

Amtrak Equipment Maintenance Department
Standard Maintenance Procedure

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TITLE: Heli-Coil Repair to Upper Primary Suspensions

EQUIPMENT TYPE			
All Passenger Trains			
Locomotives		Cars	
All Locomotives		All Cars	X All Types
Acela HST Power Car		Acela	Baggage
AEM-7		Amfleet I	Cafe
Cab Car: (Under Cars)	X	Amfleet II	Coach
Car Movers		Auto Carrier	Diner
Commuter		Commuter	Dinette
E-60MA (HEP)		Freight	Lounge
F40PH		Heritage HEP	Sleeper
F59PHI		Horizon	Other:
GP40PH		Material Handling Cars	
HHP8		Private Cars	
MP15		Roadrailleurs	
Non Powered Control Units		Superliner I	
P32-8		Superliner II	
P32AC-DM		Surfliner	
P-40		Talgo	
P-42		Turboliner	
SW1001		Viewliner	
SW1200		Other:	
SW1500			
Turboliner			
Talgo			
Other:			

MAINTENANCE TYPE	
	L – Locomotive
	C – Cars
	All Maintenance – L/C
	Daily – L/C
	30 Day – C
	60 Day – C
	90 Day – C
	92 Day – L
	180 Day – C
	184 Day – L
	360 Day – L/C
	720 Day – L
	COT&S – C
	Initial Terminal – L/C
	Intermediate Terminal – L/C
	Modification – L/C
C	Overhaul – L/C
C	Running Repair – L/C
	Seasonal – C
	Wheels – L/C
	Facility
	Other:

1.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this SMP is to outline the step-by-step procedure for repairing stripped or cross-threaded bolt holes in Amfleet II Upper Primary Suspensions.

2.0 SCOPE

This SMP outlines the step-by-step procedure for repairing stripped or cross-threaded bolt holes in Amfleet II Upper Primary Suspensions.

3.0 HISTORY

Check 12 months history of equipment for past Upper Primary Suspensions problems and or repairs in WMS and facility records.

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4.0 SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

4.1 Prior to starting work on equipment ensure all Code of Federal Regulations (Title 49, Chapter II, Part 218) and Amtrak's Blue Signal Protections are followed.

4.2 Wear approved PPE (Personal Protective Equipment).

5.0 REQUIRED PARTS AND TOOLS

Description	Vendor #	AAMPS #	Photo	Quantity
½" Heavy Duty Electric Drill		45-722-0500X		1
41/64" drill bit		N/A		1
5/8"-18 Heli-Coil Installation Kit, includes, heli-coils (6), heli-coil tap, & insertion tool	HCP 5402-10	20-165-03250		1
5/8"-18 Heli-Coil Refill (pack of 6 Heli-Coils)	HCP R1191-10	20-120-13000		As needed
Bolt, (Lower Primary)		20-456-00201		32
Washer, Flat (Lower Primary)		20-456-0021X		32
Bolt (Primary Retainer)		11-030-24800		8
Washer, (Primary Retainer)		20-345-0023X		32
Nut, Lock, (Primary Retainer)		11-455-00262		16

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6.0 PROCEDURE

- 6.1** Remove primary retainer from axle assembly. (Refer to figure 2)

