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Using aftermarket "OE-quality" replacement brake parts may not be the wisest choice. Here's the right information on selecting the right brake components for your customers' Subaru vehicles.



The question of whether or not to use OE brake parts lingers in the automotive aftermarket industry. Some would say that aftermarket brake parts are just as good as the OE parts and are cheaper. In fact, neither of these points is accurate.

OE brake parts are selected for use by the vehicle manufacturer after lengthy research and testing and supplied by the top companies in their respective fields. These components are made from the best materials, manufactured under the highest quality standards and monitored for any defects, which are quickly eliminated. They are backed by warranties from reputable companies. The same statements cannot be said about many aftermarket parts.

Lastly, the cost of brake parts should not be judged by the initial price of the component, but by its proper fit and function; safe and efficient braking performance; durability and therefore – its overall cost in the long run.

# **Safety and Performance**

A brake system component is not just another car part, like a horn or a headlight. The very essence of safety is the vehicle's ability to efficiently stop – every time – when the brakes are applied.

The brakes must perform flawlessly over the usable lifetime of the components, so we call this factor "performance." The level of performance determines the safeness of the braking system.

Once the performance level of the components falls, the safety becomes



jeopardized. The brake system is then serviced to bring the level of performance – and therefore safety – back up to acceptable standards. Most often, servicing the brake system requires replacing the pads or shoes; usually the rotors or drums must be resurfaced and may often be replaced; and sometimes the calipers require service or replacement.

When you are servicing the braking components on a Subaru vehicle, you may be faced with making a decision about whether to use Genuine Subaru replacement parts or aftermarket parts. The question is: "Am I using the right parts?" Here are the factors you need to seriously consider:

# **The Right Friction Material**

Many suppliers of lesser-quality brake components offer not only inferior quality parts, but try to use fewer styles of parts to cover many different applications. The "one size fits all" doctrine just doesn't make sense when were talking about the system that brings the vehicle to a safe, dependable stop at any and all speeds, under diverse road and weather conditions. ∧ Subaru brake pads are specifically formulated for optimum performance when combined with the other braking components on each vehicle.

Thirty years ago, there was only one basic type of friction material used in all brake compound applications – asbestos. With the phasing out of asbestos, many other types of organic, non-organic, ceramic and semimetallic compounds entered the



picture. Today, there are nearly thirty compound formulas, all designed to meet the specific needs of the various types of vehicles on the road, under diverse braking conditions.

Different compounds deliver different braking characteristics. Each vehicle has a specific profile of the friction compound that is best for use with the driving performance level of the vehicle and the other braking components on the vehicle. Choosing the correct compound for the specific vehicle can only be achieved by skilled engineers, thoroughly testing and selecting the best formula. This it what Subaru engineers do when they design a vehicle.

# **The Right Pads**

Different vehicles have different friction compound requirements, based on vehicle weight; drivetrain type; vehicle performance type; rotor type, size and metallurgy. The design of OE pads is based on proper stopping power, fade resistance, heat

# ✓ Matching the braking components is critical to optimum performance.





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dissipation and pedal effort under all driving conditions.

The type of friction compound, as well as the method and quality of the manufacturing process determines the overall durability – and therefore the cost effectiveness – of the brake pad.

Your local Subaru N.E.W. Horizons Dealer can supply dozens of part numbers, each with specific applications for specific vehicles, covering models from the last several years.

# **The Right Rotors**

The selection of replacement rotors requires some logical thinking. Rotors

must meet the safety and performance level of the vehicle under its intended usage. For example: using a racing application intended for an Impreza WRX STI on a Tribeca would not be wise.

Rotors designs can range from safety-oriented styles for family-hauling vehicles to high speed braking applications, which require high heat dissipation. Each style is different. High performance racing-style rotors are usually slotted or drilled for heat dissipation and normally matched with high-density friction material pads. However, the smaller surface area reduces the contact coefficient desired in normal day-to-day driving, where maximum braking surface is desired.  Brake System Technicians Reference Booklet, Module 501.





