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# SERVICE BULLETIN

**APPLICABILITY:** 2002~2003MY Impreza Vehicles SUBJECT:

Countermeasure to Eliminate Front

Strut Noise

### INTRODUCTION

If you encounter an abnormal noise coming from the lower portion of the front strut assembly, there is the possibility that the coil spring is rubbing the lower spring seat. To eliminate the noise, a rubber seat tube will need to be installed.

### PARTS INFORMATION

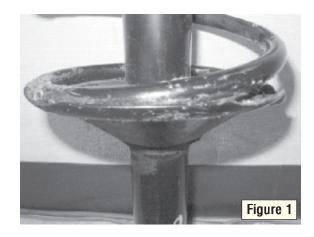
| PART NAME        | PART NUMBER                        |  |
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| Rubber Seat Tube | 20325FE000 (enough for 4 vehicles) |  |

The following will also be needed:

- ThreeBond 2706 quick-drying degreasing cleaner or equivalent
- Any one of the following: ThreeBond 1521 synthetic rubber-based adhesive, Permatex Black Super Weatherstrip Adhesive, 3M<sup>TM</sup> Black Super Weatherstrip Adhesive, or equivalent.

#### REPAIR PROCEDURES/INFORMATION

1) Raise vehicle on lift and remove wheels to gain access to the lower portion of the front strut (see Figure 1).

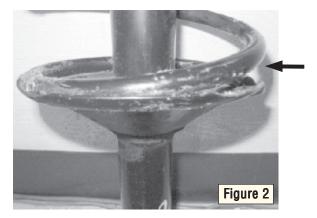




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2) Clean the coil spring where it starts to rise from the coil spring seat to approximately 60mm (2 3/8") with de-greaser (see Figure 2).



3) Cut the rubber seat tube at the holes which will provide approximately a 60mm length (see Figure 3).



4) Apply adhesive agent to the inside of the rubber seat tube then install to coil spring. Make sure to slide rubber seat tube as closely as possible to where the coil spring starts to rise from the coil spring seat (see Figure 4).



5) Reinstall wheels and road test vehicle to confirm noise is gone.

# CLAIM REIMBURSEMENT/WARRANTY INFORMATION

For vehicles under the Basic New Car Limited Warranty period, this repair may be claimed using:

Note: For claim submission purposes only, use part # SOA635077 (includes rubber seat tube, degreaser and adhesive which are enough for one vehicle).

| Labor Description                              | Labor Operation | Fail Code | Labor Time |
|--|-----------------|-----------|------------|
| Front Coil Spring<br>Modification (both sides) | A 611-208       | NAD-48    | 0.4        |

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