

SECTION FSU

FRONT SUSPENSION

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NOISE, VIBRATION AND HARSHNESS (NVH) TROUBLESHOOTING

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SYMPTOM DIAGNOSIS

NOISE, VIBRATION AND HARSHNESS (NVH) TROUBLESHOOTING

NVH Troubleshooting Chart

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Use chart below to find the cause of the symptom. If necessary, repair or replace these parts.

Symptom		Possible cause and SUSPECTED PARTS	Reference	
FRONT SUSPENSION				
Noise	x x x x x x x		FSU-10, FSU-14, FSU-16, FSU-18, FSU-19	
Shake	x x x x x x x		FSU-13	
Vibration	x x x x x x x		FSU-13	
Shimmy	x x x x x x x		FSU-10, FSU-14, FSU-16, FSU-18, FSU-19	
Judder	x x x x x x x		FSU-8	
Poor quality ride or handling			FSU-18	
		NVH in DLN section		
		NVH in FAX and FSU section		
		NVH in WT section		
		NVH in BR section		
		NVH in ST section		

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Precaution for Supplemental Restraint System (SRS) "AIR BAG" and "SEAT BELT PRE-TENSIONER"

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The Supplemental Restraint System such as "AIR BAG" and "SEAT BELT PRE-TENSIONER", used along with a front seat belt, helps to reduce the risk or severity of injury to the driver and front passenger for certain types of collision. This system includes seat belt switch inputs and dual stage front air bag modules. The SRS system uses the seat belt switches to determine the front air bag deployment, and may only deploy one front air bag, depending on the severity of a collision and whether the front occupants are belted or unbelted. Information necessary to service the system safely is included in the "SRS AIR BAG" and "SEAT BELT" of this Service Manual.

WARNING:

Always observe the following items for preventing accidental activation.

- To avoid rendering the SRS inoperative, which could increase the risk of personal injury or death in the event of a collision that would result in air bag inflation, all maintenance must be performed by an authorized NISSAN/INFINITI dealer.
- Improper maintenance, including incorrect removal and installation of the SRS, can lead to personal injury caused by unintentional activation of the system. For removal of Spiral Cable and Air Bag Module, see "SRS AIR BAG".
- Never use electrical test equipment on any circuit related to the SRS unless instructed to in this Service Manual. SRS wiring harnesses can be identified by yellow and/or orange harnesses or harness connectors.

PRECAUTIONS WHEN USING POWER TOOLS (AIR OR ELECTRIC) AND HAMMERS

WARNING:

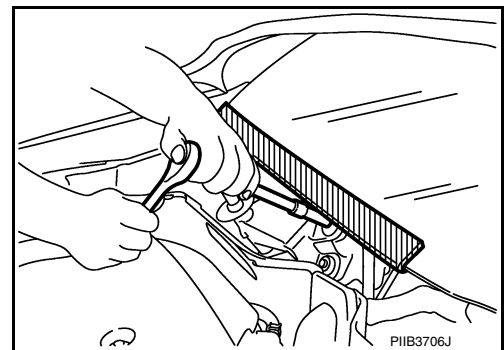
Always observe the following items for preventing accidental activation.

- When working near the Air Bag Diagnosis Sensor Unit or other Air Bag System sensors with the ignition ON or engine running, never use air or electric power tools or strike near the sensor(s) with a hammer. Heavy vibration could activate the sensor(s) and deploy the air bag(s), possibly causing serious injury.
- When using air or electric power tools or hammers, always switch the ignition OFF, disconnect the battery, and wait at least 3 minutes before performing any service.

Precaution for Procedure without Cowl Top Cover

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When performing the procedure after removing cowl top cover, cover the lower end of windshield with urethane, etc to prevent damage to windshield.



Precautions for Suspension

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CAUTION:

- When installing rubber bushings, the final tightening must be carried out under unladen conditions with tires on ground. Spilled oil might shorten the life of rubber bushings. Be sure to wipe off any spilled oil.
- Unladen conditions mean that fuel, engine coolant and lubricant are full. Spare tire, jack, hand tools and mats are in designated positions.
- After servicing suspension parts, be sure to check wheel alignment.
- Self-lock nuts are not reusable. Always use new ones when installing. Since new self-lock nuts are pre-oiled, tighten as they are.

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Precautions for Removing Battery Terminal

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- When removing the 12V battery terminal, turn OFF the ignition switch and wait at least 30 seconds.

NOTE:

ECU may be active for several tens of seconds after the ignition switch is turned OFF. If the battery terminal is removed before ECU stops, then a DTC detection error or ECU data corruption may occur.

- For vehicles with the 2-batteries, be sure to connect the main battery and the sub battery before turning ON the ignition switch.

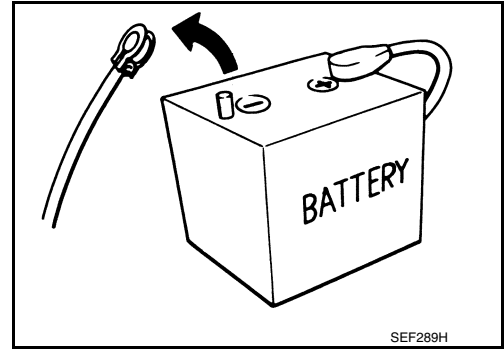
NOTE:

If the ignition switch is turned ON with any one of the terminals of main battery and sub battery disconnected, then DTC may be detected.

- After installing the 12V battery, always check "Self Diagnosis Result" of all ECUs and erase DTC.

NOTE:

The removal of 12V battery may cause a DTC detection error.



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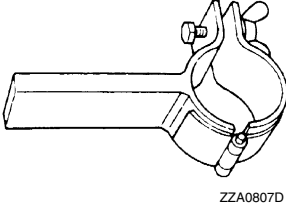
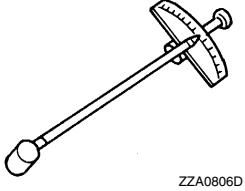
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Special Service Tool

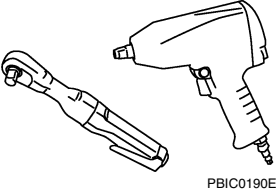
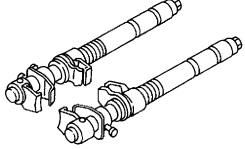
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The actual shapes of TechMate tools may differ from those of special service tools illustrated here.

Tool number (TechMate No.) Tool name		Description
ST35652000 (-) Shock absorber attachment	 ZZA0807D	Disassembling and assembling shock absorber
ST3127S000 (J-25765-A) Preload gauge	 ZZA0806D	Measuring rotating torque of ball joint

Commercial Service Tool

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Tool name		Description
Power tool	 PBIC0190E	Loosening bolts and nuts
Spring compressor	 S-NT717	Removing and installing coil spring

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COMPONENT PART

Check the mounting conditions (looseness, backlash) of each component and component conditions (wear, damage) are normal.

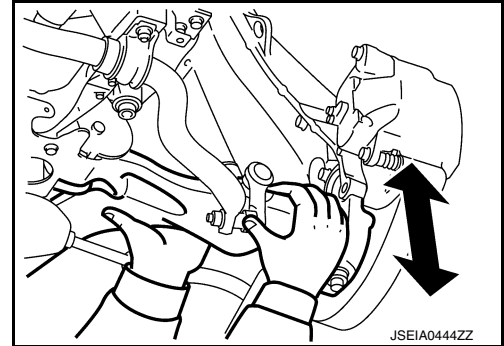
Ball Joint Axial End Play

1. Set front wheels in a straight-ahead position.
2. Move axle side of transverse link and upper link in the axial direction by hand. Check there is no end play.

Axial end play : Refer to [FSU-21, "Ball Joint"](#).

CAUTION:

- Never depress brake pedal when measuring.
- Never perform with tires on level ground.
- Be careful not to damage ball joint boot. Never damage the installation position by applying excessive force.



SHOCK ABSORBER

Check for oil leakage, damage. Replace it if necessary.

WHEEL ALIGNMENT

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DESCRIPTION

CAUTION:

- **Camber, caster, kingpin inclination angles cannot be adjusted.**
- **If camber, caster, or kingpin inclination angle is outside the standard, check front suspension parts for wear and damage. Replace suspect parts if a malfunction is detected.**
- **Kingpin inclination angle is reference value, no inspection is required.**
- Measure wheel alignment under unladen conditions.

NOTE:

“Unladen conditions” means that fuel, engine coolant, and lubricant are full. Spare tire, jack, hand tools and mats are in designated positions.

PRELIMINARY CHECK

Check the following:

- Tires for improper air pressure and wear. Refer to [WT-71, "Tire Air Pressure"](#).
- Road wheels for runout.
- Wheel bearing axial end play. Refer to [FAX-6, "Inspection"](#).
- Transverse link or upper link ball joint axial end play. Refer to [FSU-7, "Inspection"](#).
- Shock absorber operation.
- Each mounting part of axle and suspension for looseness and deformation.
- Each of suspension member, shock absorber, upper link and transverse link for cracks, deformation and other damage.
- Vehicle height (posture).

GENERAL INFORMATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- A four-wheel thrust alignment should be performed.
- This type of alignment is recommended for any NISSAN/INFINITI vehicle.
- The four-wheel “thrust” process helps ensure that the vehicle is properly aligned and the steering wheel is centered.
- The alignment rack itself should be capable of accepting any NISSAN/INFINITI vehicle.
- The rack should be checked to ensure that it is level.
- Make sure the machine is properly calibrated.
- Your alignment equipment should be regularly calibrated in order to give correct information.
- Check with the manufacturer of your specific equipment for their recommended Service/Calibration Schedule.

ALIGNMENT PROCESS

IMPORTANT:

Use only the alignment specifications listed in this Service Manual.

- When displaying the alignment settings, many alignment machines use “indicators”: (Green/red, plus or minus, Go/No Go). **Do not use these indicators.**
- The alignment specifications programmed into your machine that operate these indicators may not be correct.
- This may result in an ERROR.
- Most camera-type alignment machines are equipped with both “Rolling Compensation” method and optional “Jacking Compensation” method to “compensate” the alignment targets or head units. “Rolling Compensation” is the preferred method.
- If using the “Rolling Compensation” method, after installing the alignment targets or head units, push or pull on the rear wheel to move the vehicle. **Do not push or pull on the vehicle body.**
- If using the “Jacking Compensation” method, after installing the alignment targets or head units, raise the vehicle and rotate the wheels 1/2 turn both ways.

NOTE:

- Do not use the “Rolling Compensation” method if you are using sensor-type alignment equipment.
- Follow all instructions for the alignment machine you're using for more information.

Adjustment

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TOE-IN

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- Loosen the steering outer socket, and then adjust the length using steering inner socket.

Toe-in : Refer to [FSU-21, "Wheel Alignment"](#).

CAUTION:

- Always evenly adjust both toe-in alternately and adjust the difference between the left and right to the standard.
- Always fix the steering inner socket when tightening the steering outer socket.
- After toe-in adjustment, adjust neutral position of steering angle sensor. Refer to [BRC-9, "ADJUSTMENT OF STEERING ANGLE SENSOR NEUTRAL POSITION : Special Repair Requirement"](#).

