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Exciting new concepts exhibited along with commercial powertrain solutions.

Chevrolet Performance strutted its stuff at the annual Specialty Equipment Manufacturers Association (SEMA) show last November.

Team Chevrolet race drivers Ron Fellows (left center) and Danica Patrick sign autographs in the Chevrolet Performance exhibit at the 2013 SEMA Show in Las Vegas, Nev.

There’s a lot new for Chevrolet Performance to crow about in 2014, and the big Las Vegas event was the launching pad. Chevrolet’s power-packed SEMA booth showed the brand at its creative best. On display were new powertrain products and the most extensive lineup of new Chevrolet high-performance concept vehicles in two decades.

For pictures of the 2013 SEMA and to read the rest of the story go to gmserviceinsights.com.

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When a complete transmission replacement doesn't seem economical or feasible for your GM 6-speed transmission customer, another option could be a transmission overhaul.

GM helps make this easy for Independent Service Centers (ISCs) and transmission shops with a variety of available 6-speed transmission OE overhaul kits. Kits are available for the range of front-wheel drive transmissions (6T30-40-45-50-70 and 6T75), and rear-wheel drive transmissions (6L45-50-80 and 6L90). Each kit consists of all the replacement parts needed to correct a specific internal transmission problem. Seals, bonded pistons, gaskets and hard parts (gear sets) are examples of some of the part-specific kits available. By ordering one part number you can simplify the process of ordering multiple parts once the problem is isolated in the course of a teardown.

GM picked up the pace of adding new kits in 2013 and will continue to add to the lineup. With 7 million GM 6-speed vehicles built between 2007 and 2013 are aging, and another 6 million 6-speed vehicles on course to be built between 2014 and 2017, demand will be increasing.

“Overhaul kits have been available for some time, but with such a huge number of 6-speed vehicles hitting the road we’ll be looking to introduce more of them as the vehicle applications expand and we identify specific kits based on customer demand,” says Shelly Jacobs, GM Customer Care & Aftersales product specialist, Transmission Components & Hybrid Batteries. “Our aim is to offer as many of the various combinations and levels of overhaul kits as we feasibly can, realizing that the kit format is the easiest and most economical way for rebuilders to purchase the parts needed for a typical overhaul.”

GM makes it easy to identify and order the exact kit needed for the overhaul. The Genuine GM Parts Powertrain Catalog, accessible at http://gmpowertrain.nexpart.com/, contains exploded views of transmissions that identify the exact parts needed and the appropriate kit, if available. In the event a kit is not available, parts can be ordered individually from your GM dealer.

Typical GM OE Transmission Overhaul Kit

GM OE Transmission Overhaul Kits Simplify 6-Speed Repairs

Performance Driven by the All-New Cadillac Twin-Turbo V-6 Partnered with 8-Speed Automatic

Cadillac’s all-new 2014 CTS sedan ascends into the heart of the midsize luxury market with expanded performance, elevated luxury and sophisticated technology. It will be the segment’s lightest car, enabling the most agile driving dynamics in the class.

A range of power-dense powertrains underpin its performance, including the all-new Cadillac Twin-Turbo engine and 8-speed automatic transmission.

The 2014 Cadillac CTS sedan is the Motor Trend Car of the Year for 2014. The third-generation CTS sedan is based on the high-performing rear-drive architecture of the award-winning ATS sport sedan, moving Cadillac into the prestigious class of midsize luxury sedans.

While stretched in overall length and wheelbase, the all-new CTS sedan has a lower curb weight than the preceding model and weighs about 200 pounds (90 kg) less than the BMW 528i.

The Cadillac Twin-Turbo V-6 is the most power-dense six-cylinder engine in the midsize luxury segment – a 3.6L with 118 horsepower per liter (88 kW/liter) – and the 8-speed automatic enhances fuel economy and acceleration over a 6-speed automatic.

