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# **SPECIFICATIONS**

# FASTENER TIGHTENING SPECIFICATIONS

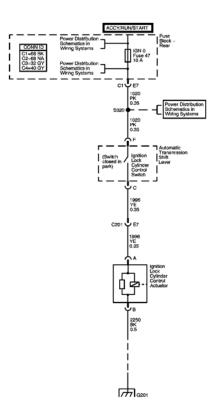
# **Fastener Tightening Specifications**

	Specification	
Application	Metric	English
Horn Contact Plate Screws	5.5 N.m	49 in. lb.
HVAC Floor Duct Mounting Screw	1.9 N.m	17 in. lb.
Ignition Lock Cylinder Case Screws	7 N.m	62 in. lb.
Intermediate Shaft to the Steering Column Pinch Bolt	50 N.m	37 ft. lb.
Intermediate Shaft to the Steering Gear Pinch Bolt	50 N.m	37 ft. lb.
Steering Column Electrical Connector Screw	6 N.m	53 in. lb.
Steering Column Mounting Nuts	27 N.m	20 ft. lb.
Steering Column Trim Cover Screws Lower	3.5 N.m	31 in. lb.
Steering Column Trim Cover Screws Upper	1 N.m	9 in. lb.
Steering Wheel Nut	41 N.m	30 ft. lb.
Steering Wheel Shroud Screws	2 N.m	18 in. lb.
Turn Signal Multifunction Switch Screws Side	7 N.m	62 in. lb.
Turn Signal Multifunction Switch Screws Top	3 N.m	27 in. lb.
Upper Intermediate Shaft to Lower Intermediate Shaft Pinch Bolt	50 N.m	37 ft. lb.

# SCHEMATIC AND ROUTING DIAGRAMS

# **COLUMN/IGNITION LOCK SCHEMATICS**

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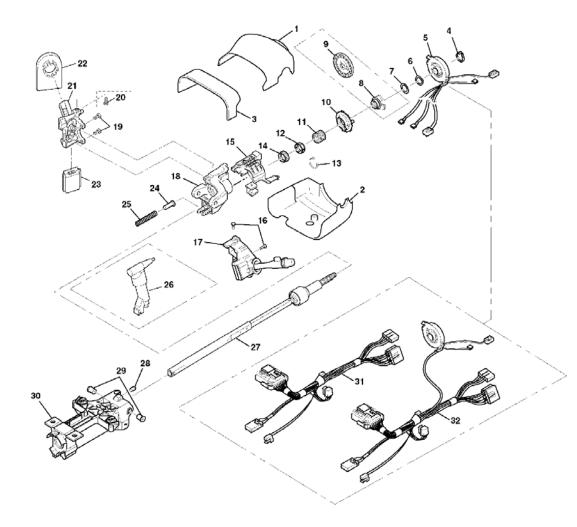
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# **<u>Fig. 1: Column/Ignition Lock Schematic</u> Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

# **COMPONENT LOCATOR**

# STEERING COLUMN DISASSEMBLED VIEW

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# **Fig. 2: Identifying Tilt Steering Column Components** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

# **Identifying Callouts For Fig. 2**

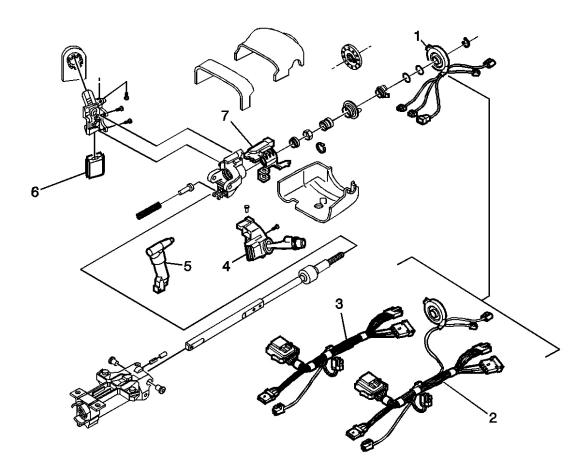
Callout	Component Name
1	Upper Trim Cover
2	Lower Trim Cover
3	Steering Column Closeout Trim Cover
4	Retaining Ring
5	SIR Coil
6	Wave Washer
7	Bearing Retainer
8	Cam Orientation Plate
9	Shaft Lock Shield Assembly
10	Turn Signal Cancel Cam Assembly

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11	Upper Bearing Spring
12	Upper Bearing Inner Race Seat
13	Wire Harness Strap
14	Inner Race
15	Signal Switch Housing
16	Pan Head Tapping Screws
17	Turn Signal and Multifunction Switch Assembly
18	Steering Column Tilt Head Assembly
19	Pan Head Tapping Screws
20	TORX <sup>®</sup> Head Screw
21	Ignition Lock Cylinder Case
22	Theft Deterrent Control Module
23	Ignition Switch Assembly
24	Spring Guide
25	Tilt Spring
26	Theft Deterrent Control Module Electric Park Lock
27	Steering Shaft Assembly
28	Tilt Bumper
29	Pivot Pins
30	Steering Column Support Assembly
31	Coil Wire Harness Assembly
32	Coil Wire Harness Assembly (Export)

# STEERING WHEEL AND COLUMN COMPONENT VIEWS

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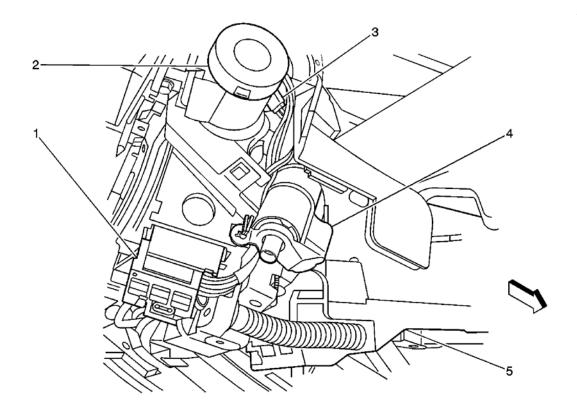


# **Fig. 3: Identifying Steering Column Components** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

# **Identifying Callouts For Fig. 3**

Callout	Component Name
1	Inflatable Restraint Steering Wheel Module Coil
2	Coil Wire Harness Assembly (Export)
3	Coil Wire Harness Assembly
4	Multifunction Switch
5	Theft Deterrent Control Module Electric Park Lock
6	Ignition and Key Alarm Switch Assembly
7	Hazard Signal Switch Housing

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#### **<u>Fig. 4: Identifying Steering Column</u>** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