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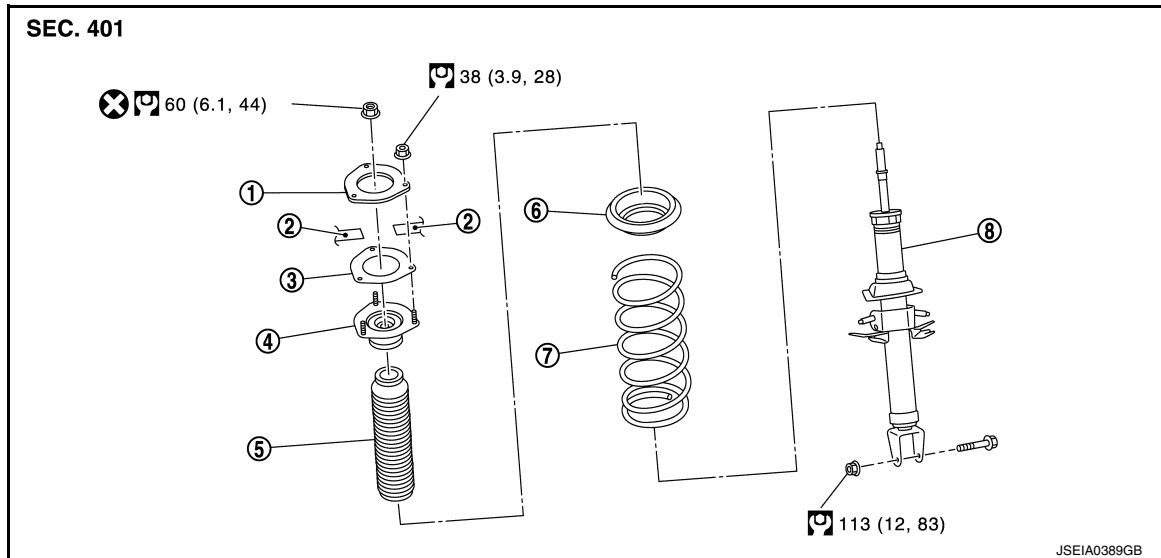
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| 1. Gusset | 2. Vehicle body | 3. Mounting seal |
| 4. Shock absorber mounting bracket | 5. Bound bumper | 6. Rubber seat |
| 7. Coil spring | 8. Shock absorber | |

Refer to [GI-4, "Components"](#) for symbols in the figure.

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REMOVAL

1. Remove tires with power tool.
2. Remove wheel sensor and harness connector from shock absorber. Refer to [BRC-133, "FRONT WHEEL SENSOR : Exploded View"](#).

CAUTION:

Never pull on wheel sensor harness.

3. Remove brake hose bracket. Refer to [BR-22, "FRONT : Exploded View"](#).
4. Remove shock absorber from transverse link with power tool.
5. Separate upper link from steering knuckle. Refer to [FAX-7, "Exploded View"](#).
6. Remove shock absorber mounting bracket mounting nuts, and remove shock absorber assembly.

NOTE:

If removing shock absorber is difficult, loosen upper link mounting bolts (vehicle side).

INSTALLATION

Note the following, and install in the reverse order of removal.

- Never tap on the ball joint cap of the stabilizer connecting rod with a hammer or a similar item when inserting the stabilizer connecting rod into the transverse link.
- Perform final tightening of bolts and nuts at the shock absorber lower side (rubber bushing), under unladen conditions with tires on level ground.

Disassembly and Assembly

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DISASSEMBLY

CAUTION:

Never damage shock absorber piston rod when removing components from shock absorber.

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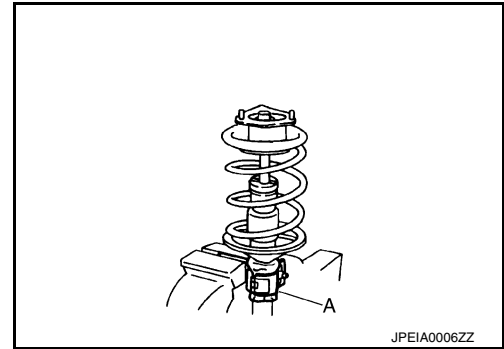
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1. Install shock absorber attachment (A) [SST: ST35652000 (-)] to shock absorber and secure it in a vise.

CAUTION:

When installing the shock absorber attachment to shock absorber, wrap a shop cloth around shock absorber to protect it from damage.

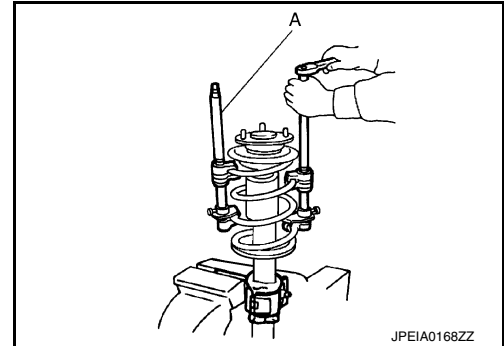


2. Using a spring compressor (A) (commercial service tool), compress coil spring between rubber seat and shock absorber until coil spring with a spring compressor is free.

CAUTION:

Be sure a spring compressor is securely attached coil spring. Compress coil spring.

3. Make sure coil spring with a spring compressor between rubber seat and shock absorber is free. And then remove piston rod lock nut while securing the piston rod tip so that piston rod does not turn.
4. Remove mounting seal, shock absorber mounting bracket, rubber seat, bound bumper from shock absorber.



5. After removing coil spring with a spring compressor (commercial service tool), then gradually release a spring compressor.

CAUTION:

Loosen while making sure coil spring attachment position does not move.

6. Remove the shock absorber attachment [SST: ST35652000 (-)] from shock absorber.

ASSEMBLY

1. Install shock absorber attachment [SST: ST35652000 (-)] to shock absorber and secure it in a vise.

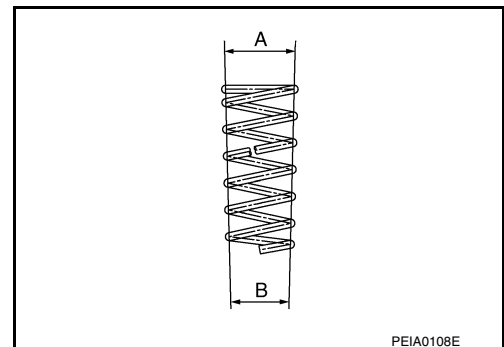
CAUTION:

When installing the shock absorber attachment to shock absorber, wrap a shop cloth around shock absorber to protect it from damage.

2. Compress coil spring using a spring compressor (commercial service tool), and install it onto shock absorber.

CAUTION:

- Install with the large-diameter side (A) facing up and the small-diameter side (B) facing down.
- Be sure a spring compressor is securely attached to coil spring. Compress coil spring.



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3. Install the shock absorber mounting bracket and rubber seat.

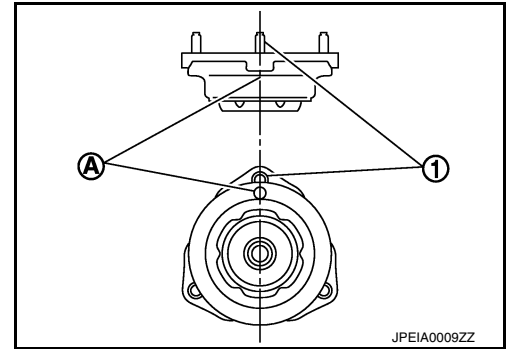
CAUTION:

Align the paint mark (A) to the stud bolt (1) position when assembling.

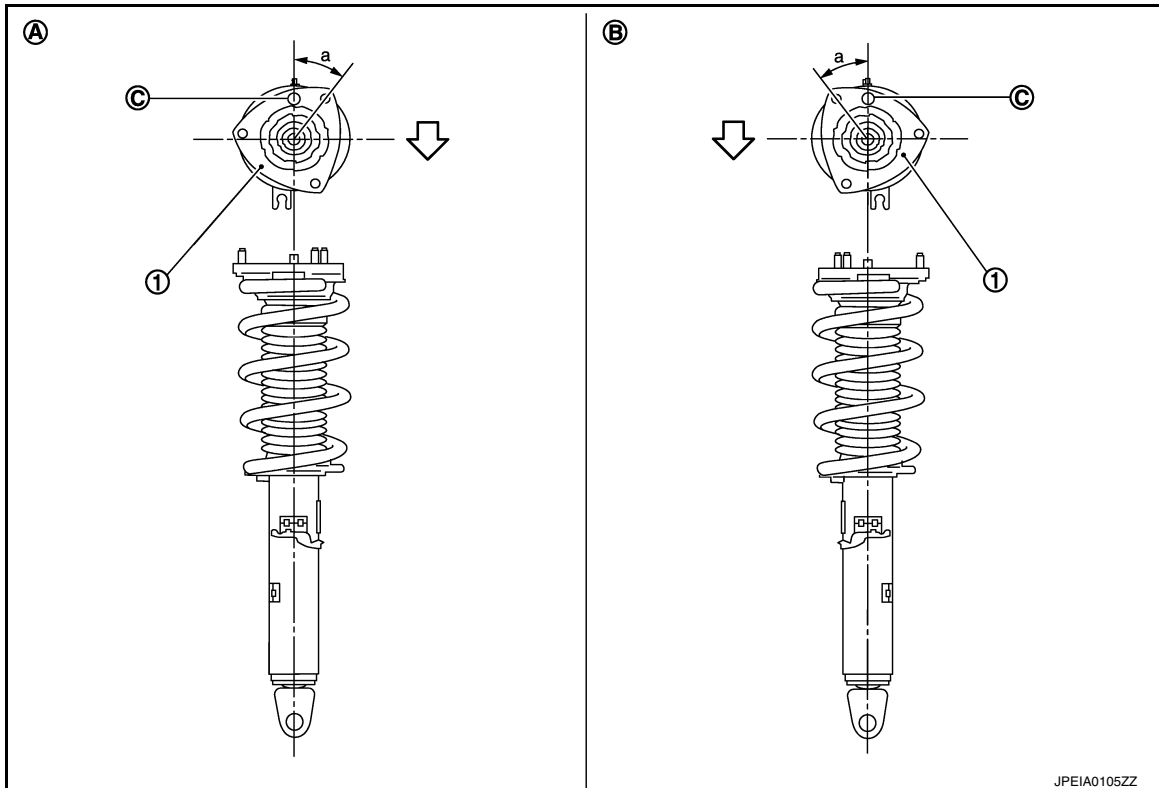
4. Apply soapy water to bound bumper.

CAUTION:

Never use machine oil.



5. Insert bound bumper into shock absorber mounting bracket, and then install it to shock absorber together with rubber seat.



1. Shock absorber mounting bracket

A. Right side

B. Left side

C. Coil spring lower end position

⇐ : Vehicle front

- Install the shock absorber mounting bracket as shown in the figure.

Angle (a) : 30.0°

- Check that the lower end of the coil spring (C) is positioned at the spring lower seat of the shock absorber.

6. Secure piston rod tip so that piston rod does not turn, then tighten piston rod lock nut with specified torque.

7. Gradually release a spring compressor (commercial service tool), and remove coil spring.

CAUTION:

Loosen while making sure coil spring attachment position does not move.

8. Remove the shock absorber attachment [SST: ST35652000 (-)] from shock absorber.

9. Install the mounting seal to shock absorber mounting bracket.

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Inspection

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INSPECTION AFTER INSTALLATION

1. Check wheel sensor harness for proper connection. Refer to [BRC-133. "FRONT WHEEL SENSOR : Exploded View"](#).
2. Check wheel alignment. Refer to [FSU-8. "Inspection"](#).
3. Adjust neutral position of steering angle sensor. Refer to [BRC-9. "ADJUSTMENT OF STEERING ANGLE SENSOR NEUTRAL POSITION : Special Repair Requirement"](#).

INSPECTION AFTER DISASSEMBLY

Shock Absorber

Check the following items, and replace the part if necessary.

