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AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION - 45RFE/545RFE

DESCRIPTION
The 45RFE/545RFE automatic transmissions is a sophisticated, multi-range, electronically controlled transmission which combines optimized gear ratios for responsive performance, state of the art efficiency features and low NVH. Other features include driver adaptive shifting and three planetary gear sets to provide wide ratio capability with precise ratio steps for optimum driveability. The three planetary gear sets also make available a unique alternate second gear ratio. The primary 2nd gear ratio fits between 1st and 3rd gears for normal through-gear accelerations. The alternate second gear ratio (2prime) allows smoother 4-2 kickdowns at high speeds to provide 2nd gear passing performance over a wider highway cruising range.

The hydraulic portion of the transmission consists of the transmission fluid, fluid passages, hydraulic valves, and various line pressure control components.

The primary mechanical components of the transmission consist of the following:
- Three multiple disc input clutches
- Three multiple disc holding clutches
- Five hydraulic accumulators
- Three planetary gear sets
- Dual Stage Hydraulic oil pump
- Valve body
- Solenoid pack

The TCM is the “heart” or “brain” of the electronic control system and relies on information from various direct and indirect inputs (sensors, switches, etc.) to determine driver demand and vehicle operating conditions. With this information, the TCM can calculate and perform timely and quality shifts through various output or control devices (solenoid pack, transmission control relay, etc.).
TRANSMISSION IDENTIFICATION

Transmission identification numbers are stamped on the left side of the case just above the oil pan sealing surface (Fig. 1). Refer to this information when ordering replacement parts. A label is attached to the transmission case above the stamped numbers. The label gives additional information which may also be necessary for identification purposes.

GEAR RATIOS

The 45RFE gear ratios are:

1st ........................................ 3.00:1
2nd .................................... 1.67:1
2nd Prime ................................ 1.50:1
3rd ..................................... 1.00:1
4th .................................... 0.75:1
Reverse ................................ 3.00:1

The 545RFE gear ratios are:

1st ........................................ 3.00:1
2nd .................................... 1.67:1
2nd Prime ................................ 1.50:1
3rd ..................................... 1.00:1
4th .................................... 0.75:1
5th .................................... 0.67:1
Reverse ................................ 3.00:1

OPERATION

The 45RFE/545RFE offers full electronic control of all automatic up and downshifts, and features real-time adaptive closed-loop shift and pressure control. Electronic shift and torque converter clutch controls help protect the transmission from damage due to high temperatures, which can occur under severe operating conditions. By altering shift schedules, line pressure, and converter clutch control, these controls reduce heat generation and increase transmission cooling.

To help reduce efficiency-robbing parasitic losses, the transmissions includes a dual-stage transmission fluid pump with electronic output pressure control. Under most driving conditions, pump output pressure greatly exceeds that which is needed to keep the clutches applied. The 45RFE/545RFE pump-pressure control system monitors input torque and adjusts the pump pressure accordingly. The primary stage of the pump works continuously; the second stage is bypassed when demand is low. The control system also monitors input and output speed and, if incipient clutch slip is observed, the pressure control solenoid duty cycle is varied, increasing pressure in proportion to demand.

A high-travel torque converter damper assembly allows earlier torque converter clutch engagement to reduce slippage. Needle-type thrust bearings reduce internal friction. The 45RFE/545RFE is packaged in a one-piece die-cast aluminum case. To reduce NVH, the case has high lateral, vertical and torsional stiffness. It is also designed to maximize the benefit of the structural dust cover that connects the bottom of the bell housing to the engine bedplate, enhancing overall power train stiffness. Dual filters protect the pump and other components. A pump return filter is added to the customary main sump filter. Independent lubrication and cooler circuits assure ample pressure for normal transmission operation even if the cooler is obstructed or the fluid cannot flow due to extremely low temperatures.

The hydraulic control system design (without electronic assist) provides the transmission with PARK, REVERSE, NEUTRAL, SECOND, and THIRD gears, based solely on driver shift lever selection. This design allows the vehicle to be driven (in “limp-in” mode) in the event of a electronic control system failure, or a situation that the Transmission Control Module (TCM) recognizes as potentially damaging to the transmission.

The TCM also performs certain self-diagnostic functions and provides comprehensive information (sensor data, DTC’s, etc.) which is helpful in proper diagnosis and repair. This information can be viewed with the DRB® scan tool.
DIAGNOSIS AND TESTING

CAUTION: Before attempting any repair on a RFE automatic transmission, check for Diagnostic Trouble Codes with the DRB scan tool.

Transmission malfunctions may be caused by these general conditions:
- Poor engine performance
- Improper adjustments
- Hydraulic malfunctions
- Mechanical malfunctions
- Electronic malfunctions

Diagnosis of these problems should always begin by checking the easily accessible variables: fluid level and condition, gearshift cable adjustment. Then perform a road test to determine if the problem has been corrected or if more diagnosis is necessary. If the problem persists after the preliminary tests and corrections are completed, hydraulic pressure checks should be performed.

DIAGNOSIS AND TESTING - PRELIMINARY

Two basic procedures are required. One procedure for vehicles that are drivable and an alternate procedure for disabled vehicles (will not back up or move forward).

VEHICLE IS DRIVABLE

(1) Check for transmission fault codes using DRB scan tool.
(2) Check fluid level and condition.
(3) Adjust gearshift cable if complaint was based on delayed, erratic, or harsh shifts.
(4) Road test and note how transmission upshifts, downshifts, and engages.
(5) Perform hydraulic pressure test if shift problems were noted during road test.
(6) Perform air-pressure test to check clutch operation.

VEHICLE IS DISABLED

(1) Check fluid level and condition.
(2) Check for broken or disconnected gearshift cable.
(3) Check for cracked, leaking cooler lines, or loose or missing pressure-port plugs.
(4) Raise and support vehicle on safety stands, start engine, shift transmission into gear, and note following:
   a. If propeller shaft turns but wheels do not, problem is with differential or axle shafts.
   b. If propeller shaft does not turn and transmission is noisy, stop engine. Remove oil pan, and check for debris. If pan is clear, remove transmission and check for damaged driveplate, converter, oil pump, or input shaft.
   c. If propeller shaft does not turn and transmission is not noisy, perform hydraulic-pressure test to determine if problem is hydraulic or mechanical.

DIAGNOSIS AND TESTING - ROAD TESTING

Before road testing, be sure the fluid level and control cable adjustments have been checked and adjusted if necessary. Verify that all diagnostic trouble codes have been resolved.

Observe engine performance during the road test. A poorly tuned engine will not allow accurate analysis of transmission operation.

Operate the transmission in all gear ranges. Check for shift variations and engine flare which indicates slippage. Note if shifts are harsh, spongy, delayed, early, or if part throttle downshifts are sensitive.

Slippage indicated by engine flare, usually means clutch, overrunning clutch, or line pressure problems.

A slipping clutch can often be determined by comparing which internal units are applied in the various gear ranges. The Clutch Application charts provide a basis for analyzing road test results.
**45RFE CLUTCH APPLICATION CHART**

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DIAGNOSIS AND TESTING - HYDRAULIC PRESSURE TEST

An accurate tachometer and pressure test gauges are required. Test Gauge C-3293-SP has a 300 psi range and is used at all locations where pressures exceed 100 psi.

Pressure Test Port Locations

Only two pressure ports are supplied on the transmission case. The torque converter clutch apply and release ports are located on the right side of the transmission case (Fig. 2).

To determine the line pressure, there are two available methods. The DRB® scan tool can be used to read line pressure from the line pressure sensor. The second method is to install Line Pressure Adapter 8259 (Fig. 4) into the transmission case and then install the pressure gauge and the original sensor into the adapter. This will allow a comparison of the DRB® readings and the gauge reading to determine the accuracy of the line pressure sensor. The DRB® line pressure reading should match the gauge reading within ±10 psi.

In order to access any other pressure tap locations, the transmission oil pan must be removed, the pressure port plugs removed and Valve Body Pressure Tap Adapter 8258-A (Fig. 5) installed. The extensions supplied with Adapter 8258-A will allow the installation of pressure gauges to the valve body. Refer to (Fig. 3) for correct pressure tap location identification.
TEST PROCEDURE
All pressure readings should be taken with the transmission fluid level full, transmission oil at the normal operating temperature, and the engine at 1500 rpm. Check the transmission for proper operation in each gear position that is in question or if a specific element is in question, check the pressure readings in at least two gear positions that employ that element. Refer to the Hydraulic Schematics at the rear of this section to determine the correct pressures for each element in a given gear position.

NOTE: The 45RFE/545RFE utilizes closed loop control of pump line pressure. The pressure readings may therefore vary greatly but should always follow line pressure.

Some common pressures that can be measured to evaluate pump and clutch performance are the upshift/downshift pressures, garage shift pressures, and TCC pressure. The upshift/downshift pressure for all shifts are shown in UPSHIFT PRESSURES and DOWNSHIFT PRESSURES. In-gear maximum pressure for each gear position is shown in IN-GEAR PRESSURES. The garage shift pressure when performing a N-R shift is 220 psi for 3.7L/4.7L equipped vehicles and 250 psi for 5.7L equipped vehicles. The garage shift pressure for the R-N shift is 120 psi. The garage shift pressure for the N-1 shift is 135 psi for 3.7L/4.7L equipped vehicles and 165 psi for 5.7L equipped vehicles. Torque converter lock-up pressure is 120 psi for 3.7L/4.7L equipped vehicles and 125 psi for 5.7L equipped vehicles.

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Air-pressure testing can be used to check transmission clutch operation. The test can be conducted with the transmission either in the vehicle or on the work bench, as a final check.

Air-pressure testing requires that the oil pan and valve body be removed from the transmission. The clutch apply passages are shown in the Air Pressure Test Passages graphic (Fig. 6).

NOTE: The air supply which is used must be free of moisture and dirt. Use a pressure of 30 psi to test clutch operation.

Apply air pressure at each port. If the clutch is functioning, a soft thump will be heard as the clutch is applied. The clutch application can also be felt by touching the appropriate element while applying air pressure. As the air pressure is released, the clutch should also release.

DIAGNOSIS AND TESTING - CONVERTER HOUSING FLUID LEAK

When diagnosing converter housing fluid leaks, two items must be established before repair.

(1) Verify that a leak condition actually exists.
(2) Determined the true source of the leak.

Some suspected converter housing fluid leaks may not be leaks at all. They may only be the result of residual fluid in the converter housing, or excess fluid spilled during factory fill or fill after repair. Converter housing leaks have several potential sources. Through careful observation, a leak source can be identified before removing the transmission for repair. Torque converter seal leaks tend to move along the drive hub and onto the rear of the converter. Pump cover seal tend to run down the cover and the inside surface of the bellhousing.

Some leaks, or suspected leaks, may be particularly difficult to locate. If necessary, a Mopar® approved dye may be used to locate a leak.

TORQUE CONVERTER LEAK POINTS

Possible sources of converter leaks are:
(1) Leaks at the weld joint around the outside diameter weld (Fig. 7).
(2) Leaks at the converter hub weld (Fig. 7).

STANDARD PROCEDURE - ALUMINUM THREAD REPAIR

Damaged or worn threads in the aluminum transmission case and valve body can be repaired by the use of Heli-Coils™, or equivalent. This repair consists of drilling out the worn-out damaged threads. Then tap the hole with a special Heli-Coil™ tap, or equivalent, and installing a Heli-Coil™ insert, or equivalent, into the hole. This brings the hole back to its original thread size.

Heli-Coil™, or equivalent, tools and inserts are readily available from most automotive parts suppliers.
REMOVAL

(1) Disconnect the negative battery cable.
(2) Raise and support the vehicle.
(3) Remove any necessary skid plates. (Refer to 13 - FRAMES & BUMPERS/FRAME/TRANSFER CASE SKID PLATE - REMOVAL)
(4) Mark propeller shaft and axle companion flanges for assembly alignment.
(5) Remove the rear propeller shaft.
(6) Remove the front propeller shaft, if necessary.
(7) Remove the engine to transmission collar (Fig. 8).

(8) Remove the exhaust support bracket from the rear of the transmission.
(9) Disconnect and lower or remove any necessary exhaust components.
(10) Remove the starter motor.
(11) Rotate crankshaft in clockwise direction until converter bolts are accessible. Then remove bolts one at a time. Rotate crankshaft with socket wrench on dampener bolt.
(12) Disengage the output speed sensor connector from the output speed sensor (Fig. 9).
(13) Disengage the input speed sensor connector from the input speed sensor (Fig. 10).
(14) Disengage the transmission solenoid/TRS assembly connector from the transmission solenoid/TRS assembly (Fig. 11).
(15) Disengage the line pressure sensor connector from the line pressure sensor (Fig. 12).

(16) Disconnect gearshift cable from transmission manual valve lever (Fig. 13).
(17) Disconnect the transmission vent hose from the transmission.
(18) Support rear of engine with safety stand or jack.
(19) Raise transmission slightly with service jack to relieve load on crossmember and supports.
(20) Remove bolts securing rear support and cushion to transmission and crossmember.
(21) Remove transfer case, if necessary.
(22) Disconnect transmission fluid cooler lines at transmission fittings and clips.
(23) Remove all remaining converter housing bolts.
(24) Carefully work transmission and torque converter assembly rearward off engine block dowels.
(25) Hold torque converter in place during transmission removal.
(26) Lower transmission and remove (Fig. 14) assembly from under the vehicle.
(27) To remove torque converter, carefully slide torque converter out of the transmission.
DISASSEMBLY

(1) Drain fluid from transmission.
(2) Clean exterior of transmission with suitable solvent or pressure washer.
(3) Remove the torque converter from the transmission.
(4) Remove the manual shift lever (1) (Fig. 15) from the transmission.

(5) Remove the input (3), output (1), and line pressure sensors (2) from the transmission case. (Fig. 16)

(6) Inspect the ends of the sensors for debris, which may indicate the nature of the transmission failure.

(7) Install Support Stand 8257 (1) onto the transmission case. (Fig. 17)

(8) Using Adapter 8266-1 from End-Play Tool Set 8266 (1) and Dial Indicator C-3339 (2), measure and record the input shaft end-play. (Fig. 18)
NOTE: When measuring the input shaft end-play, two "stops" will be felt. When the input shaft is pushed inward and the dial indicator zeroed, the first "stop" felt when the input shaft is pulled outward is the movement of the input shaft in the input clutch housing hub. This value should not be included in the end-play measured value and therefore must be recorded and subtracted from the dial indicator reading.

(9) Remove the bolts holding the transmission extension/adapter housing to the transmission case.

(10) Remove the extension/adapter housing from the transmission case.

(11) Using Alignment Plate 8261 (1), Adapter 8266-17 from End-Play Tool Set 8266 (2) and Dial Indicator C-3339 (3), measure and record the output shaft end-play. (Fig. 19)

(12) Remove the bolts holding the transmission oil pan to the transmission case.

(13) Remove the transmission oil pan from the transmission case.

(14) Remove the primary oil filter (1) and the oil cooler return filter (2). (Fig. 20)

(15) Remove the cooler return filter bypass valve (3).

(16) Remove the bolts (1) holding the valve body to the transmission case. (Fig. 21)
(17) Remove the valve body from the transmission case.