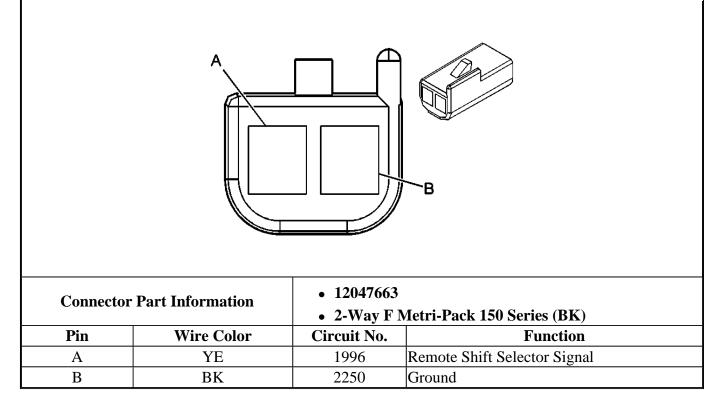
# **Identifying Callouts For Fig. 4**

Callout	Component Name	
1	Ignition Switch	
2	Passlock Sensor	
3	Ignition Key Alarm Switch	
4	Ignition Lock Cylinder Control Solenoid	
5	Steering Column	

# STEERING WHEEL AND COLUMN CONNECTOR END VIEWS

# Identifying Ignition Lock Cylinder Control Actuator Connector End View & Functions

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# **DIAGNOSTIC INFORMATION AND PROCEDURES**

# SYMPTOMS - STEERING WHEEL AND COLUMN

Review the system description and operation in order to familiarize yourself with the system functions. Refer to **Steering Wheel and Column Description and Operation**.

#### Visual/Physical Inspection

- Inspect for aftermarket devices which could affect the operation of the steering wheel and column.
- Inspect the easily accessible or visible system components for obvious damage or conditions which could cause the symptom.

#### Symptoms List

Refer to a symptom diagnostic procedure from the following list in order to diagnose the symptom:

- Lock System Does Not Unlock
- Lock System Does Not Lock
- Lock System Sticks in Start
- <u>Key Cannot Be Removed in the Off Lock Position</u>
- <u>High Lock Effort</u>
- Noise in Steering Column

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- High Shift Effort
- Looseness in Steering Column
- <u>Steering Column Tilt Function Inoperative</u>
- Ignition Can/Cannot Be Turned Off with Transmission in Any Gear

# STEERING COLUMN TILT FUNCTION INOPERATIVE

# **Steering Column Tilt Function Inoperative**

Step	Action	Yes	No
1	Did you review the Steering Wheel and Column Description and Operation and perform the necessary inspections?	Go to <b>Step 2</b>	Go to <u>Steering</u> <u>Wheel and Column</u> <u>Description and</u> <u>Operation</u>
2	Verify that the steering column tilt function is inoperative. Does the steering column tilt function operate normally?	System OK	Go to <b>Step 3</b>
3	Verify that the shoe is not seized on the pivot pin. Is the shoe seized on the pivot pin?	Go to <b>Step 9</b>	Go to Step 4
4	Inspect the shoe grooves for dirt, burrs, or rust. Are the shoe grooves free of dirt, burrs, and rust?	Go to <b>Step 9</b>	Go to Step 5
5	Inspect for a weak or broken shoe lock spring. Is the shoe lock spring weak or broken?	Go to <b>Step 9</b>	Go to Step 6
6	Inspect the pivot pins for binding. Are the pivot pins binding?	Go to Step 10	Go to Step 7
7	Inspect for a weak or broken wheel tilt spring. Is the wheel tilt spring weak or broken?	Go to Step 11	Go to Step 8
8	Inspect the steering column wiring harness for tightness. Is the steering column wiring harness too tight?	Go to <b>Step 12</b>	Go to <b>Step 3</b>
9	Replace the tilt head. Refer to <u>Steering Column Tilt</u> <u>Head Housing Replacement</u> . Is the repair complete?	Go to <b>Step 13</b>	-
10	Replace the pivot pins. Refer to <u>Steering Column Tilt</u> <u>Head Housing Replacement</u> . Is the repair complete?	Go to <b>Step 13</b>	-
11	Replace the tilt spring. Refer to <u><b>Tilt Spring</b></u> <u><b>Replacement</b></u> . Is the repair complete?	Go to <b>Step 13</b>	-
12	Reroute the steering column wiring harness to the correct location. Is the steering column wiring harness routed properly?	Go to <b>Step 13</b>	_
13	Operate the steering column tilt function in order to verify the repair.	•	

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Did you correct the condition?	System OK	Go to Step 3
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# IGNITION CAN/CANNOT BE TURNED OFF WITH TRANSMISSION IN ANY GEAR

# Ignition Can/Cannot Be Turned Off with Transmission in Any Gear

Step	Action	Yes	No
Schema	atic Reference: <u>Column/Ignition Lock Schematics</u>		1
Connec	ctor End View Reference: Steering Wheel and Colum	<u>n Connector End V</u>	<u>iews</u>
1	Did you review the Steering Wheel and Column Operation and perform the necessary inspections?	Co to Stop 2	Go to <u>Steering</u> Wheel and Column <u>Description and</u> <u>Operation</u>
	<ol> <li>Push the ignition lock cylinder control actuator release button which is on the underside of the ignition key cylinder.</li> </ol>	Go to <b>Step 2</b>	Operation
2	2. Turn the key to the OFF position and remove the key.		
	Were you able to turn the key to the OFF position and remove the key?	Go to Step 3	Go to <u>Lock System</u> <u>Does Not Lock</u>
3	Verify the fault is present. Does the system operate normally?	Go to <u>Testing for</u> <u>Intermittent</u> <u>Conditions and</u> <u>Poor Connections</u> in Wiring Systems	Go to <b>Step 4</b>
4	<ol> <li>Turn OFF the ignition.</li> <li>Disconnect the ignition lock cylinder control actuator.</li> <li>Turn ON the ignition, with the engine OFF.</li> <li>Connect a test lamp between the battery positive voltage and ground circuits of the ignition lock cylinder control actuator.</li> <li>Cycle the gear shift from Park to Drive.</li> <li>Does the test lamp turn ON and OFF with each cycle?</li> </ol>	Go to <b>Step 12</b>	Go to <b>Step 5</b>
5	Connect a test lamp between the ground circuit of the ignition lock cylinder control actuator and B+ voltage. Does the test lamp illuminate?	Go to <b>Step 6</b>	Go to Step 8
	<ol> <li>Turn OFF the ignition.</li> <li>Reconnect the ignition lock cylinder control actuator.</li> <li>Disconnect the floor shift control connector.</li> <li>Turn ON the ignition, with the engine OFF.</li> </ol>		