- Shock absorber for deformation, cracks or damage.
- Piston rod for damage, uneven wear or distortion.
- Oil leakage.

Shock Absorber Mounting Bracket and Rubber Parts Inspection

Check shock absorber mounting bracket for cracks and rubber parts for wear. Replace it if necessary.

Coil Spring

Check coil spring for cracks, wear or damage. Replace it if necessary.

Disposal

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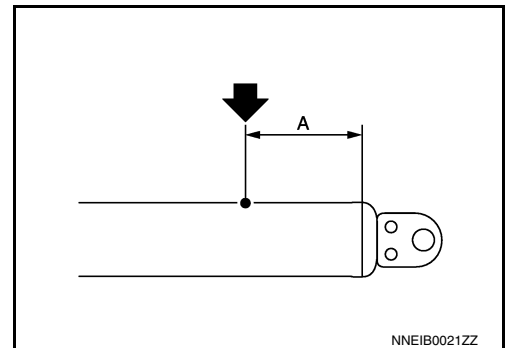
1. Set shock absorber horizontally with the piston rod fully extended.
2. Drill 2 – 3 mm (0.08 – 0.12 in) hole at the position (●) from top as shown in the figure to release gas gradually.

CAUTION:

- **Wear eye protection (safety glasses).**
- **Wear gloves.**
- **Be careful with metal chips or oil blown out by the compressed gas.**

NOTE:

- Drill vertically in this direction (←).
- Directly to the outer tube avoiding brackets.
- The gas is clear, colorless, odorless, and harmless.



A : 20 – 30 mm (0.79 – 1.18 in)

3. Position the drilled hole downward and drain oil by moving the piston rod several times.

CAUTION:

Dispose of drained oil according to the law and local regulations.

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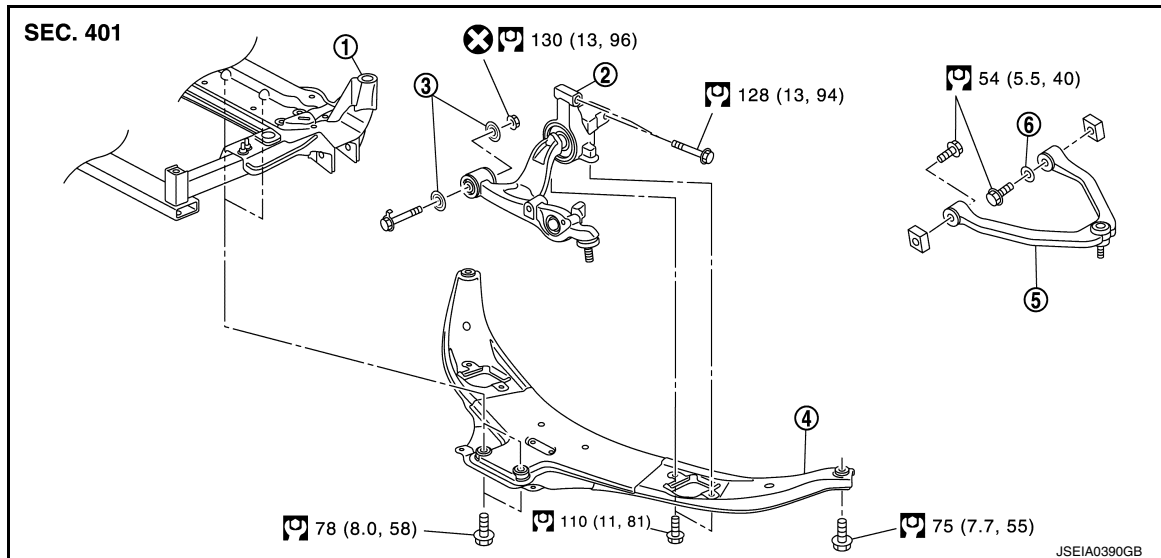
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| 1. Front suspension member | 2. Transverse link | 3. Stopper bushing |
| 4. Front cross bar | 5. Upper link | 6. Stopper arm bushing |

Refer to [GI-4, "Components"](#) for symbols in the figure.

Removal and Installation

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REMOVAL

1. Remove tires with power tool.
2. Remove shock absorber. Refer to [FSU-10, "Exploded View"](#).
3. Temporarily install upper link and steering knuckle. Refer to [FAX-7, "Exploded View"](#).
4. Remove stabilizer connecting rod. Refer to [FSU-18, "Exploded View"](#).
5. Remove front cross bar.
6. Remove transverse link from steering knuckle.
7. Set suitable jack under transverse link.
8. Remove transverse link and stopper bushings.

NOTE:

If removing transverse link mounting bolt (front side) is difficult, rotating steering wheel and remove steering outer socket. Refer to [ST-26, "Exploded View"](#).

INSTALLATION

Note the following, and install in the reverse order of removal.

- Never tap on the ball joint cap of the stabilizer connecting rod with a hammer or a similar item when inserting the stabilizer connecting rod into the transverse link.
- Perform final tightening of bolts and nuts at the front suspension member installation and shock absorber lower side (rubber bushing), under unladen conditions with tires on level ground.

Inspection

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INSPECTION AFTER REMOVAL

Appearance

Check the following items, and replace the part if necessary.

- Transverse link and bushing for deformation, cracks or damage.
- Ball joint boot for cracks or other damage, and also for grease leakage.

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Ball Joint Inspection

Manually move ball stud to confirm it moves smoothly with no binding.

Swing Torque Inspection

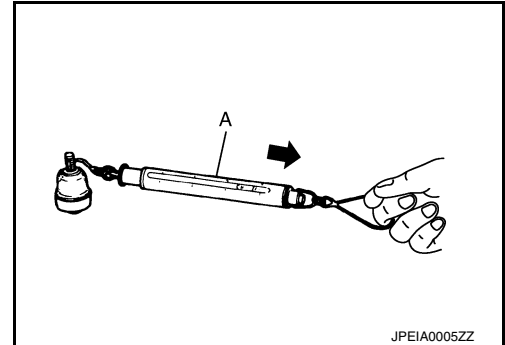
NOTE:

Before measurement, move ball stud at least ten times by hand to check for smooth movement.

- Hook a spring balance (A) at cotter pin mounting hole. Confirm spring balance measurement value is within specifications when ball stud begins moving.

Swing torque : Refer to [FSU-21, "Ball Joint"](#).

- If swing torque exceeds standard range, replace transverse link assembly.

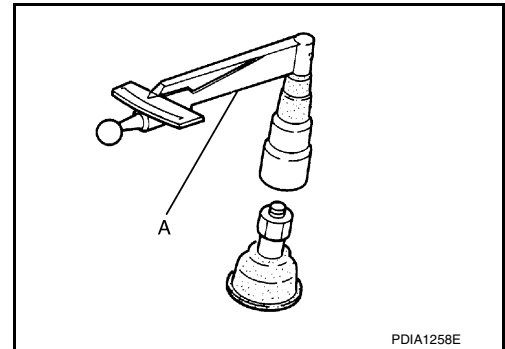


Rotating Torque Inspection

- Attach mounting nut to ball stud. Make sure that rotating torque is within specifications with a preload gauge (A) [SST: ST3127S000 (J-25765-A)].

Rotating torque : Refer to [FSU-21, "Ball Joint"](#).

- If rotating torque exceeds standard range, replace transverse link assembly.



Axial End Play Inspection

- Move tip of ball stud in axial direction to check for looseness.

Axial end play : Refer to [FSU-21, "Ball Joint"](#).

- If axial end play exceeds standard range, replace transverse link assembly.

INSPECTION AFTER INSTALLATION

1. Check wheel sensor harness for proper connection. Refer to [BRC-133, "FRONT WHEEL SENSOR : Exploded View"](#).
2. Check wheel alignment. Refer to [FSU-8, "Inspection"](#).
3. Adjust neutral position of steering angle sensor. Refer to [BRC-9, "ADJUSTMENT OF STEERING ANGLE SENSOR NEUTRAL POSITION : Special Repair Requirement"](#).

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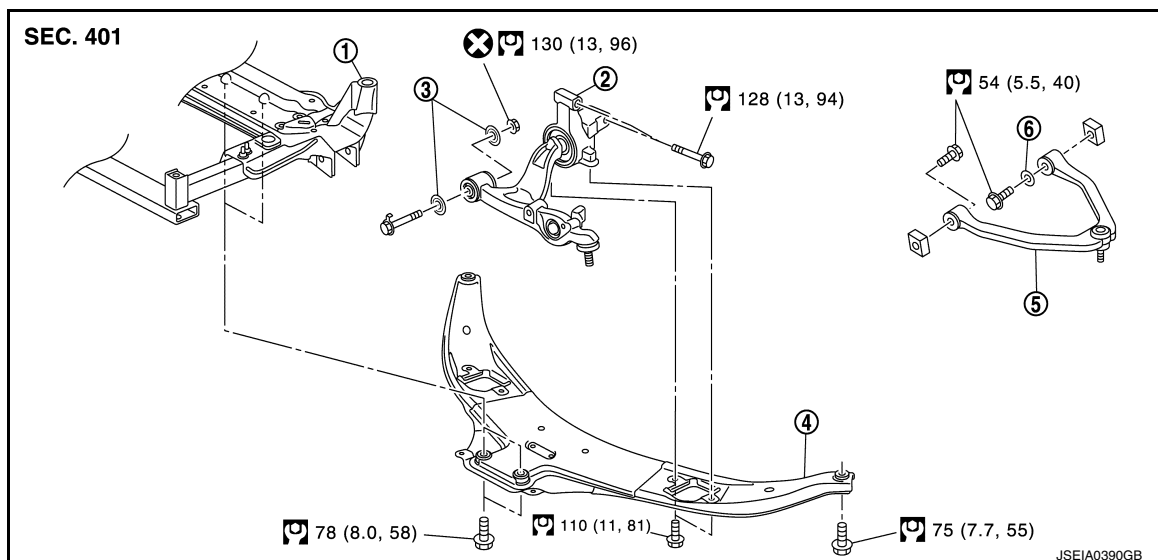
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Exploded View

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| 1. Front suspension member | 2. Transverse link | 3. Stopper bushing |
| 4. Front cross bar | 5. Upper link | 6. Stopper arm bushing |

Refer to [GI-4, "Components"](#) for symbols in the figure.

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REMOVAL

1. Remove tires with power tool.
2. Remove shock absorber. Refer to [FSU-10, "Exploded View"](#).
3. Remove upper link and stopper arm bushing.

INSTALLATION

Note the following, and install in the reverse order of removal.

- Perform final tightening of bolts and nuts at the vehicle installation position (rubber bushing), under unladen conditions with tires on level ground.

Inspection

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INSPECTION AFTER REMOVAL

Appearance

Check the following items, and replace the part if necessary.

- Upper link and bushing for deformation, cracks or damage.
- Ball joint boot for cracks or other damage, and also for grease leakage.

Ball Joint Inspection

Manually move ball stud to confirm it moves smoothly with no binding.

Swing Torque Inspection

NOTE:

Before measurement, move ball stud at least ten times by hand to check for smooth movement.

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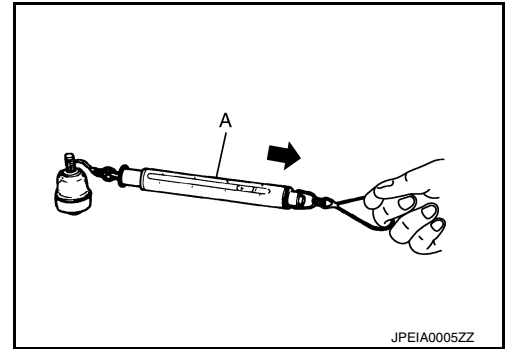
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- Hook a spring balance (A) at cutout on ball stud. Confirm spring balance measurement value is within specifications when ball stud begins moving.

