# 27. Engine Trouble in General

### **A: INSPECTION**

#### NOTE:

The "RANK" shown in the chart shows the possibilities of the cause of trouble in order from "Very often" to "Rarely".

- A Very often
- B Sometimes
- C Rarely

Symptoms	Problem parts etc.	Possible cause	RANK
1. Engine does not start.			
1) Starter does not turn.	Starter	Defective battery-to-starter harness	В
		Defective starter switch	С
		Defective relay	С
		Defective inhibitor switch	С
		Defective clutch start switch	С
		Defective starter	В
	Battery	Improper connection of terminal	Α
		Run-down battery	Α
		Defective charging system	В
	Friction	Seizure of crankshaft and connecting rod bearing	С
		Seized camshaft	С
		Seized or stuck piston and cylinder	С
	Immobilizer system <ref. basic="" diagnostic="" im(diag)-2,="" procedure.="" to=""></ref.>		Α
2) Initial combustion does	Starter	Defective starter	С
not occur.	Engine control system <ref. basic="" diagnostic="" en(w="" o="" procedure.="" sti)(diag)-2,="" to=""></ref.>		Α
	Fuel line	Defective fuel pump and relay	Α
		Clogged fuel line	С
		Lack of fuel or insufficient fuel	В
	Timing chain	Trouble	В
		Defective timing	В
	Compression	Incorrect cam clearance	С
		Loosened spark plug or defective gasket	С
		Loosened cylinder head bolt or defective cylinder head gasket	С
		Improper valve sealing	С
		Defective valve stem	С
		Worn or broken valve spring	В
		Worn or stuck piston rings, cylinder liner and piston	С
		Incorrect valve timing	В
		Improper engine oil (low viscosity)	В

Symptoms	Problem parts etc.	Possible cause	RANK
3) Initial combustion occurs.	Engine control system <ref. t<="" td=""><td colspan="2">Engine control system <ref. basic="" diagnostic="" en(w="" o="" procedure.="" sti)(diag)-2,="" to=""></ref.></td></ref.>	Engine control system <ref. basic="" diagnostic="" en(w="" o="" procedure.="" sti)(diag)-2,="" to=""></ref.>	
	Intake system	Defective intake manifold gasket	В
		Defective throttle body gasket	В
	Fuel line	Defective fuel pump and relay	С
		Clogged fuel line	С
		Lack of fuel or insufficient fuel	В
	Timing chain	Trouble	В
		Defective timing	В
	Compression	Incorrect cam clearance	С
		Loosened spark plug or defective gasket	С
		Loosened cylinder head bolt or defective cylinder head gasket	С
		Improper valve sealing	С
		Defective valve stem	С
		Worn or broken valve spring	В
		Worn or stuck piston rings, cylinder liner and piston	С
		Incorrect valve timing	В
		Improper engine oil (low viscosity)	В
4) Engine stalls after initial	Engine control system <ref. basic="" diagnostic="" en(w="" o="" procedure.="" sti)(diag)-2,="" to=""></ref.>		Α
combustion.	Intake system	Loosened or cracked intake duct	В
		Loosened or cracked PCV hose	С
		Loosened or cracked vacuum hose	С
		Defective intake manifold gasket	В
		Defective throttle body gasket	В
		Dirty air cleaner element	С
	Fuel line	Clogged fuel line	С
		Lack of fuel or insufficient fuel	В
	Timing chain	Trouble	В
		Defective timing	В
	Compression	Incorrect cam clearance	С
		Loosened spark plug or defective gasket	С
		Loosened cylinder head bolt or defective cylinder head gasket	С
		Improper valve sealing	С
		Defective valve stem	С
		Worn or broken valve spring	В
		Worn or stuck piston rings, cylinder and piston	С
		Incorrect valve timing	В
		Improper engine oil (low viscosity)	В

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### MECHANICAL

Symptoms	Problem parts etc.	Possible cause	RANK
2. Rough idle and engine	Engine control system <ref. basic="" diagnostic="" en(w="" o="" procedure.="" sti)(diag)-2,="" to=""></ref.>		Α
stall	Intake system	Loosened or cracked intake duct	Α
		Loosened or cracked PCV hose	Α
		Loosened or cracked vacuum hose	Α
		Defective intake manifold gasket	В
		Defective throttle body gasket	В
		Defective PCV valve	С
		Loosened oil filler cap	В
		Dirty air cleaner element	С
	Fuel line	Defective fuel pump and relay	С
		Clogged fuel line	С
		Lack of fuel or insufficient fuel	В
	Timing chain	Defective timing	С
	Compression	Incorrect cam clearance	В
		Loosened spark plug or defective gasket	В
		Loosened cylinder head bolt or defective cylinder head gasket	В
		Improper valve sealing	В
		Defective valve stem	С
		Worn or broken valve spring	В
		Worn or stuck piston rings, cylinder and piston	В
		Incorrect valve timing	Α
		Improper engine oil (low viscosity)	В
	Lubrication system	Incorrect oil pressure	В
		Defective rocker cover gasket	С
	Cooling system	Over-heating	С
	Other	Evaporative emission control system malfunction	Α
		Stuck or damaged throttle valve	В