Rated at an SAE-certified 420 horsepower (313 kW) and 430 lb-ft. of torque (583 Nm), it is the most powerful V-6 ever from General Motors. It also has 15 percent greater power density than BMW 535i’s turbocharged 3.0L six, which is rated at 300 horsepower (223 kW), for a ratio of 100 horsepower per liter (74 kW/liter) — and even the BMW 550i’s TwinPower 4.4L V-8, rated at 400 horsepower (298 kW), or 91 horsepower per liter (68 kW/liter). Power density is a measure of efficiency for an engine’s size.
The Technical Side (cont’d.)

The all-new 2014 Cadillac CTS sedan will offer three different engine options including the 2014 3.6L V-6 VVT DI Twin Turbo (LF3) with a pair of smaller turbochargers and an efficient charge air cooler help provide more immediate power delivery. Additionally, approximately 90 percent of the 3.6L Twin-Turbo’s peak torque is available from 3,500 rpm to 5,500 rpm, giving the engine a broad torque curve that customers will feel as strong, willing power in almost all driving conditions, such as accelerating or overtaking traffic on the highway.

Those features help the new CTS sedan reach 60 mph from a standstill in an estimated 4.6 seconds and achieve an estimated top speed of 170 mph (274 kph).

The new engine is a comprehensive upgrade on the 60-degree, 3.6L DOHC V-6 offered in today’s SRX, XTS and ATS. However, almost every component is unique.

The 2014 CTS sedan is also available with the naturally aspirated 3.6L V-6 rated at 321 horsepower, as well as a 2.0L turbocharged engine rated at an estimated 272 horsepower.

2014 Cadillac CTS Service Procedures Example Fuel Pump Replacement (LF3)

Even though the 2014 Cadillac CTS is a new vehicle, service and repair information resources are a click away at www.gmtechinfo.com – Electronic Service Information. Technicians and shop owners can log on to the site to gain access to subscription services for service procedures and repair manuals. A complete Service Manual is available 24/7 through a subscription to the site. Free collision repair procedures will soon be available for the vehicles by going to www.genuinegmparts.com.


Go to www.gmserviceinsights.com for additional powertrain features for the Cadillac Twin-Turbo V-6 along with video links for the engine.

Service Programming in your Shop with ACDelco

Service programming is used today by Original Equipment manufacturers to update control module software to improve or modify a variety of vehicle operations. Most manufacturers release software revisions regularly to update engine and transmission calibrations as well as other system operations.

At times, control modules can be reprogrammed in order to correct a vehicle condition. If the condition is caused by a malfunctioning control module, however, then the module must be replaced and the new module must be reprogrammed.

ACDelco TEHCMs

ACDelco now offers Transmission Electro Hydraulic Control Modules (TEHCM) for GM 6-speed automatic transmissions in 2007 and later model year vehicles. The TEHCMs integrate electronic and hydraulic components into a single module. ACDelco TEHCMs provide your customers with GM Original Equipment parts, including a filter plate, solenoids and an upgraded frame, and the latest calibration software to deliver smooth transmission shifts and optimized fuel economy.

Along with using Dexron VI transmission fluid, the following parts are required, based on application, with TEHCM replacement:

- 6T30/40/46/50 applications – valve body cover gasket
- 6T70/75 applications – valve body cover gasket
- 6L45/50 applications – seal kit, pan gasket
- 6L80 applications – seal kit, pan gasket
- 6L90 applications – seal kit, pan gasket

See your local ACDelco representative for additional part information.

Service Programming System

When installing a new control module such as a TEHCM, the reprogramming procedure can be performed quickly using a J2534 interface tool and the GM Service Programming System (SPS). Access to SPS is available through ACDelco.

Go to www.acdelcotechconnect.com, the online ACDelco Technical Delivery System. Click the Service and Programming Information link on the right side of the page. It will display a list of GM Calibration and Diagnostic Software subscriptions, including prices for several Service Programming options: 2 days – $55, 3 months – $275, or 1 year – $995. Click “Subscribe Now” to select one of the subscriptions (registration required).

Once you have a user name, password and have paid for a subscription, log on to www.acdelcotech.com. Here’s an overview of the SPS programming process.