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6	5. Connect a test lamp between the battery positive voltage and ground circuits of the ignition lock cylinder control switch.		
	Does the test lamp illuminate?	Go to Step 11	Go to Step 7
7	Connect a test lamp between battery positive circuit of the ignition lock cylinder control switch and a good ground.		
	Does the test lamp illuminate?	Go to Step 10	Go to Step 9
8	Repair the open in the ground circuit of the ignition lock cylinder control actuator circuit. Refer to <b>Wiring</b> <b><u>Repairs</u></b> in Wiring Systems. Did you complete the repair?	Co to Stop 15	
	Repair the open or short to ground of the ignition lock	Go to Step 15	-
9	cylinder control switch battery positive voltage circuit. Refer to <b>Wiring Repairs</b> in Wiring Systems.		
	Did you complete the repair?	Go to Step 15	-
10	Repair the open, short to ground, or short to voltage of the ignition lock cylinder control switch signal circuit. Refer to <u>Wiring Repairs</u> in Wiring Systems. Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 15</b>	_
11	Inspect for poor connections at the ignition lock cylinder control switch. Refer to <u>Testing for</u> <u>Intermittent Conditions and Poor Connections</u> and <u>Connector Repairs</u> in Wiring Systems.	-	
	Did you find and correct the condition?	Go to Step 15	Go to Step 13
12	Inspect for poor connections at the ignition lock cylinder control actuator. Refer to <u>Testing for</u> <u>Intermittent Conditions and Poor Connections</u> and <u>Connector Repairs</u> in Wiring Systems.		
	Did you find and correct the condition?	Go to Step 15	Go to Step 14
13	Replace the ignition lock cylinder control switch. Refer to <u>Automatic Transmission Shift Lock</u> <u>Actuator Replacement</u> .		
	Did you complete the replacement?	Go to Step 15	-
14	Replace the ignition lock cylinder control actuator. Refer to <u>Steering Wheel Theft Deterrent Lock</u> <u>Replacement</u> .		
	Did you complete the replacement?	Go to Step 15	-
15	Operate the system in order to verify the repair. Did you correct the condition?	System OK	Go to Step 4

# LOCK SYSTEM DOES NOT UNLOCK

# Lock System Does Not Unlock

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Step	Action	Yes	No		
DEFIN	DEFINITION: The lock system does not allow the key to rotate out of the OFF position.				
1	Did you review the Steering Wheel and Column Description and Operation?	Go to <b>Step 2</b>	Go to <u>Steering</u> <u>Wheel and Column</u> <u>Description and</u> <u>Operation</u>		
2	Verify that the lock system does not unlock. Does the lock system operate normally?	System OK	Go to <b>Step 3</b>		
3	Inspect for an incorrect, worn, or damaged key. Is the key incorrect, worn, or damaged?	Go to Step 7	Go to Step 4		
4	Inspect for a faulty lock cylinder. Is the lock cylinder damaged?	Go to Step 8	Go to Step 5		
5	Inspect the ignition lock cylinder case assembly for looseness. Is the ignition lock cylinder case assembly loose?	Go to <b>Step 9</b>	Go to <b>Step 6</b>		
6	Inspect the ignition switch assembly for damage. Is the ignition switch assembly damaged?	Go to <b>Step 10</b>	Go to Step 3		
7	Replace the key. Refer to <u>Key and Lock Cylinder</u> <u>Coding</u> in General Information. Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 11</b>	_		
8	Replace the lock cylinder. Refer to <u>Ignition Lock</u> <u>Cylinder Replacement</u> . Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 11</b>	_		
9	Tighten the ignition lock cylinder case assembly. Refer to <b>Fastener Tightening Specifications</b> . Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 11</b>	-		
10	Replace the ignition switch. Refer to <b>Ignition Switch</b> <b>Replacement</b> . Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 11</b>	-		
11	Operate the system in order to verify the repair. Did you correct the condition?	System OK	Go to Step 3		

# LOCK SYSTEM DOES NOT LOCK

# Lock System Does Not Lock

Step	Action	Yes	No		
DEFIN	DEFINITION: The lock system will not allow the key to be turned to the OFF lock position.				
	Did you review the Steering Wheel and Column		Go to Steering		
1	Description and Operation?		Wheel and Column		
			<b>Description and</b>		
		Go to Step 2	<b>Operation</b>		
2	Verify that the lock system does not lock.				
	Does the lock system operate normally?	System OK	Go to Step 3		
3	Inspect for a faulty lock cylinder or release button.				

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	Is the lock cylinder or release button damaged?	Go to Step 6	Go to Step 4
4	Inspect the shift cable adjustment. Is the shift cable adjusted incorrectly?	Go to Step 7	Go to Step 5
5	Inspect the ignition switch for damage. Is the ignition switch damaged?	Go to <b>Step 8</b>	Go to <b>Step 6</b>
6	Replace the lock cylinder. Refer to <b>Ignition Lock</b> <b>Cylinder Replacement</b> . Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 9</b>	_
7	Adjust the shift cable. Refer to <u>Automatic</u> <u>Transmission Range Selector Cable Adjustment</u> in Automatic Transmission - 4L60-E/4L65-E. Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 9</b>	-
8	Replace the ignition switch. Refer to <u>Ignition Switch</u> <u>Replacement</u> . Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 9</b>	-
9	Operate the system in order to verify the repair. Did you correct the condition?	System OK	Go to Step 3

# LOCK SYSTEM STICKS IN START

# Lock System Sticks in Start

Step	Action	Yes	No
1	Did you review the Steering Wheel and Column Description and Operation?		Go to <u>Steering</u> Wheel and Column Description and
		Go to Step 2	<u>Operation</u>
	Verify that the lock system sticks in the START		
2	position. Does the lock system operate normally?	System OK	Go to <b>Step 3</b>
	Inspect the ignition lock cylinder case assembly for		
3	damage. Is the ignition lock cylinder case assembly damaged?	Go to Step 6	Go to Step 4
4	Inspect the lock cylinder for damage.		
	Is the lock cylinder damaged?	Go to Step 7	Go to Step 5
5	Inspect the ignition switch for damage. Is the ignition switch damaged?	Go to Step 8	Go to <b>Step 3</b>
	Replace the ignition lock cylinder case assembly. Refer		
6	to <b>Ignition Switch Replacement</b> . Did you complete the repair?	Go to Step 9	-
	Replace the lock cylinder. Refer to <b>Ignition Lock</b>		
7	Cylinder Replacement.		-
	Did you complete the repair?	Go to Step 9	
	Replace the ignition switch. Refer to <b>Ignition Switch</b>		
8	Replacement. Did you complete the repair?	Go to Step 9	-

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9Operate the system in order to verify the repair.<br/>Did you correct the condition?System OKGo to Step 3

# KEY CANNOT BE REMOVED IN THE OFF LOCK POSITION

#### Key Cannot Be Removed in the Off Lock Position

Step	Action	Yes	No
1	Did you review the Steering Wheel and Column Description and Operation?	Go to Step 2	Go to <u>Steering</u> <u>Wheel and Column</u> <u>Description and</u> <u>Operation</u>
2	Verify that the key cannot be removed from the lock cylinder in the OFF position. Does the lock system operate normally?	System OK	Go to <b>Step 3</b>
3	Inspect for incorrect, worn, or damaged key. Is the key incorrect, worn, or damaged?	Go to Step 5	Go to Step 4
4	Inspect for a faulty lock cylinder or release button. Is the lock cylinder or release button damaged?	Go to Step 6	Go to Step 3
5	Replace the key. Refer to <u>Key and Lock Cylinder</u> <u>Coding</u> in General Information. Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 7</b>	-
6	Replace the lock cylinder. Refer to <b>Ignition Lock</b> <b>Cylinder Replacement</b> . Did you complete the repair?	Go to Step 7	-
7	Operate the system in order to verify the repair. Did you correct the condition?	System OK	Go to Step 3

