

# Technical Bulletin



Model(s)	Year	Eng. Code	Trans. Code	VIN Range From	VIN Range To
All	1990 - 2010	All	All	All	All

## Condition

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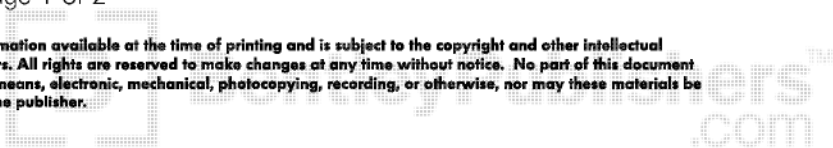
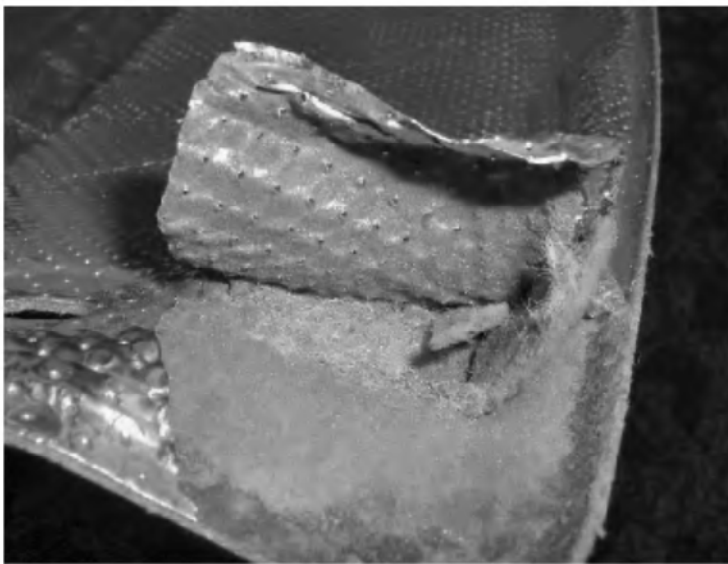
Exhaust Heat Shield, Replacement Guidelines

Underbody heat shields are important for proper vehicle performance. Heat Shields are to be inspected after completion of any type of repair to the underbody (exhaust system, transmission, etc.), and if damaged, replaced.

## Technical Background

Damaged heat shields may exhibit the following symptoms:

- Bent / Moved out of tolerance heat shield material
- Lack of sufficient clearance
- Torn / Damaged heat shield material
- Contaminated (fluid saturation) heat shield material
- Peeling / Separating heat shield material resulting from damage



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## Production Solution

No production change required.

## Service



Note:

Care must be taken when performing any type of underbody repair around the area of a heat shield, including but not limited to, catalytic converter/exhaust service, transmission service.

Any evidence of heat shield damage described in the Technical Background section of this bulletin will require replacement of the heat shield. See Repair Manual Group 26 Exhaust system, Emission controls in ElsaWeb.

## Warranty

Information only.



Note:

Damage to a heat shield caused by outside influence (sticks, road debris etc) will be the responsibility of the customer.

Damage to a heat shield caused by a technician during service or repair will be the responsibility of the dealership.

Heat shield replacements covered under warranty may be subject to verification by the WTC.

## Required Parts and Tools

No Special Parts Required.

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## Additional Information

All part and service references provided in this Technical Bulletin are subject to change and/or removal. Always check with your Parts Dept. and Repair Manuals for the latest information.