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FNC Brake Rotor Service Update

Typical brake rotor

FNC treated rotor

Reduce rotor thickness variation caused by an uneven buildup of rust on the rotor that occurs over time.

Serving FNC Rotors

When refining FNC rotors, the FNC layer will be removed from the brake surface of the rotor. This is acceptable and the rotor will perform as a regular non-FNC rotor.

Do not refine the FNC rotors unless the rotors are determined to be the cause of the brake concern and do not refine brake rotors for concerns such as brake noise, uneven or premature brake pad wear, cosmetic corrosion of the brake rotor surface or scoring of the rotor surface less than the maximum allowable specification.

Before refining, measure the rotor’s thickness using a brake micrometer at multiple points. Document the lowest measurement. Reference the Minimum Thickness specification stamped on the backside of the rotor.

Removing the FNC layer, just as with any rotor refinishing, can change the rotor output. Only remove the necessary amount of material from the backside of the rotor. Equal amounts of material do not have to be removed from both sides on any brake system using a floating caliper.

When refining rotors, it is critical that the brake lathe is properly calibrated and well maintained to ensure a proper cut. Calibration of the brake lathe should be performed on a monthly basis.

Thoroughly clean the rotor with soap and water after refinishing to prevent the possible transfer of fine metal dust left as a by-product of refining the pad material during the seating process. This reduces the opportunity for brake noise to occur.

Brake rotors should only be refined if they have adequate thickness. Conditions for refining rotors include:

- Thickness variation in excess of the maximum allowable specification
- Excessive corrosion or pitting
- Cracks or heat spots
- Excessive blueing discoloration
- Scoring of the rotor surface in excess of the maximum allowable specification

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Typical brake rotor, showing the thickness variation.

Low Battery and Parasitic Drains

The Engine Control Module (ECM), the Body Control Module (BCM), OnStar, Automatic Climate Control, Remote Keyless Entry Receiver — these are just a few of the components that could cause a high parasitic drain, leading to a dead battery/vehicle start condition.

If diagnostics reveals that the battery is in otherwise good condition and is capable of holding a charge, and that the charging system is OK, the cause may be a parasitic drain on the battery. A parasitic drain is an electrical load that draws current from the vehicle’s battery when the ignition is turned on.

Intended Drain — Some control modules are intended to draw a very small amount continuously. Other control modules may be programmed to wake up to perform a task, then go back to sleep at regular intervals. These draws are measured in milliamps (mA).

Some systems are designed to remain on (in a standby power state) after the ignition is turned off, while the vehicle is in a running parasitic drain. On-times vary with the system, although a rule of thumb is that most systems will go to sleep (off) within 30 minutes, while others may take up to two hours.

Unintended Drain — Unintended parasitic draws may be caused by a stuck relay or switch, or a dome lamp or compartment lamp remaining on continuously. These draws will typically be measured in amps (A).

Normally, intended parasitic drains aren’t a cause for concern, because they are low, and the battery is replenished each time the vehicle is driven.

PARASITIC DRAW TEST

A detailed parasitic draw test will depend on the equipment on the specific vehicle being tested. Refer to the vehicle’s Service Information for details. The following is a generic test.

Preliminary Steps

There are many things that can prevent the vehicle systems from completely going to sleep and passing the parasitic draw test. Make sure all of the following conditions are met before performing the parasitic current draw test.

- Ignition off
- Key out of the ignition switch (if not equipped with keyless start)
- Retained Accessory Power off — open the tailgate and driver door after the ignition is off
- Scan tool not communicating with a vehicle control module
- All access doors closed
- Headlamp off — auto headlamps disabled
- Any delay lighting off
- Underhood lamp disabled
- HVAC afterblow off
- Disable or turn off any accessory that can work with the ignition off
- Wait up to two minutes or longer, after all other listed conditions are met.

Simplified Parasitic Draw Test Using an Inductive Pickup Probe

1. Connect an inductive pickup probe that can read down to 1 mA to the negative battery cable.
2. With the ignition off, as the vehicle systems shut down, test for less than 30 mA of parasitic current drain.
3. If the parasitic current is greater than 30 mA, proceed to the Circuit/System Test.