# HIGH LOCK EFFORT

#### **High Lock Effort**

Step	Action	Yes	No
1	Did you review the Steering Wheel and Column Description and Operation?	Go to <b>Step 2</b>	Go to <u>Steering</u> Wheel and Column <u>Description and</u> <u>Operation</u>
2	Verify that the lock system has a high lock effort. Does the lock system operate normally?	System OK	Go to Step 3
3	Inspect for an incorrect, worn, or damaged key. Is the key incorrect, worn, or damaged?	Go to Step 7	Go to Step 4
4	Inspect for a faulty lock cylinder. Is the lock cylinder damaged?	Go to <b>Step 8</b>	Go to <b>Step 5</b>
5	Inspect the ignition lock cylinder case assembly for damage. Is the ignition lock cylinder case assembly damaged?	Go to <b>Step 9</b>	Go to <b>Step 6</b>
	Is the ignition lock cylinder case assembly damaged?	Go to Step 9	Go to <b>Ste</b>

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6	Inspect the ignition switch assembly for damage. Is the ignition switch assembly damaged?	Go to <b>Step 10</b>	Go to <b>Step 7</b>
7	Replace the key. Refer to <u>Key and Lock Cylinder</u> <u>Coding</u> in General Information. Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 11</b>	-
8	Replace the lock cylinder. Refer to <u>Ignition Lock</u> <u>Cylinder Replacement</u> . Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 11</b>	-
9	Replace the ignition lock cylinder case assembly. Refer to <b>Ignition Switch Replacement</b> . Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 11</b>	-
10	Replace the ignition switch. Refer to <u>Ignition Switch</u> <u>Replacement</u> . Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 11</b>	-
11	Operate the system in order to verify the repair. Did you correct the condition?	System OK	Go to Step 3

# NOISE IN STEERING COLUMN

# Noise in Steering Column

Step	Action	Yes	No
1	Did you review the Steering Wheel and Column Description and perform the necessary inspections?		Go to <u>Steering</u> Wheel and Column Description and
		Go to Step 2	<b>Operation</b>
2	Verify that noise is present in the steering column during operation. Is noise present in the steering column during		
	operation?	Go to Step 3	System OK
3	Inspect the steering column components for looseness. Is the steering column components loose?	Go to <b>Step 10</b>	Go to <b>Step 4</b>
4	Inspect the SIR coil for noise. Is the SIR coil noisy?	Go to <b>Step 11</b>	Go to <b>Step 5</b>
5	Inspect the horn contact ring for lubrication. Is the horn contact ring lubricated?	Go to Step 12	Go to <b>Step 6</b>
6	Inspect the lock plate retaining ring for the correct installation. Is the lock plate retaining ring installed properly?	Go to <b>Step 13</b>	Go to <b>Step 7</b>
7	Inspect the shaft bearing for the following conditions: <ul> <li>Damage</li> <li>Lubrication</li> <li>Wear</li> <li>Proper seating</li> </ul>		

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	Are the bearings in need of repair or replacement?	Go to Step 14	Go to Step 8
8	Inspect the spherical joint for lubrication. Is the spherical joint lubricated?	Go to Step 15	Go to <b>Step 9</b>
9	Inspect the steering column coupling for looseness. Is the steering column coupling loose?	Go to Step 16	Go to Step 3
10	Tighten the steering column components to specifications. Refer to <u>Fastener Tightening</u> <u>Specifications</u> . Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 17</b>	-
11	Replace the SIR coil. Refer to <u>Inflatable Restraint</u> <u>Steering Wheel Module Coil Replacement</u> in SIR. Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 17</b>	_
12	Lubricate the horn contact ring. Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 17</b>	-
13	Install the lock plate retaining ring properly. Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 17</b>	-
14	Repair the shaft bearings as necessary. Refer to Steering Column Shaft Replacement. Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 17</b>	-
15	Lubricate the spherical joints. Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 17</b>	-
16	Tighten the steering column coupling to specifications. Refer to <b>Fastener Tightening Specifications</b> . Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 17</b>	-
17	Operate the system in order to verify the repair. Did you correct the condition?	System OK	Go to Step 3

# **HIGH SHIFT EFFORT**

# High Shift Effort

Step	Action	Yes	No
1	Did you review the Steering Wheel and Column Description and operation?	Go to <b>Step 2</b>	Go to <u>Steering</u> Wheel and Column <u>Description and</u> <u>Operation</u>
2	Verify that a high shift effort is required in order to shift out of the PARK position. Does the shifter operate normally?	System OK	Go to <b>Step 3</b>
3	Inspect for worn or damaged shift linkage components. Are the shift linkage components worn or damaged?	Go to Step 5	Go to Step 4
4	Inspect the shift cable for binding or misadjustment. Is the shift cable binding or misadjusted?	Go to <b>Step 6</b>	Go to <b>Step 3</b>
	Replace the shift cable. Refer to <u>Automatic</u>		

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5	<b>Transmission Range Selector Cable Replacement</b> in Automatic Transmission - 4L60-E/4L65-E.		
	Did you complete the repair?	Go to Step 7	-
6	Adjust the shift cable. Refer to <u>Automatic</u> <u>Transmission Range Selector Cable Adjustment</u> in Automatic Transmission - 4L60-E/4L65-E. Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 7</b>	-
7	Operate the system in order to verify the repair. Did you correct the condition?	System OK	Go to Step 3

# LOOSENESS IN STEERING COLUMN

# Looseness in Steering Column

Step	Action	Yes	No
1	Did you review the Steering Wheel and Column Description and Operation and perform the necessary inspections?		Go to <u>Steering</u> Wheel and Column <u>Description and</u>
		Go to Step 2	<b>Operation</b>
2	Verify that the steering column is loose. Is the steering column loose?	Go to Step 3	System OK
3	Inspect the steering column mounting brackets for looseness.		
	Are the steering column mounting brackets loose?	Go to Step 8	Go to Step 4
4	Verify that the steering column bracket capsule is not sheared.		
	Is the steering column bracket capsule sheared?	Go to Step 9	Go to Step 5
5	Inspect the support screws for looseness. Are the support screws loose?	Go to <b>Step 10</b>	Go to <b>Step 6</b>
6	Inspect the intermediate shaft for worn joints or looseness.		
Ŭ	Is the intermediate joint worn or loose?	Go to Step 11	Go to Step 7
_	Inspect the tilt head, support and pivot pins for		
7	looseness. Are there any loose components?	Go to <b>Step 12</b>	Go to Step 2
8	Tighten the brackets to specifications. Refer to <b>Fastener Tightening Specifications</b> .		_
	Did you complete the repair?	Go to Step 13	
9	Replace the jacket assembly. Refer to <u>Steering</u> Column Jacket Replacement.		_
	Did you complete the replacement?	Go to Step 13	
	Tighten the support screws to specifications. Refer to		
10	Fastener Tightening Specifications.		-
	Did you complete the repair?	Go to Step 13	
	Tighten or replace the intermediate shaft as needed. Refer to <b>Intermediate Steering Shaft Replacement -</b>		

