

Warranty Extension: 2018-21 Clarity Plug-In Hybrid A/C Condenser

AFFECTED VEHICLES

Year	Model	Trim Level	VIN Range
2018-21	Clarity Plug-In Hybrid	ALL	Check the iN VIN status for eligibility.

BACKGROUND

American Honda is extending the warranty on the A/C condenser to 10 years from the original date of purchase with unlimited miles.

This warranty extension only covers vehicles that have a defective A/C condenser from the factory. The A/C condenser was not manufactured to specification. As a result, corrosion may develop in the form of tiny holes in the condenser tube walls that allow the refrigerant to leak out.

This does not apply to any vehicle that has a leaking condenser due to foreign object damage.

It also does not apply to any vehicle that has ever been declared a total loss or sold for salvage by a financial institution or insurer, or has a branded or similar title under any state's law.

CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION

Owners of affected vehicles will be sent a notification of this campaign.

Do an iN VIN status inquiry to make sure the vehicle is shown as eligible.

CORRECTIVE ACTION

Do the inspection procedure and, only if there is a leak in the A/C condenser caused by corrosion or other manufacturing condition, replace it.

CUSTOMER INFORMATION: The information in this bulletin is intended for use only by skilled technicians who have the proper tools, equipment, and training to correctly and safely maintain your vehicle. These procedures should not be attempted by "do-it-yourselfers," and you should not assume this bulletin applies to your vehicle, or that your vehicle has the condition described. To determine whether this information applies, contact an authorized Honda automobile dealer.

PARTS INFORMATION

Part Name	Part Number	Quantity
Condenser Assembly	80110-TRW-A02	1
O-Ring (8 mm)	80873-ST7-000	1
O-Ring (1/2 in)	80872-SN7-003	1
Drain Gasket	19012-671-300	1

REQUIRED MATERIALS

NOTE: Once you open the POE Compressor Oil container, dispose of it. Do not store it or reuse.

Part Name	Part Number	Quantity
POE Compressor Oil	38899-5WM-013	1
1234yf Refrigerant	08799-0003	Refer to service bulletin 16-064 for calculation instructions.
Coolant	OL999-9011	2

TOOL INFORMATION

Tool Name	Part Number	Quantity
R-1234yf A/C Recover, Recycle, Recharge Machine	ROB421234	1
Marksman II Ultrasonic Leak Detector	TRPT9367L	1

WARRANTY CLAIM INFORMATION

Operation Number	Description	Flat Rate Time	Defect Code	Symptom Code	Template ID	Failed Part Number
6165A3	Inspect the A/C system for leaks.	1.7 hr	6C300	O9V00	A21017A	80110-TRW-A01

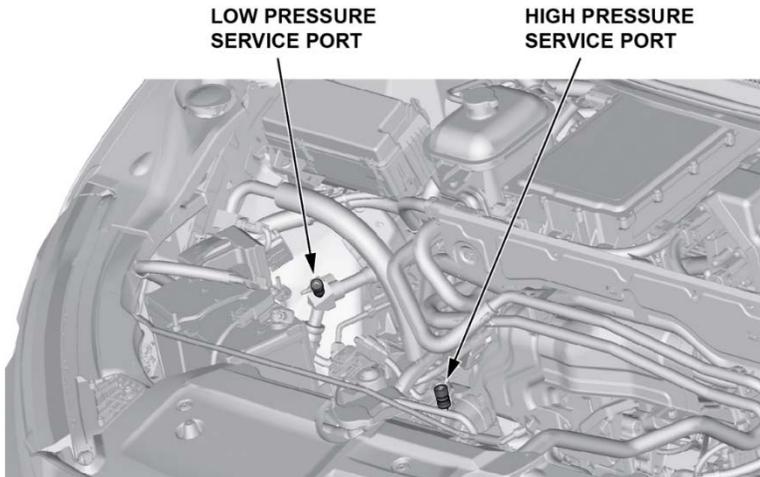
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6161M3	Inspect the A/C system for leaks.	1.7 hr	6C300	O9V00	A21017B	80110-TRW-A01
C	Replace the condenser (Includes refrigerant evacuation and recharge).	2.7 hr				

Skill Level: Repair Technician

INSPECTION PROCEDURE

NOTE: Make sure you review the precautions when working with the A/C system.