Using a Parasitic Draw Test Switch (such as Tool EL38758)

The knob on the EL38785 switch is marked ON and OFF. In the ON position, the negative battery cable circuit is completed and electrical current will pass through the switch. In the OFF position, the circuit is open and electrical current will not pass through the switch.

When a fused jumper wire or digital multimeter is connected to the test switch terminals, always turn the test switch ON before opening any door, turning the ignition on, or turning any accessory on. This is to prevent accidental blowing the jumper wire fuse or digital multimeter fuse.

1. Ignition off. Disconnect the battery negative cable from the battery.
2. Turn the EL38758 switch knob to the OFF position.
3. Install the male end of the EL38758 switch to the battery negative terminal.
4. Install the battery negative cable to the female end of the EL38785 switch.
5. Turn the EL38785 switch knob to the ON position.
6. Road test the vehicle and activate all of the accessories such as the radio and air conditioning.

7. Ignition off. Connect a 10A fused jumper wire to the test switch tool terminals.
8. Turn the EL38785 switch knob to the OFF position. The current now flows through the jumper wire.
9. Check the fuse in the jumper wire. The fuse should be OK. If the jumper wire fuse is blown, refer to Circuit/System Testing. If the fuse is OK, proceed to step 10.
10. Turn the EL38785 switch knob to the ON position. Remove the fused jumper wire.
11. Connect a DMM between the test switch tool terminals. Set the meter to the 10A DC scale.
12. Turn the EL38785 switch knob to the OFF position. Current now flows through the DMM.
13. As the vehicle systems shut down, test for less than 30 mA of parasitic current drain.
14. If the parasitic current is greater than 30 mA, proceed to the Circuit/System Test.

CIRCUIT/SYSTEM TEST

Removing a fuse, relay, or connector may wake up control modules. Wait for the control modules to go back to sleep before testing. Fuses for power module master components such as the BCM should be removed last to avoid misdiagnosis. A scan tool connected to the DLC to the DCM can affect the parasitic current draw.

If the vehicle has an unacceptable amount of parasitic current drain, remove each fuse one at a time until the current drain falls to an acceptable level. A drain of less than 10–20 mA, while disabling a single system or circuit, is an indication of an overly high current drain that is causing the battery drain.

Refer to the vehicle’s wiring schematics to diagnose exactly which circuit of the suspect system is causing the high parasitic drain. Perform the necessary repairs following appropriate procedures.

—Thanks to Todd Merkle and John Munsell
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From the Main Menu, select the Service and Programming Information link, and then select your subscription. (Fig. 1, 2)

Next, you’ll see the GM Technical Information System (TIS) main screen. (Fig. 3)

Start SPS

Power on the scan tool, turn on the vehicle ignition, and make sure the vehicle has a fully charged battery. (Due to the time requirements of programming a control module, it’s recommended to connect an approved charger or a fully charged 12V jumper or booster pack disconnected from the AC power supply to maintain system voltage.)

Select Service Programming System (SPS), and then click “Start SPS” to open the application. (Fig. 4)

At this point, the system may ask to install software, including Java software (go ahead and install if necessary), (Fig. 5).

Select Diagnostic Tool, select the type of J2534 system you’re using. (Fig. 6)

From the bottom menu, Select Programming Process, select the type of programming you’re going to do; then click “Next.” (Fig. 7)

Follow the instructions on the screen to connect your equipment, and then click “Next.” (Fig. 8)

Vehicle Information

At the next screen, the vehicle information must be entered. Use the pull-down menus to identify the vehicle to be programmed. The system will start to communicate with the vehicle. (Fig. 9)

The VIN for the vehicle will be displayed. Verify it’s correct and click “Next.” (Fig. 10)

The next screen, Supported Controllers, displays the control modules that can be programmed on the vehicle. In the top menu, Select Controller, select the control module to be programmed. (Fig. 11)

In the bottom menu, Select Programming Type, select Normal, and then click “Next.” (Fig. 12)

Select Calibrations

Now the system will list the calibrations for programming. Select the system and the calibration you want to load from the Calibration and Index menus. In the History window, the changes included in the calibration are detailed. Click “Next” once the desired calibration has been selected. (Fig. 13)

The system update should start downloading to the control module automatically. A progress bar will show when the download is complete. (Fig. 14)

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To help avoid damage to a control module, do not turn off the vehicle ignition during a programming event unless instructed to do so.

