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VEHICLE APPLICATION

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DESCRIPTION

The heating system consists of a blower case, a heater case and various air distribution ducts.

The blower case is mounted to the dash panel behind the instrument panel on the passenger side. The blower case houses the blower motor, blower motor resistor and the recirculation/fresh air door. The heater case is mounted to the dash panel behind the center of the instrument panel. The heater case houses the heater core, air discharge doors and air temperature door. All air control doors are cable-operated from the control panel located in the center of the instrument panel.

Airflow

The heater assembly is a blend air system, receiving outside air or recirculated air depending on the position of the recirculation / fresh air door. The door is controlled by a cable from the control panel. Air enters the blower case and is forced by the blower motor into the heater case assembly. The air passes through the heater core or can bypass it depending on the position of the temperature control door. The air is then directed to the various registers according to the position of the vent and defroster doors.



Temperature Control

A temperature blend door directs air to flow through the heater core for heating or to bypass the heater core for cooling. It is controlled between COOL and WARM (blue and red) by the temperature lever of the control panel. Positioning the temperature lever in any position between COOL and WARM (blue and red) causes the air temperature door to direct more or less air through the heater core in order to achieve the desired temperature.



Air Distribution

The blended warm and cool air is distributed to the defroster outlets, the instrument panel registers or to the floor distribution outlets according to the position of the air discharge doors. The doors are controlled by a cable from the control panel.

When the function selector lever is in the VENT position, all airflow is directed to the instrument panel registers.





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Blower Switch

Blower motor operation is controlled by a five position switch in the lower right corner of the control panel. The switch is identified by a fan blade symbol on the face of the control panel. This switch directs the blower motor ground circuit current through, or around, the resistor assembly coils, to control blower speed.

When the switch is in the OFF position, the motor ground circuit is open and the blower motor does not operate.

With the blower switch in position 1, current flow from the blower motor is restricted by three resistor coils in the resistor assembly.

When the switch is moved to position 2, one of the resistor coils is bypassed out of the circuit and current flow from the blower motor is restricted by two resistor coils.

When the switch is moved to position 3, two of the resistor coils are bypassed out of the circuit and current flow from the blower motor is restricted by only one resistor coil.





DIAGNOSIS AND TESTING

Refer to Section 12-00.

REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION

Heater Control Panel

- 1. Disconnect negative battery cable.
- 2. Remove storage compartment.
- 3. Remove heater / radio bezel.
- 4. Remove heater control panel retaining screws.
- 5. Lower glove compartment past its stop and remove glove compartment upper support.
- 6. Disconnect air door control cable.
- 7. Disconnect function selector cable at heater assembly.
- 8. Remove LH center carpet panel.
- 9. Disconnect temperature control cable at heater assembly.
- 10. Pull heater control panel from instrument panel far enough to gain access to electrical connectors and disconnect. Use caution so as not to damage control cables.

11. Remove two screws and heater control panel assembly with cables attached. HEATER CASE HEATER/RADIO BEZEL **@** HEATER CONTROL SCREW 2 REQ'D UPPER SCREW 2 REQ'D BLOWER LOWER CASE SCREW 2 REO'D K14828-A

Installation

- 1. Route cables into instrument panel using care not to kink them and position heater control panel in instrument panel.
- 2. Connect electrical connectors.
- 3. Install heater control panel with retaining screws.
- 4. Connect temperature control cable, function selector cable and air door control cable.
- 5. Check and adjust control cables, as outlined.
- 6. Install LH center carpet panel.
- 7. Install glove compartment upper support.
- 8. Return glove compartment to closed position.
- 9. Install heater / radio trim bezel and storage compartment.
- 10. Connect negative battery cable.
- 11. Check for proper operation.

Blower Switch

Removal

NOTE: The heater control panel must be partially removed to gain access to blower switch. The cables do not have to be removed.

- 1. Partially remove heater control panel as outlined.
- 2. Remove blower switch knob.
- 3. Remove blower switch retaining screws and remove blower switch.

Installation

- 1. Install blower switch to heater control panel with retaining screws.
- 2. Install blower knob.
- 3. Install heater control panel, as outlined.

Control Cables

- 1. Remove heater control panel as outlined.
- 2. Remove cable(s) clamps from housing brace on control panel.



Installation

- 1. Connect cable(s) to control panel.
- 2. Install cable(s) to housing brace with clamp(s) on control panel.
- 3. Route cable(s) and install control panel as outlined.
- 4. Adjust cables as outlined.