1. Follow the equipment manufacturer's instructions, and connect the A/C recover/recycle/recharge machine to the high-pressure service port and the low-pressure service port.

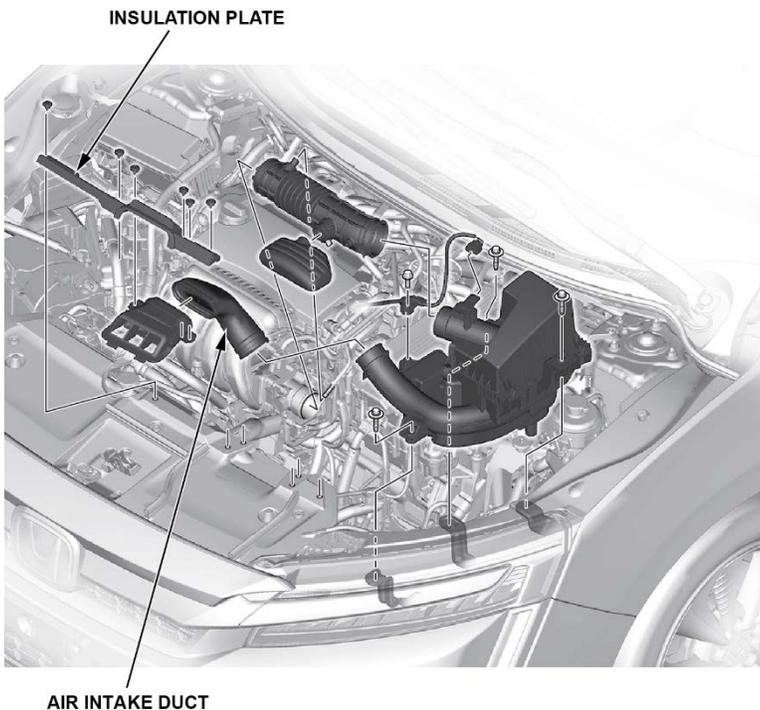


2. Evacuate the A/C system. Measure the amount of refrigerant oil removed from the A/C system after the recovery process is completed.

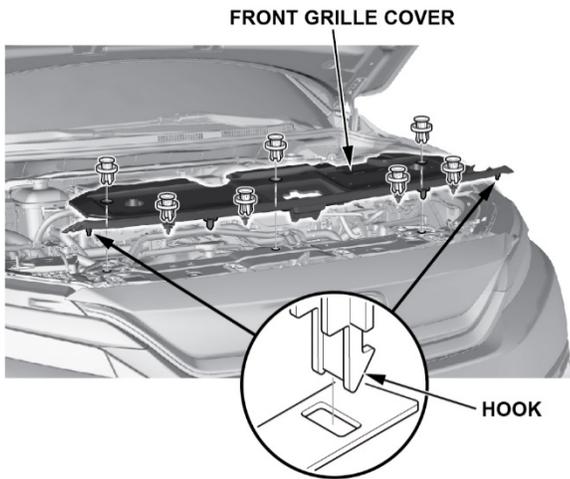
NOTE:

- Make sure to put the same amount of new refrigerant oil back into the A/C system before charging.
- When using the Robinair R-1234yf A/C Recover, Recycle, Recharge Machine, a system vacuum is automatically done when it recharges the system. Use the automatic vacuum check for this bulletin.
- For additional information on how to check if the condenser is leaking, go to service bulletin 07-030 A/C *Leak Detection*.

