

## 18. Hose and Pipe

### A: REMOVAL

**CAUTION:**

- When disconnecting hoses, do not apply excessive force.
- Seal the disconnected hose with a plug or vinyl tape to prevent foreign matter from entering.

- 1) Disconnect the ground cable from battery.
- 2) Using the refrigerant recovery system, discharge refrigerant. <Ref. to AC-19, PROCEDURE, Refrigerant Recovery Procedure.>
- 3) Remove the bolt and detach the hoses and pipes.

### B: INSTALLATION

**CAUTION:**

- Replace the O-rings with new parts.
- When connecting hoses, do not apply an excessive force to them. After installing, check that no torsion or excessive tension applied to the hoses.

- 1) Install each part in the reverse order of removal.
- 2) Charge refrigerant. <Ref. to AC-20, PROCEDURE, Refrigerant Charging Procedure.>

***Tightening torque:***

*Refer to “COMPONENT” of “General Description”. <Ref. to AC-9, AIR CONDITIONING UNIT, COMPONENT, General Description.>*

### C: INSPECTION

Check the hoses for cracks, damage and expansion, and then replace it with a new part if defective.