(18) Remove the outer snap-ring (3) securing the transmission front cover (2) into the transmission case. (Fig. 22)

(19) Remove the inner snap-ring (1) securing the transmission front cover to the oil pump. (Fig. 22)

(20) Reaching through a case opening in the valve body area with a long blunted tool, remove the transmission front cover from the transmission case.

(21) Remove the bolts (1) holding the oil pump into the transmission case. (Fig. 23)

(22) Remove the oil pump (2). Hold inward on the input shaft to prevent pulling the input clutch assembly with the oil pump. (Fig. 23)

CAUTION: If the input shaft is not held during oil pump removal, the input clutch assembly will attempt to move forward with the oil pump and the numbers 2, 3, or 4 bearings inside the input clutch assembly may become dislodged.

(23) Remove the number 1 thrust bearing (4) from the input clutch assembly. (Fig. 24)

(24) Remove the input clutch assembly (3) from the transmission case. (Fig. 24)

(25) Remove the number 5 thrust bearing (1) and selective thrust plate (2) from the input clutch assembly (3) (Fig. 24), or the 4C clutch retainer/bulkhead.
(26) Remove the 4C clutch retainer/bulkhead tapered snap-ring (1) from the transmission case. (Fig. 25)

(27) Remove the 4C clutch retainer/bulkhead (2) from the transmission case. (Fig. 25)

(30) Remove the rear selective plate (6) and number 6 thrust bearing (7) from the reaction annulus (8). (Fig. 27)

(31) Remove the reaction annulus (8) from the reaction planetary carrier (3). (Fig. 27)

(32) Remove the number 7 thrust bearing (5). (Fig. 27)

(33) Remove the reaction sun gear (4). (Fig. 27)

(34) Remove the number 8 thrust bearing (1) from the reaction planetary carrier (3). (Fig. 27)

(35) Remove the reaction planetary carrier (3) (Fig. 27). Note that this planetary gear set has three pinion gears.

(36) Remove the number 9 thrust bearing (2) from the reverse planetary gear set. (Fig. 27)

(28) Remove the front 2C clutch pack snap-ring (1) from the transmission case. (Fig. 26)

(29) Remove the 2C clutch pack (2, 3, 4) from the transmission case. (Fig. 26)
**Fig. 27 Remove Reaction Annulus and Carrier**

1 - THRUST BEARING NUMBER 8  
2 - THRUST BEARING NUMBER 9  
3 - REACTION PLANETARY CARRIER  
4 - REACTION SUN GEAR  
5 - THRUST BEARING NUMBER 7  
6 - THRUST PLATE (SELECT)  
7 - THRUST BEARING NUMBER 6  
8 - REACTION ANNULUS
(37) Remove the snap-ring (1) holding the park sprag gear onto the output shaft. (Fig. 28)

(38) Remove the park sprag gear (1) from the output shaft. (Fig. 29)

(39) Remove the input/reverse planetary assembly (1). (Fig. 30)

(40) Remove the number 12 thrust bearing (3) from the input/reverse planetary assembly (1). (Fig. 30)

(41) Remove the snap-ring (2) holding the low/reverse clutch retainer (1) into the transmission case. (Fig. 31)

(42) Remove the low/reverse clutch retainer (1) from the transmission case. (Fig. 31)
Clean the case in a solvent tank. Flush the case bores and fluid passages thoroughly with solvent. Dry the case and all fluid passages with compressed air. Be sure all solvent is removed from the case and that all fluid passages are clear.

NOTE: Do not use shop towels or rags to dry the case (or any other transmission component) unless they are made from lint-free materials. Lint will stick to case surfaces and transmission components and circulate throughout the transmission after assembly. A sufficient quantity of lint can block fluid passages and interfere with valve body operation.

INSPECTION
Inspect the case for cracks, porous spots, worn bores, or damaged threads. Damaged threads can be repaired with Helicoil® thread inserts. However, the case will have to be replaced if it exhibits any type of damage or wear.

ASSEMBLY
NOTE: Clean and inspect all components. Replace any components which show evidence of excessive wear or scoring.

(1) Install the cooler filter bypass valve. Torque the bypass valve to specification. The valve uses a tapered pipe thread and excessive torque can damage the transmission case. Tighten the cooler filter bypass valve to 4.5 N·m (40 in.lbs.).

(2) Install a new selector shaft seal (1) using Seal Installer 8253 (2). (Fig. 33)
(3) Install the manual selector shaft and retaining screw. Tighten the manual selector shaft retaining screw to 28 N·m (250 in.lbs.).

(4) Install the manual shift lever (1) (Fig. 34) onto the manual selector shaft. Torque the retaining cross-bolt to 16 N·m (140 in.lbs.).

(5) Install the park pawl (5), spring (4), and shaft (3). (Fig. 35)

(6) Install the park rod (7) and e-clip. (Fig. 35)

(7) Install the park rod guide (1) and snap-ring (2). (Fig. 35)

(8) Install a new dipstick tube seal (2) using Seal Installer 8254 (1). (Fig. 36)

NOTE: Before final assembly of transmission centerline, the 2C/4C clutch components should be installed into position and measured as follows:

(9) Install the 2C reaction plate (4) into the transmission case. (Fig. 37)
(10) Install the 2C clutch pack (2, 3) into the transmission case. (Fig. 37)

(11) Install the flat 2C clutch snap-ring (1) into the transmission case. (Fig. 37)

(12) Install the 4C retainer/bulkhead (2) (Fig. 38) into the transmission case. Make sure that the oil feed holes are pointing toward the valve body area.

(13) Install the 4C retainer/bulkhead tapered snap-ring (1) into the transmission case. Make sure that the open ends of the snap-ring are located in the case opening toward the valve body area.

(14) Using a feeler gauge through the opening in the rear of the transmission case, measure the 2C clutch pack clearance between the 2C reaction plate and the transmission case at four different points. The average of these measurements is the 2C clutch pack clearance. The correct clutch clearance is 0.455-1.335 mm (0.018-0.053 in.). The reaction plate is not selective. If the clutch pack clearance is not within specification, the reaction plate, all the friction discs, and steels must be replaced.

(15) Remove the 4C retainer/bulkhead and all of the 2C clutch components from the transmission case.

(16) Install the low/reverse clutch assembly (1) (Fig. 39). Make sure that the oil feed hole points toward the valve body area and that the bleed orifice is aligned with the notch in the rear of the transmission case.

(17) Install the snap-ring (2) (Fig. 39) to hold the low/reverse clutch retainer into the transmission case. The snap-ring is tapered and must be installed with the tapered side forward. Once installed, verify that the snap-ring is fully seated in the snap-ring groove.

(18) Air check the low/reverse clutch and verify correct overrunning clutch operation.
(19) Install the number 12 thrust bearing (3) over the output shaft and against the rear planetary gear set. The flat side of the bearing goes toward the planetary gearset and the raised tabs on the inner race should face the rear of the transmission.

(20) Install the reverse/input planetary assembly (1) through the low/reverse clutch assembly. (Fig. 40)

(21) Install the park sprag gear (1) onto the output shaft. (Fig. 41)

(22) Install the snap-ring (1) to hold the park sprag onto the output shaft. (Fig. 42)

(23) Install the 2C reaction plate (4) into the transmission case. (Fig. 43)

(24) Install the 2C clutch pack (2, 3, 4) into the transmission case. (Fig. 43)

(25) Install the number 8 thrust bearing (1) inside the reaction carrier with the outer race against the reaction planetary carrier (3).

(26) Install the reaction planetary gear set and the number 9 thrust bearing (2), with the inner race against the reaction planetary carrier (3), into the transmission case. (Fig. 44)
(27) Install the flat 2C clutch snap-ring into the transmission case. (Fig. 43)

(28) Install the reaction sun gear (4) into the reaction planetary gear set. **Make sure** the small shoulder is facing the front of the transmission. (Fig. 44)

(29) Install the number 7 thrust bearing (5) onto the reaction sun gear (4) with the inner race against the sun gear. (Fig. 44)

(30) Install the output shaft selective thrust plate (2) onto the reaction annulus with the oil grooves facing the annulus gear and the lugs (1) and notches aligned as shown. (Fig. 45)

(31) Install the number 6 thrust bearing (7) against the output shaft selective thrust plate (6) with the flat side against the thrust plate (Fig. 44) and the raised tabs on the inner race facing the front of the transmission.

(32) Install the reaction annulus (8) into the reaction planetary gear set. (Fig. 44)

(33) Install the 4C retainer/bulkhead (2) into the transmission case. Make sure that the oil feed holes are pointing toward the valve body area. Rotate the reaction annulus during the installation of the 4C retainer/bulkhead to ease installation.

(34) Install the 4C retainer/bulkhead tapered snap-ring (1) into the transmission case (Fig. 46) with the taper toward the front of the case. Make sure that the open ends of the snap-ring are located in the case opening toward the valve body area.

(35) Air check the 2C and 4C clutch operation.

(36) Using Alignment Plate 8261 (1), Adapter 8266-17 from End-Play Tool Set 8266 (2) and Dial Indicator C-3339 (3), measure (Fig. 47) and record the output shaft end-play. The correct output shaft end-play is 0.22-0.55 mm (0.009-0.021 in.). Adjust as necessary. Install the chosen output shaft selective thrust plate and re-measure end-play to verify selection.
Apply a bead of RTV silicone and install the extension/adapter housing onto the transmission case.

Install and torque the bolts to hold the extension/adapter housing onto the transmission case. The correct torque is 54 N·m (40 ft.lbs.).

Install the number 5 thrust bearing (1) (Fig. 48) and selective thrust plate (2) onto the 4C retainer/bulkhead. Be sure that the outer race of the bearing is against the thrust plate.

Install the input clutch assembly (3) into the transmission case. Make sure that the input clutch assembly is fully installed by performing a visual inspection through the input speed sensor hole. If the tone wheel teeth on the input clutch assembly are centered in the hole, the assembly is fully installed.

Install the number 1 thrust bearing (4) with the outer race up in the pocket of the input clutch assembly. (Fig. 48)
42) Install the oil pump (2) into the transmission case. (Fig. 49)

43) Install the bolts (1) to hold the oil pump into the transmission case. Tighten the oil pump bolts to 28 N·m (250 in.lbs.).

44) Using Adapter 8266-1 from End-Play Tool Set 8266 (1) and Dial Indicator C-3339 (2), measure (Fig. 50) and record the input shaft end-play. The correct end-play is 0.46-0.89 mm (0.018-0.035 in.). Adjust as necessary. Install the chosen thrust plate on the number 5 thrust bearing and re-measure end-play to verify selection.

NOTE: When measuring the input shaft end-play, two "stops" will be felt. When the input shaft is pushed inward and the dial indicator zeroed, the first "stop" felt when the input shaft is pulled outward is the movement of the input shaft in the input clutch housing hub. This value should not be included in the end-play measured value and therefore must be recorded and subtracted from the dial indicator reading.

45) Install the transmission front cover (2) into the transmission case. (Fig. 51)

46) Install the outer snap-ring (3) to hold the transmission front cover (2) into the transmission case. (Fig. 51)

47) Partially install the inner transmission front cover snap-ring (1) onto the oil pump. (Fig. 51)

48) Using Installer 8255 (1), install the inner transmission front cover snap-ring (2) the remainder of the way onto the oil pump. (Fig. 52)

49) Install the valve body. Verify that the pin on the manual lever has properly engaged the TRS selector plate. Tighten the valve body to transmission case bolts (1) (Fig. 53) to 12 N·m (105 in.lbs.).

CAUTION: The primary oil filter seal MUST be fully installed flush against the oil pump body. DO NOT install the seal onto the filter neck and attempt to install the filter and seal as an assembly. Damage to the transmission will result.
(50) Install a new primary oil filter seal in the oil pump inlet bore. Seat the seal in the bore with the butt end of a hammer, or other suitable tool.

(51) Install the primary oil filter (1) (Fig. 54) and the oil cooler return filter (2). Tighten the screw to hold the primary oil filter to the valve body to 4.5 N·m (40 in.lbs.). Using Oil Filter Wrench 8321, tighten the cooler return oil filter to the transmission case to 14 N·m (125 in.lbs.).

(52) Apply RTV silicone to the oil pan and install the transmission oil pan. Tighten the bolts to 12 N·m (105 in.lbs.).

(53) Install the input (3), output (1), and line pressure sensors (2) (Fig. 55). Tighten the bolts to 12 N·m (105 in.lbs.).

INSTALLATION

(1) Check torque converter hub and hub drive flats for sharp edges burrs, scratches, or nicks. Polish the hub and flats with 320/400 grit paper and crocus cloth if necessary. Verify that the converter hub o-ring is properly installed and is free of any debris. The hub must be smooth to avoid damaging pump seal at installation.
(2) If a replacement transmission is being installed, transfer any components necessary, such as the manual shift lever and shift cable bracket, from the original transmission onto the replacement transmission.

(3) Lubricate oil pump seal lip with transmission fluid.

(4) Align converter and oil pump.

(5) Carefully insert converter in oil pump. Then rotate converter back and forth until fully seated in pump gears.

(6) Check converter seating with steel scale and straightedge (Fig. 56). Surface of converter lugs should be at least 13mm (1/2 in.) to rear of straightedge when converter is fully seated.

(7) Temporarily secure converter with C-clamp.

(8) Position transmission on jack and secure it with chains.

(9) Check condition of converter driveplate. Replace the plate if cracked, distorted or damaged. **Also be sure transmission dowel pins are seated in engine block and protrude far enough to hold transmission in alignment.**

(10) Apply a light coating of Mopar® High Temp Grease to the torque converter hub pocket in the rear pocket of the engine's crankshaft.

(11) Raise transmission (Fig. 57) and align the torque converter with the drive plate and transmission converter housing with the engine block.

(12) Move transmission forward. Then raise, lower or tilt transmission to align the converter housing with engine block dowels.

(13) Carefully work transmission forward and over engine block dowels until converter hub is seated in crankshaft. Verify that no wires, or the transmission vent hose, have become trapped between the engine block and the transmission.

(14) Install two bolts to attach the transmission to the engine.

(15) Install remaining torque converter housing to engine bolts. Tighten to 68 N·m (50 ft.lbs.).

(16) Install transfer case, if equipped. Tighten transfer case nuts to 35 N·m (26 ft.lbs.).

(17) Install rear support to transmission. Tighten bolts to 47 N·m (35 ft.lbs.).

(18) Lower transmission onto crossmember and install bolts attaching transmission mount to crossmember. Tighten clevis bracket to crossmember bolts to 47 N·m (35 ft.lbs.).

(19) Remove engine support fixture.

(20) Connect gearshift cable to transmission.

(21) Connect wires to solenoid and pressure switch assembly (Fig. 58) connector, input (Fig. 59) and output (Fig. 60) speed sensors, and line pressure sensor (Fig. 61). Be sure transmission harnesses are properly routed.

**CAUTION:** It is essential that correct length bolts be used to attach the converter to the driveplate. Bolts that are too long will damage the clutch surface inside the converter.

(22) Install torque converter-to-driveplate bolts. Tighten bolts to 31 N·m (270 in. lbs.).

(23) Install starter motor and cooler line bracket.

