DESCRIPTION

This engine utilizes a pressurized water forced circulation cooling system which includes a thermostat equipped mounted on the outlet side.

**7M-GE**

- Throttle Body
- ISC Valve
- LHD
  - From Heater
  - To Heater
- To Radiator
- From Head
- By-pass Pipe
- Thermostat
- To Block and Head
- Water Pump
- RHD
  - From Heater

**7M-GTE**

- ISC Valve
- To Heater
- From Heater
- Turbocharger
- To Radiator
- From Radiator
COOLING SYSTEM — Description

The cooling system is composed of the water jacket (inside the cylinder block and cylinder head), radiator, water pump, thermostat, cooling fan, hoses and other components.

Coolant which is heated in the water jacket is pumped to the radiator, through which a cooling fan blows air to cool the coolant as it passes through. Coolant which has been cooled is then sent back to the engine by the water pump, where it cools the engine.

The water jacket is a network of channels in the shell of the cylinder block and cylinder head through which coolant passes. It is designed to provide adequate cooling of the cylinders are combustion chambers which become the hottest during engine operation.

RESERVOIR TANK

The reservoir tank is used to catch coolant which overflows the cooling system as a result of volumetric expansion when the coolant is heated. The coolant in the reservoir tank returns to the radiator when the coolant temperature drops, thus keeping the radiator full at all times and avoiding needless coolant loss. Check the reservoir tank level to learn if the coolant needs to be replenished.

WATER PUMP

The water pump is used for forced circulation of coolant through the cooling system. It is mounted on the front of the cylinder block and driven by a V-ribbed belt.

THERMOSTAT

The thermostat has a wax type and is mounted in the water outlet housing. The thermostat includes a type of automatic valve operated by fluctuations in the coolant temperature. This valve closes when the coolant temperature drops, preventing the circulation of coolant through the engine and thus permitting the engine to warm up rapidly. The valve opens when the coolant temperature has risen, allowing the circulation of coolant. Wax inside the thermostat expands when heated and contracts when cooled. Heating the wax thus generates pressure which overpowers the force of the spring which keeps the valve closed, thus opening the valve. When the wax cools, its contraction causes the force of the spring to take effect once more, closing the valve. The thermostat in this engine operates at a temperature of 88°C (190°F).

RADIATOR

The radiator performs the function of cooling the coolant which has passed through the water jacket and become hot, and is mounted in the front of the vehicle. The radiator consists of an upper tank and lower tank, and a core which connects the two tanks. The upper tank contains the inlet for coolant from the water jacket and the filter inlet. It also has a hose attached through which excess coolant or steam can flow. The lower tank contains the outlet for coolant and the drain cock. The core contains many tubes through which coolant flows from the upper tank to the lower tank as well as cooling fins which radiate heat away from the coolant in the tubes. The air sucked through the radiator by cooling fan, as well as the wind generated by the vehicle’s travel, passes through the radiator, cooling it. Models with automatic transmission include an automatic transmission fluid cooler built into the lower tank of the radiator.

RADIATOR CAP

The radiator cap is a pressure type can which seals the radiator, resulting in pressurization of the radiator as the coolant expands. The pressurization prevents the coolant from boiling even when the coolant temperature exceeds 100°C. A relief valve (pressurization valve) and a vacuum valve (negative pressure valve) are built into the radiator cap. The relief valve opens and lets steam escape through the overflow pipe when the pressure generated inside the cooling system exceeds the limit (coolant temperature: 110 - 120°C, 230 - 248°F, pressure: 0.3 - 1.0 kg/cm², 4.3 - 14.2 psi, 29.4 - 98.1 kPa). The vacuum valve opens to alleviate the vacuum which develops in the coolant system after the engine is stopped and the coolant temperature drops. The valve’s opening allows the pressure in the cooling system to return to the coolant in the reservoir tank.
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CHECK AND REPLACEMENT OF ENGINE COOLANT

1. CHECK ENGINE COOLANT LEVEL AT RESERVE TANK
   The coolant level should be between the “LOW” and “FULL” lines.
   If low, check for leaks and add coolant up to the “FULL” line.

2. CHECK ENGINE COOLANT QUALITY
   There should not be any excessive deposits of rust or scales around the radiator cap or radiator filler hole, and the coolant should also be free from oil.
   If excessively dirty, replace the coolant.