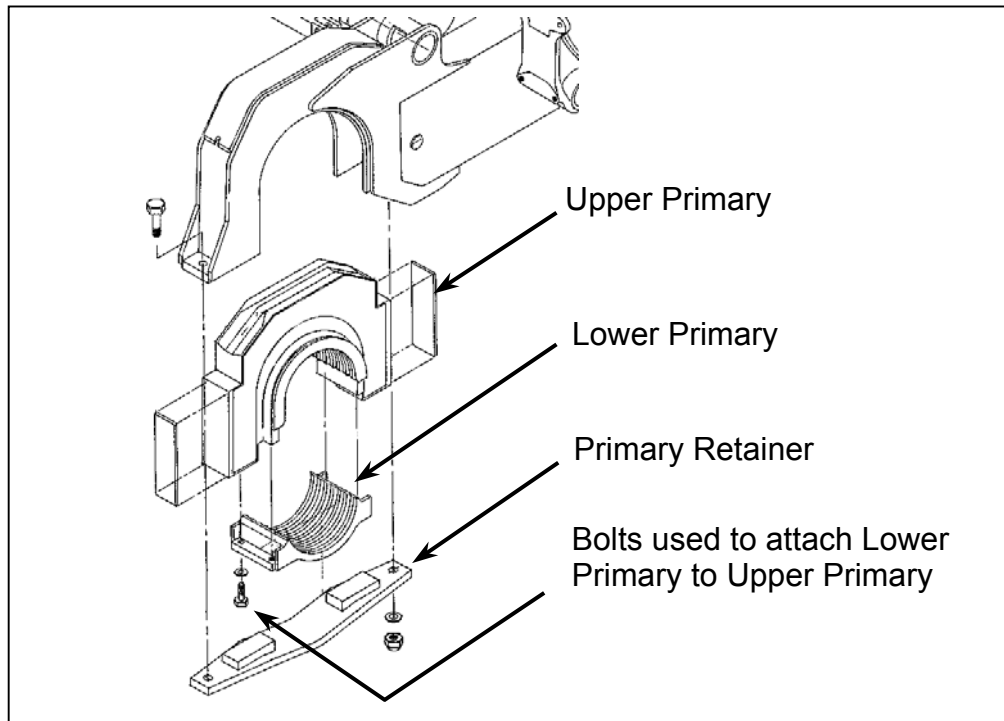


Figure 2 – Exploded View of Primary Suspension Assembly.

- 6.2** Remove broken, cross-threaded, or loose bolts used to attach lower primary to upper primary.
- 6.3** With the $\frac{41}{64}$ " drill bit supplied with the heli-coil kit, drill out damaged threads. Drill should penetrate a minimum of $1\text{-}1\frac{1}{2}$ ".
- 6.4** Tap hole with heli-coil tap included with kit. Note: The heli-coil tap is designated as 5/8-18 but is actually a special thread for the heli-coil insert.
- 6.5** Run tap down until a minimum on $1\text{-}1\frac{1}{4}$ " of material has tapped threads.
- 6.6** Insertion of the heli-coil is achieved using the appropriate installation tool (supplied in installation kit). The driving tang is engaged in a slot in the tool and pre-wound into the nozzle. (Refer to Figure 3)

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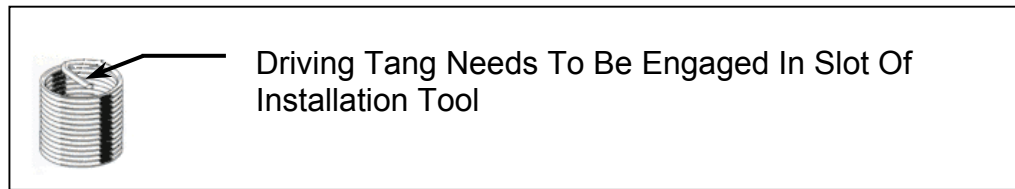


Figure 3 – Heli-Coil Tang

- 6.7 Place the tool over the correctly tapped hole; further winding will install the heli-coil to the correct depth.
- 6.8 Screw the heli-coil into tapped hole to a depth of $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ turn below the surface.
- 6.9 Unscrew installation tool.
- 6.10 Once fitted, the heli-coil will not move. It is secured in position through radial pressure exerted by the coils on the thread flanks. Radial pressure exists because the outside diameter of the heli-coil in its “Free State” is larger by a calculated amount than the hole into which it is to be installed. (Refer to Figure 4)

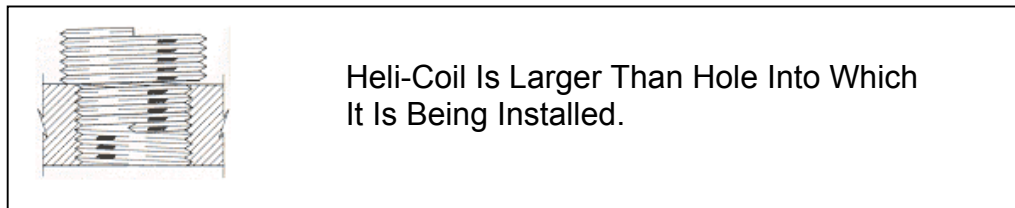


Figure 4 – Heli-Coil Being Inserted Into Hole.

- 6.11 Insert a screwdriver, pin, or other tool, in previously installed heli-coil and by pushing, snap tang off heli-coil.
 - 6.12 Install new bolt through lower primary into newly installed heli-coil.
 - 6.13 Reinstall primary with new locking nuts. Inspect washers and bolts, replace if needed.
- 7.0 RECORD KEEPING**

Document repairs to the equipment in WMS (Work Management System) and on a MAP 9 form.