(24) Connect cooler lines to transmission.

(25) Install transmission fill tube.

(26) Install exhaust components, if necessary.
(27) Install the structural dust cover (Fig. 62) (Refer to 9 - ENGINE/ENGINE BLOCK/STRUCTURAL COVER - INSTALLATION) onto the transmission and the engine.

(28) Align and connect propeller shaft(s).

(29) Adjust gearshift cable if necessary.

(30) Install any skid plates removed previously. (Refer to 13 - FRAMES & BUMPERS/FRAME/TRANSFER CASE SKID PLATE - INSTALLATION)

(31) Lower vehicle.

HYDRAULIC FLOW IN FIRST GEAR (FROM N OR OD)

AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION - 45RFE/545RFE (Continued)
HYDRAULIC FLOW IN FIRST GEAR (AFTER LAUNCH FROM REST)

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AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION - 45RFE/545RFE (Continued)
HYDRAULIC FLOW IN FIRST GEAR (FROM K/D)
SECOND PRIME GEAR
LR=LOW REVERSE
UD=UNDERDRIVE
RC=REVERSE CL.
AC=ACCUMULATOR
PT=PRESSURE TAP
PS=PRES. SWITCH
PCS=PRES. CONTROL SOL.
*=ELEVATED OVERFLOW
2C=2nd CLUTCH
OD=OVERDRIVE
4C=4th CLUTCH
CC=CONVERTER CL.
D=DR/BLER
MS=MULTI-SELECT
LPS=LINE PRES. SENSOR
V=VENT

HYDRAULIC FLOW IN SECOND PRIME GEAR
HYDRAULIC FLOW IN DIRECT GEAR (FAILSAFE)

**DIRECT GEAR (FAILSAFE)**

- LR=LOW REVERSE
- UD=UNDERDRIVE
- RC=REVERSE CL
- AC=ACCUMULATOR
- PT=PRESSURE TAP
- PS=PRES. SWITCH
- PCS=PRES. CONTROL SOL. =ELEVATED OVERFLOW
- CC=OVERDRIVE
- CC=CONVERTER CL
- D=DRIBBLER
- MS=MULTI-SELECT
- LPS=LIME PRES. SENSOR
- V=VENT

**HYDRAULIC FLOW IN DIRECT GEAR (FAILSAFE)**

**DR AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION - 45RFE/545RFE 21 - 387**

**AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION - 45RFE/545RFE**

(continued)
HYDRAULIC FLOW IN FOURTH
HYDRAULIC FLOW IN FOURTH EMCC
HYDRAULIC FLOW IN FIFTH

AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION - 45RFE/545RFE (Continued)
HYDRAULIC FLOW IN MANUAL LOW OR AUTOSTICK 1ST

AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION - 45RFE/545RFE (Continued)
HYDRAULIC FLOW IN MANUAL SECOND (FAILSAFE)
### SPECIFICATIONS

#### TRANSMISSION

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SPECIAL TOOLS

RFE TRANSMISSION

Gauge, Oil Pressure - C-3292

Gauge, Oil Pressure - C-3293SP

Dial Indicator - C-3339

Installer, Seal - C-3860-A

Compressor, Spring - 8249

Compressor, Spring - 8250

Compressor, Spring - 8251

Installer, Piston - 8252
Installer, Seal - 8253

Installer, Seal - 8254

Installer, Snap-ring - 8255

Stand, Support - 8257

Adapter, Pressure Tap - 8258-A

Adapter, Line Pressure - 8259

Fixture, Input Clutch Pressure - 8260

Plate, Alignment - 8261
End Play Set - 8266

Compressor, Spring - 8285

Installer, Bearing - 8320

Installer, Piston - 8504

Wrench, Filter - 8321
RETAINER/BULKHEAD-4C

DISASSEMBLY

(1) Remove the 2C piston Belleville spring snap-ring (6) from the 4C retainer/bulkhead (13). (Fig. 63)

(2) Remove the 2C piston Belleville spring (5) from the retainer/bulkhead (13). (Fig. 63)

(3) Remove the 2C piston (2) from the retainer/bulkhead (13). Use 20 psi of air pressure to remove the piston if necessary.

(4) Remove the 4C clutch snap-ring (7) from the retainer/bulkhead (13). (Fig. 63)

(5) Remove the 4C clutch pack (3, 4, 8) from the retainer/bulkhead (13). (Fig. 63)

(6) Using Spring Compressor 8250 (2) (Fig. 64) and a suitable shop press (1), compress the 4C piston return spring (10) and remove the snap-ring (9). (Fig. 63)

(7) Remove the 4C piston return spring (10) (Fig. 63) and piston (12) from the retainer/bulkhead (13). Use 20 psi of air pressure to remove the piston if necessary.
ASSEMBLY

NOTE: Clean and inspect all components. Replace any components which show evidence of excessive wear or scoring.

1. Install new seals (1, 11) on the 2C and 4C pistons. (Fig. 65)

2. Lubricate all seals with Mopar® ATF +4 prior to installation.

3. Install the 4C piston (12) into the 4C retainer/bulkhead (13). (Fig. 65)

4. Position the 4C piston return spring (10) onto the 4C piston (12).

5. Using Spring Compressor 8250 (2) and a suitable shop press (1), compress the 4C piston return spring and install the snap-ring. (Fig. 66)

6. Assemble and install the 4C clutch pack (3, 4) into the retainer/bulkhead (13) (Fig. 65) with the steel separator plate against the piston.

7. Install the 4C reaction plate (8) (Fig. 65) and snap-ring (7) into the retainer/bulkhead (13). The 4C reaction plate is non-directional.

8. Measure the 4C clutch clearance. The correct clutch clearance is 0.77-1.39 mm (0.030-0.055 in.). The snap-ring (7) is selectable. Install the chosen snap-ring and re-measure to verify the selection.

9. Install the 2C piston (2) into the retainer/bulkhead (13). (Fig. 65)

10. Position the 2C Belleville spring (5) onto the 2C piston (2).

11. Position the 2C Belleville spring snap-ring (6) onto the 2C Belleville spring (5). (Fig. 65)
Fig. 65 4C Retainer/Bulkhead Components

1 - SEAL
2 - 2C PISTON
3 - PLATE
4 - DISC
5 - 2C BELLEVILLE SPRING
6 - SNAP-RING
7 - SNAP-RING (SELECT)
8 - REACTION PLATE
9 - SNAP-RING
10 - RETURN SPRING
11 - SEAL
12 - 4C PISTON
13 - 4C RETAINER/BULKHEAD
(12) Using Spring Compressor 8249 (2) (Fig. 67) and a suitable shop press (1), compress the Belleville spring (5) until the snap-ring (6) is engaged with the snap-ring groove in the retainer/bulkhead.

**ADAPTER HOUSING SEAL**

**REMOVAL**

1. Remove the transfer case from the transmission.
2. Using a screw mounted on a slide hammer, remove the adapter housing seal.

**INSTALLATION**

1. Clean the adapter seal bore in the adapter housing of any residue or particles remaining from the original seal.
2. Install new oil seal in the adapter housing using Seal Installer C-3860-A (1) (Fig. 68). A properly installed seal is flush to the face of the seal bore.
3. Install the transfer case onto the transmission.
BRAKE TRANSMISSION SHIFT INTERLOCK SYSTEM

DESCRIPTION

The Brake Transmission Shifter Interlock (BTSI) (Fig. 69), is a solenoid operated system. It consists of a solenoid permanently mounted on the gearshift cable.

OPERATION

The system locks the shifter into the PARK position. The interlock system is engaged whenever the ignition switch is in the LOCK or ACCESSORY position. An additional electrically activated feature will prevent shifting out of the PARK position unless the brake pedal is depressed approximately one-half an inch. A magnetic holding device in line with the park lock cable is energized when the ignition is in the RUN position. When the key is in the RUN position and the brake pedal is depressed, the shifter is unlocked and will move into any position. The interlock system also prevents the ignition switch from being turned to the LOCK or ACCESSORY position, unless the shifter is fully locked into the PARK position.

DIAGNOSIS AND TESTING - BRAKE TRANSMISSION SHIFT INTERLOCK

(1) Verify that the key can only be removed in the PARK position.
(2) When the shift lever is in PARK and the shift handle pushbutton is in the “OUT” position, the ignition key cylinder should rotate freely from OFF to LOCK. When the shifter is in any other gear or neutral position, the ignition key cylinder should not rotate to the LOCK position.
(3) Shifting out of PARK should not be possible when the ignition key cylinder is in the OFF position.
(4) Shifting out of PARK should not be possible while applying normal pushbutton force and ignition key cylinder is in the RUN or START positions unless the foot brake pedal is depressed approximately 1/2 inch (12mm).
(5) Shifting out of PARK should not be possible when the ignition key cylinder is in the ACCESSORY or LOCK positions.
(6) Shifting between any gears, NEUTRAL or into PARK may be done without depressing foot brake pedal with ignition switch in RUN or START positions.

ADJUSTMENTS - BRAKE TRANSMISSION SHIFT INTERLOCK

Correct cable adjustment is important to proper interlock operation. The gearshift cable must be correctly adjusted in order to shift out of PARK.

ADJUSTMENT PROCEDURE

(1) Remove the steering column trim as necessary for access to the brake transmission shift interlock.
(2) Shift the transmission into the PARK position.
(3) Pull upward on both the BTSI lock tab (4) and the gearshift cable lock tab (3). (Fig. 70)
(4) Verify that the shift lever is in the PARK position.
BRAKE TRANSMISSION SHIFT INTERLOCK SYSTEM (Continued)

(5) Verify positive engagement of the transmission park lock by attempting to rotate the propeller shaft. The shaft will not rotate when the park lock is engaged.

(6) Turn ignition switch to LOCK position. Be sure ignition key cylinder is in the LOCK position. Cable will not adjust correctly in any other position.

(7) Ensure that the cable is free to self-adjust by pushing cable rearward and releasing.

(8) Push the gearshift cable lock tab (3) down until it snaps in place.

(9) Locate the BTSI alignment hole in the bottom of the BTSI mechanism between the BTSI lock tab and the BTSI connector.

(10) Move the BTSI assembly up or down on the gearshift cable until an appropriate size drill bit can be inserted into the alignment hole and through the assembly.

(11) Push the BTSI lock tab (4) down until it snaps into place and remove the drill bit.

(12) Install any steering column trim previously removed.

BTSI FUNCTION CHECK

(1) Verify removal of ignition key allowed in PARK position only.

(2) When the shift lever is in PARK, the ignition key cylinder should rotate freely from off to lock. When the shifter is in any other position, the ignition key should not rotate from off to lock.

(3) Shifting out of PARK should be possible when the ignition key cylinder is in the off position.

(4) Shifting out of PARK should not be possible while applying normal force, and ignition key cylinder is in the run or start positions, unless the foot brake pedal is depressed approximately 1/2 inch (12mm).

(5) Shifting out of PARK should not be possible when the ignition key cylinder is in the accessory or lock position.

(6) Shifting between any gear and NEUTRAL, or PARK, may be done without depressing foot brake with ignition switch in run or start positions.

(7) Engine starts must be possible with shifter lever in PARK or NEUTRAL positions only. Engine starts must not be possible in any position other than PARK or NEUTRAL.

(8) With shifter lever in the:
   • PARK position - Apply upward force on the shift arm and remove pressure. Engine starts must be possible.
   • PARK position - Apply downward force on the shift arm and remove pressure. Engine starts must be possible.
   • NEUTRAL position - Normal position. Engine starts must be possible.
   • NEUTRAL position - Engine running and brakes applied, apply upward force on the shift arm. Transmission shall not be able to shift from neutral to reverse.

FLUID AND FILTER

DIAGNOSIS AND TESTING

DIAGNOSIS AND TESTING - EFFECTS OF INCORRECT FLUID LEVEL

A low fluid level allows the pump to take in air along with the fluid. Air in the fluid will cause fluid pressures to be low and develop slower than normal. If the transmission is overfilled, the gears churn the fluid into foam. This aerates the fluid and causing the same conditions occurring with a low level. In either case, air bubbles cause fluid overheating, oxidation, and varnish buildup which interferes with valve and clutch operation. Foaming also causes fluid expansion which can result in fluid overflow from the transmission vent or fill tube. Fluid overflow can easily be mistaken for a leak if inspection is not careful.

DIAGNOSIS AND TESTING - CAUSES OF BURNT FLUID

Burnt, discolored fluid is a result of overheating which has three primary causes.

(1) Internal clutch slippage, usually caused by low line pressure, inadequate clutch apply pressure, or clutch seal failure.

(2) A result of restricted fluid flow through the main and/or auxiliary cooler. This condition is usually the result of a faulty or improperly installed drainback valve, a damaged oil cooler, or severe restrictions in the coolers and lines caused by debris or kinked lines.

(3) Heavy duty operation with a vehicle not properly equipped for this type of operation. Trailer towing or similar high load operation will overheat the transmission fluid if the vehicle is improperly equipped. Such vehicles should have an auxiliary transmission fluid cooler, a heavy duty cooling system, and the engine/axle ratio combination needed to handle heavy loads.

DIAGNOSIS AND TESTING - FLUID CONTAMINATION

Transmission fluid contamination is generally a result of:
   • adding incorrect fluid
FLUID AND FILTER (Continued)

- failure to clean dipstick and fill tube when checking level
- engine coolant entering the fluid
- internal failure that generates debris
- overheat that generates sludge (fluid breakdown)
- failure to replace contaminated converter after repair

The use of non-recommended fluids can result in transmission failure. The usual results are erratic shifts, slippage, abnormal wear and eventual failure due to fluid breakdown and sludge formation. Avoid this condition by using recommended fluids only.

The dipstick cap and fill tube should be wiped clean before checking fluid level. Dirt, grease and other foreign material on the cap and tube could fall into the tube if not removed beforehand. Take the time to wipe the cap and tube clean before withdrawing the dipstick.

Engine coolant in the transmission fluid is generally caused by a cooler malfunction. The only remedy is to replace the radiator as the cooler in the radiator is not a serviceable part. If coolant has circulated through the transmission, an overhaul is necessary.

The torque converter should also be replaced whenever a failure generates sludge and debris. This is necessary because normal converter flushing procedures will not remove all contaminants.

STANDARD PROCEDURE

STANDARD PROCEDURE - FLUID LEVEL CHECK

Low fluid level can cause a variety of conditions because it allows the pump to take in air along with the fluid. As in any hydraulic system, air bubbles make the fluid spongy, therefore, pressures will be low and build up slowly.

Improper filling can also raise the fluid level too high. When the transmission has too much fluid, the geartrain churns up foam and cause the same conditions which occur with a low fluid level.

In either case, air bubbles can cause overheating and/or fluid oxidation, and varnishing. This can interfere with normal valve, clutch, and accumulator operation. Foaming can also result in fluid escaping from the transmission vent where it may be mistaken for a leak.

After the fluid has been checked, seat the dipstick fully to seal out water and dirt.

The transmission has a dipstick to check oil level. It is located on the right side of the engine. Be sure to wipe all dirt from dipstick handle before removing.

