

**S-TYPE**

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S303-08

**SERVICE****TECHNICAL BULLETIN****Oil Leaks From Oil Filter –  
Filter Loosens –  
Revised Tightening Method**MODEL 2000 MY-ON  
S-TYPE  
VIN L00001-ON**Issue:**

Some 2000 MY-ON S-TYPE vehicles may experience customer complaints of oil leaks caused by the oil filter loosening in service.

**Action:**

To eliminate the problem of oil filters becoming loose and leaking oil, a revised tightening procedure has been produced and new special tool (oil filter wrench 303-752 supplied) introduced to tighten the oil filter to a specific torque of 18 Nm.

On a customer complaint basis only, follow the workshop procedure below.

TIGHTENING PROCEDURE

**Note:** The revised procedure and new tool must be used when replacing the oil filter at normal service intervals.

1. Open hood and place protective covers over the fenders.
2. Raise the vehicle.
3. Position a suitable oil drainer under the oil filter.
4. Remove oil filter.
5. Clean residue oil from filter base and surrounding area.
6. Lubricate oil filter rubber gasket with clean oil.
7. Install a new oil filter and torque it to 18 Nm with a new oil filter wrench (303-752) supplied.
8. Remove the oil drainer.
9. Lower the vehicle.
10. Remove the oil filler cap and fill engine oil accordingly.
11. Remove the fender protection covers and close the hood.

**Caution:** It should be noted that all drained oils and fluids should be disposed of locally, ensuring compliance with local authority legislation and health and safety guidelines.

**Warranty Information:**

<b><u>FAULT CODE</u></b>	<b><u>R.O. NUMBER</u></b>	<b><u>DESCRIPTION</u></b>	<b><u>TIME ALLOWANCE</u></b>
AQ NB 33	12.60.04	Revised oil filter tightening method	0.2 hrs.