High quality rotors must be manufactured from the best materials, properly cast to eliminate warping, casting pockets and fissures which can result in premature replacement.

# **The Right Calipers**

The quality and function of the actuating pistons and seals largely determines the performance and safety level of the calipers, but the proper fit, tolerances and durability of the caliper and mounting accessories are also critical.

Subaru brake calipers utilize either a single or dual piston design, depending on the model. Each design incorporates pistons with an optimum bore size for rapid and effective brake force application when the brake pedal is pushed and smooth consistent release when the foot is lifted off the pedal. Using a caliper without these exacting specifications jeopardizes braking performance and safety.

The position of the caliper mounting holes and components must be in the exact positions as on the OE calipers or the braking operation may not align or perform as specifications require. The smooth action of the slide pins must also be precise.

Lastly, the quality of the caliper casting is important. The absence of cracks and fissures, resistance to

# ✓ 1990-2008 Parts Quick Reference Guide.



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When considering the importance of the brake caliper specifications for constant, flawless performance, it's easy to understand that "one size fits many" calipers are not a wise choice.

# The Right Match

Matching the right pad to the right rotor and the right caliper is crucial. If the formula compounding of the pad is harder than the OE part, the result may be harsh "grabbing" of the brakes and/or excessive wear of the rotor, resulting in premature replacement. If the pads are softer than the OE part, the result may be underperforming braking, resulting in an unsafe operating condition. Matching the right caliper to control the right pad and rotor is necessary to provide the best control of braking power. The value of properly applying and releasing the brake – time after time – cannot be understated.

# **The Right Components**

Different types of powertrains require slightly different types of braking system components. Rear-wheeldrive vehicles have different braking characteristics than front-wheeldrive or all-wheel-drive vehicles. The design of Subaru components takes into consideration the type of All-Wheel-Drive system used on each specific vehicle and matches them for optimum performance.

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# **The Right Service Information**

Just as important as the right braking components is the right service information. With Subaru of America Inc., that information is always at your fingertips. Complete service information is available 7/24 on the Subaru Technical Information Systems website at

# http://techinfo.subaru.com.

On the website, you will find all the shop manuals and information needed to service your customer's Subaru vehicle. To further help you can view or download the Brake System Technicians Reference Booklet, Module 501; P/N MSA5P0170C.

# **The Right Parts**

To help you identify the right Subaru brake parts, the 1990-2008 Parts Quick Reference Guide, P/N MSA6P0802, is available through your local Subaru N.E.W. Horizons Dealer.

It lists Genuine Subaru replacement parts and accessories including brake pads and shoes, brake system reseal kits, master cylinder reseal kits and remanufactured calipers – all covered by the Genuine Subaru Limited Parts Warranty.

Because part numbers change from time to time, always have the VIN handy when ordering. VIN charts are deciphered in the front of the guide.

# **The Right Choice**

In a nutshell: the very best way to maintain the specific engineered-in safety, performance and overall operation of your customer's Subaru vehicle is to match the original Subaru brake components as closely as possible. Considering the facts, the right choice is to install Genuine Subaru brake parts. The braking system is just too important to take a chance on parts with unknown quality. <

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Rack and pinion steering systems are extremely durable, but in order

to function flawlessly for 100,000 miles or more, they require routine

inspection, maintenance and

The most common problems encountered with rack and pinion

steering systems are leaks, fluid

contamination and wear. Hoses and seals can leak, causing a loss of operating pressure and

depriving moving parts of necessary lubrication. Hoses and seals can also break down and contaminate the fluid with bits of rubber, neoprene or other particles. Corroded or rusted parts can add bits of metallic particles to foul the system. Fluid contamination can also occur if moisture enters the system.

occasional service.

Subaru rack and pinion steering systems are among the best in the industry, but even the best need routine maintenance and service to function at an optimum level.

> As the system grows older, the components may wear and deteriorate, affecting the operation. The contact area where the pinion meets the rack, for example, can become worn over years of operation and develop "center wear," causing a loose play and a "wandering feel" in the steering, when driving straight forward.