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11	<b>Upper</b> and <b>Intermediate Steering Shaft</b> <b>Replacement - Lower</b> . Did you complete the repair?	Go to <b>Step 13</b>	-
12	Repair or replace the tilt head, support and pivot pins as necessary. Refer to <u>Steering Column Tilt Head</u> <u>Housing Replacement</u> . Did you complete the replacement?	Go to <b>Step 13</b>	-
13	Operate the system in order to verify the repair. Did you correct the condition?	System OK	Go to Step 3

# **REPAIR INSTRUCTIONS**

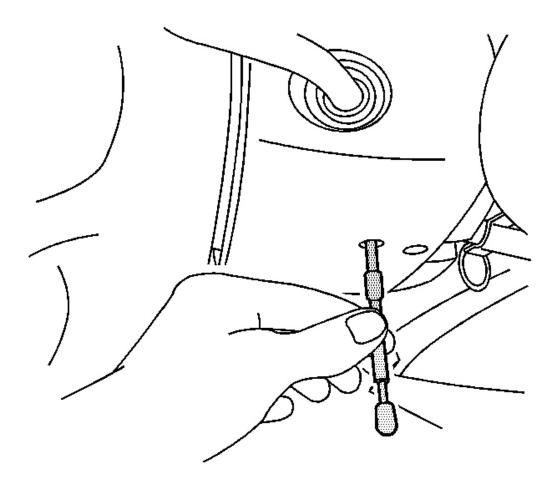
# INTERMEDIATE STEERING SHAFT REPLACEMENT - UPPER

**Tools Required** 

J 42640 Steering Column Lock Pin

**Removal Procedure** 

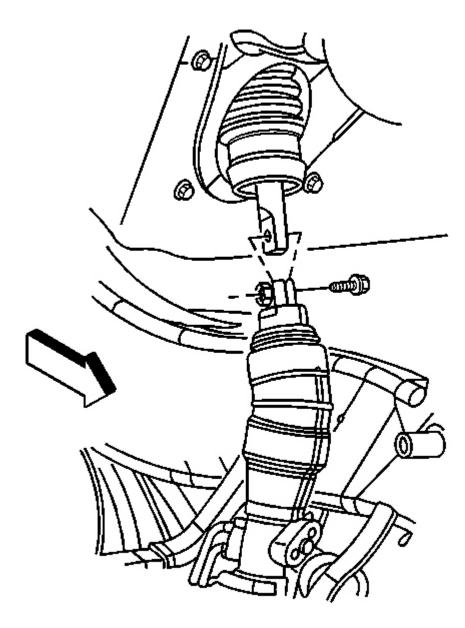
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# **<u>Fig. 5: Identifying J 42640</u>** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- NOTE: The front wheels of the vehicle must be maintained in the straight ahead position and the steering column must be in the LOCK position before disconnecting the steering column or intermediate shaft. Failure to follow these procedures will cause improper alignment of some components during installation and result in damage to the SIR coil assembly.
- 1. Turn the steering wheel so that the front wheels are pointing straight ahead.
- 2. Turn the ignition switch to the lock position and remove the key.
- 3. Lock the steering column through the access hole in the lower steering column trim cover using J 42640.

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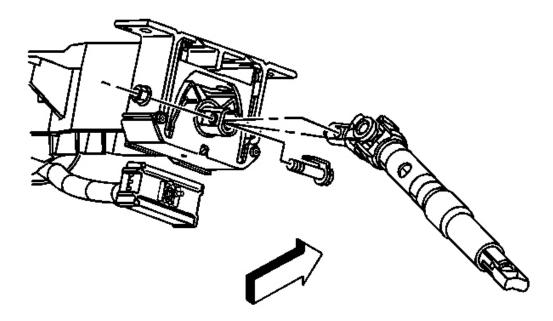


#### **Fig. 6: Steering Column To Steering Gear Connection Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

- 4. Disconnect the upper intermediate shaft boot from the lower intermediate shaft boot to gain access to the upper intermediate shaft to lower intermediate pinch bolt.
- 5. Remove the upper intermediate shaft to lower intermediate shaft pinch bolt.

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6. Disconnect the upper intermediate shaft from the lower intermediate shaft.



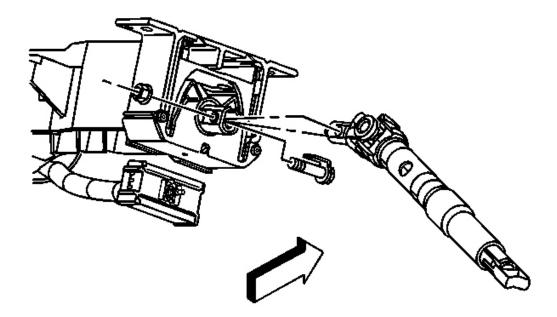
**Fig. 7: View Of Steering Column & Upper Intermediate Shaft Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.** 

#### IMPORTANT: Note the direction of upper intermediate shaft to steering column pinch bolt for installation. The bolt must be installed in the same direction it was removed.

- 7. Remove the upper intermediate shaft to steering column pinch bolt.
- 8. Disconnect the upper intermediate shaft from the steering column.
- 9. Remove the upper intermediate shaft from the vehicle.

#### **Installation Procedure**

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# Fig. 8: View Of Steering Column & Upper Intermediate Shaft Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 1. Install the upper intermediate shaft to the vehicle.
- 2. Connect the upper intermediate shaft to the steering column.

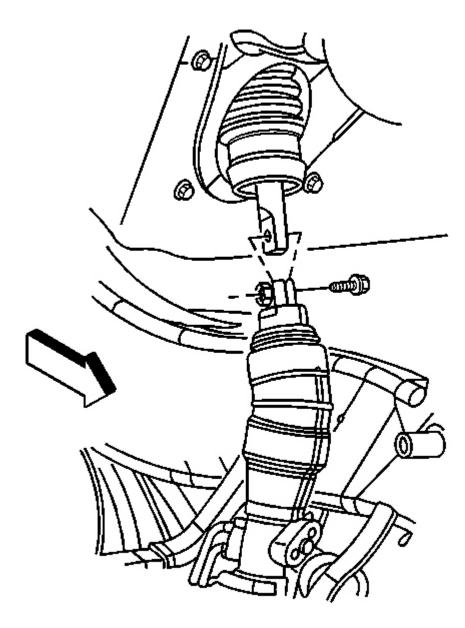
# NOTE: Refer to Fastener Notice in Cautions and Notices.

