BORG & BECK CLUTCHES

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DESCRIPTION & OPERATION



CUTAWAY VIEW OF DL COVER ASSEMBLY (LUG DRIVE)

DS TYPE TYPICAL ASSEMBLY



CUTAWAY VIEW OF DS COVER ASSEMBLY (STRAP DRIVE)

DST TYPE (SIZES 180 & 190 mm)

THIS IS A LATER VERSION OF THE STRAP DRIVE COVER ASSEMBLY WHICH DIFFERS IN ITS METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION. THE MAJOR DIFFERENCE IS THAT THE FULCRUM RINGS ARE CLAMPED INTO THE COVER PRESSING BY TABS, WHICH ARE EXTENSIONS OF THE COVER, INSTEAD OF RIVETS.



FULCRUM RINGS, ONE EITHER SIDE OF THE DIAPHRAGM SPRING, PROVIDE PIVOT POINTS FOR THE SPRING DUR-ING ACTUATION, THE RINGS ARE CLAMPED INTO THE COVER BY TABS WHICH ARE PART OF THE COVEL PRESSING.

DRIVE TO THE PRESSURE PLATE IS TRANSMITTED BY THREE SETS OF STRAPS, ONE END OF WHICH IS ATTACHED TO THE COVER PRESSING AND THE OTHER TO THE PRESSURE PLATE.

THE-POSITIONING OF THE DRIVE STRAPS ENSURES THAT THEY PULL THE PRESSURE PLATE TOWARDS THE DIAPHRAGM SPRING DURING CLUTCH RELEASE. THIS MAKES RETRAC-TOR CLIPS UNNECESSARY. 9

PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION



SECTION VIEW OF DS COVER ASSEMBLY



ENGAGED

DISENGAGED

The cover, bolted to the engine flywheel, drives the pressure plate via the pressure plate lugs or drive straps dependent on the type. With the clutch engaged — as above — the diaphragm spring forces the pressure plate towards the flywheel clamping the driven plate between them. Thus the engine, clutch cover, pressure plate and driven plate all rotate together to transmit the drive to the gearbox.

Clutch release is effected by moving the release bearing into contact with the release plate which in turn applies pressure to the ends of the diaphragm spring fingers. The movement of the fingers is transmitted via the fulcrum rings and the retractor clips and/or drive straps to the pressure plate, moving this away from the driven plate. The flywheel and cover assembly thus revolve alone, not turning the driven plate, and the transmission is therefore disconnected.

An important feature of the diaphragm spring type of clutch is that as the driven plate wears the clamp load of the cover assembly does not diminish.

In fact, as facing wear occurs the spring pressure will be increased to a limited degree as shown below.



COMPONENT PARTS

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DL TYPE TYPICAL ASSEMBLY



SIZE 6½"



) SIZES 7½", 8½", 9½", 10½", 12", 13" & 14"

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DS TYPE HEAVY DUTY



SIZE 14"

DRIVEN PLATES & RELEASE BEARINGS

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This is the most common design of driven plate; the spring centre and the crimped segments between the facings provide a high degree of cushioning effect on the transmission both in initial clutch engagement and when fully engaged.

RELEASE BEARINGS



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BALL BEARING TYPE



CARBON RING TYPE

ADJUSTMENTS

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The cover assembly is designed to operate throughout its service life without adjustment of any kind.

As the driven plate facings wear, the relationship of the release bearing to the cover assembly alters, and this will need checking and/or readjustment at the intervals laid down by the vehicle manufacturers. The only exceptions are hydraulic clutch release systems which are "hydrostatic" where the bearing is always in light rubbing contact with the release plate or release levers.

MECHANICAL OPERATION





The vehicle manufacturers instructions must be followed to adjust the release bearing position. Some systems of this type are adjusted at the pedal — others in the release fork area.

HYDRAULIC OPERATION

TYPICAL 'HYDROSTATIC' NON-ADJUSTABLE CLUTCH OPERATING SYSTEM



Follow the vehicle manufacturers instructions for the correct procedure for adjustable systems.

As a guide, a clearance of approximately 2mm (1/16") should be established between the release bearing and the release plate (or diaphragm spring fingers where a ball type release bearing is used and no release plate fitted). This clearance will produce a larger movement at the end of the release fork where the adjustment will be made. After initial setting, operate the clutch several times and re-check.



ADJUSTABLE SLAVE CYLINDER PUSH ROD

TROUBLE DIAGNOSIS

SOME COMMON CLUTCH PROBLEMS & THEIR REASONS



Overstroking. Check release bearing adjustment.

WORN FINGERS

HEAT AFFECTED PRESSURE PLATE

BROKEN DIAPHRAGM SPRING

Suspect release mechanism or adjustment release bearing.

Slip.