Programming Complete

Once the download is complete, you’ll see a summary screen with a Programming Complete message along with some final instructions. (Fig. 13) These instructions include:

• Post-programming instructions: Follow these control module-specific instructions to complete the programming process
• Clear DTCs: Clear any Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTC) that set during the programming process by selecting the “Clear DTCs” button
• Proceed with same VIN: Select this option to program another control module on the same vehicle.
• New: Select this option to program another vehicle without starting the SPS process from the beginning.

After programming, some control modules may require that some relearn or setup procedures be completed. Refer to the appropriate Service Information.

For more information about service programming, go to www.acdelcotechconnect.com and click the Technical Information System link, or call ACDelco Aftermarket Support at 1-888-212-8959 for technical support. For I.D. and pass- word concerns, contact the ACDelco eBusiness Helpdesk at 1-800-825-5886, prompt 3.


Service Programming System hardware and software requirements can be found at http://www.gmdesolutions.com/pdfs/SGM_Dealer_IT_Guidelines.pdf

– Thanks to Rick Balabon
The Smartest Tool in Your Toolbox

ACDelco offers a combination of TIS2Web (GM’s web-based Technical Information System) and high-quality parts for the automotive aftermarket. To help maximize your Professional Service Center’s (PSC) potential, the features of TIS2Web, which includes access to the GM Service Programming System, the most current GM vehicle control module calibrations, Tech 2 scan tool software updates and Global Diagnostic System 2 software updates, are available in several subscription packages. TIS2Web benefits include:

- Speed up service repairs and cost controls – TIS2Web
- Deliver GM vehicle calibrations, Global Diagnostic System software, and Tech 2 diagnostic software updates, allowing shops to diagnose GM vehicles quickly and accurately.
- Service centers can access trained experts at the ACDelco eBusiness and TIS2Web Helpdesk for time-sensitive diagnostic questions and concerns regarding software and programming.

To sign up now for instant access:
1. Visit acdelcotechconnect.com
2. Click the TIS2Web logo on the left side of the page
3. Click the Subscribe to TIS Now link

For PSC accounts, TIS2Web could be the smartest tool in your toolbox.

To install a cabin charcoal filter into the HVAC module:

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Installing a Cabin Air Filter


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Fuel Module Design Changes

ACDelco made changes to several fuel modules beginning in June 2011 to further enhance their performance. While the appearance of the fuel modules has changed, the fit, form and function has not. In addition, the part numbers have not changed.

The fuel module design has changed:
- The pump has changed from a Gerotor pump to a Generation 4 Turbine pump, which is quieter and more durable.

Fuel Module Design Changes

- The module plastic material is now a more fuel resistant Acrilan® material that provides an improved high alcohol fuel tolerance.
- Guide rods have been reduced from 3 to 2, which retains proper alignment while reducing pinching.
- A jet pump has been added to help maintain fuel in the reservoir.
- The float material is now more fuel resistant for longer life.
- The external strainer screen has been moved internal to the fuel module to help reduce the chance of puncture.
- Some float arms and pivot points also have changed; however, the fuel level sensor output has not.

- Thanks to Todd Merkle

Common Cruze Diesel Noises

2014 Chevrolet Cruze equipped with the 2.0L 4-cylinder diesel engine (RPO LUZ)

The 2014 Cruze equipped with the 2.0L diesel engine may exhibit some noises shortly after the vehicle has been turned off. There are several comments that may produce noises, such as squeak, chirp, moan, or buzz noises, that may be heard after turning off the engine.

