

Cautions and Notices

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Definition of Caution, Notice, and Important

The diagnosis and repair procedures in the Isuzu Service Manual contain both general and specific Cautions, Notices, and Important. Isuzu is dedicated to the presentation of service information that helps the technician to diagnose and repair the systems necessary for the proper operation of the vehicle, however, certain procedures may present a hazard to the technician if they are not followed in the recommended manner. Cautions, Notices, and Important are elements designed to prevent these hazards, however, not all hazards can be foreseen. This information is placed at strategic locations within the service manual. This information is designed to prevent the following from occurring:

- Serious bodily injury to the technician
- Damage to the vehicle
- Unnecessary vehicle repairs
- Unnecessary component replacement
- Improper repair or replacement of vehicle components. Any caution or notice that appears in general information is referenced from the individual service categories.

CAUTION Defined

When encountering a CAUTION, you will be asked to take a necessary action or not to take a prohibited action. If a CAUTION is not heeded, the following consequences may occur:

- Serious bodily injury to the technician
- Serious bodily injury to other technicians in the workplace area
- Serious bodily injury to the driver and/or passenger(s) of the vehicle, if the vehicle has been improperly repaired

NOTICE Defined

Notices call special attention to a necessary action or to a prohibited action. If a NOTICE is not heeded, the following consequences may occur:

- Damage to the vehicle
- Unnecessary vehicle repairs
- Unnecessary component replacement
- Improper operation or performance of the system or component under repair
- Damage to any systems or components which are dependent upon the proper operation of the system or component under repair
- Improper operation or performance of any systems or components which are dependent upon the proper operation or performance of the system or component under repair
- Damage to fasteners, basic tools, or special tools
- The leakage of coolant, lubricant, or other vital fluids

IMPORTANT Defined

IMPORTANT statements emphasize a necessary characteristic of a diagnostic or repair procedure. IMPORTANT statements are designed to do the following:

- Clarify a procedure
- Present additional information for accomplishing a procedure
- Give insight into the reason or reasons for performing a procedure in the manner recommended
- Present information that will help to accomplish a procedure in a more effective manner
- Present information that gives the technician the benefit of past experience in accomplishing a procedure with greater ease

ABS Handling Caution

Caution: *Certain components in the Antilock Brake System (ABS) are not intended to be serviced individually. Attempting to remove or disconnect certain system components may result in personal injury and/or improper system operation. Only those component with approved removal and installation procedures should be serviced.*

Battery Disconnect Caution

Caution: *Before servicing any electrical component, the ignition key must be in the OFF or LOCK position and all electrical loads must be OFF, unless instructed otherwise in these procedures. If a tool or equipment could easily come in contact with a live exposed electrical terminal, also disconnect the negative battery cable. Failure to follow these precautions may cause personal injury and/or damage to the vehicle or its components.*

Brake Dust Caution

Caution: *Avoid taking the following actions when you service wheel brake parts:*

- *Do not grind brake linings.*
- *Do not sand brake linings.*
- *Do not clean wheel brake parts with a dry brush or with compressed air.*

Some models or aftermarket brake parts may contain asbestos fibers which can become airborne in dust. Breathing dust with asbestos fibers may cause serious bodily harm. Use a water-dampened cloth in order to remove any dust on brake parts. Equipment is available commercially in order to perform this washing function. These wet methods prevent fibers from becoming airborne.

Brake Fluid Caution

Caution: Brake fluid may be irritating to the skin or eyes. In case of contact, take the following actions:

- Eye contact—rinse eyes thoroughly with water.
- Skin contact—wash skin with soap and water.

Clutch Dust Caution

Caution: When servicing clutch parts, do not create dust by grinding or sanding the clutch disc or by cleaning parts with a dry brush or with compressed air. A water-dampened cloth—NOT SOAKED—should be used. The clutch disc contains asbestos fibers which can become airborne if dust is created during servicing. Breathing dust containing asbestos fibers may cause serious bodily harm.

Fuel and EVAP Pipe Caution

Caution: In order to Reduce the Risk of Fire and Personal Injury observe the following items:

- Replace all nylon fuel pipes that are nicked, scratched or damaged during installation. Do Not attempt to repair the sections of the nylon fuel pipes
- Do Not hammer directly on the fuel harness body clips when installing new fuel pipes. Damage to the nylon pipes may result in a fuel leak.
- Always cover nylon vapor pipes with a wet towel before using a torch near them. Also, never expose the vehicle to temperatures higher than 115°C (239°F) for more than one hour, or more than 90°C (194°F) for any extended period.
- Apply a few drops of clean engine oil to the male pipe ends before connecting fuel pipe fittings. This will ensure proper reconnection and prevent a possible fuel leak. (During normal operation, the O-rings located in the female connector will swell and may prevent proper reconnection if not lubricated.)

Fuel Gauge Leak Caution

Caution: Wrap a shop towel around the fuel pressure connection in order to reduce the risk of fire and personal injury. The towel will absorb any fuel leakage that occurs during the connection of the fuel pressure gauge. Place the towel in an approved container when the connection of the fuel pressure gauge is complete.

Fuel Pipe Fitting Caution

Caution: Always apply a few drops of clean engine oil to the male pipe ends before connecting fuel pipe fittings in order to reduce the risk of fire and personal injury.

This will ensure proper reconnection and prevent a possible fuel leak.

