

Drive Shaft Addendum

For all model year diesel products

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The following information supercedes previous information and applies to all motorhomes equipped with a Roadmaster Chassis.

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Drive Shaft:

The drive shaft transfers the power produced by the engine to the drive axle. A worn or out-of-balance drive shaft causes chassis vibration that generally increases in intensity with road speed.

Lubrication Maintenance

The drive shaft requires periodic lubrication maintenance. Lubricate the slip joint and universal joints every 5,000 miles or 6 months, whichever occurs first. Use NLGI #2 chassis lubricant.

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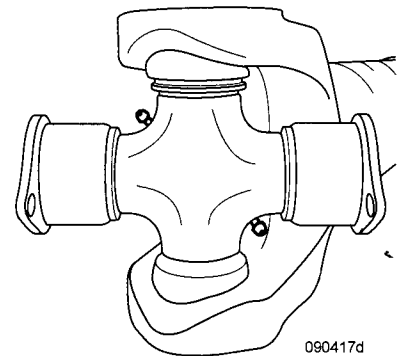
It will be necessary to move the motorhome forward or backward to access all grease fittings on the drive shaft.

Greasing the Drive Shaft Universal Joints:

1. Check the drive shaft for looseness. Repair if loose or worn.
2. Apply lubricant at the grease fitting(s) on the universal joint. Apply until new grease purges from all the seals.
3. If new grease does not purge at the seals, loosen the bearing cap bolts and re-grease until all four caps purge. If new grease still does not purge, disassemble and clean or replace the universal joint.

Greasing the Drive Shaft Slip Yoke and Splines:

1. Check the drive shaft for looseness. Repair if loose or worn.
2. With finger, cover the rear air hole. This will force lubricant to front seal. Apply lubricant at the grease fitting on the slip joint until new grease purges and forces finger away from the air hole in the end of the slip joint.



Some models have 2 fittings on the U-Joint.



WARNING:

Rotating shafts can be dangerous. Rotating shafts can snag clothes, skin, hair, hands, etc. causing serious injury or death. **DO NOT** work on or near a shaft "with or without a guard" when the engine is running.