# IMPORTANT: The upper intermediate shaft to the steering column pinch bolt must be installed in the same direction it was removed or the pinch bolt will contact the steering column housing.

3. Install the upper intermediate shaft to the steering column pinch bolt and nut.

Tighten: Tighten the upper intermediate shaft to the steering column pinch bolt nut to 50 N.m (37 ft. lb.).

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# **Fig. 9: Steering Column To Steering Gear Connection Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

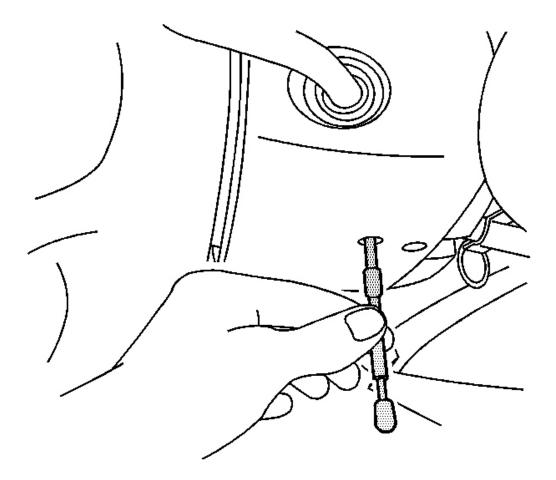
- 4. Connect the upper intermediate shaft to the lower intermediate shaft.
- 5. Install the upper intermediate shaft to the lower intermediate shaft pinch bolt.

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**Tighten:** Tighten the upper intermediate shaft to the lower intermediate shaft pinch bolt to 50 N.m (37 ft. lb.).

# IMPORTANT: The upper intermediate shaft boot must completely cover the white insert of the lower intermediate shaft boot to ensure proper sealing.

6. Connect the upper intermediate shaft boot to the lower intermediate shaft boot.



#### **Fig. 10: Identifying J 42640** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

7. Unlock the steering column by removing J 42640 from the steering column lower trim cover access hole.

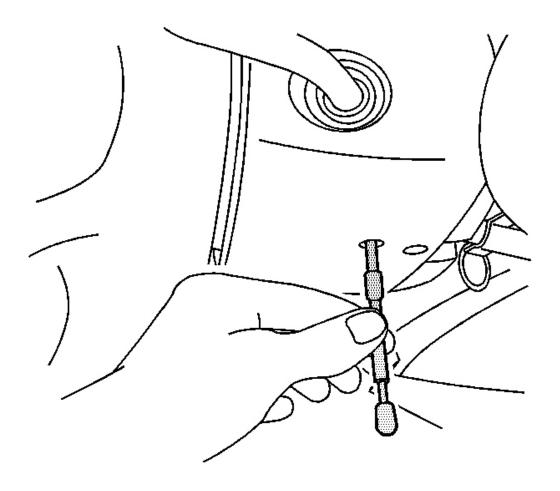
#### INTERMEDIATE STEERING SHAFT REPLACEMENT - LOWER

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#### **Tools Required**

J 42640 Steering Column Lock Pin

#### **Removal Procedure**

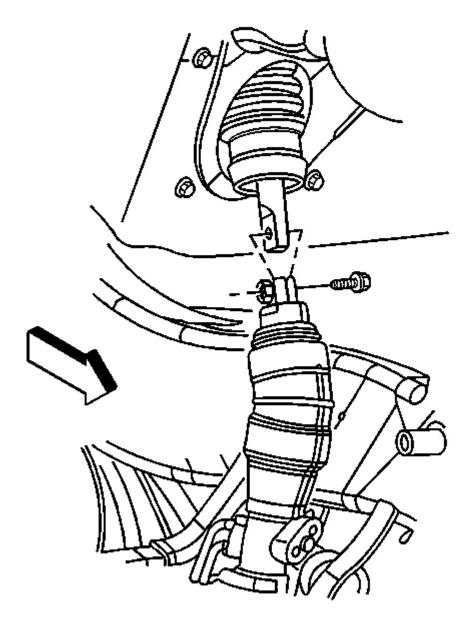


#### **<u>Fig. 11: Identifying J 42640</u>** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- NOTE: The front wheels of the vehicle must be maintained in the straight ahead position and the steering column must be in the LOCK position before disconnecting the steering column or intermediate shaft. Failure to follow these procedures will cause improper alignment of some components during installation and result in damage to the SIR coil assembly.
- 1 Turn the steering wheel so that the front wheels are pointing straight ahead

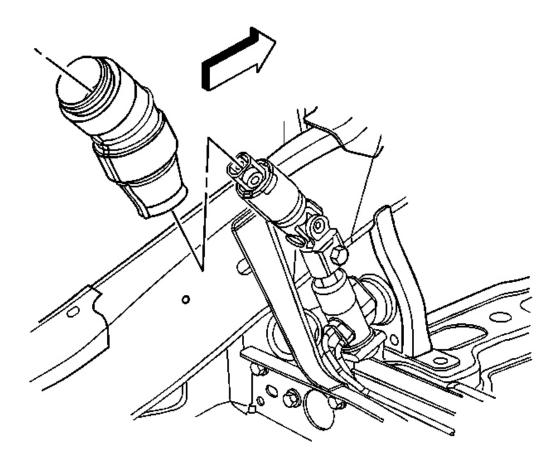
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- 2. Turn the ignition switch to the lock position and remove the key.
- 3. Lock the steering column through the access hole in the lower steering column trim cover using J 42640.



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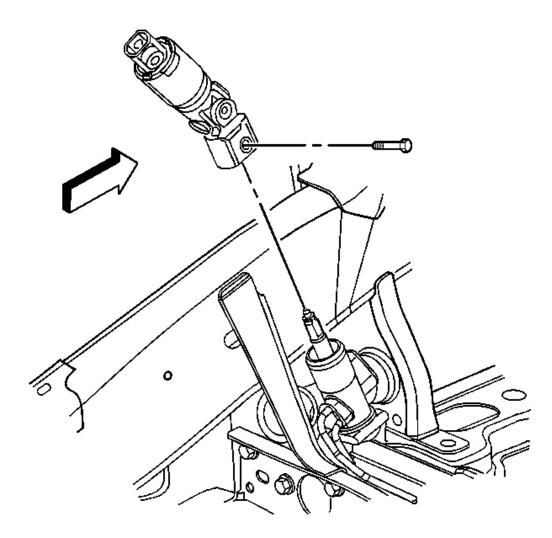
- 4. Disconnect the upper intermediate shaft boot from the lower intermediate shaft boot to gain access to the pinch bolt which secures the two shafts.
- 5. Remove the pinch bolt.
- 6. Disconnect the lower intermediate shaft from the upper intermediate shaft.



#### **Fig. 13: Removing/Installing Intermediate Shaft Boot** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

7. Disconnect the lower intermediate shaft boot from the power steering gear and remove lower intermediate shaft boot from the vehicle.

