



TL-Series Key Blanks and Lock Rekeying

If the need arises, you can rekey 2.5TL and 3.2TL door, trunk, and glove box lock cylinders with the current Rekeying Kit, P/N 06721-SH3-405. As usual, the ignition switches on these models can't be rekeyed. If you need to change an ignition switch, rekey the other locks to match or install a complete lock set.

Here are the part numbers for the TL-series key blanks:

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| Plastic Head Master Key | 35113-SK7-A01 |
| Plastic Head Valet Key | 35114-SK7-A01 |



Engine Cranks But Won't Start

Complaints of "intermittently cranks but won't start" can usually be corrected by opening the throttle while cranking. This little-known tip can be found in, of all places, the owner's manual.

The *Starting the Engine* section in our current O/Ms says, "If the engine does not start within 15 seconds, or starts but stalls right away, [turn the ignition key to the START position for 15 seconds] with the accelerator pedal pressed half-way down. If the engine still does not start, press the accelerator pedal all the way down and hold it there while starting in order to clear flooding."

If the symptom persists with the throttle open, then follow normal diagnostic procedures.



New Models Have Locking Seat Belts

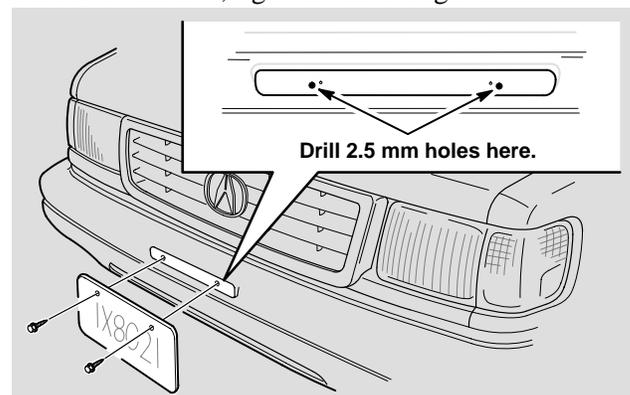
The passenger lap/shoulder belts in the '95 2.5TL and all '96 models have an additional locking mechanism intended to secure a child seat. This feature eliminates the need for a metal locking clip when using a lap/shoulder belt to secure a child seat (though we still recommend putting a child seat in the center of the back seat when there's a lap belt in that position).

When the seat belt is pulled out all the way (either on purpose or inadvertently), the locking mechanism engages. Now the seat belt will only retract and not extend. To return the belt to its normal mode, unlatch the belt, let it retract fully, and then pull the belt only as far as needed.



SLX License Plate Installation

Front License Plate: Locate the four center punch marks on the front bumper. Drill through the two outer marks with a 2.5 mm (3/32 in.) drill (not a 5 mm drill as the owner's manual says). Attach the license plate with two 6 x 12 mm self-tapping screws, P/N 93903-16180, tightened hand-tight.



Rear License Plate: Attach the license plate with four 6 x 15 mm socket-head screws, P/N 70291-SR3-003. Tighten the screws securely.



SLX Service Manuals

To have a complete set of service information for the new '96 SLX, you need these four books:

Service Manual: This is the "base" S/M, prepared by Isuzu. It contains info about all areas of the vehicle except driveability and emissions.

Service Manual Supplement: This supplement, prepared by American Honda, contains SLX-specific info (VIN breakdown, paint codes), special tool info, and service procedures that changed because of alternative special tools. When you come across a special tool in the base S/M, look it up in the corresponding section in the supplement. Chances are you already have an alternative tool on hand.

Fuel and Emissions Manual: This Isuzu-prepared manual covers all the fuel, driveability, and emissions info for this OBD II vehicle. American Honda's special tool recommendations for this section are included at the end of the manual.

Electrical Troubleshooting Manual: Because it's prepared in the style of our other ETMs, you'll find this manual the most familiar. Right now you have the preliminary version; the final version will be ready around February '96.



New SRS Highlights

The new SRS on the TL-series cars and the '96 Integra differs from our earlier SRS in these areas:

- **No external sensors:** All sensors are contained in the SRS unit. The SRS unit must be replaced after the airbags have been deployed.
- **Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTCs):** If there's a problem with the system, the SRS unit stores a DTC in memory. Retrieve the DTC using one of these methods:
 - Connect the PGM Tester to the data link connector (DLC), and follow the tester's prompts. The tester can read the DTC and, in the Troubleshooting mode, lead you through the troubleshooting process to find and repair the cause of the DTC. After repairing the system, use the tester to erase the DTC and turn the SRS indicator light off.
 - Connect the SCS service connector, T/N 07PAZ-0010100, to the service check connector; then turn the ignition switch on, and the SRS indicator light will blink the DTC. Once you have the DTC, follow the S/M troubleshooting. After repairing the system, use the SCS service connector and the memory erase signal (MES) connector to erase the DTC and turn the SRS indicator light off.
- **Clearing DTCs/SRS indicator light:** Merely disconnecting the SRS unit will not clear the DTC from the unit's memory or cancel the SRS indicator light. After the cause of the DTC is remedied, use one of the memory erase procedures to clear the both the DTC and the light.
- **Self-shorting airbag connectors:** The driver's airbag on the TL-series and both airbags on the '96 Integra have connectors with built-in short contacts, so separate "short" connectors are not required. The TL-series passenger's airbag still requires a short connector.
- **Spring-loaded lock connectors:** Some SRS connectors have spring-loaded sleeves that serve as a secondary connector locking device.
- **Backprobe testing:** SRS test harnesses are now a thing of the past (for new models). Electrical checks are made by backprobing the wire side of connectors with special backprobe adapters, T/N 07TAZ-001020A.
- **Intermittent failures:** For troubleshooting intermittent failures, the SRS section of the S/M has a procedure that uses the SRS indicator light.



New Legend Master Window Switch

The replacement power window master switches for '91-95 Legends have been improved to increase reliability. The switch materials and spring load were changed to reduce breakage, and a "dust free" sheet was added to help keep out contaminants. Here are the part numbers:

Coupe: 35752-SP1-A02, Switch Only (no bezel)

Sedan: 35752-SP0-A02, Switch Only (no bezel)



SLX Monroney Label Adhesive Removal

After removing the Monroney label from an SLX, some adhesive may remain on the glass. Don't use a razor blade or any type of scraping tool to remove the adhesive, it may damage the tint on the glass. Use a small amount of Three Bond Glue Remover 2801 (or equivalent) on a clean towel to wipe away the remaining residue.



Acura Techs Cruise Info Superhighway

Those of you with access to the Internet or CompuServe may be interested to know that other Acura technicians and customers are using the information superhighway.

Internet users can learn about new models at the Honda Internet home page. Visit the Honda home page at <http://www.honda.com>. If you are a CompuServe user, visit the Automobile Forum (Go CARS), and take a look at "For Techs Only" and "Test Drive: HondaAcura." "For Techs Only" is a good place to find information and tips on automobile products such as Fluke meters. "Test Drive: HondaAcura" is a good place to view technicians exchanging information with customers. (None of this information is official Honda/Acura information.)

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