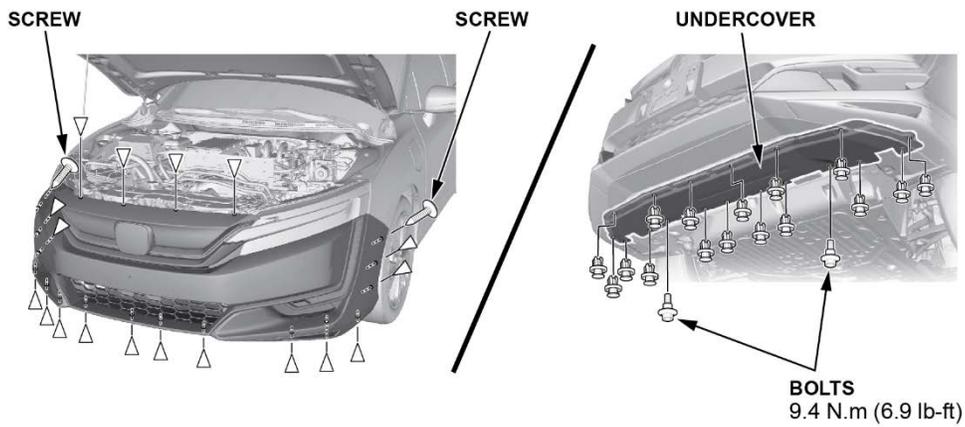
3. Remove the insulation plate and air intake duct.



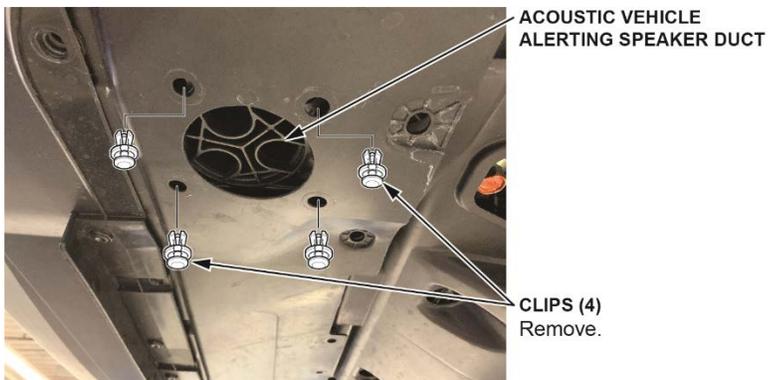
4. Remove the front grille cover.



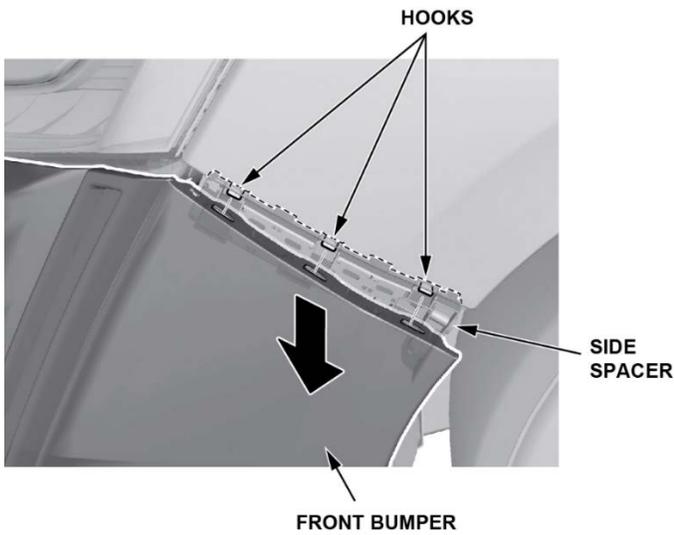
5. Remove the clips and hardware securing the front bumper and front undercover.



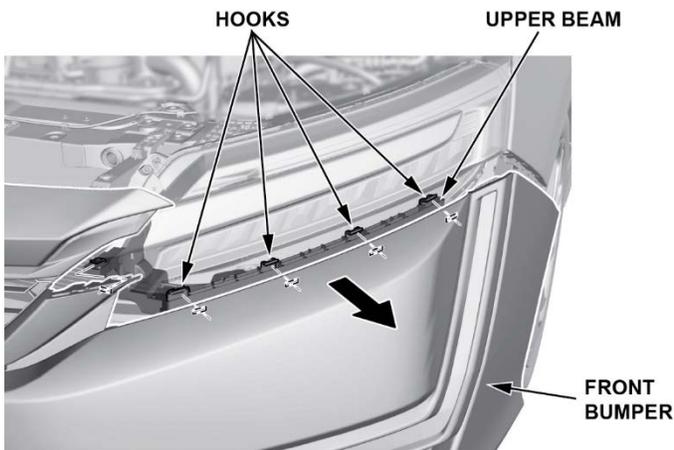
6. *2020-21 models only.* Unclip the acoustic vehicle alerting speaker duct.



