2. Cooling Circuits

The cooling system operates in three different phases depending on the temperature of the engine coolant.

• 1st phase (thermostat closed)

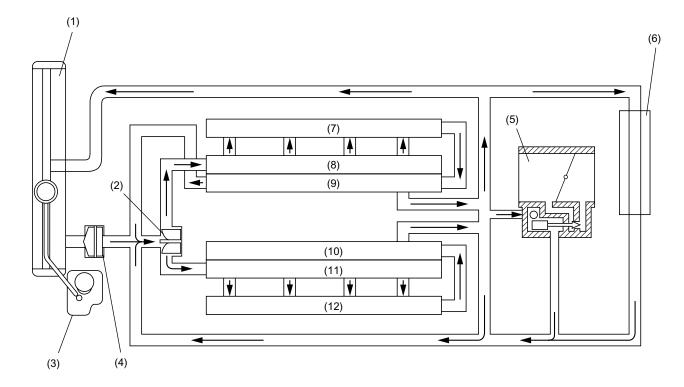
When the engine coolant temperature is below 76°C (169°F), the thermostat remains closed. The coolant flows through the bypass and heater circuits. This permits the engine to warm up quickly.

• 2nd phase (thermostat open)

When the engine coolant temperature is above $76 - 80^{\circ}$ C ($169 - 176^{\circ}$ F), the thermostat opens. The coolant flows through the radiator where it is cooled.

• 3rd phase (thermostat open and radiator fan operating)

When the engine coolant temperature sensor sends a signal indicating a temperature above 95°C (203°F) to the ECM, it causes the radiator fan (or fans) to operate.



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- (1) Radiator
- (2) Water pump
- (3) Engine coolant reservoir tank
- (4) Thermostat
- (5) Throttle body
- (6) Heater core

- (7) Cylinder head RH
- (8) Cylinder jacket RH
- (9) Cylinder block RH
- (10) Cylinder block LH
- (11) Cylinder jacket LH
- (12) Cylinder head LH