

## 28. Engine Noise

### A: INSPECTION

Type of sound	Condition	Possible cause
Regular clicking sound	Sound increases as engine speed increases.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Valve mechanism is defective</li><li>• Incorrect cam clearance</li><li>• Worn camshaft</li><li>• Broken valve spring</li><li>• Defective valve shim</li></ul>
Heavy and dull clank	Oil pressure is low.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Worn crankshaft bearing</li><li>• Worn connecting rod bearing</li></ul>
	Oil pressure is normal.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Damaged engine mounting</li></ul>
High-pitched clank	Sound is noticeable when accelerating with an overload condition.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ignition timing advanced</li><li>• Accumulation of carbon inside combustion chamber</li><li>• Wrong heat range of spark plug</li><li>• Improper octane value gasoline</li></ul>
Clank when engine speed is between 1,000 and 2,000 rpm.	Sound is reduced when the fuel injector of the noisy cylinder is stopped.*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Worn crankshaft bearing</li><li>• Worn connecting rod bearing</li></ul>
Knocking sound when engine is operating under idling speed and engine is warm	Sound is reduced when the fuel injector of the noisy cylinder is stopped.*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Worn cylinder liner and piston ring</li><li>• Broken or stuck piston ring</li><li>• Worn piston pin and piston pin hole of piston</li></ul>
	Sound is not reduced if each fuel injector is stopped in turn.*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Unusually worn valve rocker</li><li>• Unusually worn valve shim</li><li>• Worn cam sprocket</li><li>• Worn journal of cam carrier and camshaft cap</li></ul>
Squeaky sound	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Insufficient generator lubrication</li></ul>
Rubbing sound	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Poor contact of generator brush and rotor</li></ul>
Gear scream when starting engine	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Defective ignition starter switch</li><li>• Worn gear and starter pinion</li></ul>
Sound like polishing glass with a dry cloth	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Defective V-belt tensioner assembly (loose V-belt)</li><li>• Defective water pump shaft</li></ul>
Hissing sound	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Insufficient compression</li><li>• Air leakage in air intake system, hose, connection or manifold</li></ul>
Timing chain noise	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Loose timing chain</li><li>• Timing chain contacting with adjacent part</li></ul>
Valve noise	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Incorrect cam clearance</li></ul>

\*Fuel injector can be stopped using the Subaru Select Monitor. <Ref. to EN(H4DOTC)(diag)-61, OPERATION, System Operation Check Mode.>

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# EXHAUST

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