

BOSCH/NIPPONDENSO

Chrysler Corp Horizon & Omni

DESCRIPTION

Horizon and Omni models use either a Bosch or a Nippondenso direct drive type starter with an overrunning clutch. Starters are 12 volt with an enclosed solenoid mounted on starter. On automatic transmission models, the rear armature support bushing is part of the starter housing. On manual transmission models, the bushing is mounted in the clutch housing.

TESTING

AMPERAGE DRAW TEST

- 1) Engine should be at normal operating temperature and battery should be at full charge. A voltmeter and ammeter will be required.
- 2) Adjust voltmeter selector to 16 volts. Connect positive voltmeter lead to positive battery terminal and negative voltmeter lead to negative battery terminal.
- 3) Connect positive ammeter lead to positive battery terminal and negative ammeter lead to negative battery terminal. Disconnect coil wire from distributor cap.
- 4) Crank engine with a remote starter switch. Note exact reading on voltmeter. Turn voltmeter knob until that reading is obtained on scale.
- 5) Crank engine over again and observe ammeter reading. Ammeter indicates starter amperage draw. Specified amperage draw is 47 amps.

STARTER RESISTANCE TEST

- 1) Make sure battery is at full charge. Disconnect positive battery cable at battery. Connect an ammeter (0 to 300 scale) between disconnected lead and battery terminal.
- 2) Connect a 10 scale voltmeter between positive battery post and starter switch terminal at solenoid.
- 3) Crank engine over and check reading on voltmeter and ammeter. Voltage reading should not exceed .3 volt.
- 4) A reading higher than this indicates a high resistance caused by loose circuit connections, defective cable, burned starter relay or solenoid switch contacts.
- 5) If current is high and starter cranks slow, starter is defective.

INSULATED CIRCUIT TEST

- 1) Make sure battery is at full charge. Adjust voltmeter switch to 4 volt position. Disconnect coil wire at distributor cap.
- 2) Connect voltmeter positive lead to positive battery terminal. Connect voltmeter negative lead to solenoid connector that connects to starter field coils.

NOTE— It will be necessary to peel back rubber boot to gain access to connector. Also, the voltmeter will read off scale until engine is cranked over.

- 3) Crank engine over with a remote starter switch. Check voltmeter reading. A voltage drop of .3 volt or less indicates voltage drop is normal.
- 4) If voltmeter reads more than .3 volt, high resistance is indicated in starter insulated circuit.
- 5) Disconnect voltmeter from solenoid connector. Reconnect to the following points and repeat test at each connection.
 - Solenoid starter terminal.
 - Solenoid battery terminal.
 - Starter relay.
 - Battery cable connection.
- 6) A small change will occur each time a portion of the circuit is removed from test. A definite change in voltmeter indicates last part eliminated in test is at fault.

STARTER GROUND CIRCUIT

- 1) Connect voltmeter positive lead to starter housing. Connect voltmeter negative lead to battery negative terminal. Crank engine over with a remote starter switch.
- 2) Voltmeter reading should not exceed .2 volt. A reading less than .2 volt indicates a voltage loss in ground cable which is normal.
- 3) A voltage loss of more than .2 volt indicates excessive voltage loss in starter ground circuit.
- 4) Disconnect voltmeter. Reconnect to the following points and repeat test at each connection.
 - Starter drive housing.
 - Cable terminal at engine.
 - Battery cable clamp.
- 5) A small change will occur each time a portion of the circuit is removed from test. A definite change in voltmeter indicates last part eliminated in test is at fault.

STARTER NO LOAD TEST

- 1) Place starter in a vise. Use a fully charged 12 volt battery. Connect an ammeter (0 to 100 scale) with a carbon pile rheostat in series with battery positive terminal and starter terminal.
- 2) Connect a voltmeter across starter. Rotate rheostat to full resistance position. Connect battery cable from negative battery terminal and starter housing.
- 3) Adjust rheostat until voltage shown on voltmeter is 11 volts. Current draw should be 47 amperes at 6600 RPM.