# Subaru Rack and Pinion Systems

All Subaru steering systems use a rack and pinion steering mechanism. As the steering wheel is turned, the pinion gear on the bottom end of the steering column rotates, proportionately moving the rack (and the wheels) left or right.

Rack and pinion steering is the choice of modern automakers

➤ As the pinion rotates, the rack moves left or right.



because it gives the driver precise control of the wheels. This simple, compact design is also easy to service. Let's take a look at the design and components of the system:

# The Power Steering System

The power steering system consists of the oil pump, control valve, power cylinder and fluid reservoir. The oil pump is belt-driven by the engine and generates the oil pressure that operates the power cylinder, while the flow valve, built into the pump, controls the oil flow rate. The control valve directs the flow of the oil to the left or right side of the power cylinder. The power cylinder contains a piston on the rack shaft and cylinder and is operated by the pressurized oil from the pump. The pressurized oil is fed through the flow control valve to the steering gearbox and then returns to the reservoir tank.

# **The Control Valve**

The control valve consists of a rotor, which rotates together with the steering shaft, and a pinion that rotates together with the sleeve and torsion bar. The pinion and rotor are loosely engaged with a spline and the torsion bar, which is twisted by the turning force applied to the steering wheel, connects them. This generates a relative displacement of the rotor and sleeve and thereby increases or decreases the oil channel crosssectional area and controls both the changeover of the working fluid channel and the working pressure. When oil pressure is not produced - due to oil pump failure, drive belt failure or other causes - torque is directly transmitted from the valve rotor through the spline to the pinion.

# System Inspection

The best way to diagnose rack and pinion problems is to first carefully listen to any customer concerns, note any comments and ask questions to help isolate the problem. Next, you'll want to take a test drive to verify any concerns. During the test drive, the following observations should be noted:

• Steering and control problems. Test for heavy steering effort, steering wheel surges during turning, wandering, failure of steering wheel to return to center, or leading to one side or the other.

# ✓ Rack and pinion power steering hydraulic system.







• Noises. Listen for any hissing, rattling, knocking, grinding, squealing, squeaking, whistling or creaking noises and attempt to pinpoint the source of the noise. •Vibrations. Note any vibration emanating from the rack and pinion valve or connecting linkage. Because there are variations by model and year, always refer to the proper service information for the vehicle you are servicing. Correct power steering system diagnostic tables for each model are available on the Subaru Technical Information System website at http://technifo. subaru.com. These tables list the trouble, possible cause and corrective action for all symptoms.

The drive belt should be inspected during routine maintenance and adjusted as needed. The belt should be replaced if found to be worn.

You can tell a lot about the condition of the system by inspecting the power steering fluid. During



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steering system inspection, look for discoloration or darkening of the fluid, an indication of oxidation or contamination from debris. This debris may be caused by metallic or rubber component degeneration.

Subaru of America, Inc. recommends inspection of the power steering system every 15,000 miles. The power steering fluid should be

✓ The Subaru Steering Systems Technicians Reference Booklet.



# Genuine Subaru replacement rack and pinion assembly. >

replaced if found to be discolored or contaminated.

Always use only Genuine Subaru fluids for the power steering system. Genuine Subaru ATF/PSF (P/N SOA868V9240) is recommended for use in all Subaru power steering systems and transmissions, except those equipped with 5-EAT automatic transmissions. The XT-6 with Electronic Power Steering has its own fluid.

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These fluids are specially formulated to protect seals, hoses and O-rings, and for maximum oxidation stability.

# **Rack and Pinion Service**

If you find that the rack and pinion assembly is damaged or leaking, you have two choices: rebuild or replace.