The following noises are considered normal operating characteristics of the vehicle:
- The Throttle Body/Throttle Valve may be heard cycling or sweeping after the engine is shut down. This may last about 15 seconds and may be heard cycling or sweeping 5–10 times. The throttle body performs a self cleaning function followed by an offset lean procedure after the engine is shut off.
- The Exhaust Gas Recirculation (EGR) Valve may be heard opening and closing after the engine is shut down. This may last about 15 seconds and may be heard opening about five times. The EGR valve is opening and closing to learn the position offset.
- The Intake Manifold Runner Control Valve Actuator may be heard cycling. This may last about five seconds. This is done as an integrity check and to confirm that the mechanical link between the actuator and the intake manifold runner is still connected.
- The Fuel Rail Pressure Control Valve may be heard making a whining noise. This may last about 15 seconds. The Fuel Rail Pressure Control Valve is pressurizing controlling the flow of the fuel.
- The Diesel Exhaust Fluid (DEF) Pump and DEF Reverting Valve may be heard from the rear of the vehicle. This may last about 45 seconds. When the vehicle is turned off, the DEF pump and reverting valve operate to relieve the DEF system pressure and to clear the lines of DEF. The reverting valve is opened to relieve the pressure and send the fluid back to the DEF tank, and then the reverting valve is closed once the DEF lines are clear.
- The Air Conditioner (AC) Compressor Electronic Control Valve may be heard making a whining noise. This may last about five minutes. The electronic control valve inside the air conditioner compressor may remain energized after the engine is shut down.

Expanded Availability for Remanufacture and Return of Electronic Control Modules

2005 and prior GM cars and trucks

GM Parts offers a Remanufacture and Return (R&R) program service option for parts with core shortages. This expanded program provides customers with a service option for control module parts that are experiencing critical core shortages.

Many previously unavailable control modules are now cataloged through this Remanufacture and Return program, such as:
- Many C4 Corvette 1984-1996 BCM and ECU Applications
- 1989-1990 Geo/Suzuki Truck ECMs
- 1993 Cadillac Allante
- 1994-1996 Cadillac Brougham

The above are just a sampling of the modules available. Check the Electronic Parts Catalog for all specific applications. Additional modules will be added.

Tailgate Hinge Lubrication

2014 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 and GMC Sierra 1500

The new Silverado 1500 and Sierra 1500 feature available EZ Lift-and-Lower Tailgate (RPO PPA) that is designed to raise and lower the tailgate.

The new tailgate uses an internal torsion bar to reduce the effort needed to raise and lower it, while a rotary damper allows for a more gradual lowering motion when opening it. The tailgate is also easily removable with out tools.

Product Information

For free technical assistance and product information regarding specific ACDelco products, contact these toll-free information hotlines staffed by ASE-certified technicians:

- Brakes – 1-888-701-6169 (prompt #1)
- Chassis and ReadyStruts — 1-800-270-2124
- Clutches – 1-888-725-8625
- Engines and Motor Applications – 1-800-854-0076
- Engine Oil – 1-800-228-9672
- Flight Controls – 1-877-983-4746
- Frankfort Fluids – 1-800-239-6116
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- Starters and Alternators (New) — 1-800-862-3515
- Starters and Alternators (Reman) – 1-800-228-9672
- Trunnions and Damper Assemblies — 1-800-239-6116
- Wheel Blades – 1-800-810-7096
### New Training Center Locations

ACDelco strives to continually monitor and improve its training offerings to Professional Service Centers. To better meet your needs, ACDelco has recently updated the locations of several satellite training centers.

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### How to Take ACDelco Training

Go to www.acdelcotechconnect.com and click the Training tab to log in to the ACDelco Learning Management System (LMS).