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# **Fig. 14: Removing/Installing Lower Intermediate Shaft** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

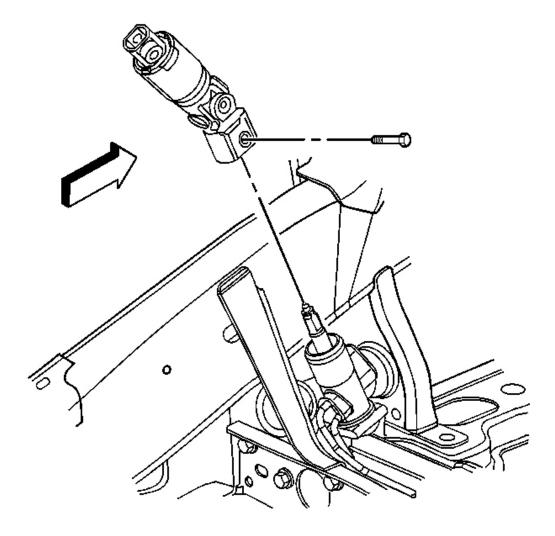
8. Raise and support the vehicle. Refer to <u>Lifting and Jacking the Vehicle</u> in General Information.

#### IMPORTANT: Note the relationship of the intermediate shaft to the power steering gear and the intermediate shaft to the steering column in order to ensure proper installation.

- 9. Remove the input shaft pinch bolt which secures the lower intermediate shaft to the power steering gear.
- 10. Disconnect the shaft from the power steering gear.
- 11. Remove the shaft from the vehicle.

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#### **Installation Procedure**



# **Fig. 15: Removing/Installing Lower Intermediate Shaft** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

1. Install the lower intermediate shaft to the vehicle.

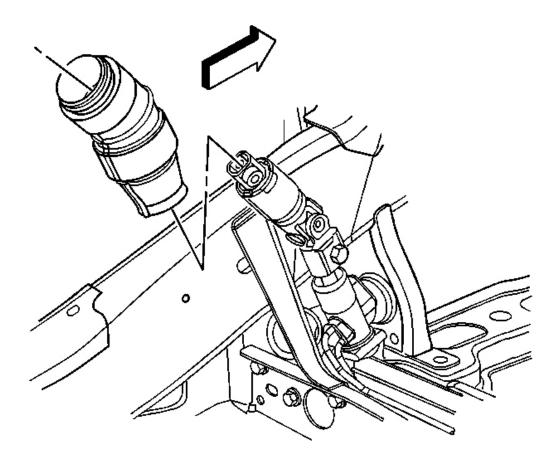
# NOTE: Refer to <u>Fastener Notice</u> in Cautions and Notices.

2. Connect the lower intermediate shaft to the power steering gear and install the input shaft pinch bolt.

Tighten: Tighten the pinch bolt to 50 N.m (37 ft. lb.).

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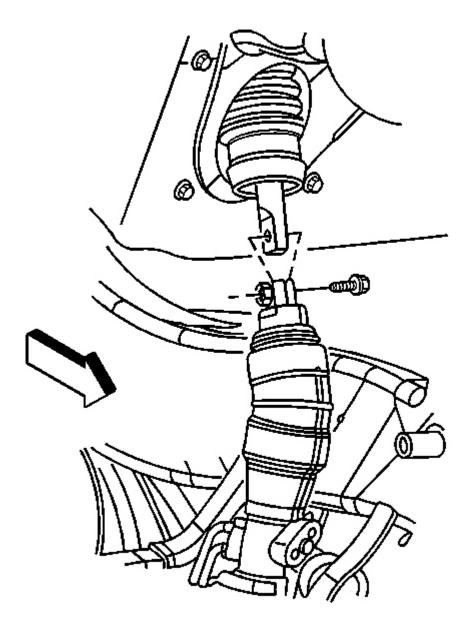
3. Lower the vehicle.



# **Fig. 16: Removing/Installing Intermediate Shaft Boot** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

4. Install the lower intermediate shaft boot and connect the boot to the power steering gear.

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# **Fig. 17: Steering Column To Steering Gear Connection Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

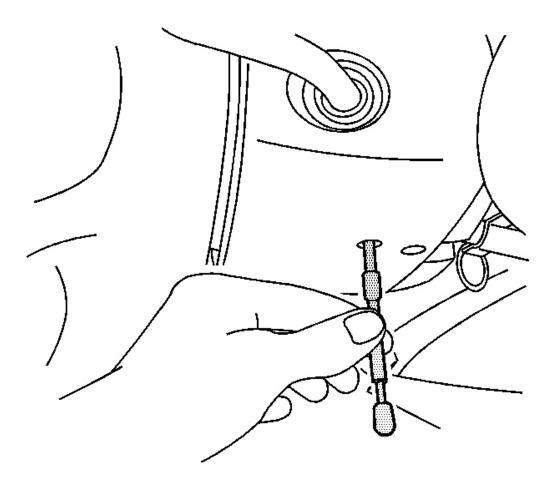
- 5. Connect the lower intermediate shaft to the upper intermediate shaft.
- 6. Install the pinch bolt that secures the two shafts.

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Tighten: Tighten the pinch bolt to 50 N.m (37 ft. lb.).

# IMPORTANT: The upper intermediate shaft boot must completely cover the white insert of the lower intermediate shaft boot to ensure proper sealing.

7. Connect the upper intermediate shaft boot to the lower intermediate shaft boot.

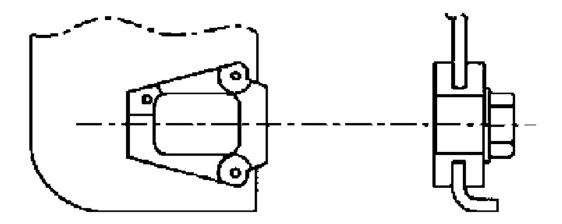


#### **<u>Fig. 18: Identifying J 42640</u>** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

8. Unlock the steering column by removing J 42640 from the steering column lower trim cover access hole.

#### STEERING COLUMN ACCIDENT DAMAGE INSPECTION

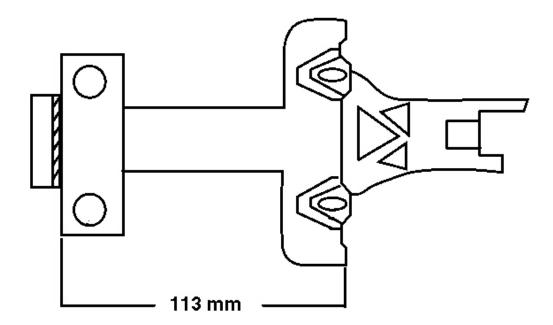
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#### **Fig. 19: Inspecting Capsules On Steering Column Bracket Assembly Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

- Vehicles involved in accidents involving the following conditions may also have a damaged or misaligned steering column:
  - Frame damage
  - o Major body or sheet metal damage
  - Where the steering column has been impacted
  - Where supplemental inflatable restraint systems deployed
- Inspect the capsules on the steering column bracket assembly. All capsules must be securely seated in the bracket slots and inspected for any loose conditions when pushed or pulled by hand.
- Observe how the bracket is attached to the jacket assembly.
  - If the capsules are not securely seated and the bracket is bolted to the jacket assembly, replace only the bracket.
  - $\circ\,$  If the capsules are not securely seated and the bracket is welded to the jacket assembly, replace only the jacket assembly.