# •Rebuilding the Rack and Pinion Assembly

While rebuilding may hold the overall cost down, it will require you to obtain some special tools. If you prefer to rebuild, tools for rebuilding and resealing Subaru rack



# •Genuine Subaru Replacement Rack and Pinion Assembly

You may not want to rebuilds rack and pinion assemblies, because of low volume. In this case, it's better to purchase Genuine Subaru replacements from your local Subaru N.E.W. Horizons Dealer. The replacement assembly will arrive quickly and is covered by the Genuine Subaru Parts Limited Warranty for your peace of mind.<

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# Variable Gear Ratio (VGR) Power Steering

Some Subaru models use a VGR rack and pinion system, in which the gear ratio is varied, depending on steering wheel turning angle. When the wheels are pointed straight ahead, the gear ratio is larger to alleviate steering wheel kickback and other adverse conditions that occur while the vehicle is in motion. Road handling characteristics are also improved because the driver's body movements are not readily imparted to the steering. When the vehicle is turning, steering response is improved because the gear ratio becomes smaller as the turning

# angle increases.

In the VGR system, the angle of the gear on the rack is varied, causing the contact point to vary. The gear is set back on the rack so that the gear thickness increases as the gear moves away from the center of the rack. As the steering wheel is turned to the left or right, the gear ratio becomes correspondingly lower. As a result, the rack moving speed at either end is larger than the speed at the center. Accordingly, the gear ratio at both ends becomes smaller than at the center.

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# IT'S ALL IN THE PROCESS





Few types of diagnostic trouble codes can be more confusing than those dealing with emission problems. From the beginning of mandatory OBD II in 1996, more codes have been added and some have changed. Here's a look at how Subaru of America, Inc. has added and streamlined P0400-series DTCs.



Emissions-related OBD II diagnostic trouble codes (DTCs) have evolved over the last dozen years to more precisely pinpoint the problems in automotive systems. The handful of emissions codes used for On-Board Diagnostic (OBD) systems on the late 1980s and early 1990s has grown to nearly a hundred today. Over that time, many DTCS have been modified to more accurately reflect the cause, while others have been added to the list to address issues with advancing technology.

In order to understand how these factors affect Subaru vehicles, it's necessary to first look at the history of emissions control, on-board diagnostics and the DTC coding system.

# How We Got Here

The history of automotive emissions monitoring and control began over forty years ago. The skies over major urban areas were becoming polluted with an unhealthy combination of industrial and automotive exhaust gases, which formed a smoky fog, dubbed "smog." The State of California took steps to reduce these pollutants by forming commissions and administrations to regulate the sources of these pollutants. In 1966, California required basic emission control devices on all passenger cars and light trucks sold within the state. The Federal government followed a couple of years later, but enforcement was difficult to maintain.

The U. S. Congress passed the Clean Air Act in 1970 and created the

Environmental Protection Agency to regulate and police the problem of air pollution (among other things), but the huge bureaucracy needed to research, form standards, regulate and inspect was still not in place.

In the early 1980s, a few on-board computer modules began to appear on passenger vehicles as a way to control fuel injection and emission controls. These systems were implemented mainly for inspection and testing at the end of assembly lines to make sure vehicles left the factory in compliance with California and EPA regulations.

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) mandated that all new vehicles sold in the state in 1988 be equipped with basic onboard diagnostic (OBD) emissions controls. Automakers complied, but each used its own proprietary designs of control modules, data link connectors, sensors, software and actuation devices. Vehicles could only be serviced with that company's tools and service information, causing much confusion and restricting service by the independent aftermarket.

To begin the road toward uniformity, the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) called for standardization, beginning with the data link connector (DLC) and diagnostic test signals. For the next few years, progress was slowly but steadily made toward standardizing the emissions-related portions of OBD, while leaving the rest of the diagnostics to proprietary discretion of the manufacturer.

In 1994, CARB issued a complete set of required diagnostic parameters for vehicles sold in California for the 1996 model year. These new "OBD II" standards, including the standardized DLC and Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTCs), were adopted by the U.S. government for vehicles sold in all states for 1996.

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own proprietary codes, but were mandated to also align those dealing with emissions as OBD II DTCs.

It is at that point that we begin our look at how Subaru vehicles use OBD Il codes and how the systems have developed up to 2008.