The torque converter fills in both the P (PARK) and N (NEUTRAL) positions. Place the selector lever in P (PARK) to be sure that the fluid level check is accurate. The engine should be running at idle speed for at least one minute, with the vehicle on level ground. At normal operating temperature (approximately 82 C. or 180 F.), the fluid level is correct if it is in the HOT region (cross-hatched area) on the oil level indicator. The fluid level will be approximately at the upper COLD hole of the dipstick at 70° F fluid temperature.

NOTE: Engine and Transmission should be at normal operating temperature before performing this procedure.

(1) Start engine and apply parking brake.
(2) Shift the transmission into DRIVE for approximately 2 seconds.
(3) Shift the transmission into REVERSE for approximately 2 seconds.
(4) Shift the transmission into PARK.
(5) Hook up DRB® scan tool and select transmission.
(6) Select sensors.
(7) Read the transmission temperature value.
(8) Compare the fluid temperature value with the chart. (Fig. 71)
(9) Adjust transmission fluid level shown on the dipstick according to the Transmission Fluid Temperature Chart.

NOTE: After adding any fluid to the transmission, wait a minimum of 2 minutes for the oil to fully drain from the fill tube into the transmission before rechecking the fluid level.

(10) Check transmission for leaks.

STANDARD PROCEDURE - FLUID AND FILTER REPLACEMENT

For proper service intervals (Refer to LUBRICATION & MAINTENANCE/Maintenance Schedules - Description).

REMOVAL

(1) Hoist and support vehicle on safety stands.
(2) Place a large diameter shallow drain pan beneath the transmission pan.
(3) Remove bolts holding front and sides of pan to transmission.
(4) Loosen bolts holding rear of pan to transmission.
(5) Slowly separate front of pan away from transmission allowing the fluid to drain into drain pan.
(6) Hold up pan and remove remaining bolts holding pan to transmission.
(7) While holding pan level, lower pan away from transmission.
(8) Pour remaining fluid in pan into drain pan.

(9) Remove the screw holding the primary oil filter (1) to valve body. (Fig. 72)

(10) Separate filter from valve body and oil pump and pour fluid in filter into drain pan.

(11) Remove and discard the oil filter seal from the bottom of the oil pump.

(12) If replacing the cooler return filter (2), use Oil Filter Wrench 8321 to remove the filter from the transmission.

(13) Dispose of used trans fluid and filter(s) properly.

**INSPECTION**

Inspect bottom of pan and magnet for excessive amounts of metal. A light coating of clutch material on the bottom of the pan does not indicate a problem unless accompanied by a slipping condition or shift lag. If fluid and pan are contaminated with excessive amounts of debris, refer to the diagnosis section of this group.

**CLEANING**

(1) Using a suitable solvent, clean pan and magnet.

(2) Using a suitable gasket scraper, clean original sealing material from surface of transmission case and the transmission pan.
INSTALLATION

CAUTION: The primary oil filter seal MUST be fully installed flush against the oil pump body. DO NOT install the seal onto the filter neck and attempt to install the filter and seal as an assembly. Damage to the transmission will result.

(1) Install a new primary oil filter seal in the oil pump inlet bore. Seat the seal in the bore with the butt end of a hammer, or other suitable tool.

(2) Place replacement filter in position on valve body and into the oil pump.

(3) Install screw to hold the primary oil filter (1) (Fig. 72) to valve body. Tighten screw to 4.5 N·m (40 in. lbs.) torque.

(4) Install new cooler return filter (2) onto the transmission, if necessary. Torque the filter to 14.12 N·m (125 in.lbs.).

(5) Place bead of Mopar® RTV sealant onto the transmission case sealing surface.

(6) Place pan in position on transmission.

(7) Install bolts to hold pan to transmission. Tighten bolts to 11.8 N·m (105 in. lbs.) torque.

(8) Lower vehicle and fill transmission with Mopar® ATF +4.

STANDARD PROCEDURE - TRANSMISSION FILL

To avoid overfilling transmission after a fluid change or overhaul, perform the following procedure:

(1) Remove dipstick and insert clean funnel in transmission fill tube.

(2) Add following initial quantity of Mopar® ATF +4 to transmission:
   (a) If only fluid and filter were changed, add 10 pints (5 quarts) of ATF +4 to transmission.
   (b) If transmission was completely overhauled and the torque converter was replaced or drained, add 24 pints (12 quarts) of ATF +4 to transmission.

(3) Check the transmission fluid (Refer to 21 - TRANSMISSION/AUTOMATIC - RFE/FLUID - STANDARD PROCEDURE) and adjust as required.

GEARSHIFT CABLE

DIAGNOSIS AND TESTING - GEARSHIFT CABLE

(1) Engine starts must be possible with shift lever in PARK or NEUTRAL positions only. Engine starts must not be possible in any other gear position.

(2) With the shift lever in the:
   (a) PARK position - Apply upward force on the shift arm and remove pressure. Engine starts must be possible.
   (b) PARK position - Apply downward force on the shift arm and remove pressure. Engine starts must be possible.
   (c) NEUTRAL position - Normal position. Engine starts must be possible.
   (d) NEUTRAL position - Engine running and brakes applied, apply upward force on the shift arm. Transmission shall not be able to shift from neutral to reverse.

REMOVAL

(1) Shift transmission into PARK.

(2) Raise vehicle.

(3) Disengage cable (1) eyelet at transmission manual shift lever (3) and pull cable adjuster out of mounting bracket. (Fig. 73)

(4) Lower the vehicle.
(5) Remove the dash panel insulation pad as necessary to access the gearshift cable grommet (2). (Fig. 74)

(6) Remove grommet (2) from the dash panel.

(7) Remove any steering column (1) trim necessary to access the gearshift cable (2) and BTSI mechanism.

(8) Disconnect the BTSI wiring connector (5).

(9) Disconnect cable at lower column bracket and shift lever pin and pull the cable through the dash panel opening into the vehicle. (Fig. 75)

(10) Remove gearshift cable (2) from vehicle.

(1) Route the transmission end of the gearshift cable (1) through the opening in the dash panel. (Fig. 76)

(2) Seat the cable grommet (2) into the dash panel opening.

(3) Snap the cable into the steering column (1) bracket so the retaining ears (Fig. 77) are engaged and snap the cable eyelet onto the shift lever ball stud.

(4) Raise the vehicle.

(5) Place the transmission manual shift lever in the “PARK” detent (rearmost) position and rotate prop shaft to ensure transmission is in PARK.
GEARSHIFT CABLE (Continued)

(6) Route the gearshift cable through the transmission mounting bracket and secure the cable by snapping the cable retaining ears into the transmission bracket and snapping the cable eyelet on the manual shift lever ball stud.

(7) Lower vehicle.

(8) Lock the shift cable adjustment by pressing the cable adjuster lock tab (3) downward until it snaps into place.

(9) Check for proper operation of the transmission range sensor.

(10) Adjust the gearshift cable (Refer to 21 - TRANSMISSION/AUTOMATIC/GEAR SHIFT CABLE - ADJUSTMENTS) and BTSI mechanism (Refer to 21 - TRANSMISSION/AUTOMATIC/ BRAKE TRANSMISSION SHIFT INTERLOCK SYSTEM - ADJUSTMENTS) as necessary.

ADJUSTMENTS - GEARSHIFT CABLE

Check adjustment by starting the engine in PARK and NEUTRAL. Adjustment is CORRECT if the engine starts only in these positions. Adjustment is INCORRECT if the engine starts in one but not both positions. If the engine starts in any position other than PARK or NEUTRAL, or if the engine will not start at all, the transmission range sensor may be faulty.

Gearshift Adjustment Procedure

(1) Shift transmission into PARK.

(2) Release cable adjuster lock tab (3) (underneath the steering column) (Fig. 78) to unlock cable.

(3) Raise vehicle.

(4) Disengage the cable eyelet from the transmission manual shift lever.

(5) Verify transmission shift lever is in PARK detent by moving lever fully rearward. Last rearward detent is PARK position.

(6) Verify positive engagement of transmission park lock by attempting to rotate propeller shaft. Shaft will not rotate when park lock is engaged.

(7) Snap the cable eyelet onto the transmission manual shift lever.

(8) Lower vehicle.

(9) Lock shift cable by pressing cable adjuster lock tab (3) downward until it snaps into place.

(10) Check engine starting. Engine should start only in PARK and NEUTRAL.
HOLDING CLUTCHES

DESCRIPTION
Three hydraulically applied multi-disc clutches are used to hold some planetary geartrain components stationary while the input clutches drive others. The 2C, 4C, and Low/Reverse clutches are considered holding clutches. The 2C and 4C clutches are located in the 4C retainer/bulkhead (13). (Fig. 79)

The Low/Reverse clutch is located at the rear of the transmission case. (Fig. 80)

OPERATION

2C CLUTCH
The 2C clutch is hydraulically applied in second and fifth gear by pressurized fluid against the 2C piston. When the 2C clutch is applied, the reverse sun gear assembly is held or grounded to the transmission case by holding the reaction planetary carrier.

4C CLUTCH
The 4C clutch is hydraulically applied in second prime and fourth gear by pressurized fluid against the 4C clutch piston. When the 4C clutch is applied, the reaction annulus gear is held or grounded to the transmission case.

Fig. 79 2C and 4C Clutches

1 - SEAL  
2 - 2C PISTON  
3 - PLATE  
4 - DISC  
5 - 2C BELLEVILLE SPRING  
6 - SNAP-RING  
7 - SNAP-RING (SELECT)  
8 - REACTION PLATE  
9 - SNAP-RING  
10 - RETURN SPRING  
11 - SEAL  
12 - 4C PISTON  
13 - 4C RETAINER/BULKHEAD
LOW/REVERSE CLUTCH

The Low/Reverse clutch is hydraulically applied in park, reverse, neutral, and first gear, only at low speeds, by pressurized fluid against the Low/Reverse clutch piston. When the Low/Reverse clutch is applied, the input annulus assembly is held or grounded to the transmission case.

Fig. 80 Low/Reverse Clutch

1 - SNAP-RING (SELECT) 8 - SEAL
2 - REACTION PLATE 9 - BELLEVILLE SPRING
3 - DISC 10 - RETAINER
4 - PLATE 11 - SNAP-RING
5 - L/R CLUTCH RETAINER 12 - OVERRUNNING CLUTCH
6 - SEAL 13 - SNAP-RING
7 - PISTON

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HOLDING CLUTCHES (Continued)
INPUT CLUTCH ASSEMBLY

DESCRIPTION

Three hydraulically applied input clutches are used to drive planetary components. The underdrive, overdrive, and reverse clutches are considered input clutches and are contained within the input clutch assembly. (Fig. 81) (Fig. 82)

The input clutch assembly also contains:
- Input shaft
- Input hub
- Clutch retainer
- Underdrive piston
- Overdrive/reverse piston

OPERATION

The three input clutches are responsible for driving different components of the planetary geartrain.

UNDERDRIVE CLUTCH

The underdrive clutch is hydraulically applied in first, second, second prime, and third (direct) gears by pressurized fluid against the underdrive piston. When the underdrive clutch is applied, the underdrive hub drives the input sun gear.
OVERDRIVE CLUTCH
The overdrive clutch is hydraulically applied in third (direct), fourth, and fifth gears by pressurized fluid against the overdrive/reverse piston. When the overdrive clutch is applied, the overdrive hub drives the reverse carrier/input annulus assembly.

REVERSE CLUTCH
The reverse clutch is hydraulically applied in reverse gear by pressurized fluid against the overdrive/reverse piston. When the reverse clutch is applied, the reaction annulus gear is driven.
(6) Remove the number 3 thrust bearing (1) from the underdrive hub (17).
(7) Remove the OD/reverse reaction plate snap-ring (6) from the input clutch retainer (13).
(8) Remove the underdrive hub (17), overdrive clutch (13), and overdrive reaction plate (15) from the input clutch retainer (13). (Fig. 83)

NOTE: The overdrive friction discs and steel discs are thicker than the matching components in the underdrive and reverse clutches.
(9) Remove the number 2 thrust bearing (18) from the input clutch hub (1).
(10) Remove the overdrive clutch wave snap-ring (3) from the input clutch retainer (13).
(11) Remove the UD/OD reaction plate tapered snap-ring (14) from the input clutch retainer (13).
(12) Remove the UD/OD reaction plate (15) from the input clutch retainer (13).
(13) Remove the UD/OD reaction plate flat snap-ring (16) from the input clutch retainer (13). (Fig. 83)
(14) Remove the underdrive clutch pack (11) from the input clutch retainer (13). (Fig. 84)
(15) Using Spring Compressor 8251 (2) , compress the UD/OD balance piston (3) and remove the snap-ring from the input clutch hub (1). (Fig. 85)
(16) Remove the UD/OD balance piston (6) and piston return spring (9) from the input clutch retainer (13). (Fig. 84)
(17) Remove the underdrive piston (8) from the input clutch retainer (13). (Fig. 84)

NOTE: Both the UD/OD balance piston and the underdrive piston have seals molded onto them. If the seal is damaged, do not attempt to install a new seal onto the piston. The piston/seal must be replaced as an assembly.
(18) Remove the input clutch retainer tapered snap-ring (5).
(19) Separate input clutch retainer (13) from input clutch hub (1).
(20) Separate OD/reverse piston (15) from input clutch hub retainer (13). (Fig. 84)
(21) Remove all seals and o-rings from the input shaft and input hub. The o-rings on the input hub are color coded. Be sure to make note of which o-ring belongs in which location.

**ASSEMBLY**

**NOTE:** Install all new seals and o-rings onto the input shaft and input hub. The o-rings on the input hub are color coded. Be sure to install the correct o-ring in the correct location.

(1) Check the transmission lubrication check valve (20) located in the input shaft using shop air. The valve should only allow air flow in one direction. If the valve allows no air flow, or air flow in both directions, the valve will need to be replaced.
(2) Lubricate all seals with Mopar® ATF +4, Automatic Transmission Fluid, prior to installation.
(3) Assemble the OD/reverse piston (15) onto the input clutch hub (1). (Fig. 86)
(4) Assemble the input clutch retainer (13) onto the input clutch hub (1).
(5) Install the input clutch retainer tapered snap-ring (5) with tapered side up onto the input clutch hub (1).
**Fig. 86 Input Clutch Assembly - Part 1**

1 - INPUT CLUTCH HUB
2 - O-RING SEALS
3 - SEAL
4 - SNAP-RING
5 - SNAP-RING
6 - UD BALANCE PISTON
7 - SNAP-RING
8 - UD PISTON
9 - SPRING
10 - DISC
11 - UD CLUTCH
12 - PLATE
13 - CLUTCH RETAINER
14 - SEAL
15 - OD/REV PISTON
16 - BELLEVILLE SPRING
17 - SNAP-RING
18 - SEAL RINGS
19 - INPUT SHAFT
20 - LUBRICATION CHECK VALVE AND SNAP-RING
(6) Install Piston Guides 8504 (1) into the input clutch retainer (13) (Fig. 87) and onto the input clutch hub (1) to guide the inner and outer underdrive piston (8) seals into position.

(7) Install the underdrive piston (8) into the input clutch retainer (13) and over the input clutch hub (1). (Fig. 86)

(8) Install the UD/OD balance piston return spring pack (9) into the input clutch retainer (13).