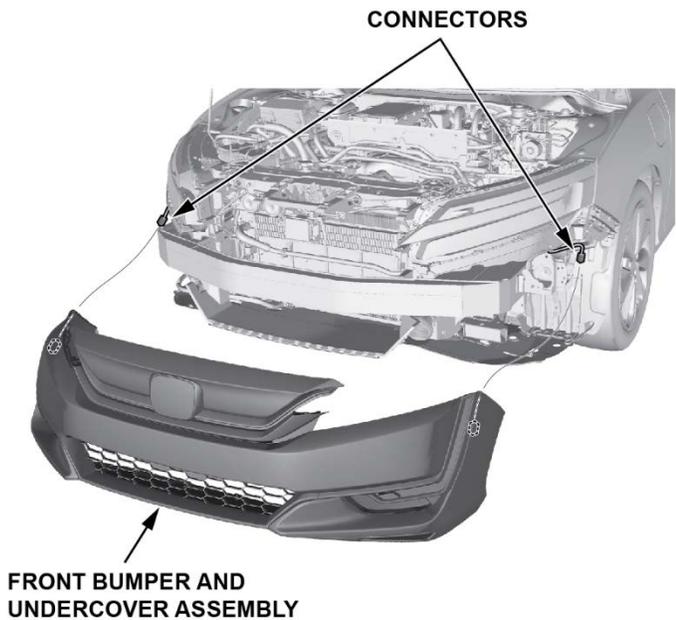
7. Pull the front bumper out by both wheel wells to release it from the hooks on the side spacers.



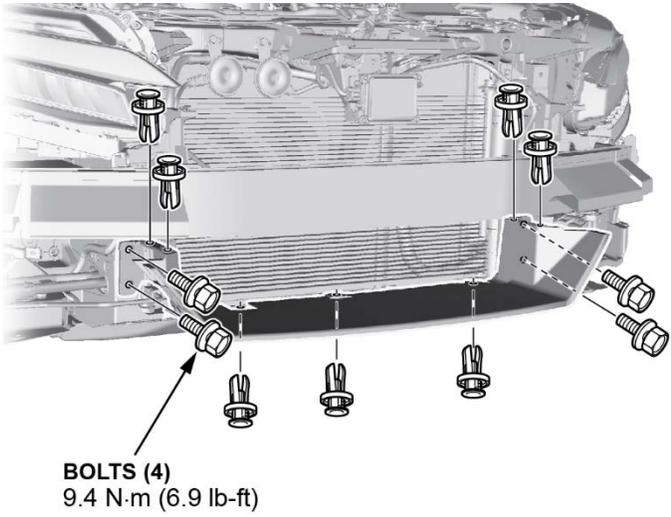
8. Remove the front bumper from the hooks on the upper beam.



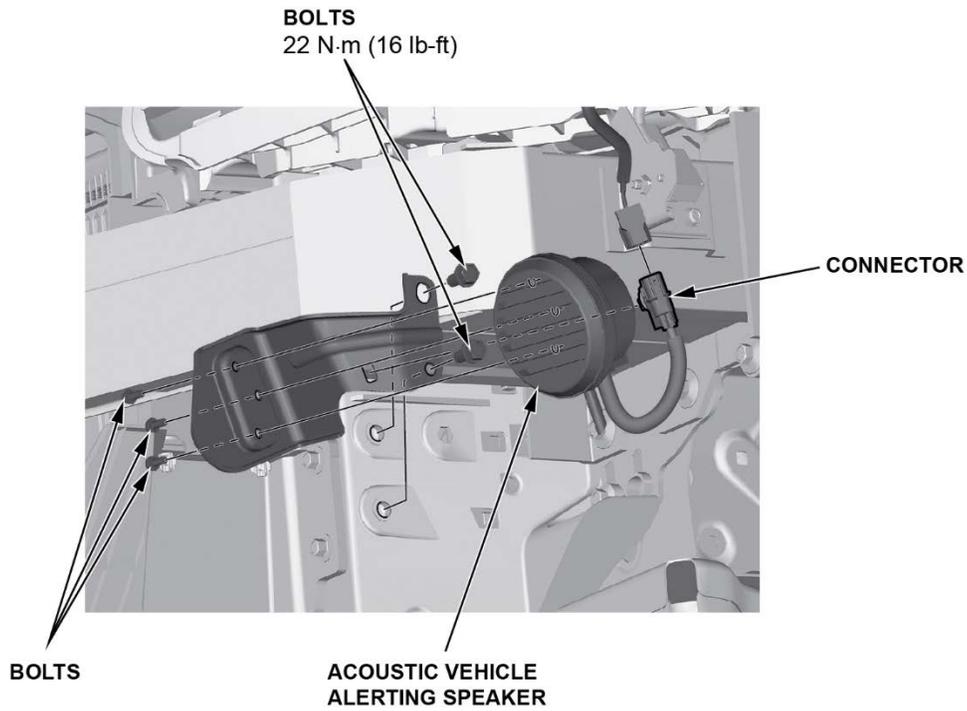
9. With the help of an assistant, remove the front bumper and undercover as an assembly. Disconnect the connectors.