NOTE: This article will deal only with OBD II diagnostics which were mandated in all vehicles starting with 1996 models. For On-Board Diagnostics (OBD) trouble codes and diagnostic procedures on most 1995 and prior Subaru vehicles, refer to the Subaru Technical Information Systems website at http://techinfo. subaru.com and search under the appropriate vehicle and model year.

# **Decoding the Codes**

One of the main reasons that emissions codes have been confusing is because, as emission systems evolved over the last dozen years, more codes have been added to cover newer and more complex devices.

OBD II diagnostic trouble codes (DTCs) are identified by a standardized system. Each letter or digit in the 5-place system represents a factor that tells a portion of the total story.

Let's look at an example. The DTC P0442 can be decoded using the following system:

•The first place "P" in the P0442 code tells in which subsystem the fault is occurring:

- P = Powertrain B = Body C = Chassis
- C = Chassis
- U = Network Communication

Now, we know that the problem is in the powertrain.

•The second place "0" in the PO442 code tells whether the DTC is a generic OBD II fault as standardized by the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) or one developed my the vehicle manufacturer:

- 0 = SAE
- 1 = Manufacturer

OK, it's a standard OBD II DTC.

•The third place "4" in the P0442 code indicates the affected subsystem:

- 1 = Air/Fuel Control
- 2 = Fuel System (Injectors)
- 3 = Ignition System/Misfire
- 4 = Auxiliary Emission Controls (EGR/AIR/CAT/EVAP)
- 5 = Vehicle Speed/Idle Control and Auxiliary Inputs
- 6 = Computer System (PCM or Communications)
- 7 = Transaxle/Transmission
- 8 = Transaxle/Transmission

The problem lies in the emission control systems, but further information will be required to pinpoint the problem.

•The fourth and fifth places "42" in the PO442 code will give the specific location of the faulty circuit or component. These digits vary by subsystem, but referring to DTC charts or reading with a quality scan tool will identify the exact problem. In this case, the "42" indicates: Evaporative Emission Control System Malfunction (Small Leak - 1 mm/ 0.04 in).

In many 2001 and prior models, a P0442 DTC may be caused by a loose gas cap. In 2002, the DTC P0457 was added to differentiate between an EVAP system leak and a loose gas cap.

# Subaru OBD II Diagnostic Trouble Codes.

Here is a chronological list of OBD II DTCS used in Subaru vehicles:

# 1995 Impreza, Legacy, Outback, Outback Sport

**P0400** Exhaust Gas Recirculation Flow Malfunction

# P0403

Exhaust Gas Recirculation Malfunction

# P0420

Catalyst System Efficiency Below Threshold

# P0441

Evaporative Emission Control System Incorrect Purge Flow

# P0443

Evaporative Emission Control System Incorrect Purge Control Valve Circuit Malfunction

# 1996 (Full OBD II) P0410

Secondary Air Injection System Malfunction

# P0412

Secondary Air Injection System Switching Valve "A" Circuit Malfunction

# The truth about aftermarket brake parts:

It's enough to make you shudder.

It's no secret that some aftermarket brake parts cost less than genuine OE replacements. But is it worth the risk? Our engineers compared the quality and performance of Genuine Subaru Brake parts with aftermarket imitations.



The results are conclusive: Genuine Subaru parts outperform the other brands tested in every category. More rust resistant, stronger, and less vibration that can result in annoying wheel shudder.

For the full story on how aftermarket parts just don't measure up, ask your dealer for a free copy of this pamphlet. Find your nearest Subaru dealer at www.endwrench.com.



**P0440** Evaporative Emission Control System Malfunction

**P0446** Evaporative Emission Control System Vent Control Malfunction

**P0450** Evaporative Emission Control System Pressure Sensor Malfunction

# **P0451** Evaporative Emission Control System Pressure Sensor Range/Performance Problem

P0461 Fuel Level Sensor Circuit Range/Performance Problem

# 1997

**P0452** Evaporative Emission Control System Pressure Sensor Low Input

# P0453

Evaporative Emission Control System Pressure Sensor High Input

PO462 Fuel Level Sensor Circuit Low Input

P0463 Fuel Level Sensor Circuit High Input

**1998 P0480** Cooling Fan Relay 1 Circuit Low Input

PO483 Cooling Fan Function Problem

# 2001

The 2001 model year saw the addition of more DTCs and clarification of some existing DTCs to further focus on the problems of leaks and incomplete purging.