Swing torque : Refer to [FSU-21, "Ball Joint"](#).

- If swing torque exceeds standard range, replace upper link assembly.



Axial End Play Inspection

- Move tip of ball stud in axial direction to check for looseness.

Axial end play : Refer to [FSU-21, "Ball Joint"](#).

- If axial end play exceeds standard range, replace upper link assembly.

INSPECTION AFTER INSTALLATION

1. Check wheel sensor harness for proper connection. Refer to [BRC-133, "FRONT WHEEL SENSOR : Exploded View"](#).
2. Check wheel alignment. Refer to [FSU-8, "Inspection"](#).
3. Adjust neutral position of steering angle sensor. Refer to [BRC-9, "ADJUSTMENT OF STEERING ANGLE SENSOR NEUTRAL POSITION : Special Repair Requirement"](#).

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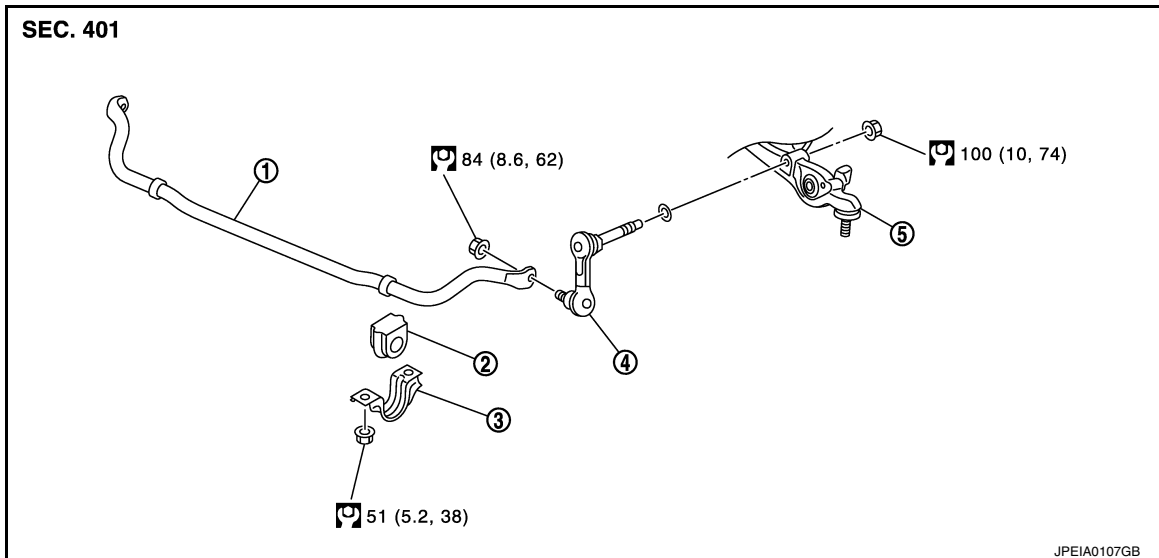
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FRONT STABILIZER

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| 1. Stabilizer bar | 2. Stabilizer bushing | 3. Stabilizer clamp |
| 4. Stabilizer connecting rod | 5. Transverse link | |

Refer to [GI-4, "Components"](#) for symbols in the figure.

Removal and Installation

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REMOVAL

1. Remove under cover with power tool.
2. Remove stabilizer connecting rod with power tool.
CAUTION:
Apply a matching mark to identify the installation position.
3. Remove stabilizer clamp and stabilizer bushing.
4. Remove stabilizer bar.

INSTALLATION

Note the following, and install in the reverse order of removal.

- Check the matching mark when installing.
- Tighten the mounting nut to the specified torque while holding a hexagonal part of stabilizer connecting rod side.

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INSPECTION AFTER REMOVAL

Check stabilizer bar, stabilizer connecting rod, stabilizer bushing and stabilizer clamp for deformation, cracks or damage. Replace it if necessary.

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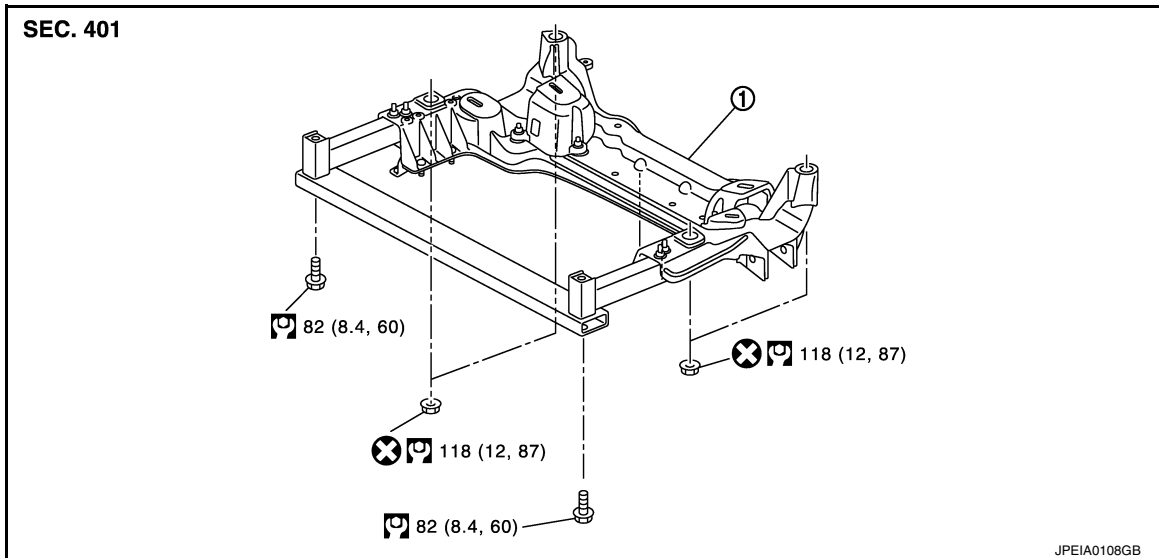
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FRONT SUSPENSION MEMBER

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1. Front suspension member

Refer to [GI-4, "Components"](#) for symbols in the figure.

Removal and Installation

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REMOVAL

1. Remove tires with power tool.
2. At first, remove the engine and the transmission assembly with front suspension member downward. Then separate the engine, transmission Refer to [EM-73, "2WD : Removal and Installation"](#) (VQ37VHR), [EM-207, "Removal and Installation"](#) (VK50VE).
3. Remove the following parts.
 - Steering knuckle and wheel hub and bearing assembly: Refer to [FAX-7, "Exploded View"](#).
 - Steering gear assembly and hydraulic line: Refer to [ST-26, "Exploded View"](#), [ST-48, "VQ37VHR : Exploded View"](#).
 - Stabilizer bar and stabilizer connecting rod: Refer to [FSU-18, "Exploded View"](#).
 - Transverse link: Refer to [FSU-14, "Exploded View"](#).
 - Engine mount insulator: Refer to [EM-73, "2WD : Exploded View"](#) (VQ37VHR), [EM-207, "Exploded View"](#) (VK50VE).

INSTALLATION

Note the following, and install in the reverse order of removal.

- Perform final tightening of bolts and nuts at the vehicle installation position (rubber bushing), under unladen condition with tires on level ground.

Inspection

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INSPECTION AFTER REMOVAL

Check the front suspension member for significant deformation, cracks, or damages. Replace if necessary.

INSPECTION AFTER INSTALLATION

1. Check wheel sensor harness for proper connection. Refer to [BRC-133, "FRONT WHEEL SENSOR : Exploded View"](#).
2. Check wheel alignment. Refer to [FSU-8, "Inspection"](#).

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3. Adjust neutral position of steering angle sensor. Refer to [BRC-9. "ADJUSTMENT OF STEERING ANGLE SENSOR NEUTRAL POSITION : Special Repair Requirement"](#).

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Wheel Alignment

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Item		Standard	
Camber Degree minute (Decimal degree)	Minimum	−1° 05′ (−1.08°)	
	Nominal	−0° 20′ (−0.33°)	
	Maximum	0° 25′ (0.41°)	
	Left and right difference	0° 33′ (0.55°) or less	
Caster Degree minute (Decimal degree)	Minimum	2° 55′ (2.92°)	
	Nominal	3° 40′ (3.67°)	
	Maximum	4° 25′ (4.41°)	
	Left and right difference	0° 39′ (0.65°) or less	
Kingpin inclination Degree minute (Decimal degree)	Minimum	7° 55′ (7.92°)	
	Nominal	8°40′ (8.67°)	
	Maximum	9° 25′ (9.41°)	
Toe-in	Total toe-in Distance	Minimum	0 mm (0.00 in)
		Nominal	In 2 mm (In 0.08 in)
		Maximum	In 4 mm (In 0.15 in)
	Total toe-angle Degree minute (Decimal Degree)	Minimum	0° 00′ (0.00°)
		Nominal	In 0° 09′ (In 0.15°)
		Maximum	In 0° 18′ (In 0.30°)

Measure value under unladen* conditions.

*: Fuel, engine coolant and lubricant are full. Spare tire, jack, hand tools and mats are in designated positions.

Ball Joint

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Item		Standard
Swing torque	Transverse link	0.5 – 3.6 N·m (0.06 – 0.36 kg-m, 5 – 31 in-lb)
	Upper link	0 – 2.0 N·m (0 – 0.20 kg-m, 0 – 17 in-lb)
Measurement on spring balance	Transverse link	7.8 – 56.3 N (0.8 – 5.7 kg, 1.8 – 12.6 lb)
	Upper link	0 – 61.5 N (0 – 6.2 kg, 0 – 13.8 lb)
Rotating torque	Transverse link	0.5 – 3.9 N·m (0.06 – 0.39 kg-m, 5 – 34 in-lb)
Axial end play		0 mm (0 in)

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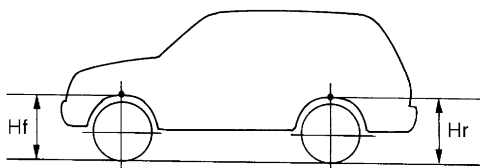
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Wheel Height

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Item	Standard	
Wheel size	18 inch	20 inch
Front (Hf)	831 mm (32.72 in)	832 mm (32.76 in)
Rear (Hr)		831 mm (32.72 in)



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Measure value under unladen* conditions

*: Fuel, engine coolant and lubricant are full. Spare tire, jack, hand tools and mats are in designated positions.

NOISE, VIBRATION AND HARSHNESS (NVH) TROUBLESHOOTING

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SYMPTOM DIAGNOSIS

NOISE, VIBRATION AND HARSHNESS (NVH) TROUBLESHOOTING

NVH Troubleshooting Chart

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Use chart below to find the cause of the symptom. If necessary, repair or replace these parts.

