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GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS										
Year	Displ.		Carburetor	HP at RPM	Torque (Ft. Lbs. at RPM)	Compr. Ratio	Bore		Stroke	
	cu. ins.	cc					in.	mm	in.	mm
1976	121	1985	Fuel Inj.	.....	.....	8.7-1	3.543	90	3.071	78

ENGINE IDENTIFICATION

Engine number is stamped on block and is located near the summer setting on air cleaner.

Engine Identification

Application

① Engine Code

Federal

Man. Trans. B20-P06
Auto. Trans. B20-P03

Calif.

Man. Trans. B20-P04
Auto. Trans. B20-P05

① - Engine code number is followed by a six digit serial number.

ENGINE REMOVAL

NOTE - It is not recommended to remove engine without transmission. Remove engine and transmission as an assembly.

- 1) Remove hood attaching bolts and lift off hood. Disconnect battery cables. Unclamp and remove battery. Drain coolant from radiator, engine block and heater core by opening all petcocks.
- 2) Disconnect vacuum hoses from power assist cylinder and pressure sensor. Disconnect fuel lines from injector tubes. Disconnect EGR system.
- 3) Disconnect electrical wires from following components: Ignition coil, ballast resistor, temperature sender, radiator fan, thermostat, wipers, headlights, and automatic transmission. Disconnect fuel injection cables.
- 4) Disconnect electrical leads from the following: Fuel injection distributor, injectors, air cleaner, throttle valve switch at temperature sensor, and temperature switch below intake manifold.
- 5) Remove air cleaner with hoses. Disconnect throttle cable at driver bracket. Disconnect hoses at thermostat, radiator, water pump and valve at heater core.
- 6) Remove four screws from front panel. Remove headlight frames and headlights. Disconnect hood lock cable at firewall and wheel housing. Remove front panel, lifting forward and upward.
- 7) On Man. Trans., remove clutch slave cylinder and hang it out of the way.
- 8) On Auto. Trans., remove heat shield on exhaust manifold at exhaust manifold and exhaust pipe.

9) On all models, remove exhaust pipe from manifold. Disconnect ground strap at transmission. Raise front of vehicle and place blocks under chassis.

10) On Man. Trans., place transmission in neutral. Knock out front taper pin from gear shift rod. Pull rubber bellows free of groove in gear selector rod, if so equipped. Separate gear selector rod and arm.

11) On Auto. Trans., remove screw for gear selector wire at transmission. Move gear selector lever to position No. 1 and pull outer cable housing back. Using a suitable tool (Saab Tool No. 879038) on wire, turn tool a small amount and pull out wire.

12) Disconnect speedometer cable from transmission. Remove nuts from engine mounts. Unclamp larger clamps around rubber bellows on inner universal joints. Attach suitable lifting sling to engine.

NOTE - On models with top mounted alternator, remove alternator and attach rear lifting sling cable to alternator bracket.

13) Remove attaching hardware from lower end piece of control arm on right-hand side. Turn steering wheel to left and raise engine slightly. Move engine to right and withdraw left universal joint, then move it to left and remove right universal joint.

14) Raise engine to gain access to starter and alternator, disconnect cables. Lift engine clear of vehicle and place on an engine stand. To install, reverse removal procedures.

NOTE - To separate engine and transmission see Oil Pan Removal.

CYLINDER HEAD

Removal - 1) Disconnect battery cables. Drain coolant (including block). Disconnect throttle cable at housing. Disconnect electrical lead from temperature sender. Remove brake vacuum hose from intake manifold.

2) Disconnect and plug fuel lines from fuel distributor. Disconnect all necessary coolant hoses. Separate exhaust pipe from manifold. Take off ignition wires and cap. Thread a nut on center stud of camshaft sprocket. Clamp stud against mounting plate.

NOTE - Make sure nut is securely tightened so center stud will not move.

3) Unbolt retaining bolts from camshaft sprocket. Separate sprocket from camshaft plate. Let sprocket hang in mounting

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plate by center stud. Remove cylinder head bolts. Support rear of engine. Remove engine mount bolt from head. Take out screws at transmission cover. Remove head.

Installation - To install reverse removal procedures and note the following: Make sure camshaft and bearing cap index marks are aligned. Align flywheel mark with mark on cylinder block. Set ignition with No. 1 piston at TDC. Retorque head bolts after engine has run and allowed to cool.