Blower Motor

Removal

- 1. Disconnect negative battery cable.
- 2. Disconnect electrical connector at blower motor.
- 3. Remove three screws retaining motor and cover to blower case.
- 4. Remove cover, cooling tube and blower motor.
- 5. Remove nut retaining blower wheel to blower motor. Remove blower wheel.
- 6. Remove gasket from blower motor.



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Installation

- 1. Position gasket onto blower motor.
- 2. Install blower wheel onto blower motor.
- 3. Install attaching nut.
- 4. Position blower motor, cooling tube, and cover into blower case.
- 5. Install three screws.
- 6. Connect electrical connector to blower motor.
- 7. Connect negative battery cable.
- 8. Check operation of blower motor.

Blower Motor Resistor

- 1. Disconnect negative battery cable.
- 2. Disconnect electrical connectors at resistor and blower motor.
- 3. Remove two screws and resistor from blower case.
- 4. Lower glove compartment below stops.



Installation

- 1. Connect blower feed connector to resistor.
- 2. Return glove compartment to the closed position.
- 3. Position resistor into blower case and install two screws.
- 4. Connect electrical connectors at resistor and blower motor.
- 5. Connect negative battery cable.
- 6. Check operation of blower motor.

Blower Case Assembly

Removal

- 1. Disconnect negative battery cable.
- 2. Remove air door control cable at blower case as outlined under Air Door Cable, Adjustments.
- 3. Disconnect electrical connectors from resistor and blower motor. Remove wiring harness from blower case and position out of the way.



- 4. Disconnect duct work from blower case.
- 5. It may be necessary to loosen instrument panel mounting bolts and slightly raise instrument panel assembly to provide clearance for removal. Refer to Section 01-12.
- 6. Remove three nuts and remove blower case.



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Installation

- 1. Position blower case and install three nuts. Tighten to 7-10 N·m (5-7 lb-ft).
- 2. Connect duct work to blower case.

3. Connect electrical connectors and fasten wiring harness to blower case.

4. Connect and adjust control cable as outlined.

BLOWER CASE

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- 5. Position instrument panel and tighten mounting bolts. Refer to Section 01-12.
- 6. Connect negative battery cable.

CONNECTOR

7. Check operation of blower motor and control cable.

Heater Case

WARNING: NEVER REMOVE THE RADIATOR CAP UNDER ANY CONDITIONS WHILE THE ENGINE IS **OPERATING, FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE** INSTRUCTIONS COULD RESULT IN DAMAGE TO THE COOLING SYSTEM, ENGINE AND/OR PERSONAL INJURY, TO AVOID HAVING SCALDING HOT COOLANT OR STEAM BLOW OUT OF THE RADIATOR, USE EXTREME CARE WHEN REMOVING THE CAP FROM A HOT RADIATOR. WAIT UNTIL THE ENGINE HAS COOLED, THEN WRAP A THICK CLOTH AROUND THE RADIATOR CAP AND TURN IT SLOWLY TO THE FIRST STOP. STEP BACK WHILE THE PRESSURE IS RELEASED FROM THE COOLING SYSTEM, WHEN CERTAIN ALL PRESSURE HAS BEEN RELEASED, PRESS DOWN ON THE CAP (STILL WITH A CLOTH), TURN AND REMOVE IT.

- 1. Remove floor console and instrument panel. Refer to Section 01-12.
- 2. Drain cooling system. Refer to Section 03-03.
- Disconnect heater hoses from heater core extension tubes. Plug heater tubes to prevent spilling coolant into passenger compartment.



- 4. Remove plastic rivets and both defroster hoses.
- 5. Remove main air duct connecting heater case to blower case or air conditioning unit (if equipped).
- Roll back carpet to gain access to lower duct and lower mounting bolts. It may be necessary to remove carpet fasteners.
- 7. Disconnect lower duct (rear seat supply) from heater case.



- 8. Remove cable ends from heater case if still connected.
- 9. Remove wiring harness from heater case.
- 10. Remove two lower bolts, two upper nuts, and one center retaining nut from blower case.
- 11. Remove heater case.



Installation

- 1. Position heater case onto mounting studs and guide extension tubes through dash panel. Make sure grommets are sealed around extension tubes.
- Install two upper nuts, one center retaining nut, and two lower bolts. Tighten all fasteners to 7-10 N•m (5-7 lb-ft).
- 3. Install lower duct onto heater case.
- Reposition carpet and install fasteners if removed.
- 5. Attach wiring harness to heater case.
- 6. Connect defroster hoses and main air duct to heater case. Install plastic retaining rivets.
- 7. Connect heater hoses as shown. Tighten clamps to 4-6 N-m (36-53 lb-in).
- 8. Fill cooling system. Refer to Section 03-03.