(9) Install Piston Guide 8252 (1) into the input clutch retainer (13) (Fig. 88) to guide the UD/OD balance piston (6) seal into position inside the underdrive piston (8).

(10) Install the UD/OD balance piston (3) into the input clutch retainer and the underdrive piston.

(11) Using Spring Compressor 8251 (2), compress the UD/OD return spring pack and secure the piston in place with the snap-ring. (Fig. 89)

(12) Install the underdrive clutch pack (11) into the input clutch retainer. (Fig. 86)

(13) Install the UD/OD reaction plate lower flat snap-ring (16) (Fig. 90). The correct snap-ring can be identified by the two tabbed ears.

(14) Install the UD/OD reaction plate (15) into the input clutch retainer. The reaction plate is to be installed with the big step down.

(15) Install the UD/OD reaction plate upper tapered snap-ring (14) with tapered side up.

(16) Install the input clutch assembly into Input Clutch Pressure Fixture 8260 (2). (Fig. 91)

(17) Mount a dial indicator to the assembly, push down on the clutch discs and zero the indicator against the underdrive clutch discs (Fig. 92). Apply 20 psi of air pressure to the underdrive clutch and record the dial indicator reading. Measure and record UD clutch pack measurement in four (4) places, 90° apart. Take average of four measurements and compare with UD clutch pack clearance specification. The correct clutch clearance is 0.84-1.54 mm (0.033-0.061 in.). The reaction plate is not selective. If the clutch clearance is not within specification, replace the reaction plate along with all the friction and steel discs.

(18) Install the overdrive clutch pack (13) into the input clutch retainer (Fig. 90). The overdrive steel
separator plates can be identified by the lack of the half-moon cuts in the locating tabs.

(19) Install the overdrive clutch wavy snap-ring (3) with the two tabbed ears into the input clutch retainer.

(20) Install the OD/reverse reaction plate (4) into the input clutch retainer. The reaction plate is non-directional. (Fig. 90)

(21) Install the OD/reverse reaction plate flat snap-ring (6) into the input clutch retainer.

(22) Mount a dial indicator to the assembly and zero the indicator against the OD/reverse reaction plate (2) (Fig. 93). Apply 20 psi of air pressure to the overdrive clutch and record the dial indicator reading. Measure and record OD clutch pack measurement in four (4) places, 90° apart. Take average of four measurements and compare with OD clutch pack clearance specification. Verify that the clutch clearance is 1.103-1.856 mm (0.043-0.073 in.). The reaction plate is not selective. If the clutch clearance is not within specification, replace the reaction plate along with all the friction and steel discs.

(23) Install the reverse clutch pack (8) into the input clutch retainer. (Fig. 90)
(24) Install the reverse reaction plate (9) into the input clutch retainer.

(25) Install the reverse reaction plate selective snap-ring (10) into the input clutch retainer.

(26) Mount a dial indicator to the assembly, push down on the clutch discs, pull up on the reaction plate to ensure the plate is properly seated and zero the indicator against the reverse clutch discs (2) (Fig. 94). Apply 20 psi of air pressure to the reverse clutch and record the dial indicator reading. Measure and record Reverse clutch pack measurement in four (4) places, 90° apart. Take average of four measurements and compare with Reverse clutch pack clearance specification. The correct clutch clearance is 0.58-1.47 mm (0.023-0.058 in.). Adjust as necessary. Install the chosen snap-ring and re-measure to verify selection.

(27) Remove the reverse clutch pack (8) from the input clutch retainer.
INPUT CLUTCH ASSEMBLY (Continued)

(28) Install the number 2 thrust bearing (18) onto the underdrive hub (17) with outer race against the hub with petroleum jelly.
(29) Install the underdrive hub (17) into the input clutch retainer.
(30) Install the number 3 thrust bearing (1) into the overdrive hub (2) with the outer race against the hub with petroleum jelly.
(31) Install the overdrive hub (2) into the input clutch retainer.
(32) Install the number 4 thrust bearing (5) into the reverse hub with outer race against the hub with petroleum jelly.
(33) Install the reverse hub (7) into the input clutch retainer.
(34) Install the complete reverse clutch pack (8).
(35) Install the reverse reaction plate (9) and snap-ring (10).
(36) Push up on reaction plate to allow reverse clutch to move freely.

INPUT SPEED SENSOR

DESCRIPTION
The Input and Output Speed Sensors are two-wire magnetic pickup devices that generate AC signals as rotation occurs. They are mounted in the left side of the transmission case and are considered primary inputs to the Transmission Control Module (TCM).

OPERATION
The Input Speed Sensor provides information on how fast the input shaft is rotating. As the teeth of the input clutch hub pass by the sensor coil, an AC voltage is generated and sent to the TCM. The TCM interprets this information as input shaft rpm.
The Output Speed Sensor generates an AC signal in a similar fashion, though its coil is excited by rotation of the rear planetary carrier lugs. The TCM interprets this information as output shaft rpm.
The TCM compares the input and output speed signals to determine the following:
- Transmission gear ratio
- Speed ratio error detection
- CVI calculation
The TCM also compares the input speed signal and the engine speed signal to determine the following:
- Torque converter clutch slippage
- Torque converter element speed ratio

REMOVAL
(1) Raise vehicle.
(2) Place a suitable fluid catch pan under the transmission.

INSTALLATION
(1) Install the input speed sensor (3) (Fig. 96) into the transmission case.
INPUT SPEED SENSOR (Continued)

(2) Install the bolt to hold the input speed sensor (3) into the transmission case. Tighten the bolt to 11.9 N·m (105 in.lbs.).
(3) Install the wiring connector onto the input speed sensor.
(4) Verify the transmission fluid level. Add fluid as necessary.
(5) Lower vehicle.

LINE PRESSURE (LP) SENSOR

DESCRIPTION
The TCM utilizes a closed-loop system to control transmission line pressure. The system contains a variable force style solenoid, the Pressure Control Solenoid, mounted on the side of the solenoid and pressure switch assembly. The solenoid is duty cycle controlled by the TCM to vent the unnecessary line pressure supplied by the oil pump back to the sump. The system also contains a variable pressure style sensor, the Line Pressure Sensor, which is a direct input to the TCM. The line pressure solenoid monitors the transmission line pressure and completes the feedback loop to the TCM. The TCM uses this information to adjust its control of the pressure control solenoid to achieve the desired line pressure.

OPERATION
The TCM calculates the desired line pressure based upon inputs from the transmission and engine. The TCM calculates the torque input to the transmission and uses that information as the primary input to the calculation. The line pressure is set to a predetermined value during shifts and when the transmission is in the PARK and NEUTRAL positions. This is done to ensure consistent shift quality. During all other operation, the actual line pressure is compared to the desired line pressure and adjustments are made to the pressure control solenoid duty cycle.

REMOVAL
(1) Raise vehicle.
(2) Place a suitable fluid catch pan under the transmission.
(3) Remove the wiring connector from the line pressure sensor (2). (Fig. 97)
(4) Remove the bolt holding the line pressure sensor (2) to the transmission case.
(5) Remove the line pressure sensor (2) from the transmission case.

INSTALLATION
(1) Install the line pressure sensor (2) (Fig. 98) into the transmission case.

(2) Install the bolt to hold the line pressure sensor (2) into the transmission case. Tighten the bolt to 11.9 N·m (105 in.lbs.).
(3) Install the wiring connector onto the line pressure sensor (2).
(4) Verify the transmission fluid level. Add fluid as necessary.
(5) Lower vehicle.
LOW/REVERSE CLUTCH

DISASSEMBLY

1. Remove the inner overrunning clutch snap-ring (13) from the low/reverse clutch retainer (5). (Fig. 99)
2. Remove the outer low/reverse reaction plate flat snap-ring (1). (Fig. 99)
3. Remove the low/reverse clutch (3, 4) and the overrunning clutch (12) from the low/reverse clutch retainer (5) as an assembly. (Fig. 99)
4. Separate the low/reverse clutch (3, 4) from the overrunning clutch (12).

Fig. 99 Low/Reverse Clutch Assembly

1 - SNAP-RING (SELECT)  8 - SEAL
2 - REACTION PLATE  9 - BELLEVIILE SPRING
3 - DISC  10 - RETAINER
4 - PLATE  11 - SNAP-RING
5 - L/R CLUTCH RETAINER  12 - OVERRUNNING CLUTCH
6 - SEAL  13 - SNAP-RING
7 - PISTON

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(5) Remove the overrunning clutch snap-ring (1). (Fig. 100)
(6) Remove the spacer (4) from the overrunning clutch (3). (Fig. 100)
(7) Separate the inner and outer races (2) of the overrunning clutch (3). (Fig. 100)
(8) Remove the overrunning clutch lower snap-ring. (Fig. 100)

(9) Using Spring Compressor 8285 (2) (Fig. 101) and a suitable shop press (1), compress the low/reverse piston Belleville spring (3) and remove the split retaining ring holding the Belleville spring into the low/reverse clutch retainer.
(10) Remove the low/reverse clutch Belleville spring (3) and piston from the low/reverse clutch retainer. Use 20 psi of air pressure to remove the piston if necessary.

CLEANING
Clean the overrunning clutch assembly, clutch cam, and low-reverse clutch retainer. Dry them with compressed air after cleaning.

INSPECTION
Inspect condition of each clutch part after cleaning. Replace the overrunning clutch roller and spring assembly if any rollers or springs are worn or damaged, or if the roller cage is distorted, or damaged. Replace the cam if worn, cracked or damaged.
Replace the low-reverse clutch retainer if the clutch race, roller surface or inside diameter is scored, worn or damaged.

ASSEMBLY
(1) Check the bleed orifice to ensure that it is not plugged or restricted.
(2) Install a new seal on the low/reverse piston. Lubricate the seal with Mopar® ATF +44, Automatic Transmission Fluid, prior to installation.
LOW/REVERSE CLUTCH (Continued)

(3) Install the low/reverse piston into the low/reverse clutch retainer.

(4) Position the low/reverse piston Belleville spring (3) on the low/reverse piston.

(5) Using Spring Compressor 8285 (2) and a suitable shop press (1) (Fig. 102), compress the low/reverse piston Belleville spring (3) and install the split retaining ring to hold the Belleville spring into the low/reverse clutch retainer.

(6) Install the lower overrunning clutch snap-ring. (Fig. 103)

(7) Assemble the inner and outer races (2) of the overrunning clutch (3). (Fig. 103)

(8) Position the overrunning clutch spacer (4) on the overrunning clutch (3).

(9) Install the upper overrunning clutch snap-ring (1). (Fig. 103)

(10) Assemble and install the low/reverse clutch pack (3, 4) into the low/reverse clutch retainer (5). (Fig. 104)

(11) Install the low/reverse reaction plate (2) into the low/reverse clutch retainer (5) (Fig. 104). The reaction plate is directional and must be installed with the flat side down.

(12) Install the low/reverse clutch pack snap-ring (1) (Fig. 104). The snap-ring is selectable and should be chosen to give the correct clutch pack clearance.

(13) Measure the low/reverse clutch pack clearance and adjust as necessary. The correct clutch clearance is 1.00-1.74 mm (0.039-0.075 in.).

(14) Install the overrunning clutch (12) into the low/reverse clutch retainer (5) making sure that the index splines are aligned with the retainer.

(15) Install the overrunning clutch inner snap-ring (13).

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Fig. 103 Overrunning Clutch

1 - SNAP-RING
2 - OUTER RACE
3 - OVERRUNNING CLUTCH
4 - SPACER
Fig. 104 Low/Reverse Clutch Assembly

1 - SNAP-RING (SELECT)  
2 - REACTION PLATE  
3 - DISC  
4 - PLATE  
5 - L/R CLUTCH RETAINER  
6 - SEAL  
7 - PISTON  
8 - SEAL  
9 - BELLEVILLE SPRING  
10 - RETAINER  
11 - SNAP-RING  
12 - OVERRUNNING CLUTCH  
13 - SNAP-RING
OIL PUMP

DESCRIPTION

The oil pump (2) (Fig. 105) is located at the front of the transmission inside the bell housing and behind the transmission front cover.

Fig. 106 Oil Pump Gears

1 - PUMP HOUSING
2 - DRIVE GEAR
3 - DRIVEN GEARS

The oil pump consists of two independent pumps. (Fig. 106)

The oil pump also contains a number of valves. The converter clutch switch (3) (Fig. 107) and control valves (2), pressure regulator valve (5), and converter pressure limit valve (6) are all located in the oil pump valve body.

OPERATION

As the torque converter rotates, the converter hub rotates the oil pump drive gear. As the drive gear rotates both driven gears, a vacuum is created when the gear teeth come out of mesh. This suction draws fluid through the pump inlet from the oil pan. As the gear teeth come back into mesh, pressurized fluid is forced into the pump outlet and to the oil pump valves.

At low speeds, both sides of the pump supply fluid to the transmission. As the speed of the torque converter increases, the flow from both sides increases until the flow from the primary side alone is sufficient to meet system demands. At this point, the check valve located between the two pumps closes. The secondary side is shut down and the primary side supplies all the fluid to the transmission.

CONVERTER CLUTCH SWITCH VALVE

The converter clutch switch valve is used to control the hydraulic pressure supplied to the front (OFF) side of the torque converter clutch.

CONVERTER CLUTCH REGULATOR VALVE

The converter clutch regulator valve is used to control the hydraulic pressure supplied to the back (ON) side of the torque converter clutch.

TORQUE CONVERTER LIMIT VALVE

The torque converter limit valve serves to limit the available line pressure to the torque converter clutch.
STANDARD PROCEDURE - OIL PUMP VOLUME CHECK

Measuring the oil pump output volume will determine if sufficient oil flow to the transmission oil cooler exists, and whether or not an internal transmission failure is present.

Verify that the transmission fluid is at the proper level. Refer to the Fluid Level Check procedure in this section. If necessary, fill the transmission to the proper level with Mopar® ATF +4, Automatic Transmission Fluid.

(1) Disconnect the To cooler line at the cooler inlet and place a collecting container under the disconnected line.

CAUTION: With the fluid set at the proper level, fluid collection should not exceed (1) quart or internal damage to the transmission may occur.

(2) Run the engine at 1800 rpm, with the shift selector in neutral. Verify that the transmission fluid temperature is below 104.5° C (220° F) for this test.

(3) If one quart of transmission fluid is collected in 30 seconds or less, oil pump flow volume is within acceptable limits. If fluid flow is intermittent, or it takes more than 30 seconds to collect one quart of fluid, refer to the Hydraulic Pressure tests in this section for further diagnosis.

(4) Re-connect the To cooler line to the transmission cooler inlet.

(5) Refill the transmission to proper level.
OIL PUMP (Continued)

DISASSEMBLY

(1) Remove the bolts holding the reaction shaft support (5) to the oil pump. (Fig. 109)
(2) Remove the reaction shaft support (5) from the oil pump. (Fig. 109)
(3) Remove all bolts holding the oil pump halves together. (Fig. 109)
(4) Using suitable prying tools, separate the oil pump sections by inserting the tools in the supplied areas and prying the halves apart.