Symptoms	Problem parts etc.	Possible cause	RANK
3. Low output, hesitation and	Engine control system <ref. basic="" diagnostic="" en(w="" o="" procedure.="" sti)(diag)-2,="" to=""></ref.>		Α
poor acceleration	Intake system	Loosened or cracked intake duct	Α
		Loosened or cracked PCV hose	Α
		Loosened or cracked vacuum hose	В
		Defective intake manifold gasket	В
		Defective throttle body gasket	В
		Defective PCV valve	В
		Loosened oil filler cap	В
		Dirty air cleaner element	Α
	Fuel line	Defective fuel pump and relay	В
		Clogged fuel line	В
		Lack of fuel or insufficient fuel	С
	Timing chain	Defective timing	В
	Compression	Incorrect cam clearance	В
		Loosened spark plug or defective gasket	В
		Loosened cylinder head bolt or defective cylinder head gasket	В
		Improper valve sealing	В
		Defective valve stem	С
		Worn or broken valve spring	В
		Worn or stuck piston rings, cylinder and piston	С
		Incorrect valve timing	Α
		Improper engine oil (low viscosity)	В
	Lubrication system	Incorrect oil pressure	В
	Cooling system	Over-heating	С
		Over-cooling	С
	Other	Evaporative emission control system malfunction	Α

Symptoms	Problem parts etc.	Possible cause	RANK
4. Surging	Engine control system <ref. td="" to<=""><td>EN(w/o STI)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.&gt;</td><td>Α</td></ref.>	EN(w/o STI)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.>	Α
	Intake system	Loosened or cracked intake duct	Α
		Loosened or cracked PCV hose	Α
		Loosened or cracked vacuum hose	Α
		Defective intake manifold gasket	В
		Defective throttle body gasket	В
		Defective PCV valve	В
		Loosened oil filler cap	В
		Dirty air cleaner element	В
	Fuel line	Defective fuel pump and relay	В
		Clogged fuel line	В
		Lack of fuel or insufficient fuel	С
	Timing chain	Defective timing	В
	Compression	Incorrect cam clearance	В
	Compression	Loosened spark plug or defective gasket	С
		Loosened cylinder head bolt or defective cylinder head	С
		gasket	
		Improper valve sealing	С
		Defective valve stem	С
		Worn or broken valve spring	С
		Worn or stuck piston rings, cylinder and piston	С
		Incorrect valve timing	Α
		Improper engine oil (low viscosity)	В
	Cooling system	Over-heating	В
	Other	Evaporative emission control system malfunction	С
5. Engine does not return to	Engine control system <ref. td="" to<=""><td>EN(w/o STI)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.&gt;</td><td>Α</td></ref.>	EN(w/o STI)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.>	Α
le	Intake system	Loosened or cracked vacuum hose	Α
	Other	Stuck or damaged throttle valve	Α
6. Dieseling (run-on)	Engine control system <ref. ba<="" en(w="" o="" sti)(diag)-2,="" td="" to=""><td>EN(w/o STI)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.&gt;</td><td>Α</td></ref.>	EN(w/o STI)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.>	Α
	Cooling system	Over-heating	В
	Other	Evaporative emission control system malfunction	В
7. After burning in exhaust	Engine control system <ref. td="" to<=""><td>EN(w/o STI)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.&gt;</td><td>Α</td></ref.>	EN(w/o STI)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.>	Α
system	Intake system	Loosened or cracked intake duct	С
		Loosened or cracked PCV hose	С
		Loosened or cracked vacuum hose	В
		Defective PCV valve	В
		Loosened oil filler cap	С
	Timing chain	Defective timing	В
	Compression	Incorrect cam clearance	В
		Loosened spark plug or defective gasket	С
		Loosened cylinder head bolt or defective cylinder head gasket	С
		Improper valve sealing	В
		Defective valve stem	С
		Worn or broken valve spring	С
		Worn or stuck piston rings, cylinder and piston	С
		Incorrect valve timing	Α
	Lubrication system	Incorrect oil pressure	С
	Cooling system	Over-cooling	С
	Other	Evaporative emission control system malfunction	С

Symptoms	Problem parts etc.	Possible cause	RANK
8. Knocking	Engine control system <ref. basic="" diagnostic="" en(w="" o="" procedure.="" sti)(diag)-2,="" to=""></ref.>		Α
	Intake system	Loosened oil filler cap	В
	Timing chain	Defective timing	В
	Compression	Incorrect cam clearance	С
		Incorrect valve timing	В
	Cooling system	Over-heating	Α
9. Excessive engine oil con-	Intake system	Loosened or cracked PCV hose	Α
sumption		Defective PCV valve	В
		Loosened oil filler cap	С
	Compression	Defective valve stem	Α
		Worn or stuck piston rings, cylinder and piston	Α
	Lubrication system	Loosened chain cover attaching bolts and defective gasket	В
		Defective oil filter gasket	В
		Defective crankshaft oil seal	В
		Defective rocker cover gasket	В
		Loosened oil drain plug or defective gasket	В
		Loosened oil pan mounting bolt or defective oil pan	В
10. Excessive fuel consump-	Engine control system <ref. basic="" diagnostic="" en(w="" o="" procedure.="" sti)(diag)-2,="" to=""></ref.>		Α
tion	Intake system Dirty air cleaner element		Α
	Timing chain	Defective timing	В
	Compression	Incorrect cam clearance	В
		Loosened spark plug or defective gasket	С
		Loosened cylinder head bolt or defective cylinder gas- ket	С
		Improper valve sealing	В
		Defective valve stem	С
		Worn or broken valve spring	С
		Worn or stuck piston rings, cylinder and piston	В
		Incorrect valve timing	В
	Lubrication system	Incorrect oil pressure	С
	Cooling system	Over-cooling	С