Reference			FSU															
Possible cause and SUSPECTED PARTS			Improper installation, looseness	Shock absorber deformation, damage or deflection	Bushing or mounting deterioration	Parts interference	Spring fatigue	Suspension looseness	Incorrect wheel alignment	Stabilizer bar fatigue	PROPELLER SHAFT	DIFFERENTIAL	FRONT AXLE AND FRONT SUSPENSION	TIRE	ROAD WHEEL	DRIVE SHAFT	BRAKE	STEERING
Symptom	FRONT SUSPENSION	Noise	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
		Shake	x	x	x	x		x			x		x	x	x	x	x	x
		Vibration	x	x	x	x	x				x		x	x		x		x
		Shimmy	x	x	x	x			x				x	x	x		x	x
		Judder	x	x	x								x	x	x		x	x
		Poor quality ride or handling	x	x	x	x	x		x	x			x	x	x			

x: Applicable

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Precaution for Supplemental Restraint System (SRS) "AIR BAG" and "SEAT BELT PRE-TENSIONER"

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The Supplemental Restraint System such as "AIR BAG" and "SEAT BELT PRE-TENSIONER", used along with a front seat belt, helps to reduce the risk or severity of injury to the driver and front passenger for certain types of collision. This system includes seat belt switch inputs and dual stage front air bag modules. The SRS system uses the seat belt switches to determine the front air bag deployment, and may only deploy one front air bag, depending on the severity of a collision and whether the front occupants are belted or unbelted. Information necessary to service the system safely is included in the "SRS AIR BAG" and "SEAT BELT" of this Service Manual.

WARNING:

Always observe the following items for preventing accidental activation.

- To avoid rendering the SRS inoperative, which could increase the risk of personal injury or death in the event of a collision that would result in air bag inflation, all maintenance must be performed by an authorized NISSAN/INFINITI dealer.
- Improper maintenance, including incorrect removal and installation of the SRS, can lead to personal injury caused by unintentional activation of the system. For removal of Spiral Cable and Air Bag Module, see "SRS AIR BAG".
- Never use electrical test equipment on any circuit related to the SRS unless instructed to in this Service Manual. SRS wiring harnesses can be identified by yellow and/or orange harnesses or harness connectors.

PRECAUTIONS WHEN USING POWER TOOLS (AIR OR ELECTRIC) AND HAMMERS

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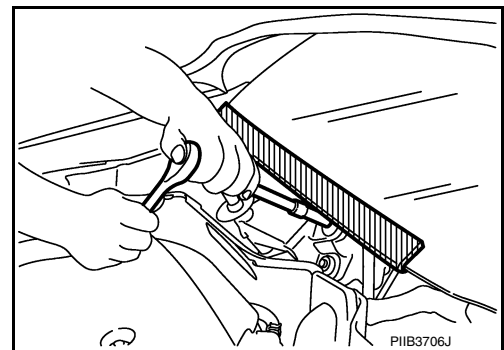
Always observe the following items for preventing accidental activation.

- When working near the Air Bag Diagnosis Sensor Unit or other Air Bag System sensors with the ignition ON or engine running, never use air or electric power tools or strike near the sensor(s) with a hammer. Heavy vibration could activate the sensor(s) and deploy the air bag(s), possibly causing serious injury.
- When using air or electric power tools or hammers, always switch the ignition OFF, disconnect the battery, and wait at least 3 minutes before performing any service.

Precaution for Procedure without Cowl Top Cover

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When performing the procedure after removing cowl top cover, cover the lower end of windshield with urethane, etc to prevent damage to windshield.



Precautions for Suspension

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CAUTION:

- When installing rubber bushings, the final tightening must be carried out under unladen conditions with tires on ground. Spilled oil might shorten the life of rubber bushings. Be sure to wipe off any spilled oil.
- Unladen conditions mean that fuel, engine coolant and lubricant are full. Spare tire, jack, hand tools and mats are in designated positions.
- After servicing suspension parts, be sure to check wheel alignment.
- Self-lock nuts are not reusable. Always use new ones when installing. Since new self-lock nuts are pre-oiled, tighten as they are.

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Precautions for Removing Battery Terminal

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- When removing the 12V battery terminal, turn OFF the ignition switch and wait at least 30 seconds.

NOTE:

ECU may be active for several tens of seconds after the ignition switch is turned OFF. If the battery terminal is removed before ECU stops, then a DTC detection error or ECU data corruption may occur.

- For vehicles with the 2-batteries, be sure to connect the main battery and the sub battery before turning ON the ignition switch.

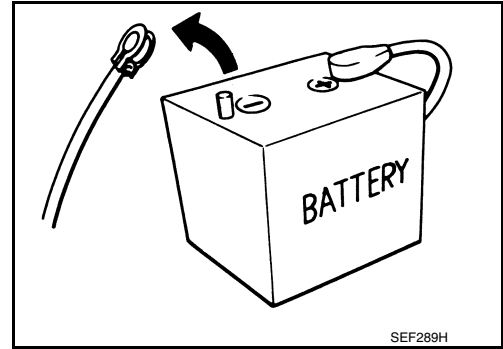
NOTE:

If the ignition switch is turned ON with any one of the terminals of main battery and sub battery disconnected, then DTC may be detected.

- After installing the 12V battery, always check "Self Diagnosis Result" of all ECUs and erase DTC.

NOTE:

The removal of 12V battery may cause a DTC detection error.



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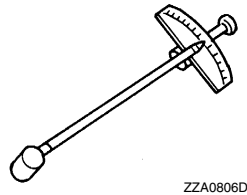
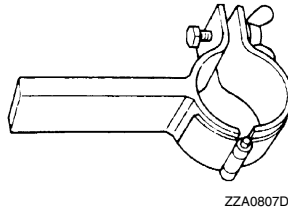
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Special Service Tool

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The actual shapes of Kent-Moore tools may differ from those of special service tools illustrated here.

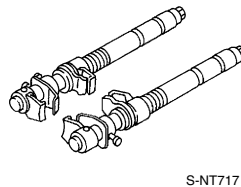
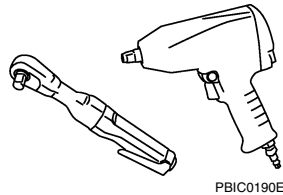
Tool number (Kent-Moore No.) Tool name	Description
ST35652000 (-) Shock absorber attachment	Disassembling and assembling shock absorber
ST3127S000 (J-25765-A) Preload gauge	Measuring rotating torque of ball joint



Commercial Service Tool

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Tool name	Description
Power tool	Loosening bolts and nuts
Spring compressor	Removing and installing coil spring



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Inspection

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COMPONENT PART

Check the mounting conditions (looseness, backlash) of each component and component conditions (wear, damage) are normal.

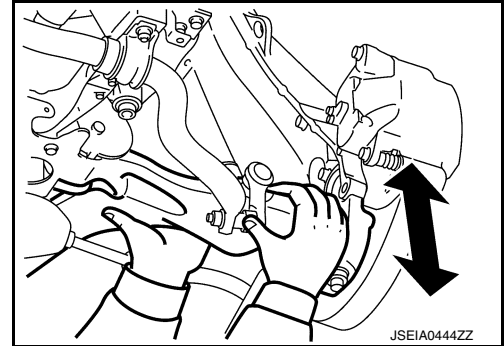
Ball Joint Axial End Play

1. Set front wheels in a straight-ahead position.
2. Move axle side of transverse link and upper link in the axial direction by hand. Check there is no end play.

Axial end play : Refer to [FSU-41, "Ball Joint"](#).

CAUTION:

- Never depress brake pedal when measuring.
- Never perform with tires on level ground.
- Be careful not to damage ball joint boot. Never damage the installation position by applying excessive force.



SHOCK ABSORBER

Check for oil leakage, damage. Replace it if necessary.

WHEEL ALIGNMENT

Inspection

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DESCRIPTION

CAUTION:

- **Camber, caster, kingpin inclination angles cannot be adjusted.**
- **If camber, caster, or kingpin inclination angle is outside the standard, check front suspension parts for wear and damage. Replace suspect parts if a malfunction is detected.**
- **Kingpin inclination angle is reference value, no inspection is required.**
- Measure wheel alignment under unladen conditions.

NOTE:

“Unladen conditions” means that fuel, engine coolant, and lubricant are full. Spare tire, jack, hand tools and mats are in designated positions.

PRELIMINARY CHECK

Check the following:

- Tires for improper air pressure and wear. Refer to [WT-71, "Tire Air Pressure"](#).
- Road wheels for runout.
- Wheel bearing axial end play. Refer to [FAX-15, "Inspection"](#).
- Transverse link or upper link ball joint axial end play. Refer to [FSU-27, "Inspection"](#).
- Shock absorber operation.
- Each mounting part of axle and suspension for looseness and deformation.
- Each of suspension member, shock absorber, upper link and transverse link for cracks, deformation and other damage.
- Vehicle height (posture).

GENERAL INFORMATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- A four-wheel thrust alignment should be performed.
- This type of alignment is recommended for any NISSAN/INFINITI vehicle.
- The four-wheel “thrust” process helps ensure that the vehicle is properly aligned and the steering wheel is centered.
- The alignment rack itself should be capable of accepting any NISSAN/INFINITI vehicle.
- The rack should be checked to ensure that it is level.
- Make sure the machine is properly calibrated.
- Your alignment equipment should be regularly calibrated in order to give correct information.
- Check with the manufacturer of your specific equipment for their recommended Service/Calibration Schedule.

ALIGNMENT PROCESS

IMPORTANT:

Use only the alignment specifications listed in this Service Manual.

- When displaying the alignment settings, many alignment machines use “indicators”: (Green/red, plus or minus, Go/No Go). **Do not use these indicators.**
- The alignment specifications programmed into your machine that operate these indicators may not be correct.
- This may result in an ERROR.
- Most camera-type alignment machines are equipped with both “Rolling Compensation” method and optional “Jacking Compensation” method to “compensate” the alignment targets or head units. “Rolling Compensation” is the preferred method.
- If using the “Rolling Compensation” method, after installing the alignment targets or head units, push or pull on the rear wheel to move the vehicle. **Do not push or pull on the vehicle body.**
- If using the “Jacking Compensation” method, after installing the alignment targets or head units, raise the vehicle and rotate the wheels 1/2 turn both ways.

NOTE:

- Do not use the “Rolling Compensation” method if you are using sensor-type alignment equipment.
- Follow all instructions for the alignment machine you're using for more information.

Adjustment

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TOE-IN

WHEEL ALIGNMENT

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- Loosen the steering outer socket, and then adjust the length using steering inner socket.

Toe-in : Refer to [FSU-41, "Wheel Alignment"](#).

CAUTION:

- Always evenly adjust both toe-in alternately and adjust the difference between the left and right to the standard.
- Always fix the steering inner socket when tightening the steering outer socket.
- After toe-in adjustment, adjust neutral position of steering angle sensor. Refer to [BRC-9, "ADJUSTMENT OF STEERING ANGLE SENSOR NEUTRAL POSITION : Special Repair Requirement"](#).