3. REPLACE ENGINE COOLANT
   (a) Remove the radiator cap.
   (b) Drain the coolant from radiator and engine drain cocks. (Engine drain is at right rear of cylinder block.)
   (c) Close the drain cocks.
   (d) Fill system with coolant.
   Use a good brand of ethylene-glycol base coolant, mixed according to manufacturer’s directions.
   Capacity:
   MA
   w/ Heater or air conditioner
   M/T 8.1 liters (8.5 US qts, 7.1 Imp. qts)
   A/T 8.0 liters (8.5 US qts, 7.0 Imp. qts)
   w/o Heater or air conditioner
   M/T 7.5 liters (7.9 US qts, 6.6 Imp. qts)
   A/T 7.4 liters (7.8 US qts, 6.5 Imp. qts)
   MS
   w/ Heater or air conditioner
   GCC Countries*
   8.5 liters (9.0 US qts, 7.5 Imp. qts)
   Others
   7.8 liters (8.2 US qts, 6.7 Imp. qts)
   w/o Heater or air conditioner
   GCC Countries*
   7.8 liters (8.2 US qts, 6.7 Imp. qts)
   Others
   7.1 liters (7.5 US qts, 6.2 Imp. qts)
   (e) Install the radiator cap.
   (f) Start the engine and check for leaks.
   (g) Recheck the coolant level and refill as necessary.

* GCC Countries: Saudi Arabia, Sultanate of Oman, Bahrain, United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Kuwait.
WATER PUMP COMPONENTS

REMOVAL OF WATER PUMP

1. REMOVE ALTERNATOR DRIVE BELT, FLUID COUPLING AND WATER PUMP PULLEY
   (a) Loosen the water pump pulley set nuts.
   (b) Loosen the pivot bolt, adjusting bolt and nut, and remove the drive belt.
   (c) Remove the four nuts, fluid coupling and water pump.
   (d) Remove the fan from the fluid coupling.

2. REMOVE PS AIR PIPE

3. REMOVE WATER PUMP
   Remove the eight bolts and two nuts, and remove water pump and gasket.
INSPECTION OF WATER PUMP

1. INSPECT WATER PUMP BODY AND TIMING BELT CASE
   Check the water pump body and timing belt case for cracks and damaged gasket surfaces.
   If necessary, replace the water pump or timing belt case.

2. INSPECT WATER PUMP BEARING
   Turn the pulley and check that the water pump bearing moves smoothly and quietly.
   If necessary, replace the water pump.

3. INSPECT FLUID COUPLING
   Check that the fluid coupling is not damaged and that no silicon oil leaks.
   If necessary, replace the fluid coupling.

INSTALLATION OF WATER PUMP
(See page CO-6)

1. INSTALL WATER PUMP
   Install water pump on new gasket with the eight bolts and two nuts.
   Torque: 180 kg-cm (13 ft-lb, 18 N·m)

2. INSTALL PS AIR PIPE

3. INSTALL WATER PUMP PULLEY, FLUID COUPLING AND ALTERNATOR DRIVE BELT
   (a) Install the water pump pulley and fluid coupling with the four nuts.
   (b) Place the drive belt on to each pulley.
   (c) Stretch the belt tight and tighten the four nuts.

4. ADJUST ALTERNATOR DRIVE BELT TENSION
(See page EM-36)
THERMOSTAT

REMOVAL OF THERMOSTAT

REMOVE WATER OUTLET AND THERMOSTAT

(a) Remove two bolts, water outlet and thermostat with gasket from the water outlet housing.
(b) Remove the gasket from the thermostat.

INSPECTION OF THERMOSTAT

NOTE: Thermostat is numbered according to the valve opening temperature.

(a) Immerse the thermostat in water and heat the water gradually.
(b) Check the valve opening temperature.

Valve opening temperature:
86 - 90°C (187 - 194°F)

If the valve opening temperature is not within specification, replace the thermostat.

(c) Check the valve lift.

Valve lift:
8 mm (0.31 in.) or more at 100°C (212°F)

If the valve lift is less than specification, replace the thermostat.

(d) Check that the valve spring is tight when the thermostat is fully closed.

If necessary, replace the thermostat.

INSTALLATION OF THERMOSTAT

INSTALL THERMOSTAT AND WATER OUTLET

(a) Place a new gasket to the thermostat.
(b) Install the thermostat with the jiggle valve facing upward as shown in the illustration, and water outlet with the two bolts.
RADIATOR

CLEANING OF RADIATOR

Using water or steam cleaner, remove mud and dirt from the radiator core.

CAUTION: If using high-pressure type cleaner, be careful not to deform the fins of the radiator core. Keep a distance of more than 40 – 50 cm (15.75 – 19.69 in.) between the radiator core and cleaner nozzle when the cleaner nozzle pressure is 30 – 35 kg/cm² (427 – 498 psi, 2,942 – 3,432 kPa).

INSPECTION OF RADIATOR

1. CHECK RADIATOR CAP

Using a radiator cap tester, pump tester until relief valve opens. Check that valve opens between 0.75 kg/cm² (10.7 psi, 74 kPa) and 1.05 kg/cm² (14.9 psi, 103 kPa). Check that pressure gauge does not drop rapidly when pressure on cap is below 0.6 kg/cm² (8.5 psi, 59 kPa). If either check is not within limits, replace cap.