During normal operation, the O-rings located in the female connector will swell and may prevent proper reconnection if not lubricated.

Fuel Storage Caution

Caution: Do not drain the fuel into an open container. Never store the fuel in an open container due to the possibility of a fire or an explosion.

Gasoline/Gasoline Vapors Caution

Caution: Gasoline or gasoline vapors are highly flammable. A fire could occur if an ignition source is present. Never drain or store gasoline or diesel fuel in an open container, due to the possibility of fire or explosion. Have a dry chemical (Class B) fire extinguisher nearby.

Moving Parts and Hot Surfaces Caution

Caution: While working around a running engine, avoid contact with moving parts and hot surfaces to prevent possible bodily injury.

Road Test Caution

Caution: Road test a vehicle under safe conditions and while obeying all traffic laws. Do not attempt any maneuvers that could jeopardize vehicle control. Failure to adhere to these precautions could lead to serious personal injury.

Safety Glasses and Compressed Air Caution

Caution: Wear safety glasses when using compressed air in order to prevent eye injury.

Safety Goggles and Fuel Caution

Caution: Always wear safety goggles when working with fuel in order to protect the eyes from fuel splash.

Vehicle Lifting Caution

Caution: To help avoid personal injury, when a vehicle is on a hoist, provide additional support for the vehicle at the opposite end from which you are removing components. The additional support will reduce the possibility of the vehicle falling off the hoist. When you are removing major components from the vehicle while the vehicle is on a hoist, chain the vehicle frame to the hoist pads at the same end from which you are removing the major components to prevent tip-off. If you fail to follow these precautionary measures, vehicle damage, serious personal injury, or death may result.

Window Removal Caution

Caution: When working with any type of glass, use approved safety glasses and gloves to reduce the chance of personal injury.

Work Stall Test Caution

Caution: One or more of the following guidelines may apply when performing specific required tests in the work stall:

- **When a test requires spinning the drive wheels with the vehicle jacked up, adhere to the following precautions:**
 - Do not exceed 56 km/h (35 mph) when spinning one drive wheel with the other drive wheel stopped. This limit is necessary because the speedometer indicates only one-half the actual vehicle speed under these conditions. Personal injury may result from excessive wheel spinning.
 - If all of the drive wheels are spinning at the same speed, do not exceed 112 km/h (70 mph). Personal injury may result from excessive wheel spinning.
 - All persons should stay clear of the rotating components and the balance weight areas in order to avoid possible personal injury.
 - When running an engine in the repair stall for an extended period of time, use care not to overheat the engine and the transmission.
- **When a test requires jacking up the vehicle and running with the wheels and brake rotors removed, adhere to the following precautions:**
 - Do not apply the brake with the brake rotors removed.
 - Do not place the transmission in PARK with the drive wheels still spinning.
 - Turn Off the ignition in order to stop the powertrain components from spinning.

Defective Scan Tool Notice

Notice: Do not use a scan tool that displays faulty data. Report the scan tool problem to the manufacturer. Use of a faulty scan tool can result in misdiagnosis and unnecessary parts replacement.

Fastener Notice

Notice: Use the correct fastener in the correct location. Replacement fasteners must be the correct part number for that application. Fasteners requiring replacement or fasteners requiring the use of thread locking compound or sealant are identified in the service procedure. Do not use paints, lubricants, or corrosion inhibitors on fasteners or fastener joint surfaces unless specified. These coatings affect fastener torque and joint clamping force and may damage the fastener. Use the correct tightening sequence and specifications when installing fasteners in order to avoid damage to parts and systems.

Fuel Pressure Notice

Notice: Do not allow the fuel pressure to exceed the specified value because damage to the fuel pressure regulator or the fuel pressure gauge may result.

Handling ESD Sensitive Parts Notice

Notice: Electrostatic discharge (ESD) can damage many solid-state electrical components. ESD susceptible components may or may not be labeled with the ESD symbol. Handle all electrical components carefully. Use the following precautions in order to avoid ESD damage:

Touch a metal ground point in order to remove your body's static charge before servicing any electronic component; especially after sliding across the vehicle seat.

Do not touch exposed terminals. Terminals may connect to circuits susceptible the ESD damage.

Do not allow tools to contact exposed terminals when servicing connectors.

Do not remove components from their protective packaging until required to do so.

Avoid the following actions unless required by the diagnostic procedure:

Jumpering or grounding of the components or connectors.

Connecting test equipment probes to components or connectors. Connect the ground lead first when using test probes.

Ground the protective packaging of any component before opening. Do not rest solid-state components on metal workbenches, or on top of TVs, radios, or other electrical devices.

Ignition OFF When Disconnecting Battery Notice

Notice: Always turn the ignition OFF when connecting or disconnecting battery cables, battery chargers, or jumper cables. Failing to do so may damage the Powertrain Control Module (PCM) or other electronic components.

Nylon Fuel Lines Notice

Notice: Do not attempt to straighten the kinked nylon fuel lines. Replace any kinked nylon fuel feed or return pipes in order to prevent damage to the vehicle.

PCM and ESD Notice

Notice: Do not touch the connector pins or soldered components on the circuit board in order to prevent possible electrostatic discharge (ESD) damage to the PCM.

Single Cylinder Flooding Notice

Notice: In order to prevent flooding of a single cylinder and possible engine damage, relieve the fuel pressure before performing the fuel injector coil test procedure.

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