- To enroll in courses in your training path, open the home page to view your Training Progress Status report, select Click Here to Show Detail, and then click the course number and title to view details on a specific course and to launch or enroll in the course.
- To enroll in an Instructor-Led Training (ILT) course (ILTs are full-day hands-on classroom courses), click Take Training > Instructor-Led Training to view the catalog and select a specific course.
- To enroll in an Virtual Classroom Training (VCT) course (VCTs are 1-2 hour live online courses), click Take Training > Virtual Classroom Training to view the catalog and select a specific course.
- To launch a Web-Based Training (WBT) course (WBTs are 1-4 hour self-guided online courses), click Take Training > Web-Based Training to view the catalog and select a specific course.
- To launch a TechAssist (TAS) course (TAS courses are 15-20 minute online presentations on a specific topic), click Take Training > TechAssist to view the catalog and select a specific course.
- To launch a Simulation (SIM) (SIMs require users to complete all repairs for a condition), click Take Training > Simulation to view the catalog and select a diagnostic challenge simulation.

### Training Schedule

To search for currently scheduled courses in your area, view the Training in Your Area section on the Home page. Select search terms from the dropdown menus and click the Submit button.

### Current Instructor-Led Training Courses

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### Installation

**Fuel Pump Replacement**

1. Install the NEW fuel pump (2) to ensure that the camshaft lobe is in the base circle position. At base circle position, the cam will be flush with the head (1).

2. Lubricate the high pressure fuel pump cylinder head bore with SW10 engine oil. Refer to Adhesives, Fluids, Lubricants, and Sealers.

3. Install the NEW fuel pump roller lifters with SW10 engine oil and install into the cylinder head bore.

4. Install a NEW high pressure fuel pump (3) to ensure the pump is positioned away from the engine block.

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6. Install the valve lifter follower (3). Refer to Fuel Feed Intermediate Pipe Replacement.

7. Install the high pressure fuel pump (2).

8. Start and hand-tighten the NEW high pressure fuel pump bolts (1) evenly.

9. Failure to replace the torque-to-yield or single use fastener could cause damage to the vehicle or component.

10. Install the NEW fuel feed pipe and fuel feed pipe clip. Refer to Fuel Feed Pipe Replacement.
New GM Parts Training Clinics to Cover Safety, Diagnostics

By the end of the first quarter of 2014, GM Parts Training Clinics will have introduced five new clinics this year:

- **Smart Power Management:** The clinic gives an overview of the battery system, battery discharge and jump starting, high-voltage power electronics, and overviews of the vehicles’ power steering, air conditioning compressors and regenerative braking systems.

- **Hybrid Vehicles:** Two-mode hybrid vehicle features and the safety precautions associated with servicing them are described. Clinic topics include disabling and engaging the battery system; battery discharge and jump starting; high-voltage power electronics; and overviews of the vehicles’ power steering, air conditioning compressors and regenerative braking systems.

- **Body Controls & Safety Systems:** Without a thorough understanding of how these electronic control module-based systems can malfunction and how problems can be diagnosed. Chevrolet Malibu, GMC Yukon Hybrid and the Ford F-150 case studies are explored.

**GM Parts Training Clinics Simplify the Complex**

A Quick, Easy and Affordable Way to Build Knowledge

The clinics are designed to provide basic overviews that produce the knowledge ISCs can use in their businesses. “Our goal is to deliver some interesting technology information and insights into diagnostic problems through demonstrations and discussions,” Wheaton says. “We want to give them something they can’t get anywhere else, at least not for free.”

Mark Cole, owner of Cole’s Garage, Akron, Ohio, is sold on the overall message of the clinics. “Vehicle technology is changing.” If we teach them anything it’s that this ain’t your Grandpa’s Oldsmobile anymore.”

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**GM Parts Training Clinics**

**The Business of Repairs**

Need a better understanding of vehicle diagnostics issues? Worried about safety when repairing hybrid vehicles? Not completely clear on the intricacies of working with sensitive vehicle safety and control systems?

Now you might be able to plug those knowledge gaps if your GM dealer offers training through the GM Parts Training Clinic program. Four new clinics were added in 2013, and five more will be added by the end of the first quarter of 2014. GM dealers in the program bring in expert, professional trainers to conduct the free, invitation-only clinics. Held after business hours at the dealership or a nearby location, they’re a way for dealers to reward customer loyalty and address subjects Independent Service Centers (ISCs) may have only surface knowledge about.