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		Hydraulic Hydraulic fluid contamination causing erratic slave cylinder slave cylinder movement. Fit exchange cylinders or renew all rubber parts and fluid.		Incomplete engagement due to pedal riding.	;	Excessive scoring or rughness of fighew.
		Ø	-	s: s. ation	G WEAR	
				Oil or grease on facings. Fit new driven plate and eliminate ore source of contamination s	ABNORMAL FACING WEAR	Loss of Loss of clamping load due to heat damage. Fit new cover assembly.
TROUBLE DIAGNOSIS	JUDDER	Worn pilot bearing renew.	FIERCENESS OR SNATCH	Release Bearing clearance out of adjust to restore free play. (See manufacturers handbook for details).	RATTLE TICK OR KNOCK ABNOR	Excessive slip during engagement.
		Engine mountings loose, worn or soft. Adjust or senew and eliminate engine endwise movement.		Clutch pedal Stiff or binding on carpets etc. Make free and Iubricate.		
		Damaged driven En plate due to misalignment so during gearbox rei installation. Fit en new driven plate. m		Hydraulic fluid Contamination causing erratic slave cylinder wovement. Fit exchange cylinders or renew all rubber parts and fluid.		mage Overtravel of late Overtravel of nechanism. Adjust. ve
		-		_ 2		ng. Wear or damage Wear or damage tub. Check shaft splines and alignment. Fit new drive plate.
				e		Worn release bearing. Renew.
	DRAG OR SPIN	Warped or damaged pressure plate — fit new cover assy.		Misalignment on installation. Check driven plate distortion. and correct or replace.		Loose fulcrum rings or rivets. Fit new cover assembly.
	DR	r cup nit or parts.		Oil or grease on facings. Fit new driven plate and eliminate source of contamination.		
						Worn parts in release mechanism or transmission. Fit new parts.
		Excessive free play at clutch pedal – adjust linkage or bleed hydraulic system.		Worn or fractured driven plate facings. Fit new driven plate.		Broken or loose damper springs. Fit new driven plate.

NOTE: Those items under DRAG OR SPIN and SLIP will cause rapid facing wear and possible heat damage to the cover assembly.

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N.B. WE RECOMMEND THAT WHILE THE ENGINE AND GEARBOX ARE SEPARATED TO CORRECT ANY FAULT, THE OPPORTUNITY BETAKEN TO FIT A NEW COVER ASSEMBLY, DRIVEN PLATE AND RELEASE BEARING.

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REMOVAL & INSTALLATION

WARNING

WHEN REMOVING FRICTION MATERIAL DUST FROM COMPONENTS DO NOT BLOW OUT WITH AN AIRLINE — IT COULD BE HARMFUL TO INHALE THE DUST — BUT REMOVE WITH A VACUUM CLEANER OR WIPE CLEAN WITH A DAMP CLOTH.

REMOVING THE CLUTCH

Refer to the vehicle manufacturers instructions for removal of the gearbox.

Loosen each of the bolts securing the clutch to the flywheel a turn at a time by diagonal selection. Remove the clutch and examine the working surfaces of the flywheel; grooving will promote rapid wear of the driven plate facing.

EXAMINE:

The Driven Plate

Check the original plate for worn splines or distortion at the junction of the disc and hub which points to a misalignment condition. If suspected check the flywheel and housings with a clock indicator to the vehicle manufacturers limits.

The Release Bearing

Carbon bearings require no lubrication but incorrect adjustment or "pedal riding" will cause rapid wear. Seized or stiff ball bearings must be renewed.



It is always wise to renew all three parts of the clutch — cover assembly, driven plate and release bearing, if any of the original assemblies have to be renewed for any reason. Remember that all the parts have worked through the same "life" and as on most vehicles the gearbox, and sometimes the engine, have to be removed this work has to be repeated in the event of early failure of any one of the clutch components.

Any oil leakage into the clutch housing must be stopped.

Check condition of engine mountings, steady bars, transmission, universal joints and axle mountings - bad condition or adjustment can cause judder often wrongly attributed to the clutch.



Check the dowels in the flywheel for damage, also the holes in the cover assembly flange if the original unit is to be re-fitted.

Inspect the pilot bearing in the centre of the flywheel — if serviceable apply smear of high melting point grease. Make sure that the working surface of the flywheel is clean and free from grease or oil.

INSTALLATION

It is important to centralise the driven plate when fitting, and in the absence of a special tool, make up an aligning tool with a piece of dowelling which is a sliding fit in the pilot bearing in the centre of the flywheel. Wrap with insulating tape to match the driven plate splines.



Before installation of the driven plate, check the fit on the spline of the gearbox input shaft. The two parts must be a close sliding fit — the plate must move easily on the shaft.

Check for exessive wear on the shaft splines, also note that excessive lift (bearing wear) or run out of the shaft could lead to short life or failure of the driven plate.

Make sure that the driven plate is fitted the right way round — "flywheel side" is normally marked on the plate centre.



CHECK SPLINES

Install the aligning tool into the driven plate spline and put the assembly into position with the end of the dowelling in the pilot bearing. Clean any preservative off the pressure plate in the cover assembly, fit over the driven plate and locate onto the dowels in the flywheel. Bolt up to the flywheel, tightening the bolts a little at a time by diagonal selection so that the assembly is bolted up squarely.

Remove the aligning tool.



Take note of the position of the retaining clips on the trunnions of the old bearing assembly. Remove old bearing. Clean the release fork and make sure that any pivot points for the fork or bearing are lightly greased.

Fit the bearing and clips.

Where a ball type release bearing is used, remove old bearing and press new bearing on to the carrier.

NOTE: Bearings must be fitted loading the inner track only. On bearings where the inner track is shielded, the bearing must be rotated as it is pressed into position to avoid heavy static load and damage to the tracks and ball bearings. This leads to noisy operation and/or early failure. Ideally use a hydraulic press and a rotating table, but if the bearing and carrier is small enough it is possible to use a bench vice; position a suitable piece of wood between the new bearing and the old one, (just removed), and press the new bearing onto the carrier, at the same time rotating the piece of wood and therefore the bearings.



Re-fit the gearbox to the engine. Take care not to damage the splines in the driven plate when entering the gearbox shaft, and with the box in position fit sufficient bolts to support its weight immediately. Make sure that any dowels are located properly and never allow the gearbox to "hang" on the driven plate i.e. not bolted up, as this could distort the plate and lead to early failure.