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FRONT COIL SPRING AND SHOCK ABSORBER

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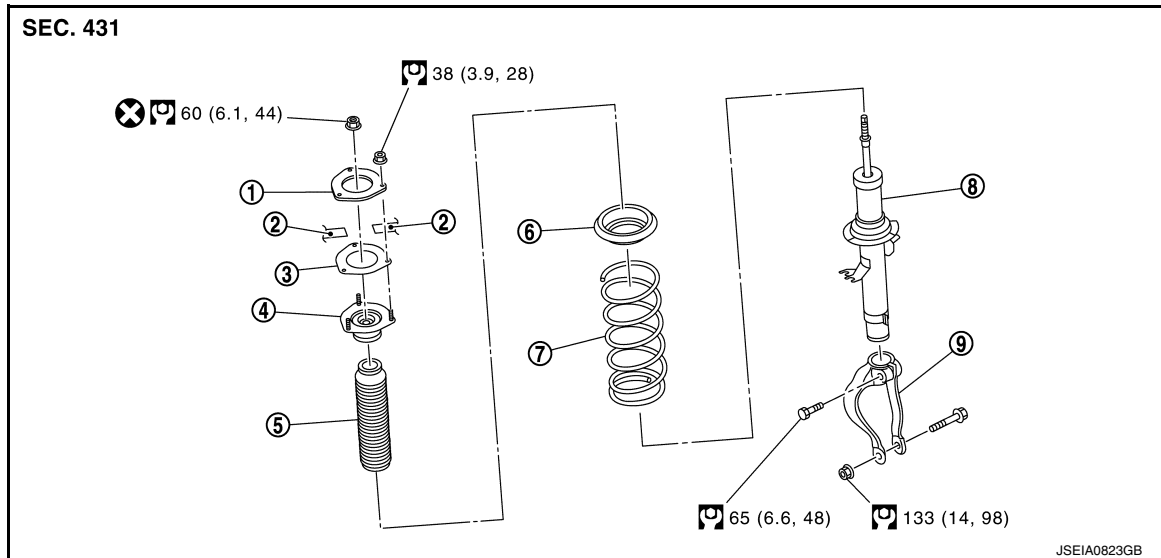
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FRONT COIL SPRING AND SHOCK ABSORBER

Exploded View

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| 1. Gusset | 2. Vehicle body | 3. Mounting seal |
| 4. Shock absorber mounting bracket | 5. Bound bumper | 6. Rubber seat |
| 7. Coil spring | 8. Shock absorber | 9. Shock absorber arm |

Refer to [GI-4, "Components"](#) for symbols in the figure.

Removal and Installation

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REMOVAL

1. Remove engine cover. Refer to [EM-27, "Exploded View"](#) (VQ37VHR), [EM-184, "Exploded View"](#) (VK50VE).
2. Remove front fender protector. Refer to [EXT-25, "FENDER PROTECTOR : Exploded View"](#).
3. Remove tires with power tool.
4. Remove wheel sensor and harness connector from vehicle. Refer to [BRC-133, "FRONT WHEEL SENSOR : Exploded View"](#).

CAUTION:

Never pull on wheel sensor harness.

5. Remove brake hose bracket. Refer to [BR-22, "FRONT : Exploded View"](#).
6. Remove stabilizer connecting rod with power tool. Refer to [FSU-38, "Exploded View"](#).
7. Remove wheel hub lock nut. Refer to [FAX-17, "Exploded View"](#).
8. Remove shock absorber from transverse link with power tool.
9. Separate upper link from steering knuckle. Refer to [FAX-17, "Exploded View"](#).
10. Separate drive shaft from wheel hub and bearing assembly.
11. Remove shock absorber assembly.

NOTE:

If removing shock absorber is difficult, loosen upper link mounting bolts (vehicle side).

INSTALLATION

Note the following, and install in the reverse order of removal.

- Never tap on the ball joint cap of the stabilizer connecting rod with a hammer or a similar item when inserting the stabilizer connecting rod into the transverse link.

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- Perform final tightening of bolts and nuts at the shock absorber lower side (rubber bushing), under unladen conditions with tires on level ground.

Disassembly and Assembly

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DISASSEMBLY

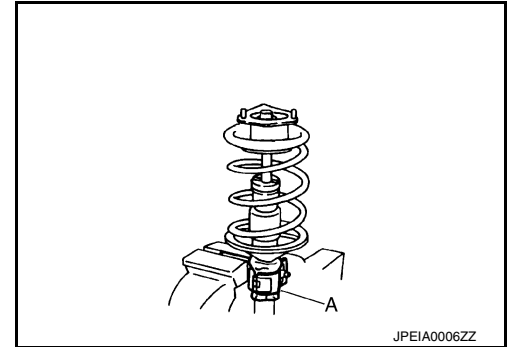
CAUTION:

Never damage shock absorber piston rod when removing components from shock absorber.

1. Remove shock absorber arm.
2. Install shock absorber attachment (A) [SST: ST35652000 (-)] to shock absorber and secure it in a vise.

CAUTION:

When installing the shock absorber attachment to shock absorber, wrap a shop cloth around shock absorber to protect it from damage.

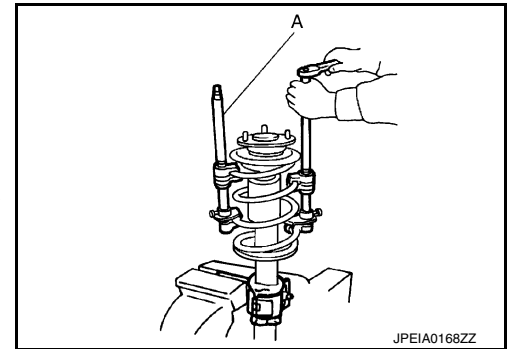


3. Using a spring compressor (A) (commercial service tool), compress coil spring between rubber seat and shock absorber until coil spring with a spring compressor is free.

CAUTION:

Be sure a spring compressor is securely attached coil spring. Compress coil spring.

4. Make sure coil spring with a spring compressor between rubber seat and shock absorber is free. And then remove piston rod lock nut while securing the piston rod tip so that piston rod does not turn.
5. Remove mounting seal, shock absorber mounting bracket, rubber seat, bound bumper from shock absorber.
6. After removing coil spring with a spring compressor (commercial service tool), then gradually release a spring compressor.



CAUTION:

Loosen while making sure coil spring attachment position does not move.

7. Remove the shock absorber attachment [SST: ST35652000 (-)] from shock absorber.

ASSEMBLY

1. Install shock absorber attachment [SST: ST35652000 (-)] to shock absorber and secure it in a vise.

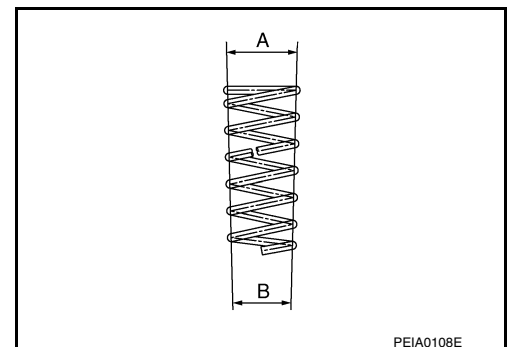
CAUTION:

When installing the shock absorber attachment to shock absorber, wrap a shop cloth around shock absorber to protect it from damage.

2. Compress coil spring using a spring compressor (commercial service tool), and install it onto shock absorber.

CAUTION:

- Install with the large-diameter side (A) facing up and the small-diameter side (B) facing down.
- Be sure a spring compressor is securely attached to coil spring. Compress coil spring.



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3. Install the shock absorber mounting bracket and rubber seat.

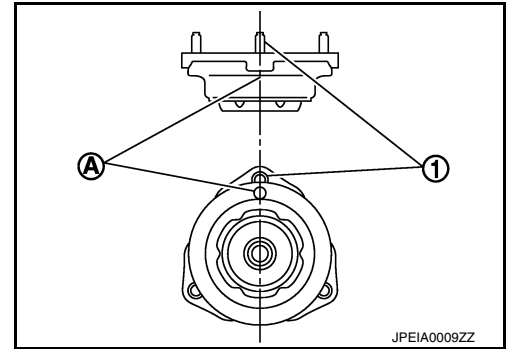
CAUTION:

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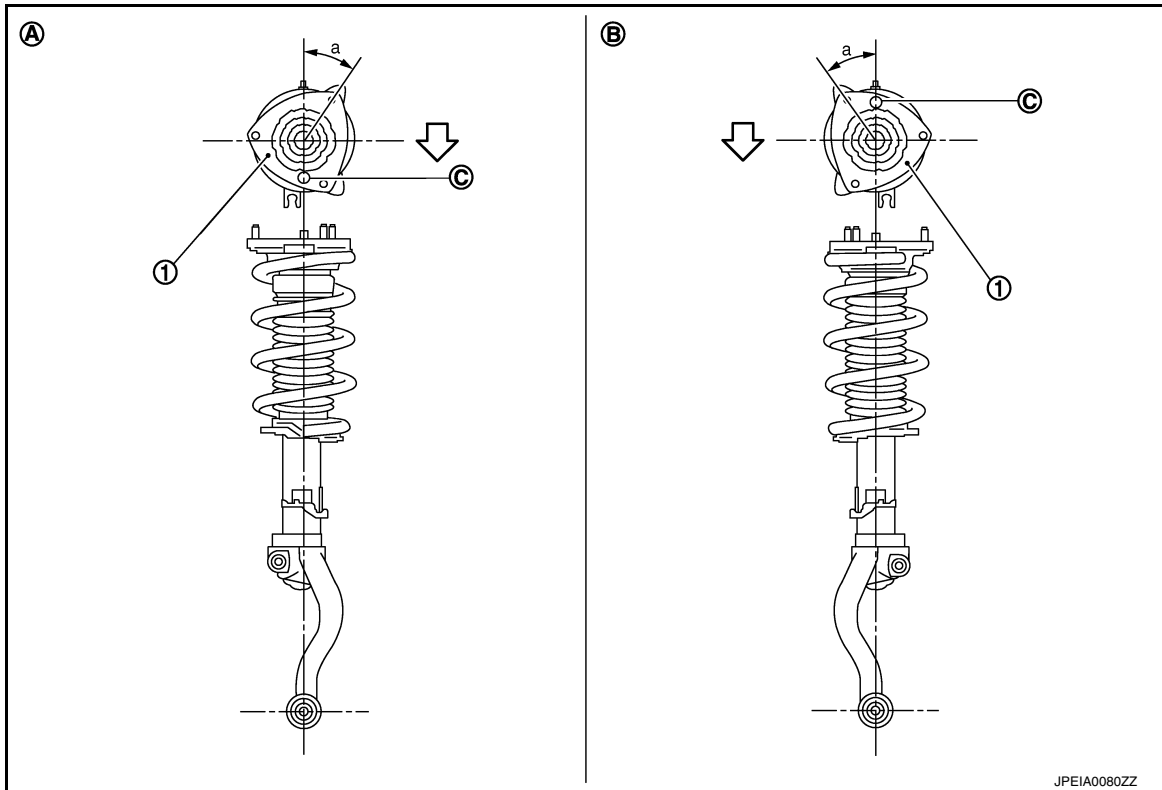
4. Apply soapy water to bound bumper.

CAUTION:

Never use machine oil.



5. Insert bound bumper into shock absorber mounting bracket, and then install it to shock absorber together with rubber seat.



1. Shock absorber mounting bracket

A. Right side

B. Left side

C. Coil spring lower end position

⇐ : Vehicle front

- Install the shock absorber mounting bracket as shown in the figure.

Angle (a) : 30.0°

- Check that the lower end of the coil spring (C) is positioned at the spring lower seat of the shock absorber.

6. Secure piston rod tip so that piston rod does not turn, then tighten piston rod lock nut to the specified torque.

7. Gradually release a spring compressor (commercial service tool), and remove coil spring.

CAUTION:

Loosen while making sure coil spring attachment position does not move.

8. Remove the shock absorber attachment [SST: ST35652000 (-)] from shock absorber.

9. Install the shock absorber arm to shock absorber.

CAUTION:

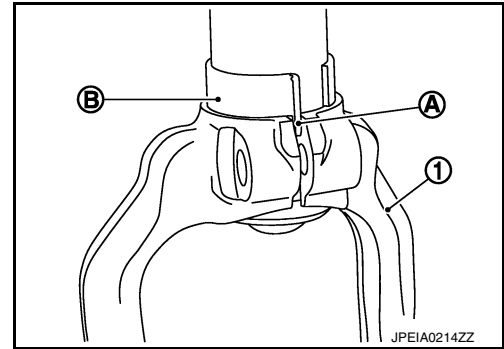
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To install, align the shock absorber protrusion (A) with the groove of shock absorber arm (1) and press it all the way to the locating bracket (B).