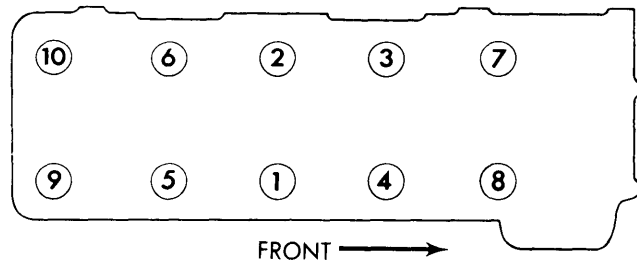


Fig. 1 Cylinder Head Tightening Sequence

VALVES							
Engine & Valve	Head Diam. In. (mm)	Face Angle	Seat Angle	Seat Width In. (mm)	Stem Diameter In. (mm)	Stem Clearance In. (mm)	Valve Lift In. (mm)
1985 cc Int.	1.653 (41.97)	44.5°	45°	.004-.008 (1-2)	.313-.314 (7.95-7.98)	①	.....
Exh.	1.397 (35.48)	44.5°	45°	.004-.008 (1-2)	.313-.314 (7.95-7.98)	①	.....

① - .019" (.483 mm) measured at valve head pulled .118" (2.99 mm) from seat.

VALVE ARRANGEMENT

E-I-I-E-E-I-I-E (front to rear).

VALVE GUIDE SERVICING

1) Check valve guide and valve stem for wear or damage. Using a suitable tool (839043), withdraw valve guide from camshaft side of head.

2) Install guide from cylinder side of head, using suitable tool (839043). Ream guide to standard size, using a suitable reamer. Check valve seat for true, reface if necessary.

VALVE SPRINGS			
Engine	Free Length In. (mm)	PRESSURE Lbs. @ In. (kg @ mm)	
		Valve Closed	Valve Open
1985 cc	1.744 (44.30)	.....	178-198@1.161 (80.7-89.8@29.49)

VALVE SPRING REMOVAL

1) With cylinder head removed, remove camshaft bearing caps and camshaft.

2) Using a magnet, lift out cam followers along with adjusting pallets and retain in proper order for reassembly.

3) With spring compressor, depress spring and remove valve keepers. Release spring and valve collar.

4) Replace spring and reverse removal procedure.

VALVE CLEARANCE ADJUSTMENT

1) With valve cover removed, rotate engine until valve to be adjusted or checked has heel of cam opposite cam follower. Measure clearance with feeler gauge. If clearance is not within specifications, intake .006-.012" (.152-.305 mm) and .014-.020" (.356-.508 mm) for exhaust, a direct measurement will be required.

2) Install suitable tool (839145) and a dial indicator. Measure clearance of all valves and note reading. Proceed to adjust any valve which does not come within the following limits: .008-.010" (.203-.254 mm) intake and .016-.018" (.406-.457 mm) exhaust.

3) Remove camshaft, cam followers and adjusting pallets of any valve needing adjustment.

4) Measure pallet thickness and add noted valve clearance to arrive at total clearance. Subtract proper valve clearance from total clearance to determine needed pallet thickness.

5) Install new adjusting pallets and recheck valve clearance.

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PISTONS, PINS, RINGS						
Engine	PISTONS	PINS		RINGS		
	Clearance In. (mm)	Piston Fit In. (mm)	Rod Fit In. (mm)	Rings	End Gap In. (mm)	Side Clearance In. (mm)
1985 cc	.0005-.0015 (.013-.038)	.....	①	No. 1	.014-.021 (.35-.53)	.002-.003 (.051-.076)
				No. 2	.012-.018 (.30-.46)	.0015-.003 (.038-.076)
				Oil	.015-.055 (.38-1.40)	.....

① - Push fit.

PISTON & ROD ASSEMBLY

Connecting rods and rod caps are numbered. Note positioning and location before disassembly.

Removal - With oil pan and cylinder head removed, unscrew rod nuts and withdraw bearing caps. Place plastic sleeves over rod bolts and push out rod and piston.

Installation - Use a ring compressor over piston and fit piston to bore. Make sure notch in piston faces engine/transmission. Install rod cap in position and tighten bolts.

PISTON PIN REPLACEMENT

Piston pins are retained by circlips. Remove circlips and press out piston pins. Check pins and bearings for wear or damage, replace if necessary.

FITTING PISTONS

1) To fit pistons to cylinder bores, use a feeler gauge .500" (12.7 mm) wide and .0005-.0014" (.013-.036 mm) thick. Oil cylinder lightly and insert piston without rings.