# P0442

Evaporative Emission Control System Malfunction (Small Leak - 1 mm/0.04 in.)

P0444

Evaporative Emission Control System Purge Control Valve Circuit Low Input

**P0445** Evaporative Emission Control System Purge Control Valve Circuit High Input

**P0447** Evaporative Emission Control System Vent Control Low Input

**P0448** Evaporative Emission Control System Vent Control High Input

**P0456** Evaporative Emission Control System Malfunction (Very Small Leak - .05 mm/.02 in.)

P0464 Fuel Level Sensor Intermittent Input

2002

**P0457** Evaporative Emission Control System Malfunction (Fuel Cap Loose/Off)

**P0458** Evaporative Emission Control System Purge Control Valve Circuit Low Input

**P0459** Evaporative Emission Control System Purge Control Valve Circuit High Input

2005 P0400 Exhaust Gas Recirculation Flow P0420

Catalyst System Efficiency Below Threshold (Bank 1)

**P0442** Evaporative Emission Control System Leak Detected (Small Leak)

P0447

Evaporative Emission Control System Vent Control Circuit Open

**P0448** Evaporative Emission Control System Vent Control Circuit Shorted

**P0451** Evaporative Emission Control System Pressure Sensor Range/Performance

**P0452** Evaporative Emission Control System Pressure Sensor Low Input

**P0453** Evaporative Emission Control System Pressure Sensor High Input

# P0456

Evaporative Emission Control System Leak Detected (Very Small Leak)

**P0457** Evaporative Emission Control System Leak Detected (Fuel Cap Loose/Off)

**P0458** Evaporative Emission Control System Purge Control Valve Circuit Low

**P0459** Evaporative Emission Control System Purge Control Valve Circuit High **P0461** Fuel Level Sensor Circuit Range/ Performance

P0462 Fuel Level Sensor Circuit Low Input

**P0463** Fuel Level Sensor Circuit High Input

 On Board Diagnostics
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 Evaporative Systems Diagnosis Technicians Reference Booklet.



# P0464

Fuel Level Sensor Circuit Intermittent

PO483 Cooling Fan Rationality Check

2006 P0410 Secondary Air Injection System

P0411 Secondary Air Injection System Incorrect Flow Detected

**P0413** Secondary Air Injection System Switching Valve "A" Circuit Open

**P0414** Secondary Air Injection System Switching Valve "A" Circuit Shorted

**P0416** Secondary Air Injection System Switching Valve "B" Circuit Open

**P0417** Secondary Air Injection System Switching Valve "B" Circuit Shorted

# P0418

Secondary Air Injection System Control "A" Circuit Open

You can learn more about Subaru emissions-related diagnostic trouble codes and how to service them by logging onto the Subaru Technical Information Systems website at http://techinfo.subaru.com and purchasing or downloading the following Technicians Reference Booklets:

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# Coolant Exchange Machine Approved



Subaru of America, Inc. has named the Wynn's PowerFlush III as its approved coolant exchange machine. The machine was chosen for its three separate tanks that allow the ability to perform a clean water flush of the cooling system quickly and efficiently. A clean water flush is possible by filling one tank with fresh water, while the other two tanks hold new coolant and removed liquids.

The clean water flush process allows for a complete coolant exchange without the use of chemicals that could potentially harm the cooling system. Also, with three separate tanks, there is a complete isolation of any contaminants that could possibly be cycled back into the vehicle or any subsequent vehicles. NOTE: Subaru of America, Inc. continues to discourage the use of flushing agents in its vehicles.

The high degree of coolant removal by using the PowerFlush III allows for the use of new Subaru Super Coolant in a vehicle that was not originally so equipped. This will permit the customer to take advantage of the 6 year, 75,000 mile coolant replacement interval of Subaru Super Coolant.

