

Loosening Boot Clamps Before Alignment Prevents Damage

Application

All vehicles with power and manual Rack & Pinion Steering Systems.

Problem

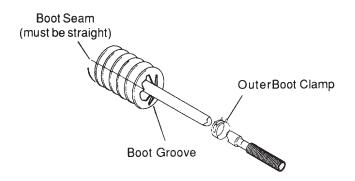
Premature boot (bellows) failure allowing contamination (i.e., water, sand, dirt) to enter the Rack and Pinion, damaging internal components

Cause

Boots twisted during front-end alignment adjustments.

Solution

- 1. Remove outer boot clamp.
- 2. Perform front end alignment
- 3. Make sure boot seam is straight (not twisted) and boots are in the proper groves – 1/8" groove for plastic (hard) boot and 3/4" groove for rubber (soft) boot.
- Install outer boot clamp.



Note

The boots must be inspected after an alignment performed. Twisted boots will lead to premature failure and **VOID THE WARRANTY**.

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