2) Attach feeler gauge to a spring scale. Insert feeler gauge between piston and cylinder wall at right angles to piston pin. When feeler gauge can be pulled out of cylinder with a force of 1.8-2.6 lbs. (.816-1.18 kg), piston clearance has been determined.

3) Repeat test at several different depths in cylinder bore. Graded standard and non-graded oversize pistons are available.

Piston Specifications

Application	Diameter In. (mm)
Std. (AB).....	3.5425-3.5427 (89.980-89.986)
Std. (C).....	3.5432-3.5436 (89.998-90.007)
1st Oversize.....	3.5618-3.5624 (90.470-90.485)
2nd Oversize.....	3.5815-3.5821 (90.970-90.985)

4) Check piston rings for end gap and side clearance, using an inverted piston to position ring in bore. On worn bores, measure at lower end of bore.

5) Install rings on piston, making sure gaps of compression rings are 180° apart with lower compression ring mark "TOP" facing up. On three piece oil ring make sure ends are staggered.

CRANKSHAFT MAIN & CONNECTING ROD BEARINGS							
Engine	MAIN BEARINGS				CONNECTING ROD BEARINGS		
	Journal Diam. In. (mm)	Clearance In. (mm)	Thrust Bearing	Crankshaft End Play In. (mm)	Journal Diam. In. (mm)	Clearance In. (mm)	Side Play In. (mm)
1985 cc	2.282-2.283 (57.981-58.000)	.001-.003 (.025-.076)	Center	.003-.011 (.076-.279)	2.046-2.047 (51.981-52.000)	.001-.003 (.025-.076)	.....

MAIN BEARING SERVICE

1) Remove connecting rods and main bearing caps. Measure journals with a micrometer. Out-of-round should not exceed .002" (.051 mm). If crankshaft is near or over stated limit of wear, regrind journals and fit undersize bearings.

2) Using "V" blocks and a dial indicator check crankshaft for bend. If bend exceeds .002" (.051 mm), replace or repair crankshaft.

3) Using Plastigage method, check main bearing and connecting rod bearing journals. If clearance is found excessive, combine suitable undersize bearings to correct clearance. Undersize bearings are available in various thicknesses.

THRUST BEARING ALIGNMENT

Center main bearing is thrust bearing. Check crankshaft endplay. If it exceeds specifications, replace thrust washers with oil grooves facing crankshaft.

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FRONT OIL SEAL SERVICE

NOTE — Seal may be replaced with engine in vehicle if clutch and flywheel are removed.

Remove seal ring with a screwdriver. Oil ring surface before installing. Fit new seal with spring ring facing crankshaft.

TIMING COVER & OIL SEAL

Remove pulley using a puller. Pry out old seal. Grease seal with silicone. Install new seal.

CAMSHAFT			
Engine	Journal Diam. In. (mm)	Clearance In. (mm) ①	Lobe Lift In. (mm)
1985 cc	1.139 28.94	.....	.....

① — End play is .003-.009" (.08-.23 mm).

CAMSHAFT REMOVAL

Removal — 1) Remove camshaft cover and gaskets. Rotate crankshaft until number one piston is at TDC of compression stroke.

2) Remove camshaft sprocket by screwing a nut onto center stud of camshaft sprocket and clamp center stud against mounting bracket.

CAUTION — Tighten nut securely, so sprocket and chain can not move. Otherwise chain tensioner will tighten chain, and tensioner can not be reset without lifting engine out of vehicle.

3) Bend back locks and remove attaching screws from camshaft sprocket. Separate sprocket from camshaft plate until it hangs free with bracket.

4) Remove camshaft bearing caps. Lift off camshaft, inspect camshaft and bearings for wear or damage.

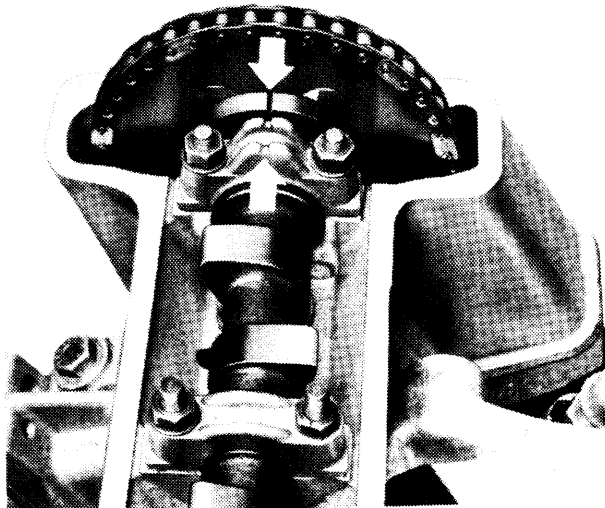


Fig. 2 Camshaft Timing Marks

5) Replace camshaft bearings and caps, then tighten cap nuts. Align camshaft timing mark with mark on cylinder head as shown in Fig. 3.