All standard cooling system service practices, including the use of Genuine Subaru coolants and Subaru Coolant Conditioner should be continued.

NOTE: Subaru of America, Inc. does not recommend the use of other coolant exchange or flushing machines.

Subaru of America, Inc. has tested the Wynn's PowerFlush III's performance and has found the machine acceptable for use with all Subaru vehicles. The PowerFlush III does not use a flushing chemical. It will also power-purge the entire system, including the heater core.

Details about the machine and purchasing information are available on the Subaru Special Service Tools website at http://subaru.spx.com.

# Radiator Cap Cleaning and Testing

Many radiator caps can be successfully cleaned.

The most important factor is to thoroughly clean the negative pressure valve. If this is not done,



any remaining debris may result in continued coolant overflow loss. If there is an excessive amount of debris or the sealing rubber on the cap appears to be pitted or damaged, replace the cap.

- Using clean water and a small brush

   similar to a toothbrush thoroughly clean the cap seal surface.
- 2. Manually open the negative pressure valve and thoroughly clean the inner and outer surfaces of the valve.
- 3. Check the radiator cap valve opening pressure using a radiator cap tester to ensure the cap is within specification. If the cap is out of specification, replace it.

# Tribeca Air Conditioning Refrigerant Specifications

When servicing the air conditioning system on a 2006-2009 Tribeca, it is very important to identify whether you are working on a vehicle with front A/C only or a dual zone vehicle with both front and rear A/C systems. The amount of HFC-134a refrigerant specified will be different.

Front A/C Only Model Minimum: 20 oz. (0.57 kg, 1.26 lb.) Maximum: 22 oz. (0.63 kg, 1.39 lb.)

Front & Rear A/C Model Minimum: 30 oz. (0.84 kg, 1.85 lb.) Maximum: 32 oz. (0.90 kg, 1.98 lb.)

Make sure you install the correct amount of refrigerant for the vehicle you are servicing to avoid undercharging or overcharging the system.

# New TPMS Transmitter for 2008

The design of the Tire Pressure Monitoring System (TPMS) tire valve/ transmitter was changed, beginning with 2008 models. It is important to realize that the TPMS tire valve looks like the valve found on vehicles without TPMS. To avoid damaging the transmitter, care must be taken when deflating the tire or changing tires on the rims. To avoid confusion, please familiarize yourself with the new valve.

The 2007 and prior tire TPMS valve was silver in color, fitted with a retaining collar and topped with a silver cap (see photo).

# ✓ 2007 and prior tire valve/TPMS transmitter.



✓ This is the new black rubber tire valve/TPMS transmitter used beginning with 2008 models.



✓ Please note the components of the new style black rubber tire valve/TPMS transmitter.



The new "snap-in" valve is made from black rubber and fitted with a black cap. This new valve looks like the older-style valve used on vehicles without TPMS.

When deflating tires, never remove the valve stem with pliers as the delicate transmitter mounted on the valve stem base will be damaged. Instead, deflate the tire by depressing the valve stem or removing it with the proper tool. When reinstalling the valve, always tighten to the correct torque specifications using a valve stem torque tool.

Always refer to the proper service information for the vehicle you are serving for the correct data on how to best position the wheel on your tire changing machine to prevent damage to the transmitter when mounting or dismounting tires.

Further information on the new

style TPMS transmitter can be found in the 2008 New Model Update, Technician Reference Booklet; Module 917, P/N MSAP0803C. The booklet can be purchased or downloaded on the Subaru Technical Information Systems website at http://techinfo.subaru.com.

# **Recommended Materials**

Subaru of America, Inc. has released a list of recommended materials of the repair and service of Subaru vehicles. Service Bulletin 01-167-08 covers fluids, coolant, refrigerant, greases, adhesives and seal materials that have been approved for use. The bulletin may be viewed or downloaded on the Subaru Technical Information System website at http://techinfo.subaru.com.

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