0.5 – 2.5 (4.4 – 22.1) | — |
| Tie rod swing resistance N (lb) [N·m (in-lb)] | | | 4 – 18.6 (17.8 – 82.7) [1.0 – 4.9 (8.7 – 43.4)] | — |
| Engine idle speed r/min | 2.4L ENGINE | 750 ± 100 | — | — |
| | 3.0L ENGINE | 700 ± 100 | — | — |
| Stationary steering effort N (lb) [Fluctuation allowance N (lb)] | | | 30 (6.7) or less [5.9 (1.33)] | — |
| Oil pump pressure MPa (psi) | Oil pump relief pressure | 8.3 – 9.5 (1,209 – 1,280) | — | — |
| | Pressure under no-load conditions | 0.8 – 1.0 (116 – 145) | — | — |
| | Steering gear retention hydraulic pressure | 8.3 – 9.5 (1,209 – 1,280) | — | — |
| Oil pressure switch operating pressure MPa (psi) | OFF → ON | 1.8 – 2.4 (261 – 348) | — | — |
| | ON → OFF | 0.8 – 2.4 (116 – 348) | — | — |
| Gear box total pinion torque N·m (in-lb) [Change in torque: 0.7 N·m (6.1 in-lb) or less] | | | 0.8 – 1.9 (6.9 – 16.5) | — |
| Opening dimension of special tool MB991561 mm (in) | | | 1.9 (0.07) | — |
| Band crimped width mm (in) | | | 1.4 – 1.8 (0.06 – 0.07) | — |

LUBRICANTS

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| ITEMS | | SPECIFIED LUBRICANTS | QUANTITY dm ³ (qt) |
|----------|---|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Gear box | Bearing | MITSUBISHI POWER STEERING FLUID | As required |
| | O-ring | | |
| | Oil seal | | |
| | Special tool (MB991213) | | |
| | Pinion and valve assembly seal ring part | | |
| | Bellows | Silicon grease | As required |
| Oil pump | Power steering fluid | MITSUBISHI POWER STEERING FLUID | 0.8 (0.85) |
| | Friction surface of rotor vane, cam ring and pump cover | MITSUBISHI POWER STEERING FLUID | As required |
| | O-ring | | |

SEALANTS

M1372000500056

| ITEMS | | SPECIFIED SEALANTS |
|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Power steering gear box | End plug | 3M™ AAD Part No.8661, 8663, 8672, |
| | Rack support cover | 8678, 8679 or equivalent |