6) Install camshaft sprocket on camshaft. Unscrew nut from center stud on camshaft sprocket and lock both attaching screws. Replace camshaft cover and gaskets.

CAUTION — Nut on camshaft sprocket center stud must not on any account be unscrewed before sprocket is tightly screwed to camshaft.

Engine	VALVE TIMING			
	INTAKE ①		EXHAUST ②	
	Open (BTDC)	Close (ALDC)	Open (BLDC)	Close (ATDC)
1985cc	10°	54°	46°	18°

① — With .014" (.35 mm) valve clearance.

② — With .022 (.55 mm) valve clearance.

VALVE TIMING & CHAIN REPLACEMENT

Removal — 1) Remove timing cover and camshaft cover. Separate camshaft from camshaft sprocket. See *Camshaft Removal*.

2) Mount pinion sprocket on crankshaft. Align "O" degree mark on flywheel with mark on cylinder block (Fig. 4).

3) Remove chain guides, oil thrower ring and pull sprocket off crankshaft, using a suitable puller.

4) Remove idler shaft keeper plate and withdraw idler shaft.

Installation — 1) Reinstall idler shaft. Install keeper plate and attaching bolts. Position idler sprocket so marked line is horizontal.

2) Mount pinion sprocket on crankshaft. Align "O" degree mark on flywheel with mark on cylinder block (see illustration).

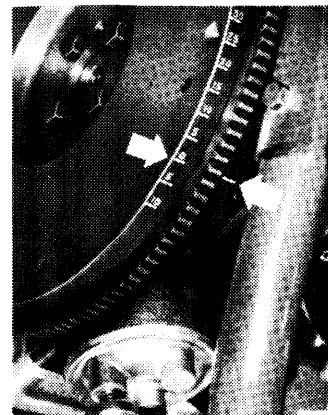


Fig. 3 Aligning "O" Degree Mark on Flywheel with Mark on Cylinder Block

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- 3) Align camshaft mark with mark on cylinder head. Install straight chain guide with long screw in bottom hole.
- 4) Loosely mount curved chain guide with short screw in hole nearest idler shaft.
- 5) Place camshaft chain over camshaft sprocket and mounting bracket. Lower chain and sprocket past camshaft flange until center stud of sprocket is lined up with camshaft.

6) Rotate camshaft sprocket until screw holes match threaded holes in camshaft flange.

7) Place timing chain over crankshaft and idler sprockets so chain will be in a straight line between camshaft and crankshaft as shown in Fig. 4. Do not change any of the sprocket settings while installing chain.

8) Guide center stud of camshaft sprocket into camshaft. Install locking plate and one screw. Install screws for chain guides and camshaft sprocket mounting bracket.

9) Rotate crankshaft one revolution. Install and tighten camshaft sprocket screws. Lock screws with locking plate. Check timing marks to see they are properly aligned.

10) Install chain tensioner as follows: Relieve spring pressure on tensioner by turning clamping sleeve clockwise to mounting position. Fit a spacer on neck of tensioner and push neck into body of tensioner.

11) Mount chain tensioner and guide plate on block. Remove spacer. Press curved chain guide against chain to stretch it and push tensioner neck into housing. Adjust to leave a clearance of .020" (.508 mm) between housing and tensioner neck, then tighten chain guide. Rotate crankshaft one full turn and check that tensioner has not less than .020" (.508 mm) and not more than .060" (1.524 mm) of clearance. Remove nut from camshaft center stud. Reinstall remaining components in reverse order of disassembly.