10. Install the mounting seal to shock absorber mounting bracket.



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Inspection

INSPECTION AFTER INSTALLATION

1. Check wheel sensor harness for proper connection. Refer to [BRC-133. "FRONT WHEEL SENSOR : Exploded View"](#).
2. Check wheel alignment. Refer to [FSU-28. "Inspection"](#).
3. Adjust neutral position of steering angle sensor. Refer to [BRC-9. "ADJUSTMENT OF STEERING ANGLE SENSOR NEUTRAL POSITION : Special Repair Requirement"](#).

INSPECTION AFTER DISASSEMBLY

Shock Absorber

Check the following items, and replace the part if necessary.

- Shock absorber for deformation, cracks or damage.
- Piston rod for damage, uneven wear or distortion.
- Oil leakage.

Shock Absorber Mounting Bracket and Rubber Parts Inspection

Check shock absorber mounting bracket for cracks and rubber parts for wear. Replace it if necessary

Coil Spring

Check coil spring for cracks, wear or damage. Replace it if necessary.

Disposal

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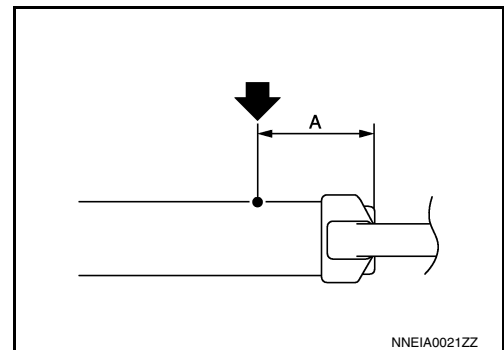
1. Set shock absorber horizontally with the piston rod fully extended.
2. Drill 2 – 3 mm (0.08 – 0.12 in) hole at the position (●) from top as shown in the figure to release gas gradually.

CAUTION:

- Wear eye protection (safety glasses).
- Wear gloves.
- Be careful with metal chips or oil blown out by the compressed gas.

NOTE:

- Drill vertically in this direction (←).
- Directly to the outer tube avoiding brackets.
- The gas is clear, colorless, odorless, and harmless.



A : 20 – 30 mm (0.79 – 1.18 in)

3. Position the drilled hole downward and drain oil by moving the piston rod several times.

CAUTION:

Dispose of drained oil according to the law and local regulations.

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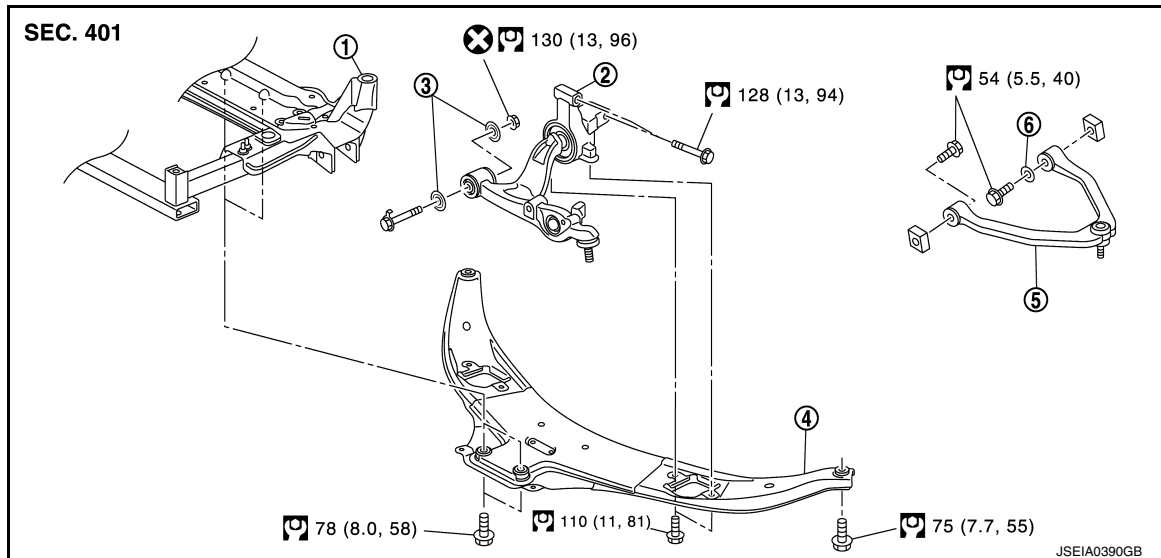
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TRANSVERSE LINK

Exploded View

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| 1. Front suspension member | 2. Transverse link | 3. Stopper bushing |
| 4. Front cross bar | 5. Upper link | 6. Stopper arm bushing |

Refer to [GI-4, "Components"](#) for symbols in the figure.

Removal and Installation

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REMOVAL

1. Remove tires with power tool.
2. Remove shock absorber. Refer to [FSU-30, "Exploded View"](#).
3. Temporarily install upper link and steering knuckle. Refer to [FAX-17, "Exploded View"](#).
4. Remove front cross bar.
5. Remove transverse link from steering knuckle.
6. Set suitable jack under transverse link.
7. Remove transverse link and stopper bushings.

NOTE:

If removing transverse link mounting bolt (front side) is difficult, rotating steering wheel and remove steering outer socket. Refer to [ST-26, "Exploded View"](#).

INSTALLATION

Note the following, and install in the reverse order of removal.

- Never tap on the ball joint cap of the stabilizer connecting rod with a hammer or a similar item when inserting the stabilizer connecting rod into the transverse link.
- Perform final tightening of bolts and nuts at the front suspension member installation and shock absorber lower side (rubber bushing), under unladen conditions with tires on level ground.

Inspection

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INSPECTION AFTER REMOVAL

Appearance

Check the following items, and replace the part if necessary.

- Transverse link and bushing for deformation, cracks or damage.
- Ball joint boot for cracks or other damage, and also for grease leakage.

Ball Joint Inspection

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Manually move ball stud to confirm it moves smoothly with no binding.

Swing Torque Inspection

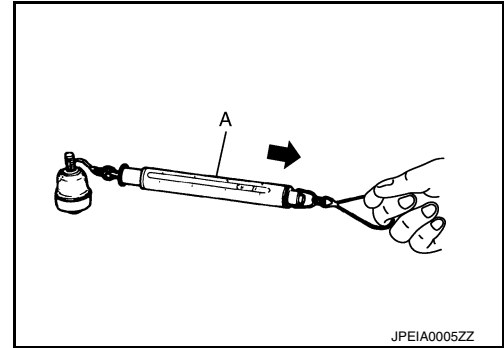
NOTE:

Before measurement, move ball stud at least ten times by hand to check for smooth movement.

- Hook a spring balance (A) at cotter pin mounting hole. Confirm spring balance measurement value is within specifications when ball stud begins moving.

Swing torque : Refer to [FSU-41, "Ball Joint"](#).

- If swing torque exceeds standard range, replace transverse link assembly.

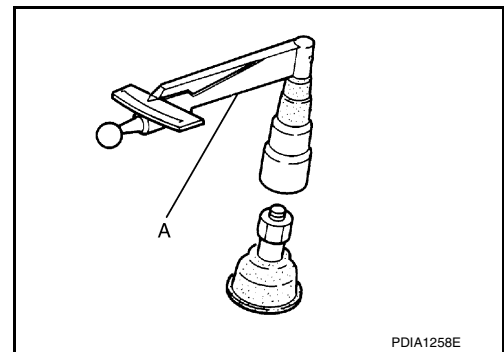


Rotating Torque Inspection

- Attach mounting nut to ball stud. Make sure that rotating torque is within specifications with a preload gauge (A) [SST: ST3127S000 (J-25765-A)].

Rotating torque : Refer to [FSU-41, "Ball Joint"](#).

- If rotating torque exceeds standard range, replace transverse link assembly.



Axial End Play Inspection

- Move tip of ball stud in axial direction to check for looseness.

Axial end play : Refer to [FSU-41, "Ball Joint"](#).

- If axial end play exceeds standard range, replace transverse link assembly.

INSPECTION AFTER INSTALLATION

1. Check wheel sensor harness for proper connection. Refer to [BRC-133, "FRONT WHEEL SENSOR : Exploded View"](#).
2. Check wheel alignment. Refer to [FSU-28, "Inspection"](#).
3. Adjust neutral position of steering angle sensor. Refer to [BRC-9, "ADJUSTMENT OF STEERING ANGLE SENSOR NEUTRAL POSITION : Special Repair Requirement"](#).

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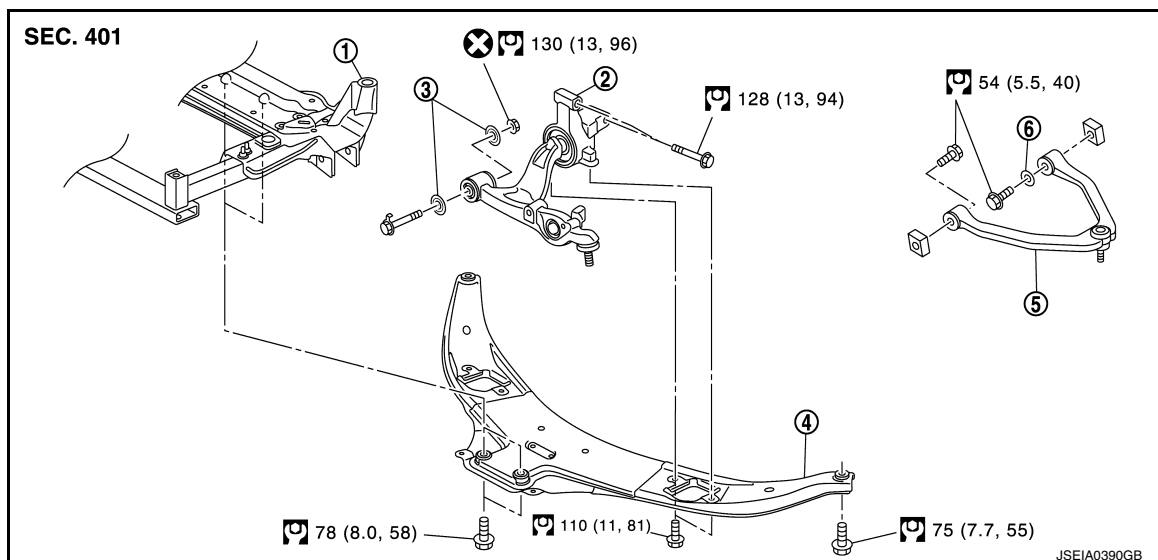
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UPPER LINK

Exploded View

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| 1. Front suspension member | 2. Transverse link | 3. Stopper bushing |
| 4. Front cross bar | 5. Upper link | 6. Stopper arm bushing |

Refer to [GI-4, "Components"](#) for symbols in the figure.

Removal and Installation

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REMOVAL

1. Remove tires from with power tool.
2. Remove shock absorber. Refer to [FSU-30, "Exploded View"](#).
3. Remove upper link and stopper arm bushing.

INSTALLATION

Note the following, and install in the reverse order of removal.

- Perform final tightening of bolts and nuts at the vehicle installation position (rubber bushing), under unladen conditions with tires on level ground.

Inspection

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INSPECTION AFTER REMOVAL

Appearance

Check the following items, and replace the part if necessary.

- Upper link and bushing for deformation, cracks or damage.
- Ball joint boot for cracks or other damage, and also for grease leakage.

