

Applies To: **2007–11 CR-V – ALL****July 10, 2012****Exhaust System Squeaks****(Supersedes 08-049, dated August 15, 2008, to revise the information marked by the black bars)****REVISION SUMMARY**

In Applies To, the model year range was changed. Under SYMPTOM, additional information was added. Under PARTS INFORMATION, the part numbers were changed, and a new required part was added. Under REPAIR PROCEDURE, step 7 was changed.

SYMPTOM

The exhaust system squeaks when the engine rocks back and forth under the following conditions:

- The steering wheel is turned from lock to lock.
- The A/C is activated.
- The engine has any load applied.

PROBABLE CAUSE

The front exhaust gasket is sticking to the front flange of the TWC (three way catalytic converter) inlet.

CORRECTIVE ACTION

Clean both flanges with an angle grinder and a Scotch-Brite™ Roloc™ surface conditioning disc, and replace the gaskets.

PARTS INFORMATION

Exhaust Gasket:

P/N 18229-SWA-305

Gasket, Pre-chamber:

P/N 18393-SS0-J30 (2007–2009)

P/N 18302-SP0-003 (2010–2011)

Self-locking Nut: (three required)

P/N 90212-SA5-003

REQUIRED MATERIALS

Scotch-Brite Roloc Surface Conditioning Disc: (Medium abrasive [maroon] or equivalent)

3M P/N: 61-5001-4196-7

WARRANTY CLAIM INFORMATION

The normal warranty applies.

Operation Number: 3110A2

Flat Rate Time: 0.4 hour

Failed Part: P/N 18229-SLJ-023

Defect Code: 03214

Symptom Code: 04205

Skill Level: Repair Technician

REPAIR PROCEDURE

1. Raise the vehicle on a lift.
2. Support the TWC with a transmission jack.
3. Remove the exhaust flange nuts and bolts.
4. Remove the TWC, and discard both gaskets.
5. Place the TWC in a vise.

NOTE: Make sure not to bend the pipe or scratch it excessively.

6. Stuff a shop towel into the exhaust pipe to keep debris out. Use a 90-degree angle grinder with a Scotch-Brite Roloc surface conditioning disc to remove all old gasket material.

Clean the surface of the flange.



7. Install the TWC with new gaskets and new nuts. Torque the nuts to **33 N·m (25 lb-ft)** and the bolts to **22 N·m (16 lb-ft)**.

NOTE: It may be necessary to walk the new exhaust gasket onto the primary catalyst, and then lightly tap the gasket into place.

8. Test-drive the vehicle to verify that the squeak is gone.