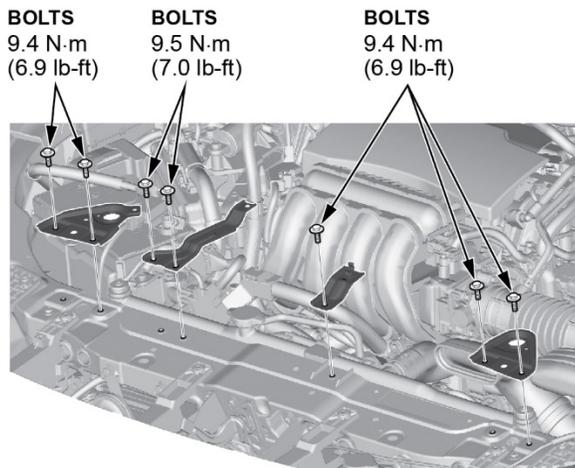
10. Remove the lower grille duct.



11. *2018-19 models only.* Remove the acoustic vehicle alerting speaker.

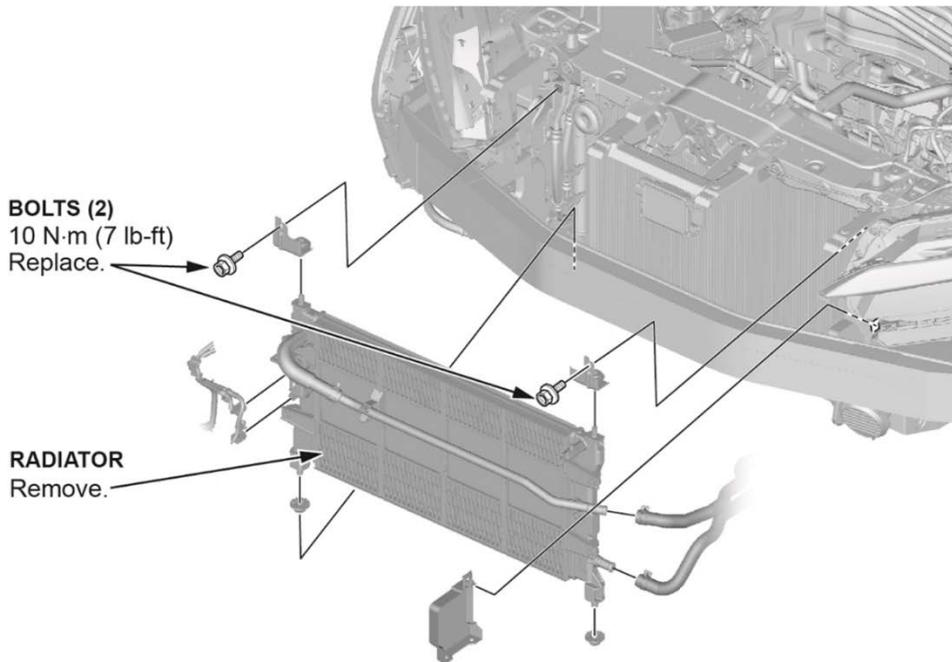


12. Remove the radiator brackets.



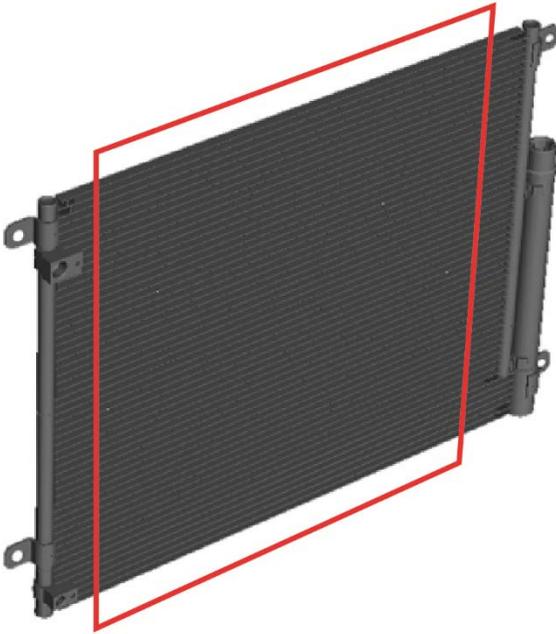
13. Drain the ES and DT coolant. Refer to Coolant Replacement and Check (Electric Powertrain Cooling System) in the service information.