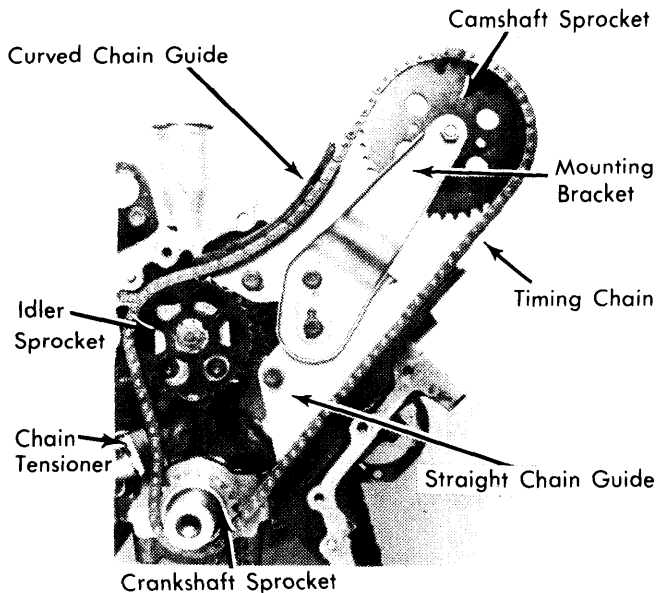


Fig. 4 Front View of Timing Chain Installed and Tightened

ENGINE OILING

Crankcase Capacity - 4.0 qts. including filter.

Oil Filter - Full-flow type.

Normal Oil Pressure - 43 psi (3.0 kg/cm²) @2000 RPM.

Pressure Regulator Valve - Non-adjustable, opens at 57-71 psi (4.0-5.0 kg/cm²).

ENGINE OILING SYSTEM

Oil pressure is generated by a dual-rotor pump driven from idler shaft. Pump is located on outside of engine. Oil is forced through a full-flow filter and oil channels to various lubrication points. Each connecting rod bearing has a separate oil passage from main bearings.

OIL PUMP

Removal - 1) Remove four screws attaching pump to engine. Withdraw pump and "O" ring from engine. Remove

two screws attaching pump cover to housing. Remove rotors and "O" ring from housing.

2) Pull cotter pin from cover and remove plug, "O" ring, spring and pressure relief valve piston. Using a straightedge and feeler gauge, measure clearance between rotors and housing face. If clearance exceeds .002-.0035" (.051-.076 mm), use fine emery paper to resurface housing or sides of rotors.

Installation - 1) Clean and oil all parts. Install outer rotor with chamfered edge inward facing toward drive shaft. Install valve piston, spring plug, "O" ring and cotter pin in pump cover.

2) Place "O" ring in pump housing groove. Install cover and tighten screws. Rotate pump up until drive shaft engages in engine. Slide pump up against engine and install four attaching bolts.

ENGINE COOLING

Cooling System Capacity - 8.5 quarts.

Thermostat - Thermostat begins to open at approximately 190°F (88°C).

Radiator Cap - Radiator pressure cap opens at approximately 14.2 psi.

WATER PUMP

Removal - 1) Drain coolant. Disconnect battery. Remove intake manifold. Remove alternator. Remove bolt mounting bracket to pump cover. Unbolt rear engine mounts. Raise rear of engine. Remove bolt mounting alternator bracket to

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transmission cover. Loosen lower bolt and twist bracket away from engine. Remove last two bolts from cover and remove.

2) Position special tool 8392441 (or equivalent) over water pump and fit two bolts (DO NOT TIGHTEN). Turn tool counterclockwise so peg engages a fin on impeller. Loosen

center impeller nut (left hand threads). Remove water pump. DO NOT tap out with hammer.

Installation - To install, reverse removal procedure and note: It may be necessary to use sleeve 8392490 (or equivalent) to seat bearing housing.

TIGHTENING SPECIFICATIONS	
Application	Ft. Lbs. (mkg)
Main Bearings	79 (10.9)
Rod Bearings	40 (5.5)
Camshaft Bearing Caps.....	13 (1.8)
Camshaft Cover.....	1 (.14)
Crankshaft Pulley.....	137 (19.00)
Rear Crankshaft Seal.....	14 (1.9)
Cylinder Head	
Step One	43 (6.0)
Step Two	69 (9.5)
Flywheel	43 (6.0)
Water Pump Impeller.....	11 (1.5)
Oil Pump.....	13 (1.8)
Idler Shaft Plate.....	14 (1.9)
Idler Sprocket	18 (2.5)
Camshaft Sprocket	14 (1.9)
Intake Manifold	13 (1.8)
Exhaust Manifold.....	18 (2.5)
Thermostat Housing	13 (1.8)