Ball Joint Inspection

Manually move ball stud to confirm it moves smoothly with no binding.

Swing Torque Inspection

NOTE:

Before measurement, move ball stud at least ten times by hand to check for smooth movement.

UPPER LINK

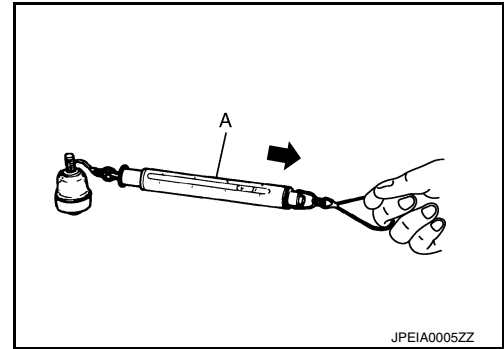
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- Hook a spring balance (A) at cutout on ball stud. Confirm spring balance measurement value is within specifications when ball stud begins moving.

Swing torque : Refer to [FSU-41, "Ball Joint"](#).

- If swing torque exceeds standard range, replace upper link assembly.



Axial End Play Inspection

- Move tip of ball stud in axial direction to check for looseness.

Axial end play : Refer to [FSU-41, "Ball Joint"](#).

- If axial end play exceeds standard range, replace upper link assembly.

INSPECTION AFTER INSTALLATION

1. Check wheel sensor harness for proper connection. Refer to [BRC-133, "FRONT WHEEL SENSOR : Exploded View"](#).
2. Check wheel alignment. Refer to [FSU-28, "Inspection"](#).
3. Adjust neutral position of steering angle sensor. Refer to [BRC-9, "ADJUSTMENT OF STEERING ANGLE SENSOR NEUTRAL POSITION : Special Repair Requirement"](#).

FRONT STABILIZER

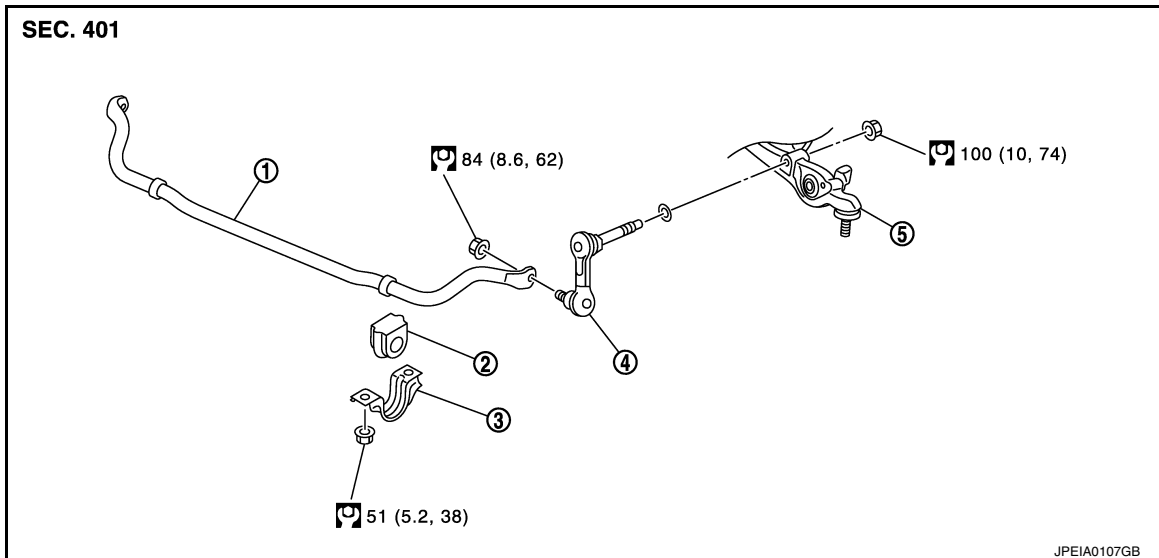
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FRONT STABILIZER

Exploded View

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| 1. Stabilizer bar | 2. Stabilizer bushing | 3. Stabilizer clamp |
| 4. Stabilizer connecting rod | 5. Transverse link | |

Refer to [GI-4, "Components"](#) for symbols in the figure.

Removal and Installation

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REMOVAL

1. Remove under cover.
2. Remove stabilizer connecting rod with power tool.
CAUTION:
Apply a matching mark to identify the installation position.
3. Remove stabilizer clamp and stabilizer bushing.
4. Remove stabilizer bar.

INSTALLATION

Note the following, and install in the reverse order of removal.

- Check the matching mark when installing.
- Tighten the mounting nut to the specified torque while holding a hexagonal part of stabilizer connecting rod side.

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INSPECTION AFTER REMOVAL

Check stabilizer bar, stabilizer connecting rod, stabilizer bushing and stabilizer clamp for deformation, cracks or damage. Replace it if necessary.

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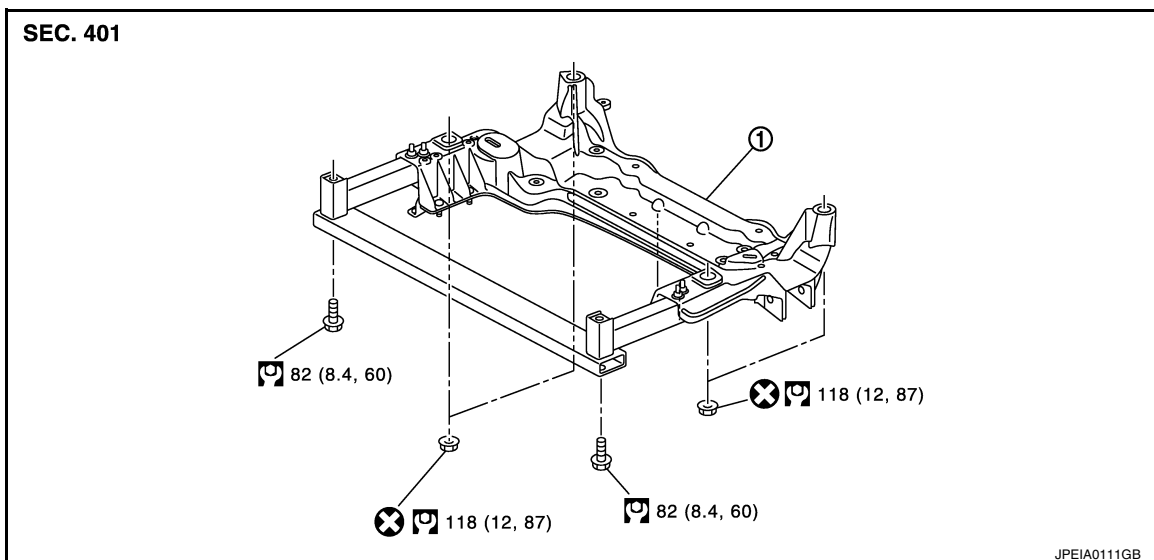
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FRONT SUSPENSION MEMBER

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1. Front suspension member

Refer to [GI-4, "Components"](#) for symbols in the figure.

Removal and Installation

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REMOVAL

1. Remove tire with power tool.
2. At first, remove the following parts as a set.
 - Engine, transmission assembly, transfer and front final drive: Refer to [EM-78, "AWD : Removal and Installation"](#) (VQ37VHR), [EM-207, "Removal and Installation"](#) (VK50VE).
 - Drive shaft: Refer to [FAX-27, "Exploded View"](#).
3. Remove the following parts.
 - Steering knuckle and wheel hub and bearing assembly: Refer to [FAX-17, "Exploded View"](#).
 - Steering gear assembly and hydraulic line: Refer to [ST-26, "Exploded View"](#), [ST-48, "VQ37VHR : Exploded View"](#) (VQ37VHR), [ST-49, "VK50VE : Exploded View"](#) (VK50VE).
 - Stabilizer bar and stabilizer connecting rod: Refer to [FSU-38, "Exploded View"](#).
 - Transverse link: Refer to [FSU-34, "Exploded View"](#).
 - Engine mount insulator.
 - VQ37VHR: Refer to [EM-77, "AWD : Exploded View"](#).
 - VK50VE: Refer to [EM-207, "Exploded View"](#).

INSTALLATION

Note the following, and install in the reverse order of removal.

- Perform final tightening of bolts and nut at the vehicle installation position (rubber bushing), under unladen condition with tires on level ground.

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INSPECTION AFTER REMOVAL

Check the front suspension member for significant deformation, cracks, or damages. Replace if necessary.

INSPECTION AFTER INSTALLATION

1. Check wheel sensor harness for proper connection. Refer to [BRC-133, "FRONT WHEEL SENSOR : Exploded View"](#).

FRONT SUSPENSION MEMBER

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2. Check wheel alignment. Refer to [FSU-28, "Inspection"](#).
3. Adjust neutral position of steering angle sensor. Refer to [BRC-9, "ADJUSTMENT OF STEERING ANGLE SENSOR NEUTRAL POSITION : Special Repair Requirement"](#).

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Wheel Alignment

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Item		Standard	
Camber Degree minute (Decimal degree)	Minimum	−1° 05′ (−1.08°)	
	Nominal	−0° 20′ (−0.33°)	
	Maximum	0° 25′ (0.41°)	
	Left and right difference	0° 33′ (0.55°) or less	
Caster Degree minute (Decimal degree)	Minimum	2° 55′ (2.92°)	
	Nominal	3° 40′ (3.67°)	
	Maximum	4° 25′ (4.41°)	
	Left and right difference	0° 39′ (0.65°) or less	
Kingpin inclination Degree minute (Decimal degree)	Minimum	7° 55′ (7.92°)	
	Nominal	8°40′ (8.67°)	
	Maximum	9° 25′ (9.41°)	
Toe-in	Total toe-in Distance	Minimum	0 mm (0.00 in)
		Nominal	In 2 mm (In 0.08 in)
		Maximum	In 4 mm (In 0.15 in)
	Total toe-angle Degree minute (Decimal Degree)	Minimum	0° 00′ (0.00°)
		Nominal	In 0° 09′ (In 0.15°)
		Maximum	In 0° 18′ (In 0.30°)

Measure value under unladen* conditions.

*: Fuel, engine coolant and lubricant are full. Spare tire, jack, hand tools and mats are in designated positions.

Ball Joint

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Item		Standard
Swing torque	Transverse link	0.5 – 3.6 N·m (0.06 – 0.36 kg-m, 5 – 31 in-lb)
	Upper link	0 – 2.0 N·m (0 – 0.20 kg-m, 0 – 17 in-lb)
Measurement on spring balance	Transverse link	7.8 – 56.3 N (0.8 – 5.7 kg, 1.8 – 12.6 lb)
	Upper link	0 – 61.5 N (0 – 6.2 kg, 0 – 13.8 lb)
Rotating torque	Transverse link	0.5 – 3.9 N·m (0.06 – 0.39 kg-m, 5 – 34 in-lb)
Axial end play		0 mm (0 in)

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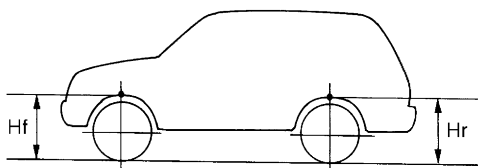
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Wheel Height

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Item	Standard		
Wheel size	18 inch	20 inch	21 inch
Front (Hf)	830 mm (32.68 in)		831 mm (32.72 in)
Rear (Hr)			



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Measure value under unladen* conditions.

*: Fuel, engine coolant and lubricant are full. Spare tire, jack, hand tools and mats are in designated positions.