14. Remove the radiator. Refer to Radiator Removal and Installation (Electric Powertrain Cooling System) in the service information.

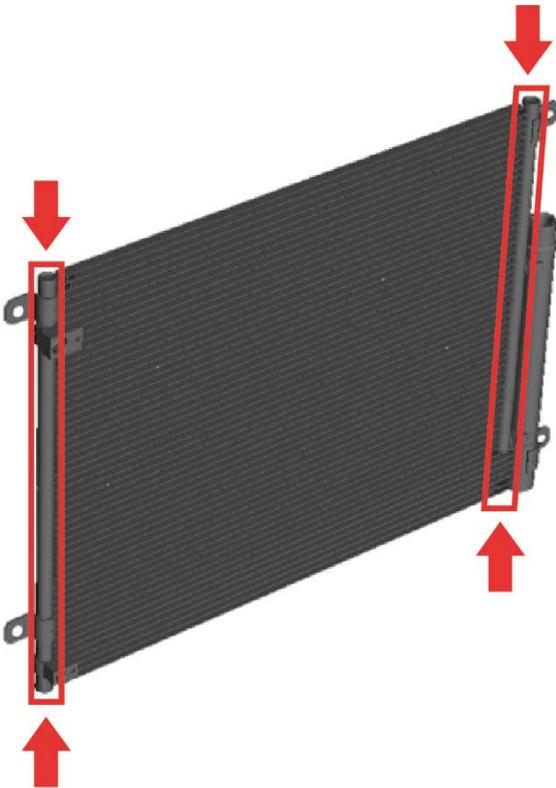


15. Use the ultrasonic leak detector with the system under vacuum to identify where the leak is. For details on how to use it, watch the *Tech2Tech* video, "Check for A/C Leaks with the Ultra Sonic Leak Detector."