- 9. Install instrument panel assembly, if removed. Refer to Section 01-12.
- 10. Connect control cable to heater case and adjust as outlined.
- 11. Install floor console. Refer to Section 01-12.
- 12. Operate heater and check for leaks.

Heater Core

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- 1. Drain cooling system. Refer to Section 03-03.
- 2. Remove heater case as outlined.





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| | engine. |



- Make sure grommets are in place and flush with engine compartment wall as shown.
- Place clamps on hose or fitting.

NOTE: Colored dots are used on engine ends of original equipment hoses. Make sure dots face upward when installed to provide proper twist in

- Install hose and slide all the way up fitting until it reaches ferrule.
- Install clamps. Tighten screw-type clamps to 4-6 N•m (36-53 lb-in).
- Fill cooling system. Refer to Section 03-03.
- Operate engine and heater. Check for leaks.

Registers, LH Side and Center

The LH side and center registers are attached to the rear of the instrument cluster bezel with screws and

Removal and Installation

- Remove instrument cluster bezel. Refer to Section 01-12.
- Remove screws, washers and register(s).



Register, RH Side

Removal and Installation

- 1. Gently pry register from instrument panel.
- 2. Position ducts located behind instrument panel.
- 3. Install register and make sure it is fully connected to ducts.



Defroster Ducts

Removal and Installation

- 1. Remove instrument panel. Refer to Section 01-12.
- 2. Remove duct retaining screws and duct(s).
- 3. To install, reverse Removal procedure.



Defroster Tubes and Side Demister Tubes

NOTE: If servicing RH defroster ducts only, they can be serviced through the glove compartment opening after glove compartment support is removed. Refer to Section 01-12.

Removal and Installation

- 1. Remove instrument panel. Refer to Section 01-12.
- 2. Remove defroster and/or demister tubes.
- 3. To install, reverse Removal procedure.



Heat Ducts, Rear Seat

Removal and Installation

- 1. Remove carpet. Refer to Section 01-05.
- 2. Remove duct retaining screw and disconnect from splitter duct.
- 3. To install, reverse Removal procedure.



Air Inlet Duct

Removal and Installation

- 1. Remove instrument panel. Refer to Section 01-12.
- 2. Remove duct.

- 3. Inspect duct seal. Replace, if necessary.
- 4. To install, reverse Removal procedure.



Instrument Panel Ducts

Removal and Installation

- 1. Remove instrument panel. Refer to Section 01-12.
- 2. Remove retaining screws and ducts, as necessary.



Heater Tube, LH Removal and Installation

- 1. Remove steering column center trim cover.
- 2. Remove tube.







ADJUSTMENTS

Control Cable Adjustment

The control cables should be adjusted every time they are removed to ensure maximum travel of the air control doors.

Function Selector Cable

- 1. Remove RH center carpet panel.
- Position function selector lever in DEFROST position.
- 3. Release cable from housing brace located on side of heater case.
- 4. With cable end on door lever pin, push door lever down to its extreme stop as shown.
- 5. Secure cable into cable housing brace.
- 6. Adjust function selector rod as outlined.



Function Selector Rod

- 1. Remove rod from retaining clip at heater case.
- 2. Push door lever downward to its extreme stop as shown.
- 3. Adjust rod to align with clip in heater case lever and secure rod into retaining clip.
- 4. Check lever for proper operation.

ADJUSTMENTS (Continued)



Temperature Control Cable

- 1. Remove LH center carpet panel.
- 2. Position temperature control lever in MAX-COLD position.
- 3. Remove cable from housing brace on side of heater case.
- 4. With cable end on door lever pin, push door lever down to its extreme stop as shown.
- 5. Secure cable into housing brace.
- 6. Check temperature control lever for proper operation.
- 7. Install LH center carpet panel.



Air Door Control Cable

- 1. Remove RH center carpet panel.
- 2. Position air door control lever in FRESH AIR position.
- 3. Remove cable from housing brace on side of blower case.
- 4. With cable end on door lever pin, push door lever forward to its extreme stop as shown.
- 5. Secure cable into housing brace.
- 6. Check air door control lever for proper operation.
- 7. Install RH center carpet panel.



SPECIFICATION

TORQUE SPECIFICATIONS

| Description | N·m | Lb-Ft |
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| Blower Case Retaining Nuts | 7-10 | 5.7 |
| Heater Case Retaining Bolts and Nuts | 7-10 | 5-7 |
| Heater Hose Clamps | 4-6 | 35-53 (Lb-In) |