NOTE: The oil pump halves are aligned to each other through the use of two dowels. Be sure to pry upward evenly to prevent damage to the oil pump components.
(5) Remove the screws (7) holding the separator plate (1) onto the oil pump housing (4). (Fig. 110)

(6) Remove the separator plate (1) from the oil pump housing (4). (Fig. 110)

(7) Mark all gears for location. The gears are select fit and if the oil pump is to be reused, the gears must be returned to their original locations.

(8) Remove the oil pump gears (2, 6) from the oil pump housing (4). (Fig. 110)
(9) Remove the oil pump valve retainers (1) and associated valve (2) and spring one at a time. (Fig. 111) (Fig. 112) Mark the combination of components as a group and tag them as to the location from which they were removed.

**CLEANING**

Clean pump and support components with solvent and dry them with compressed air.

**INSPECTION**

Check condition of the seal rings and thrust washer on the reaction shaft support. The seal rings do not need to be replaced unless cracked, broken, or severely worn.

Inspect the pump and support components. Replace the pump or support if the seal ring grooves or machined surfaces are worn, scored, pitted, or damaged. Replace the pump gears if pitted, worn chipped, or damaged.

Inspect the pump reaction shaft support bushings. Replace either bushing only if heavily worn, scored or damaged. It is not necessary to replace the bushings unless they are actually damaged.

Inspect the valves and plugs for scratches, burrs, nicks, or scores. Minor surface scratches on steel valves and plugs can be removed with crocus cloth but do not round off the edges of the valve or plug lands. Maintaining sharpness of these edges is vitally important. The edges prevent foreign matter from lodging between the valves and plugs and the bore.

Inspect all the valve and plug bores in the oil pump cover. Use a penlight to view the bore interiors. Replace the oil pump if any bores are distorted or scored. Inspect all of the valve springs. The springs must be free of distortion, warpage or broken coils.

Trial fit each valve and plug in its bore to check freedom of operation. When clean and dry, the valves and plugs should drop freely into the bores.

**ASSEMBLY**

NOTE: Clean and inspect all components. Make sure that all passages are thoroughly cleaned and are free from dirt or debris. Make sure that all valves move freely in their proper bore. Make sure that all gear pockets and bushings are free from excessive wear and scoring. Replace the oil pump if any excessive wear or scoring is found.
(1) Lubricate the oil pump valves with Mopar® ATF +4 and install the valve, spring and retainer into the appropriate oil pump valve body (4) bore. (Fig. 113) (Fig. 114)

(2) Coat the gears (2, 6) with Mopar® ATF +4 and install into their original locations.

(3) Place the separator plate (1) onto the oil pump housing (4). (Fig. 115)

(4) Install the screws (7) (Fig. 115) to hold the separator plate (1) onto the oil pump housing (4). Tighten the screws to 4.5 N·m (40 in.lbs.).

(5) Position the oil pump valve body (6) onto the locating dowels. (Fig. 116)

(6) Seat the two oil pump halves together and install all bolts finger tight.

(7) Torque all bolts down slowly starting in the center and working outward. The correct torque is 4.5 N·m (40 in.lbs.).

(8) Verify that the oil pump gears rotate freely and smoothly.

(9) Position the reaction shaft support (5) onto the oil pump valve body (6). (Fig. 116)

(10) Install and torque the bolts (Fig. 116) to hold the reaction shaft support (5) to the oil pump valve body (6). The correct torque is 12 N·m (105 in.lbs.).
Fig. 115 Oil Pump Housing and Gears

1 - SEPARATOR PLATE
2 - DRIVEN GEAR (2)
3 - CHECK VALVE
4 - PUMP HOUSING
5 - DOWEL (2)
6 - DRIVE GEAR
7 - SCREW
Fig. 116 Oil Pump Assembly

1 - PUMP HOUSING
2 - SEAL
3 - OIL FILTER SEAL
4 - SEAL RING (5)
5 - REACTION SHAFT SUPPORT
6 - PUMP VALVE BODY
OIL PUMP FRONT SEAL

REMOVAL
(1) Remove transmission from the vehicle.
(2) Remove the torque converter from the transmission.
(3) Using a screw mounted in a slide hammer, remove the oil pump front seal.

INSTALLATION
(1) Clean seal bore of the oil pump of any residue or particles from the original seal.
(2) Install new oil seal in the oil pump housing using Seal Installer C-3860-A (1) (Fig. 117).

OUTPUT SPEED SENSOR

DESCRIPTION
The Input and Output Speed Sensors are two-wire magnetic pickup devices that generate AC signals as rotation occurs. They are mounted in the left side of the transmission case and are considered primary inputs to the Transmission Control Module (TCM).

OPERATION
The Input Speed Sensor provides information on how fast the input shaft is rotating. As the teeth of the input clutch hub pass by the sensor coil, an AC voltage is generated and sent to the TCM. The TCM interprets this information as input shaft rpm.

The Output Speed Sensor generates an AC signal in a similar fashion, though its coil is excited by rotation of the rear planetary carrier lugs. The TCM interprets this information as output shaft rpm.

The TCM compares the input and output speed signals to determine the following:
- Transmission gear ratio
- Speed ratio error detection
- CVI calculation

The TCM also compares the input speed signal and the engine speed signal to determine the following:
- Torque converter clutch slippage
- Torque converter element speed ratio

REMOVAL
(1) Raise vehicle.
(2) Place a suitable fluid catch pan under the transmission.
(3) Remove the wiring connector from the output speed sensor (1) (Fig. 118).
(4) Remove the bolt holding the output speed sensor (1) to the transmission case.
(5) Remove the output speed sensor (1) from the transmission case.
INSTALLATION

1. Install the output speed sensor (1) (Fig. 119) into the transmission case.
2. Install the bolt to hold the output speed sensor (1) into the transmission case. Tighten the bolt to 11.9 N·m (105 in.lbs.).
3. Install the wiring connector onto the output speed sensor (1).
4. Verify the transmission fluid level. Add fluid as necessary.
5. Lower vehicle.

TOW/HAUL OVERDRIVE SWITCH

DESCRIPTION

The tow/haul overdrive OFF (control) switch is located in the shift lever arm (Fig. 120). The switch is a momentary contact device that signals the PCM to toggle current status of the overdrive function.

OPERATION

At key-on, overdrive operation is allowed. Pressing the switch once causes the tow/haul overdrive OFF mode to be entered and the Tow/Haul lamp to be illuminated. Pressing the switch a second time causes normal overdrive operation to be restored and the tow/haul lamp to be turned off. The tow/haul overdrive OFF mode defaults to ON after the ignition switch is cycled OFF and ON. The normal position for the control switch is the ON position. The switch must be in this position to energize the solenoid and allow a 3-4 upshift. The control switch indicator light illuminates only when the tow/haul overdrive switch is turned to the OFF position, or when illuminated by the transmission control module.

REMOVAL

1. Using a plastic trim tool, remove the tow/haul overdrive off switch retainer (2) from the shift lever (1) (Fig. 121).
TOW/HAUL OVERDRIVE SWITCH (Continued)

(2) Pull the switch (2) outwards to release it from the connector in the lever (1) (Fig. 122)

INSTALLATION

NOTE: There is enough slack in the wire to pull out the connector from the lever.

(1) Pull the connector (2) out of the lever (1) just enough to grasp it.

CAUTION: Be careful not to bend the pins on the tow/haul overdrive off switch. Use care when installing the switch, as it is not indexed, and can be accidentally installed incorrectly.

(2) Install the tow/haul overdrive off switch (3) into the connector (2) (Fig. 123)

(3) Push the tow/haul overdrive off switch (3) and wiring into the shift lever (1).

(4) Install the tow/haul overdrive off switch retainer onto the shift lever.

PISTONS

DESCRIPTION

There are several sizes and types of pistons used in an automatic transmission. Some pistons are used to apply clutches, while others are used to apply bands. They all have in common the fact that they are round or circular in shape, located within a smooth walled cylinder, which is closed at one end and converts fluid pressure into mechanical movement. The fluid pressure exerted on the piston is contained within the system through the use of piston rings or seals.

OPERATION

The principal which makes this operation possible is known as Pascal’s Law. Pascal’s Law can be stated as: “Pressure on a confined fluid is transmitted equally in all directions and acts with equal force on equal areas.”

PRESSURE

Pressure (Fig. 124) is nothing more than force (lbs.) divided by area (in or ft.), or force per unit area. Given a 100 lb. block and an area of 100 sq. in. on the floor, the pressure exerted by the block is: 100 lbs. 100 in or 1 pound per square inch, or PSI as it is commonly referred to.

Fig. 122 Remove the Tow/Haul Overdrive Off Switch
1 - GEAR SHIFT LEVER
2 - SWITCH

Fig. 123 Install the Tow/Haul Overdrive Off Switch
1 - GEAR SHIFT LEVER
2 - OVERDRIVE OFF SWITCH WIRING CONNECTOR
3 - OVERDRIVE OFF SWITCH

Fig. 124 Force and Pressure Relationship

FORCE ON EACH SQUARE INCH IS ONE POUND

PRESSURE = 1 POUND PER SQUARE INCH

P = \frac{F}{A}

FORCES ON LARGE PISTON = 1000 LBS.
PRESSURE ON A CONFINED FLUID

Pressure is exerted on a confined fluid (Fig. 125) by applying a force to some given area in contact with the fluid. A good example of this is a cylinder filled with fluid and equipped with a piston that is closely fitted to the cylinder wall. If a force is applied to the piston, pressure will be developed in the fluid. Of course, no pressure will be created if the fluid is not confined. It will simply “leak” past the piston. There must be a resistance to flow in order to create pressure. Piston sealing is extremely important in hydraulic operation. Several kinds of seals are used to accomplish this within a transmission. These include but are not limited to O-rings, D-rings, lip seals, sealing rings, or extremely close tolerances between the piston and the cylinder wall. The force exerted is downward (gravity), however, the principle remains the same no matter which direction is taken. The pressure created in the fluid is equal to the force applied, divided by the piston area. If the force is 100 lbs., and the piston area is 10 sq. in., then the pressure created equals 10 PSI. Another interpretation of Pascal’s Law is that regardless of container shape or size, the pressure will be maintained throughout, as long as the fluid is confined. In other words, the pressure in the fluid is the same everywhere within the container.

FORCE MULTIPLICATION

Using the 10 PSI example used in the illustration (Fig. 126), a force of 1000 lbs. can be moved with a force of only 100 lbs. The secret of force multiplication in hydraulic systems is the total fluid contact area employed. The illustration, (Fig. 126), shows an area that is ten times larger than the original area. The pressure created with the smaller 100 lb. input is 10 PSI. The concept “pressure is the same everywhere” means that the pressure underneath the larger piston is also 10 PSI. Pressure is equal to the force applied divided by the contact area. Therefore, by means of simple algebra, the output force may be found. This concept is extremely important, as it is also used in the design and operation of all shift valves and limiting valves in the valve body, as well as the pistons, of the transmission, which activate the clutches and bands. It is nothing more than using a difference of area to create a difference in pressure to move an object.

![Fig. 125 Pressure on a Confined Fluid](image1)

![Fig. 126 Force Multiplication](image2)
PISTON TRAVEL

The relationship between hydraulic lever and a mechanical lever is the same. With a mechanical lever it’s a weight-to-distance output rather than a pressure-to-area output. Using the same forces and areas as in the previous example, the smaller piston (Fig. 127) has to move ten times the distance required to move the larger piston one inch. Therefore, for every inch the larger piston moves, the smaller piston moves ten inches. This principle is true in other instances also. A common garage floor jack is a good example. To raise a car weighing 2000 lbs., an effort of only 100 lbs. may be required. For every inch the car moves upward, the input piston at the jack handle must move 20 inches downward.

PLANETARY GEARTRAIN

DESCRIPTION

The planetary geartrain is located behind the 4C retainer/bulkhead, toward the rear of the transmission. The planetary geartrain consists of three primary assemblies:

- Reaction (3, 4, 8) (Fig. 128).
- Reverse (7) (Fig. 129).
- Input (4, 5, 6) (Fig. 129).

**Fig. 127 Piston Travel**

- Reaction (3, 4, 8) (Fig. 128).
- Reverse (7) (Fig. 129).
- Input (4, 5, 6) (Fig. 129).

**Fig. 128 Reaction Planetary Geartrain**

1 - THRUST BEARING NUMBER 8
2 - THRUST BEARING NUMBER 9
3 - REACTION PLANETARY CARRIER
4 - REACTION SUN GEAR
5 - THRUST BEARING NUMBER 7
6 - THRUST PLATE (SELECT)
7 - THRUST BEARING NUMBER 6
8 - REACTION ANNULUS
OPERATION

REACTION PLANETARY GEARTRAIN

The reaction planetary carrier and reverse sun gear of the reaction planetary geartrain are a single component which is held by the 2C clutch when required. The reaction annulus gear is a stand alone component that can be driven by the reverse clutch or held by the 4C clutch. The reaction sun gear is driven by the overdrive clutch.

Fig. 129 Reverse/Input Planetary Geartrain

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REVERSE PLANETARY GEARTRAIN

The reverse planetary geartrain is the middle of the three planetary sets. The reverse planetary carrier can be driven by the overdrive clutch as required. The reverse planetary carrier is also splined to the input annulus gear, which can be held by the low/reverse clutch. The reverse planetary annulus, input planetary carrier, and output shaft are all one piece.

INPUT PLANETARY GEARTRAIN

The input sun gear of the input planetary geartrain is driven by the underdrive clutch.
DISASSEMBLY

1. Remove the snap-ring (1) holding the input annulus (4) into the input carrier (5) (Fig. 130).
2. Remove the input annulus (4) from the input carrier (5) (Fig. 130).
3. Remove the number 9 thrust bearing from the reverse planetary carrier. Note that this planetary carrier has four pinion gears.
4. Remove the reverse planetary gear carrier (7) (Fig. 130).
5. Remove the number 10 thrust bearing (2) from the input sun gear (6) (Fig. 130).
6. Remove the input sun gear (6) from the input carrier (5) (Fig. 130).
7. Remove the number 11 thrust bearing (3) from the input carrier (5) (Fig. 130).

CLEANING

Clean the planetary components in solvent and dry them with compressed air.

INSPECTION

Check sun gear and driving shell condition. Replace the gear if damaged or if the bushings are scored or worn. The bushings are not serviceable. Replace the driving shell if worn, cracked or damaged.
Replace planetary gear sets if gears, pinion pins, or carrier are damaged in any way. Replace the annulus gears and supports if either component is worn or damaged.
Replace the output shaft if the machined surfaces are scored, pitted, or damaged in any way. Also replace the shaft if the splines are damaged, or exhibits cracks at any location.
**ASSEMBLY**

**NOTE:** Clean and inspect all components. Replace any components which show evidence of excessive wear or scoring.

1. Install the number 11 thrust bearing (3) into the input planetary carrier (5) so that the inner race will be toward the front of the transmission (Fig. 131).
2. Install the input sun gear (6) into the input carrier (5) (Fig. 131).
3. Install the number 10 thrust bearing (2) onto the rear of the reverse planetary carrier (7) with the inner race toward the carrier (Fig. 131).
4. Install the input annulus gear (4) into the input carrier (5) (Fig. 131).
5. Install the reverse planetary gear carrier (7) into the input carrier (5) (Fig. 131).
6. Install the input annulus gear (4) into the input carrier (5) (Fig. 131).
7. Install the snap-ring (1) to hold the input annulus gear (4) into the input carrier (5) (Fig. 131).