2. CHECK COOLING SYSTEM FOR LEAKS

(a) Fill the radiator with coolant and attach a radiator cap tester.

(b) Warm up the engine.

(c) Pump it to 1.2 kg/cm² (17.1 psi, 118 kPa), check that pressure does not drop.

If the pressure drops, check for leaks from the hoses, radiator or water pump. If no external leaks are found, check the heater core, cylinder block and head.
COMPONENTS

MA (A/T)
- Oil Cooler
- O-Ring

MS (A/T)
- O-Ring
- Pipe
- Oil Cooler

Non-reusable part

DISASSEMBLY OF RADIATOR

1. REMOVE TANK PLATE
   (a) Raise the claws of the tank plates with SST in the numerical order shown in the figure.
SST 09230-00010
NOTE: Be careful not to damage the core plate.
2. REMOVE TANK AND O-RING
   (a) Pull the tank upward.
   (b) Remove the O-ring.

3. (A/T) REMOVE OIL COOLER FROM LOWER TANK
   (a) (MS)
       Remove the pipes.
   NOTE: Make a note of the direction the pipes face.
   (b) Remove the nuts, plate washers and oil cooler.
   (c) Remove the O-rings from the oil cooler.

ASSEMBLY OF RADIATOR
(See page CO-10)
1. (MA with A/T)
   INSTALL OIL COOLER TO LOWER TANK
   (a) Clean the O-ring contact surface of the lower tank
       and oil cooler.
   (b) Install new O-rings (1) to the oil cooler (2).
   (c) Install the oil cooler (2) with O-rings (1) to the lower
       tank (3).
   (d) Install the plate washers (4), and nuts (5). Torque the
       nuts (5).
   Torque: 220 kg-cm (16 ft-lb, 22 N·m)
(MS with A/T)
INSTALL OIL COOLER TO LOWER TANK
(a) Clean the O-ring contact surface of the lower tank and oil cooler.
(b) Install new O-rings (1) to the oil cooler (2).
(c) Install the oil cooler (2) with the O-rings (1) to the lower tank (3).
(d) Install the plate washers (4), spring washers (5) and nuts (6). Torque the nuts (6).
Torque: 220 kg-cm (16 ft-lb, 22 N-m)
(e) Install the pipes (7).
Torque: 150 kg-cm (11 ft-lb, 15 N-m)
NOTE: Face the pipes in the same direction they were before disassembly.

2. INSPECT CORE PLATE
Inspect the core plate for damage.
NOTE:
- If the sides of the core plate groove are deformed, reassembly of the tank will be impossible. Therefore, first correct any deformation with pliers.
- Water leakage will result if the bottom of the core plate groove is damaged or dented. Therefore, repair or replace if damaged.

3. INSTALL NEW O-RING AND TANK
NOTE:
- Clean the tank and core plate.

- Inspect the O-ring for twists.
4. INSTALL TANK PLATE
   Insert the tank plates from both ends in the direction of the arrows. Insert to where the portions by the arrows contact with the tank.

5. STAKE CLAW OF TANK PLATE
   (a) Set the punch on SST to "LOW."
   SST 09230-00010

   (b) Stake the claws of the tank plates with SST in the numerical order shown in the figure.
   SST 09230-00010

   CAUTION: If the bottom of the core plate is staked with the SST on the guide block stopper, it may result in water leakage.
   SST 09230-00010

NOTE:
- Stake with just enough pressure to leave a mark on the claw. The staked plate height "B" should be as follows:
  Plate height: 9.18 – 9.53 mm (0.3614 – 0.3752 in.)
- Do not stake the areas protruding around the pipes, brackets or tank ribs.

- The points shown in the illustration cannot be staked with the SST. Use a pliers and be careful not to damage the core plate.

6. INSPECT FOR WATER LEAKS

(a) Tighten the drain plug.
(b) Plug the oil cooler pipes to prevent any water leakage into the oil cooler.
(c) Plug the inlet and outlet pipes of the radiator with SST.
SST 09230-00010
(d) Using a radiator cap tester, apply pressure to the radiator.
Test pressure: 1.5 kg/cm² (21 psi, 147 kPa)
(e) Inspect for water leaks.

NOTE: On radiator with resin tanks, there is a clearance between the core plate and tank plate where a minute amount of air will remain, giving the appearance of an air leak when the radiator is submerged in water. Therefore, before performing the water leak test, first swish the radiator around in the water until all air bubbles disappear.

7. PAINT TANK PLATES

NOTE: If the water leak test checks out okay, allow the radiator to completely dry and then paint the tank plates.