

27. Engine Trouble in General

A: INSPECTION

NOTE:

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

A — Very often

B — Sometimes

C — Rarely

Symptoms	Problem parts etc.	Possible cause	RANK
1. Engine does not start.			
1) Starter does not turn.	Starter	Defective battery-to-starter harness Defective starter switch Defective inhibitor switch Defective starter	B C C B
	Battery	Improper connection of terminal Run-down battery Defective charging system	A A B
	Friction	Seizure of crankshaft and connecting rod bearing Seized camshaft Seized or stuck piston and cylinder	C C C
		Immobilizer system <Ref. to IM(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.>	A
2) Initial combustion does not occur.	Starter	Defective starter	C
	Engine control system <Ref. to EN(H4DO)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.>		A
	Fuel line	Defective fuel pump and relay Clogged fuel line Lack of fuel or insufficient fuel	A C B
	Timing chain	Trouble Defective timing	B B
	Compression	Incorrect cam clearance Loosened spark plug or defective gasket Loosened cylinder head bolt or defective cylinder head gasket Improper valve sealing Defective valve stem Worn or broken valve spring Worn or stuck piston rings, cylinder liner and piston Incorrect valve timing Improper engine oil (low viscosity)	C C C C C B C B B B

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3) Initial combustion occurs.	Engine control system <Ref. to EN(H4DO)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.>		A
	Intake system	Defective intake manifold gasket	B
		Defective throttle body gasket	B
	Fuel line	Defective fuel pump and relay	C
		Clogged fuel line	C
		Lack of fuel or insufficient fuel	B
	Timing chain	Trouble	B
		Defective timing	B
	Compression	Incorrect cam clearance	C
		Loosened spark plug or defective gasket	C
		Loosened cylinder head bolt or defective cylinder head gasket	C
		Improper valve sealing	C
		Defective valve stem	C
		Worn or broken valve spring	B
		Worn or stuck piston rings, cylinder liner and piston	C
		Incorrect valve timing	B
		Improper engine oil (low viscosity)	B
4) Engine stalls after initial combustion.	Engine control system <Ref. to EN(H4DO)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.>		A
	Intake system	Loosened or cracked intake duct	B
		Loosened or cracked PCV hose	C
		Loosened or cracked vacuum hose	C
		Defective intake manifold gasket	B
		Defective throttle body gasket	B
		Dirty air cleaner element	C
	Fuel line	Clogged fuel line	C
		Lack of fuel or insufficient fuel	B
	Timing chain	Trouble	B
		Defective timing	B
	Compression	Incorrect cam clearance	C
		Loosened spark plug or defective gasket	C
		Loosened cylinder head bolt or defective cylinder head gasket	C
		Improper valve sealing	C
		Defective valve stem	C
		Worn or broken valve spring	B
		Worn or stuck piston rings, cylinder and piston	C
		Incorrect valve timing	B
		Improper engine oil (low viscosity)	B

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2. Rough idle and engine stall	Engine control system <Ref. to EN(H4DO)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.>		A
Intake system		Loosened or cracked intake duct	A
		Loosened or cracked PCV hose	A
		Loosened or cracked vacuum hose	A
		Defective intake manifold gasket	B
		Defective throttle body gasket	B
		Defective PCV valve	C
		Loosened oil filler cap	B
		Dirty air cleaner element	C
Fuel line		Defective fuel pump and relay	C
		Clogged fuel line	C
		Lack of fuel or insufficient fuel	B
Timing chain	Defective timing		C
Compression		Incorrect cam clearance	B
		Loosened spark plug or defective gasket	B
		Loosened cylinder head bolt or defective cylinder head gasket	B
		Improper valve sealing	B
		Defective valve stem	C
		Worn or broken valve spring	B
		Worn or stuck piston rings, cylinder and piston	B
		Incorrect valve timing	A
Lubrication system		Improper engine oil (low viscosity)	B
		Incorrect oil pressure	B
Cooling system		Defective rocker cover gasket	C
		Over-heating	C
Other		Evaporative emission control system malfunction	A
		Stuck or damaged throttle valve	B