(4) Install the number 9 thrust bearing onto the front of the reverse planetary carrier (7) with the outer race toward the carrier and the inner race facing upward (Fig. 131).
(5) Install the reverse planetary gear carrier (7) into the input carrier (5) (Fig. 131).
(6) Install the input annulus gear (4) into the input carrier (5) (Fig. 131).
(7) Install the snap-ring (1) to hold the input annulus gear (4) into the input carrier (5) (Fig. 131).
SHIFT MECHANISM

DESCRIPTION
The gear shift mechanism provides six shift positions which are:
- Park (P)
- Reverse (R)
- Neutral (N)
- Drive (D)
- Manual second (2)
- Manual low (1)

OPERATION
MANUAL LOW (1) range provides first gear only. Overrun braking is also provided in this range. MANUAL SECOND (2) range provides first and second gear only.

DRIVE range provides FIRST, SECOND, THIRD, OVERDRIVE FOURTH, and OVERDRIVE FIFTH (if applicable) gear ranges. The shift into OVERDRIVE FOURTH and FIFTH (if applicable) gear ranges occurs only after the transmission has completed the shift into D THIRD gear range. No further movement of the shift mechanism is required to complete the 3-4 or 4-5 (if applicable) shifts.

The FOURTH and FIFTH (if applicable) gear upshifts occur automatically when the overdrive selector switch is in the ON position. No upshift to FOURTH or FIFTH (if applicable) gears will occur if any of the following are true:
- The transmission fluid temperature is below 10° C (50° F) or above 121° C (250° F).
- The shift to THIRD is not yet complete.
- Vehicle speed is too low for the 3-4 or 4-5 (if applicable) shifts to occur.

Upshifts into FOURTH or FIFTH (if applicable) will be delayed when the transmission fluid temperature is below 4.5° C (40° F) or above 115.5° C (240° F).

SOLENOID SWITCH VALVE

DESCRIPTION
The Solenoid Switch Valve (SSV) is located in the valve body and controls the direction of the transmission fluid when the L/R-TCC solenoid is energized.

OPERATION
The Solenoid Switch Valve controls line pressure from the LR-TCC solenoid. In 1st gear, the SSV will be in the downshifted position, thus directing fluid to the L/R clutch circuit. In 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th (if applicable) gears, the solenoid switch valve will be in the upshifted position and directs the fluid into the torque converter clutch (TCC) circuit.

When shifting into 1st gear, a special hydraulic sequence is performed to ensure SSV movement into the downshifted position. The L/R pressure switch is monitored to confirm SSV movement. If the movement is not confirmed (the L/R pressure switch does not close), 2nd gear is substituted for 1st. A DTC will be set after three unsuccessful attempts are made to get into 1st gear in one given key start.

SOLENOIDS

DESCRIPTION
The typical electrical solenoid used in automotive applications is a linear actuator. It is a device that produces motion in a straight line. This straight line motion can be either forward or backward in direction, and short or long distance.

A solenoid is an electromechanical device that uses a magnetic force to perform work. It consists of a coil of wire, wrapped around a magnetic core made from steel or iron, and a spring loaded, movable plunger, which performs the work, or straight line motion.

The solenoids used in transmission applications are attached to valves which can be classified as normally open or normally closed. The normally open solenoid valve is defined as a valve which allows hydraulic flow when no current or voltage is applied to the solenoid. The normally closed solenoid valve is defined as a valve which does not allow hydraulic flow when no current or voltage is applied to the solenoid. These valves perform hydraulic control functions for the transmission and must therefore be durable and tolerant of dirt particles. For these reasons, the valves have hardened steel poppets and ball valves. The solenoids operate the valves directly, which means that the solenoids must have very high outputs to close the valves against the sizable flow areas and line pressures found in current transmissions. Fast response time is also necessary to ensure accurate control of the transmission.

The strength of the magnetic field is the primary force that determines the speed of operation in a particular solenoid design. A stronger magnetic field will cause the plunger to move at a greater speed than a weaker one. There are basically two ways to increase the force of the magnetic field:
1. Increase the amount of current applied to the coil or
2. Increase the number of turns of wire in the coil.

The most common practice is to increase the number of turns by using thin wire that can completely fill the available space within the solenoid housing. The strength of the spring and the length of the plunger also contribute to the response speed possible by a particular solenoid design.
A solenoid can also be described by the method by which it is controlled. Some of the possibilities include variable force, pulse-width modulated, constant ON, or duty cycle. The variable force and pulse-width modulated versions utilize similar methods to control the current flow through the solenoid to position the solenoid plunger at a desired position somewhere between full ON and full OFF. The constant ON and duty cycled versions control the voltage across the solenoid to allow either full flow or no flow through the solenoid’s valve.

OPERATION

When an electrical current is applied to the solenoid coil, a magnetic field is created which produces an attraction to the plunger, causing the plunger to move and work against the spring pressure and the load applied by the fluid the valve is controlling. The plunger is normally directly attached to the valve which it is to operate. When the current is removed from the coil, the attraction is removed and the plunger will return to its original position due to spring pressure.

The plunger is made of a conductive material and accomplishes this movement by providing a path for the magnetic field to flow. By keeping the air gap between the plunger and the coil to the minimum necessary to allow free movement of the plunger, the magnetic field is maximized.

TORQUE CONVERTER

DESCRIPTION

The torque converter (Fig. 132) is a hydraulic device that couples the engine crankshaft to the transmission. The torque converter consists of an outer shell with an internal turbine (1), a stator (2), an overrunning clutch, an impeller (5), and an electronically applied converter clutch (6). The converter clutch provides reduced engine speed and greater fuel economy when engaged. Clutch engagement also provides reduced transmission fluid temperatures. The torque converter hub (3) drives the transmission oil (fluid) pump and contains an o-ring seal (4) to better control oil flow.

The torque converter is a sealed, welded unit that is not repairable and is serviced as an assembly.

CAUTION: The torque converter must be replaced if a transmission failure resulted in large amounts of metal or fiber contamination in the fluid.
IMPELLER

The impeller (Fig. 133) is an integral part of the converter housing. The impeller consists of curved blades placed radially along the inside of the housing on the transmission side of the converter. As the converter housing is rotated by the engine, so is the impeller, because they are one and the same and are the driving members of the system.
The turbine (Fig. 134) is the output, or driven, member of the converter. The turbine is mounted within the housing opposite the impeller, but is not attached to the housing. The input shaft is inserted through the center of the impeller and splined into the turbine. The design of the turbine is similar to the impeller, except the blades of the turbine are curved in the opposite direction.

Fig. 134 Turbine

1 - TURBINE VANE
2 - ENGINE ROTATION
3 - INPUT SHAFT
4 - PORTION OF TORQUE CONVERTER COVER
5 - ENGINE ROTATION
6 - OIL FLOW WITHIN TURBINE SECTION
The stator assembly (Fig. 135) is mounted on a stationary shaft which is an integral part of the oil pump. The stator (1) is located between the impeller (2) and the turbine (4) within the torque converter case.

The over-running clutch, the torque multiplication feature of the torque converter is operational.

TORQUE CONVERTER (TCC)

The TCC (Fig. 137) was installed to improve the efficiency of the torque converter that is lost to the slippage of the fluid coupling. Although the fluid coupling provides smooth, shock-free power transfer, it is natural for all fluid couplings to slip. If the impeller (3) and turbine (5) were mechanically locked together, a zero slippage condition could be obtained. A hydraulic piston (6) with friction material (7) was added to the turbine assembly (5) to provide this mechanical lock-up.

In order to reduce heat build-up in the transmission and buffer the powertrain against torsional vibrations, the TCM can duty cycle the L/R-CC Solenoid to achieve a smooth application of the torque converter clutch. This function, referred to as Electronically Modulated Converter Clutch (EMCC) can occur at various times depending on the following variables:

- Shift lever position
- Current gear range
- Transmission fluid temperature
- Engine coolant temperature
- Input speed
- Throttle angle
- Engine speed

The stator contains an over-running clutch (1-4) (Fig. 136), which allows the stator to rotate only in a clockwise direction. When the stator is locked against
TORQUE CONVERTER (Continued)

OPERATION
The converter impeller (Fig. 138) (driving member), which is integral to the converter housing and bolted to the engine drive plate, rotates at engine speed. The converter turbine (driven member), which reacts from fluid pressure generated by the impeller, rotates and turns the transmission input shaft.

TURBINE
As the fluid that was put into motion by the impeller blades strikes the blades of the turbine, some of the energy and rotational force is transferred into the turbine and the input shaft. This causes both of them (turbine and input shaft) to rotate in a clockwise direction following the impeller. As the fluid is leaving the trailing edges of the turbine's blades it continues in a "hindering" direction back toward the impeller. If the fluid is not redirected before it strikes the impeller, it will strike the impeller in such a direction that it would tend to slow it down.

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Fig. 138 Torque Converter Fluid Operation - Typical

1 - APPLY PRESSURE
2 - THE PISTON MOVES SLIGHTLY FORWARD
3 - RELEASE PRESSURE
4 - THE PISTON MOVES SLIGHTLY REARWARD
TORQUE CONVERTER (Continued)

STATOR
Torque multiplication is achieved by locking the stator’s over-running clutch to its shaft (Fig. 139). Under stall conditions (the turbine is stationary), the oil leaving the turbine blades strikes the face of the stator blades and tries to rotate them in a counterclockwise direction. When this happens the over-running clutch of the stator locks and holds the stator from rotating. With the stator locked, the oil strikes the stator blades and is redirected into a “helping” direction before it enters the impeller. This circulation of oil from impeller to turbine, turbine to stator, and stator to impeller, can produce a maximum torque multiplication of about 2.4:1. As the turbine begins to match the speed of the impeller, the fluid that was hitting the stator in such a way as to cause it to lock-up is no longer doing so. In this condition of operation, the stator begins to free wheel and the converter acts as a fluid coupling.

TORQUE CONVERTER CLUTCH (TCC)
In a standard torque converter, the impeller and turbine are rotating at about the same speed and the stator is freewheeling, providing no torque multiplication. By applying the turbine’s piston and friction material to the front cover, a total converter engagement can be obtained. The result of this engagement is a direct 1:1 mechanical link between the engine and the transmission.

The clutch can be engaged in second, third, fourth, and fifth (if applicable) gear ranges depending on overdrive control switch position. If the overdrive control switch is in the normal ON position, the clutch will engage after the shift to third gear. If the control switch is in the OFF position, the clutch will engage after the shift to third gear.

The TCM controls the torque converter by way of internal logic software. The programming of the software provides the TCM with control over the L/R-CC Solenoid. There are four output logic states that can be applied as follows:
- No EMCC
- Partial EMCC
- Full EMCC
- Gradual-to-no EMCC

NO EMCC
Under No EMCC conditions, the L/R Solenoid is OFF. There are several conditions that can result in NO EMCC operations. No EMCC can be initiated due to a fault in the transmission or because the TCM does not see the need for EMCC under current driving conditions.

PARTIAL EMCC
Partial EMCC operation modulates the L/R Solenoid (duty cycle) to obtain partial torque converter clutch application. Partial EMCC operation is maintained until Full EMCC is called for and actuated. During Partial EMCC some slip does occur. Partial EMCC will usually occur at low speeds, low load and light throttle situations.

FULL EMCC
During Full EMCC operation, the TCM increases the L/R Solenoid duty cycle to full ON after Partial EMCC control brings the engine speed within the desired slip range of transmission input speed relative to engine rpm.

GRADUAL-TO-NO EMCC
This operation is to soften the change from Full or Partial EMCC to No EMCC. This is done at mid-throttle by decreasing the L/R Solenoid duty cycle.

REMOVAL
1. Remove transmission and torque converter from vehicle.(Refer to 21 - TRANSMISSION/AUTOMATIC - 45RFE/545RFE - REMOVAL)
2. Place a suitable drain pan under the converter housing end of the transmission.

CAUTION: Verify that transmission is secure on the lifting device or work surface, the center of gravity of the transmission will shift when the torque converter is removed creating an unstable condition. The torque converter is a heavy unit. Use caution when separating the torque converter from the transmission.
(3) Pull the torque converter forward until the center hub clears the oil pump seal.
(4) Separate the torque converter from the transmission.

INSTALLATION

NOTE: Check converter hub and drive flats for sharp edges, burrs, scratches, or nicks. Polish the hub and flats with 320/400 grit paper or crocus cloth if necessary. Verify that the converter hub o-ring is properly installed and is free from debris. The hub must be smooth to avoid damaging the pump seal at installation.

(1) Lubricate oil pump seal lip with transmission fluid.
(2) Place torque converter in position on transmission.

CAUTION: Do not damage oil pump seal or converter hub o-ring while inserting torque converter into the front of the transmission.

(3) Align torque converter to oil pump seal opening.
(4) Insert torque converter hub into oil pump.
(5) While pushing torque converter inward, rotate converter until converter is fully seated in the oil pump gears.
(6) Check converter seating with a scale (1) and straightedge (2) (Fig. 140). Surface of converter lugs should be at least 13 mm (1/2 in.) to rear of straightedge when converter is fully seated.

(7) If necessary, temporarily secure converter with C-clamp attached to the converter housing.
(8) Install the transmission in the vehicle.
(9) Fill the transmission with the recommended fluid.

TRANSMISSION CONTROL RELAY

DESCRIPTION

The relay is supplied fused B+ voltage, energized by the TCM, and is used to supply power to the solenoid pack when the transmission is in normal operating mode.

OPERATION

When the relay is "off", no power is supplied to the solenoid pack and the transmission is in "limp-in" mode. After a controller reset, the TCM energizes the relay. Prior to this, the TCM verifies that the contacts are open by checking for no voltage at the switched battery terminals. After this is verified, the voltage at the solenoid pack pressure switches is checked. After the relay is energized, the TCM monitors the terminals to verify that the voltage is greater than 3 volts.

TRANSMISSION RANGE SENSOR

DESCRIPTION

The Transmission Range Sensor (TRS) is part of the solenoid module, which is mounted to the top of the valve body inside the transmission. The Transmission Range Sensor (TRS) has five switch contact pins that:
- Determine shift lever position
- Supply ground to the Starter Relay in Park and Neutral only.
- Supply +12 V to the backup lamps in Reverse only.

The TRS also has an integrated temperature sensor (thermistors) that communicates transmission temperature to the TCM and PCM.

OPERATION

The Transmission Range Sensor (TRS) communicates shift lever position to the TCM as a combination of open and closed switches. Each shift lever position has an assigned combination of switch states (open/closed) that the TCM receives from four sense circuits. The TCM interprets this information and
determines the appropriate transmission gear position and shift schedule. There are many possible combinations of open and closed switches (codes). Seven of these possible codes are related to gear position and five are recognized as “between gear” codes. This results in many codes which should never occur. These are called “invalid” codes. An invalid code will result in a DTC, and the TCM will then determine the shift lever position based on pressure switch data. This allows reasonably normal transmission operation with a TRS failure.