16. Check for leaks in the central condenser area.

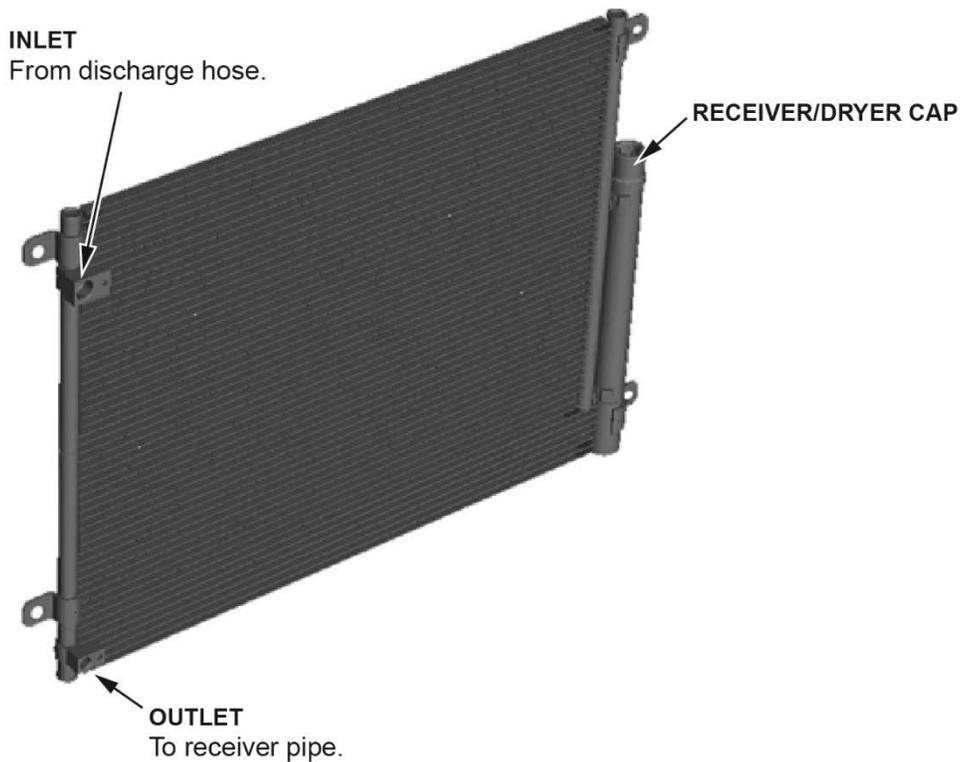


17. Check the joints between the horizontal tubes and the vertical pipes.



18. Check the inlet and outlet joints and the receiver/dryer cap for leaks.

NOTE: Leaks from the O-rings or the receiver/dryer cap are not covered by this bulletin.



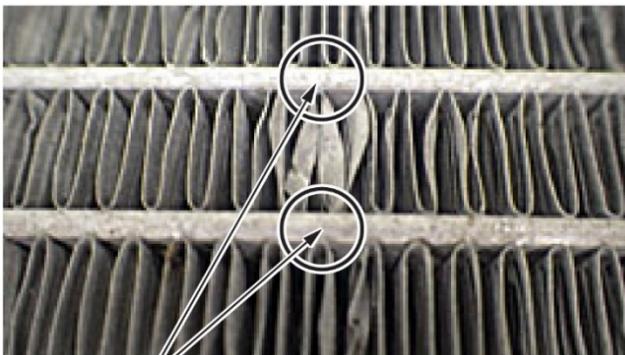
- If the condenser is leaking, go to the next step.
- If the condenser is not leaking, this bulletin does not apply. Continue with normal troubleshooting.

19. Make sure the leak is not caused by a foreign object.

There are several types of damage that can result in a leak. This bulletin is for leaks that are caused by the manufacturing process. Damage like those caused by foreign objects that break the tube face are not covered under this warranty extension. A foreign object may damage the fins, but as long as the tube face is not impacted, the leak is covered under this warranty extension.

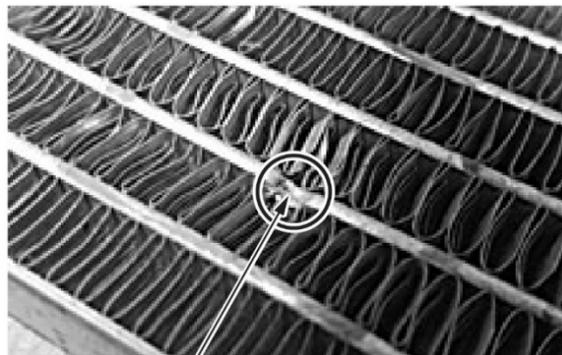
- Tube face damaged by foreign object - This bulletin does not apply, continue with normal system troubleshooting.
- Foreign object damage but tube face is not damaged, or the tube face is corroded - Go to REPAIR PROCEDURE.
- No damage or corrosion found but the condenser is leaking - Go to REPAIR PROCEDURE.

**Foreign Object Did Not Damage Tube Face
Covered Under Warranty Extension**



Fin damage without impact damage to the tube face.