“Welcome to the 21st century’ in vehicle repair is the overall message of the clinics,” says Bill Wheaton, one of the program’s most experienced trainers. “Vehicle technology is changing. If we teach them anything it’s that this ain’t your Grandpa’s Oldsmobile anymore.”

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**The words “free training” got Mark’s attention since little to nothing is free these days.**

As did the chance to connect with his dealer contacts and even his competitors in an informal, relaxed setting. More than intense technical training sessions, per se, the clinics were closer to informational seminars. “They let us know what’s coming down the road and what to be looking for,” he said. “They’re a good way to extend the customer-supplier relationship, too, giving all of us a chance to put a face to a voice we may just hear over the phone.”

Cole and his crew left the clinics more knowledgeable. They returned with plenty of subject-related reference handouts that might prove handy down the road. Oh, and they also went away satisfied in another way. “They fed us pretty well,” he joked. “You can’t beat that the knowledge we gained didn’t cost us anything but a little time well spent.”

For additional information on GM Parts Training Clinics, contact your GM dealer.
The Business of Repairs (cont’d.)

More ISCs Getting On-Board with Genuine GM Rewards

Participation Builds as Shops See the Ease of Earning Points/Rewards

Almost all powertrain component parts** and transfer cases are now part of the Genuine GM Rewards program.

Transfer cases join GM powertrain engine and transmission assemblies* and an expanded list of GM powertrain components as eligible parts in the program. Effective Jan 1, 2014, all GM powertrain components such as rods, pistons, transmission sensors and clutch parts, to name a few, have also been added to the program.

Participating ISCs collect points for each qualifying purchase. One point is worth $1. Points can be used to purchase a wide variety of goods and services available exclusively through a Genuine GM Rewards catalog that participants can access through www.genuinegmrewards.com.

“With the most recent addition of transfer cases in November and the additional powertrain components in January, we’re trying to make it easier for shops to participate in Genuine GM Rewards without having to figure out up front if a part is in the program or not,” says Amy Buzan, wholesale channel manager – dealer programs with GM Customer Care & Aftersales (GM CCA).

Andrew Costa, owner of Trans-Medic Transmission Clinic, Windham, N.H., enrolled in Genuine GM Rewards last year through his local GM dealer. Within a few months, he had racked up some 800 reward points for GM DE parts purchases, mostly GM reman transmissions. That’s when he decided to redeem about three-quarters of them for an LG 37-inch LED television.

“I let the points build up for a while until I saw something that I wanted,” he says. “I was in the market for a new TV that would let me put our older 52-inch TV into my den. We were able to get a TV worth $500 to $600 just for purchasing GM transmissions. When my kids saw the TV and I told them I got it for nothing, they couldn’t believe it.”

Costa has been pleased with the ease of using Genuine GM Rewards. With each order phoned into his dealer, points are quickly credited to his account.

“Other than purchasing the part, there’s nothing I have to do on my end to get the points,” he says. “It’s very simple and I’m able to check the number of points in my online wallet whenever I want, and redeem them however I want. And it’s all done online so there’s no need to get on the phone with anyone.”

Costa has been a fan of GM reman transmissions for years for their reliability and warranty.

“I often suggest them for the growing number of customers who plan to hold on to their vehicles longer,” he says. “The rewards program is just another incentive for me to make the strong case for that kind of customer going with a GM reman instead of a rebuild.”

With the addition of transfer cases and more powertrain component parts to the program, Trans-Medic’s reward points should build even faster. In the Northeast, where winters can be harsh and long, demand for transfer cases from 4-wheel drive owners can be seasonally strong. As his points continue to build, Costa will be dreaming of how to use them. “We’ll let it get up around 700 or 800 points again and then start looking at how we might want to use some of them,” he says. “We’ll probably redeem a big chunk of them for something we really want or need.”

A nice reward, indeed, for giving his customers the very same thing.

Powertrain Assemblies & Components

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Each Reward Point = $1

*Excludes Chevrolet Performance Engine and Transmission assemblies.
**Excludes hybrid batteries and parts on national control.
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