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3. Low output, hesitation and poor acceleration	Engine control system <Ref. to EN(H4DO)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.>		A
	Intake system	Loosened or cracked intake duct Loosened or cracked PCV hose Loosened or cracked vacuum hose Defective intake manifold gasket Defective throttle body gasket Defective PCV valve Loosened oil filler cap Dirty air cleaner element	A A B B B B B A
	Fuel line	Defective fuel pump and relay Clogged fuel line Lack of fuel or insufficient fuel	B B C
	Timing chain	Defective timing	B
	Compression	Incorrect cam clearance Loosened spark plug or defective gasket Loosened cylinder head bolt or defective cylinder head gasket Improper valve sealing Defective valve stem Worn or broken valve spring Worn or stuck piston rings, cylinder and piston Incorrect valve timing Improper engine oil (low viscosity)	B B B C B C B
	Lubrication system	Incorrect oil pressure	B
	Cooling system	Over-heating Over-cooling	C C
	Other	Evaporative emission control system malfunction	A

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4. Surging	Engine control system <Ref. to EN(H4DO)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.>		A
	Intake system	Loosened or cracked intake duct Loosened or cracked PCV hose Loosened or cracked vacuum hose Defective intake manifold gasket Defective throttle body gasket Defective PCV valve Loosened oil filler cap Dirty air cleaner element	A A A B B B B B
	Fuel line	Defective fuel pump and relay Clogged fuel line Lack of fuel or insufficient fuel	B B C
	Timing chain	Defective timing	B
	Compression	Incorrect cam clearance Loosened spark plug or defective gasket Loosened cylinder head bolt or defective cylinder head gasket Improper valve sealing Defective valve stem Worn or broken valve spring Worn or stuck piston rings, cylinder and piston Incorrect valve timing Improper engine oil (low viscosity)	B C C C C C C A B
	Cooling system	Over-heating	B
	Other	Evaporative emission control system malfunction	C
5. Engine does not return to idle.	Engine control system <Ref. to EN(H4DO)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.>		A
	Intake system	Loosened or cracked vacuum hose	A
	Other	Stuck or damaged throttle valve	A
6. Dieseling (Run-on)	Engine control system <Ref. to EN(H4DO)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.>		A
	Cooling system	Over-heating	B
	Other	Evaporative emission control system malfunction	B
7. After burning in exhaust system	Engine control system <Ref. to EN(H4DO)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.>		A
	Intake system	Loosened or cracked intake duct Loosened or cracked PCV hose Loosened or cracked vacuum hose Defective PCV valve Loosened oil filler cap	C C B B C
	Timing chain	Defective timing	B
	Compression	Incorrect cam clearance Loosened spark plug or defective gasket Loosened cylinder head bolt or defective cylinder head gasket Improper valve sealing Defective valve stem Worn or broken valve spring Worn or stuck piston rings, cylinder and piston Incorrect valve timing	B C C B C C C A
	Lubrication system	Incorrect oil pressure	C
	Cooling system	Over-cooling	C
	Other	Evaporative emission control system malfunction	C

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8. Knocking	Engine control system <Ref. to EN(H4DO)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.>		A
	Intake system	Loosened oil filler cap	B
	Timing chain	Defective timing	B
	Compression	Incorrect cam clearance	C
		Incorrect valve timing	B
	Cooling system	Over-heating	A
9. Excessive engine oil consumption	Intake system	Loosened or cracked PCV hose	A
		Defective PCV valve	B
		Loosened oil filler cap	C
	Compression	Defective valve stem	A
		Worn or stuck piston rings, cylinder and piston	A
	Lubrication system	Loosened chain cover attaching bolts and defective gasket	B
		Defective oil filter gasket	B
		Defective crankshaft oil seal	B
		Defective rocker cover gasket	B
		Loosened oil drain plug or defective gasket	B
		Loosened oil pan mounting bolt or defective oil pan	B
10. Excessive fuel consumption	Engine control system <Ref. to EN(H4DO)(diag)-2, Basic Diagnostic Procedure.>		A
	Intake system	Dirty air cleaner element	A
	Timing chain	Defective timing	B
	Compression	Incorrect cam clearance	B
		Loosened spark plug or defective gasket	C
		Loosened cylinder head bolt or defective cylinder gasket	C
		Improper valve sealing	B
		Defective valve stem	C
		Worn or broken valve spring	C
		Worn or stuck piston rings, cylinder and piston	B
		Incorrect valve timing	B
	Lubrication system	Incorrect oil pressure	C
	Cooling system	Over-cooling	C