**Foreign Object Damaged Tube Face
Not Covered Under Warranty Extension**



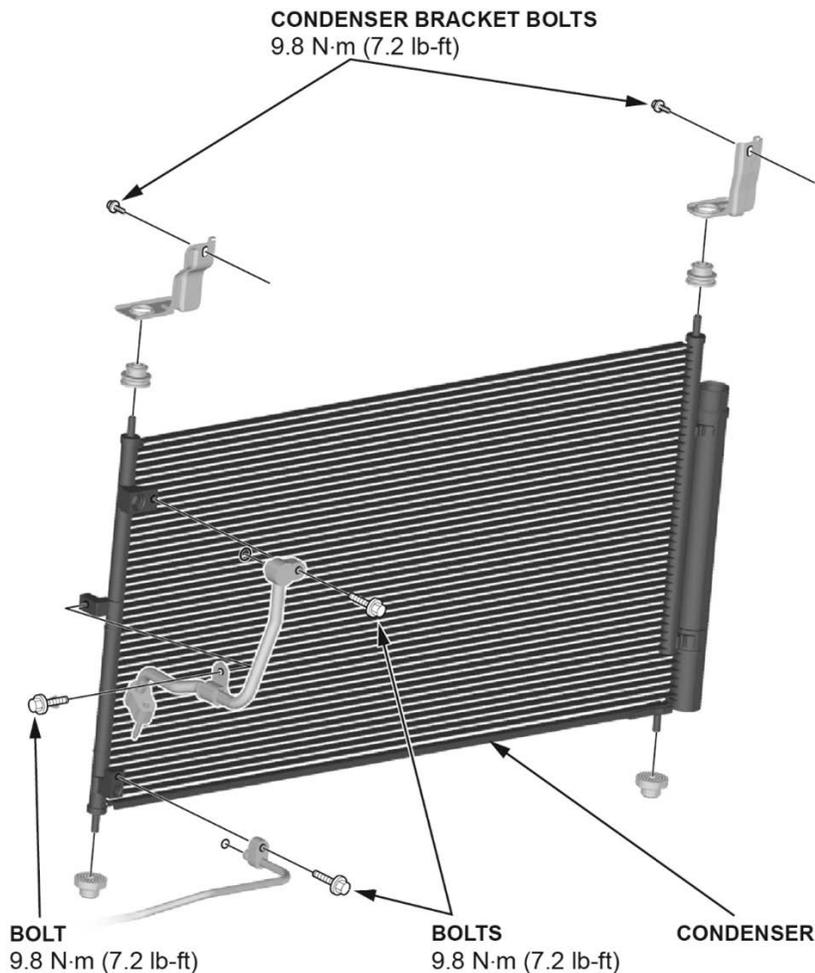
Impact damage on the tube face.

REPAIR PROCEDURE

NOTE:

- Only replace the A/C condenser under this warranty extension if it is leaking due to corrosion or manufacturing defect.
- Make sure you review the precautions when working with the A/C system.

1. Disconnect the discharge hose.



2. Disconnect the receiver pipe.
3. Remove the A/C condenser brackets.
4. Remove the A/C condenser.
5. Install the new A/C condenser assembly.
6. Install all the removed parts in the reverse order of removal:
 - A/C condenser brackets
 - Receiver pipe – replace the 8 mm O-ring (80873-ST7-000)
 - Discharge hose – replace the 1/2 in O-ring (80872-SN7-003)
 - Radiator
 - Insulation plate and air intake duct
 - Radiator brackets
 - Acoustic vehicle alerting speaker (2018-19 models only)
 - Lower grille duct
 - Front bumper and undercover assembly
 - Acoustic vehicle alerting speaker duct (2020-21 models only)

NOTE: Torque all fasteners to specification.

7. Add the necessary amount of refrigerant oil to the A/C system. Refer to A/C Refrigerant Oil Replacement in the service information.
8. Add the necessary amount of refrigerant to the A/C system. Refer to A/C Refrigerant Recovery/Evacuation/Charging in the service information.
9. Refill and air bleed the ES and DT coolant. Refer to the Coolant Replacement and Check (Electric Powertrain Cooling System) procedure in the service information.

NOTE: Replace the drain gasket (19012-671-300) for the DT radiator drain bolt.

10. Install the front grille cover.
11. Make sure there are no refrigerant leaks and the A/C system functions properly.

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