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TRANSMISSION SOLENOID/TRS ASSEMBLY

DESCRIPTION
The transmission solenoid/TRS assembly is internal to the transmission and mounted on the valve body assembly (Fig. 141). The assembly consists of six solenoids that control hydraulic pressure to the six friction elements (transmission clutches), and the torque converter clutch. The pressure control solenoid is located on the side of the solenoid/TRS assembly. The solenoid/TRS assembly also contains five pressure switches that feed information to the TCM.

OPERATION
SOLENOIDS
Solenoids are used to control the L/R, 2C, 4C, OD, and UD friction elements. The reverse clutch is controlled by line pressure and the position of the manual valve in the valve body. All the solenoids are contained within the Solenoid and Pressure Switch Assembly. The solenoid and pressure switch assembly contains one additional solenoid, Multi-Select (MS), which serves primarily to provide 2nd and 3rd gear limp-in operation.

The solenoids receive electrical power from the Transmission Control Relay through a single wire. The TCM energizes or operates the solenoids individually by grounding the return wire of the solenoid as necessary. When a solenoid is energized, the solenoid valve shifts, and a fluid passage is opened or closed (vented or applied), depending on its default operating state. The result is an apply or release of a frictional element.

The MS and UD solenoids are normally applied to allow transmission limp-in in the event of an electrical failure.

The continuity of the solenoids and circuits are periodically tested. Each solenoid is turned on or off depending on its current state. An inductive spike should be detected by the TCM during this test. If no spike is detected, the circuit is tested again to verify the failure. In addition to the periodic testing, the solenoid circuits are tested if a speed ratio or pressure switch error occurs.
PRESSURE SWITCHES
The TCM relies on five pressure switches to monitor fluid pressure in the L/R, 2C, 4C, UD, and OD hydraulic circuits. The primary purpose of these switches is to help the TCM detect when clutch circuit hydraulic failures occur. The switches close at 23 psi and open at 11 psi, and simply indicate whether or not pressure exists. The switches are continuously monitored by the TCM for the correct states (open or closed) in each gear as shown in the following charts 45RFE PRESSURE SWITCH STATES and 545RFE PRESSURE SWITCH STATES:

45RFE PRESSURE SWITCH STATES

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*L/R is closed if output speed is below 100 rpm in Drive and Manual 2. L/R is open in Manual 1.

545RFE PRESSURE SWITCH STATES

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*L/R is closed if output speed is below 100 rpm in Drive and Manual 2. L/R is open in Manual 1.

A Diagnostic Trouble Code (DTC) will set if the TCM senses any switch open or closed at the wrong time in a given gear.

REMOVAL

(1) Remove the valve body from the transmission (Fig. 142). (Refer to 21 - TRANSMISSION/AUTOMATIC - 45RFE/545RFE/VALVE BODY - REMOVAL)

(2) Remove the bolts (1) holding the transmission solenoid/TRS assembly onto the valve body (Fig. 143).

(3) Separate the transmission solenoid/TRS assembly from the valve body.
TRANSMISSION SOLENOID/TRS ASSEMBLY (Continued)

INSTALLATION

1. Place TRS selector plate in the PARK position.
2. Position the transmission solenoid/TRS assembly onto the valve body. Be sure that both alignment dowels are fully seated in the valve body and that the TRS switch contacts are properly positioned in the selector plate.
3. Install the bolts (1) (Fig. 144) to hold the transmission solenoid/TRS assembly onto the valve body.
4. Tighten the solenoid assembly screws adjacent to the arrows cast into the bottom of the valve body first. Tighten the screws to 5.7 N·m (50 in.lbs.).
5. Tighten the remainder of the solenoid assembly screws to 5.7 N·m (50 in.lbs.).
6. Install the valve body into the transmission.

TRANSMISSION TEMPERATURE SENSOR

DESCRIPTION
The transmission temperature sensor is a thermistor that is integral to the Transmission Range Sensor (TRS).

OPERATION
The transmission temperature sensor is used by the TCM to sense the temperature of the fluid in the sump. Since fluid temperature can affect transmission shift quality and converter lock up, the TCM requires this information to determine which shift schedule to operate in.

Calculated Temperature
A failure in the temperature sensor or circuit will result in calculated temperature being substituted for actual temperature. Calculated temperature is a predicted fluid temperature which is calculated from a combination of inputs:
- Battery (ambient) temperature
- Engine coolant temperature
- In-gear run time since start-up

VALVE BODY

DESCRIPTION
The valve body consists of a cast aluminum valve body, a separator plate, and a transfer plate. The valve body contains valves and check balls that control fluid delivery to the torque converter clutch, bands, and frictional clutches. The valve body contains the following components (Fig. 145):
- Solenoid switch valve
- Manual valve
- Low/reverse switch valve
- 5 Accumulators
- 7 check balls (Fig. 146)

OPERATION
NOTE: Refer to the Hydraulic Schematics for a visual aid in determining valve location, operation and design.

SOLENOID SWITCH VALVE
The Solenoid Switch Valve (SSV) controls the direction of the transmission fluid when the L/R-TCC solenoid is energized.

When shifting into 1st gear, a special hydraulic sequence is performed to ensure SSV movement into the downshifted position. The L/R pressure switch is monitored to confirm SSV movement. If the movement is not confirmed (the L/R pressure switch does not close), 2nd gear is substituted for 1st. A DTC will be set after three unsuccessful attempts are made to get into 1st gear in one given key start.
Fig. 145 Valve Body Components

1 - LOW/REVERSE ACCUMULATOR
2 - LOW/REVERSE SWITCH VALVE
3 - UPPER VALVE BODY
4 - MANUAL VALVE
5 - SOLENOID SWITCH VALVE
6 - OVERDRIVE ACCUMULATOR
7 - UNDERDRIVE ACCUMULATOR
8 - 4C ACCUMULATOR
9 - 2C ACCUMULATOR

Fig. 146 Check Ball Locations
 MANUAL VALVE
The manual valve is a relay valve. The purpose of the manual valve is to direct fluid to the correct circuit needed for a specific gear or driving range. The manual valve, as the name implies, is manually operated by the driver with a lever located on the top of the valve body. The valve is connected mechanically by a cable to the gearshift mechanism. The valve is held in each of its positions by a roller detent spring (Fig. 147) that engages the “roostercomb” of the TRS selector plate.

Fig. 147 TRS Selector Plate and Detent Spring
1 - TRS SELECTOR PLATE
2 - DETENT SPRING
3 - CLUTCH PASSAGE SEALS

LOW/REVERSE SWITCH VALVE
The low/reverse switch valve allows the low/reverse clutch to be operated by either the LR/CC solenoid or the MS solenoid.

REMOVAL
NOTE: The valve body can be removed for service without having to remove the transmission assembly. The valve body can be disassembled for cleaning and inspection of the individual components. (Refer to 21 - TRANSMISSION/AUTOMATIC - 45RFE/VALVE BODY - DISASSEMBLY)

(1) Shift transmission into PARK.
(2) Raise vehicle.
(3) Disconnect wires at the solenoid and pressure switch assembly connector.
(4) Position drain pan under transmission oil pan.
(5) Remove transmission oil pan.
(6) Remove the primary oil filter (1) from valve body. (Fig. 148)

Fig. 148 Remove Primary Oil Filter
1 - PRIMARY OIL FILTER
2 - COOLER RETURN FILTER
3 - COOLER RETURN FILTER BYPASS VALVE
4 - VALVE BODY

(7) Remove bolts (1) attaching valve body to transmission case. (Fig. 149)
(8) Lower the valve body and work the electrical connector out of transmission case.
(9) Separate the valve body from the transmission.
DISASSEMBLY

(1) Remove the bolts (1) holding the solenoid and pressure switch assembly (Fig. 150) to the valve body. Do not remove the screws on the top of the solenoid and pressure switch assembly.

(2) Separate the solenoid and pressure switch assembly from the valve body.

(3) Remove the screw holding the detent spring (2) (Fig. 151) onto the valve body.

(4) Remove the detent spring (2) from the valve body.

(5) Remove the TRS selector plate (1) from the valve body and the manual valve.

(6) Remove the clutch passage seals (3) from the valve body, if necessary.
(7) Remove the screws holding the accumulator cover onto the valve body (Fig. 152).

(8) Remove the accumulator springs and pistons (1, 6-9) from the valve body. Note which accumulator piston and spring belong in each location.

(9) Place the valve body on the bench with the transfer plate upward.

NOTE: The valve body contains seven check balls. The transfer plate must be placed upward to prevent losing the check balls when the transfer plate is removed from the valve body.

(10) Remove the screws holding the valve body to the valve body transfer plate.

(11) Remove the transfer plate from the valve body. Note the location of all check balls (Fig. 153).

(12) Remove the check balls from the valve body.
(13) Remove the retainers securing the solenoid switch valve (1), manual valve (2), and the low/reverse switch valve (3) from the valve body and remove the associated valve and spring. Tag each valve and spring combination with location information to aid in assembly. (Fig. 154)

**CLEANING**
Clean the valve housings, valves, plugs, springs, and separator plates with a standard parts cleaning solution only. Do not use gasoline, kerosene, or any type of caustic solution. (Fig. 155)

Do not immerse any of the electrical components in cleaning solution. Clean the electrical components by wiping them off with dry shop towels only.

Dry all except the electrical parts with compressed air. Make sure all passages are clean and free from obstructions. **Do not use rags or shop towels to dry or wipe off valve body components. Lint from these materials can stick to valve body parts, interfere with valve operation, and clog filters and fluid passages.**
VALVE BODY (Continued)

INSPECTION

Inspect all of the valve body mating surfaces for scratches, nicks, burrs, or distortion. Use a straight-edge to check surface flatness. Minor scratches may be removed with crocus cloth using only very light pressure.

Minor distortion of a valve body mating surface may be corrected by smoothing the surface with a sheet of crocus cloth. Position the crocus cloth on a surface plate, sheet of plate glass or equally flat surface. If distortion is severe or any surfaces are heavily scored, the valve body will have to be replaced.

Inspect the valves and plugs (Fig. 156) for scratches, burrs, nicks, or scores. Minor surface scratches on steel valves and plugs can be removed with crocus cloth but do not round off the edges of the valve or plug lands. Maintaining sharpness of these edges is vitally important. The edges prevent foreign matter from lodging between the valves and plugs and the bore.

Inspect all the valve and plug bores in the valve body. Use a penlight to view the bore interiors. Replace the valve body if any bores are distorted or scored. Inspect all of the valve body springs. The springs must be free of distortion, warpage or broken coils.

Trial fit each valve and plug in its bore to check freedom of operation. When clean and dry, the valves and plugs should drop freely into the bores.

Valve body bores do not change dimensionally with use. If the valve body functioned correctly when new, it will continue to operate properly after cleaning and inspection. It should not be necessary to replace a valve body assembly unless it is damaged in handling.

Inspect all the accumulator bores in the valve body. Use a penlight to view the bore interiors. Replace the valve body if any bores are distorted or scored. Inspect all of the accumulator springs. The springs must be free of distortion, warpage or broken coils.

Inspect all the fluid seals (Fig. 157) on the valve body. Replace any seals that are cracked, distorted, or damaged in any way. These seals pass fluid pressure directly to the clutches. Any pressure leak at these points, may cause transmission performance problems.
ASSEMBLY

(1) Lubricate valves, springs, and the housing valve bores with clean transmission fluid.

(2) Install solenoid switch valve (1) (Fig. 158), manual valve (2), and the low/reverse switch valve (3) into the valve body.

(3) Install the retainers to hold each valve into the valve body.

(4) Install the valve body check balls (Fig. 159) into their proper locations.

(5) Position the transfer plate onto the valve body.

(6) Install the screws to hold the transfer plate to the valve body. Tighten the screws to 5.6 N·m (50 in. lbs.).

(7) Install the accumulator pistons (1, 6-9) and springs (Fig. 160) into the valve body in the location from which they were removed. Note that all accumulators except the overdrive have two springs. The overdrive accumulator piston (6) has only one spring.

(8) Position the accumulator cover onto the valve body.

(9) Install the screws to hold the accumulator cover onto the valve body. Tighten the screws to 7 N·m (60 in. lbs.).

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**Fig. 158 Valve Body Components**

1 - SOLENOID SWITCH VALVE
2 - MANUAL VALVE
3 - LOW REVERSE SWITCH VALVE
4 - LOW REVERSE ACCUMULATOR
5 - 2ND CLUTCH ACCUMULATOR
6 - UNDERDRIVE ACCUMULATOR
7 - OVERDRIVE ACCUMULATOR
8 - 4TH CLUTCH ACCUMULATOR
9 - CHECK BALLS (7)

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**Fig. 159 Check Ball Locations**

(4) Install the valve body check balls (Fig. 159) into their proper locations.

(5) Position the transfer plate onto the valve body.

(6) Install the screws to hold the transfer plate to the valve body. Tighten the screws to 5.6 N·m (50 in. lbs.).

(7) Install the accumulator pistons (1, 6-9) and springs (Fig. 160) into the valve body in the location from which they were removed. Note that all accumulators except the overdrive have two springs. The overdrive accumulator piston (6) has only one spring.

(8) Position the accumulator cover onto the valve body.

(9) Install the screws to hold the accumulator cover onto the valve body. Tighten the screws to 7 N·m (60 in. lbs.).
Fig. 160 Valve Body Components

1 - LOW/REVERSE ACCUMULATOR  
2 - LOW/REVERSE SWITCH VALVE  
3 - UPPER VALVE BODY  
4 - MANUAL VALVE  
5 - SOLENOID SWITCH VALVE  
6 - OVERDRIVE ACCUMULATOR  
7 - UNDERDRIVE ACCUMULATOR  
8 - 4C ACCUMULATOR  
9 - 2C ACCUMULATOR
(10) Install the TRS selector plate (1) (Fig. 161) onto the valve body and the manual valve.

(11) Position the detent spring (2) onto the valve body.

(12) Install the screw to hold the detent spring (2) onto the valve body. Tighten the screw to 4.5 N·m (40 in. lbs.).

(13) Install new clutch passage seals (3) onto the valve body, if necessary.

(14) Install the solenoid and pressure switch assembly onto the valve body.

(15) Install the bolts (1) (Fig. 162) to hold the solenoid and pressure switch assembly onto the valve body. Tighten the bolts to 5.7 N·m (50 in. lbs.). Tighten the bolts adjacent to the arrows cast into the bottom of the transfer plate first.

**INSTALLATION**

(1) Check condition of seals on valve body and the solenoid and pressure switch assembly. Replace seals if cut or worn.

(2) Place TRS selector plate in the PARK position.

(3) Place the transmission in the PARK position.

(4) Lubricate seal on the solenoid and pressure switch assembly connector with petroleum jelly.

(5) Position valve body in transmission (Fig. 163) and align the manual lever on the valve body to the pin on the transmission manual shift lever.

(6) Seat valve body in case and install one or two bolts to hold valve body in place.

(7) Tighten valve body bolts alternately and evenly to 12 N·m (105 in. lbs.) torque.

**CAUTION:** The primary oil filter seal MUST be fully installed flush against the oil pump body. DO NOT install the seal onto the filter neck and attempt to install the filter and seal as an assembly. Damage to the transmission will result.