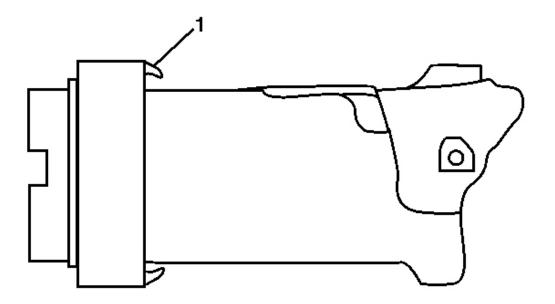
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# **Fig. 20: Inspecting Jacket Assembly** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

• Inspect for jacket assembly collapse by measuring the distance from the lower edge of the upper jacket to a defined point on the lower jacket. Replace the jacket assembly if the measured dimensions are not within specifications.

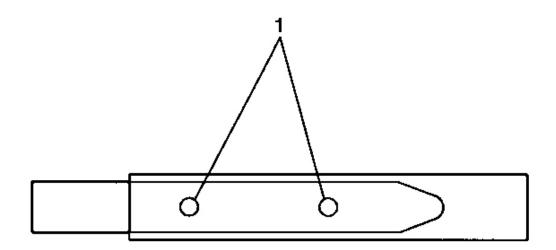
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# **Fig. 21: Inspecting Bearing & Adapter Assembly Tab For Breakage** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

• Inspect for tab (1) breakage on the bearing and adapter assembly.

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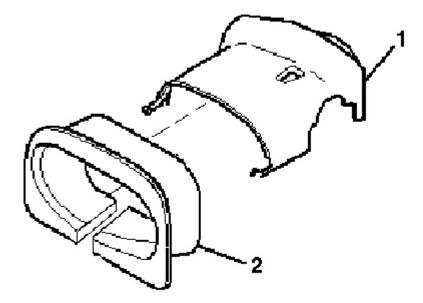
#### **Fig. 22: Inspecting Steering Shaft For Sheared Injected Plastic** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- Visually inspect the steering shaft for sheared injected plastic (1). If the steering shaft shows sheared plastic, replace the steering shaft.
- Any frame damage that could cause a bent steering shaft must have the steering shaft runout checked. Using a dial indicator at the lower end of the steering shaft, rotate the steering wheel. The runout must not exceed 1.60 mm (0.06 in).

# STEERING COLUMN TRIM COVERS REPLACEMENT

#### **Removal Procedure**

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**Fig. 23: Removing/Installing Closeout & Upper Trim Covers** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

CAUTION: Refer to <u>SIR Caution</u> in Cautions and Notices.

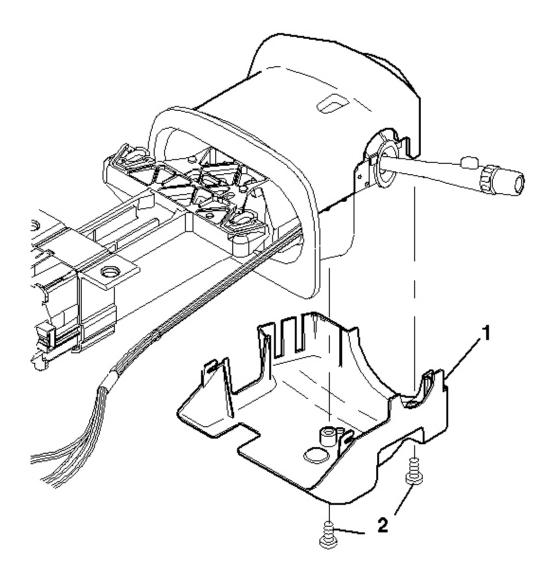
- 1. Disable the SIR system. Refer to **<u>SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3</u>** in SIR.
- 2. Remove the steering wheel. Refer to Steering Wheel Replacement.
- 3. Remove the tilt lever. Refer to **<u>Tilt Lever Replacement</u>**.

# NOTE: Remove the closeout trim cover following the exact procedure listed below in order not to damage the snaps on the upper trim cover.

- 4. Disengage the closeout trim cover (2) from the upper trim cover (1) in the following order:
  - 1. Stand in front of the column from the drivers point of view.
  - 2. On the left side, gently pull downwards on the left side of the closeout trim cover to loosen 1 snap. Do NOT fully remove the closeout trim cover.
  - 3. On the right side, gently pull downwards on the right side of the closeout trim cover to loosen 1 snap. Do NOT fully remove the closeout trim cover.
  - 4. Starting from the left side of the trim covers, gently roll the closeout trim cover to the right to

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disengage the remaining 4 snaps.



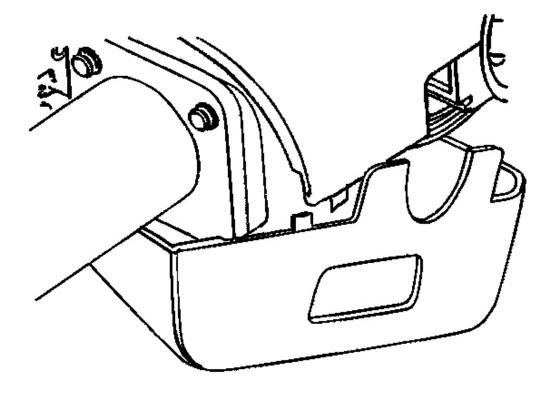
**Fig. 24: Removing/Installing Lower Steering Column Cover** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

# IMPORTANT: You must inspect for 2 pan head tapping screws (2) in the lower trim cover (1) before removal.

5. If necessary, remove the 2 pan head tapping screws (2) from the lower trim cover (1). Remove the lower trim cover (1).

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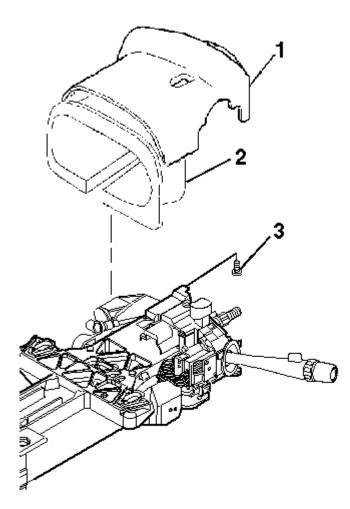
6. If no screws are present in the lower trim cover, proceed to the next step.



### **Fig. 25: View Of Lower Trim Cover At Upper Trim Cover Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

7. Gently unsnap the lower trim cover from the upper trim cover.

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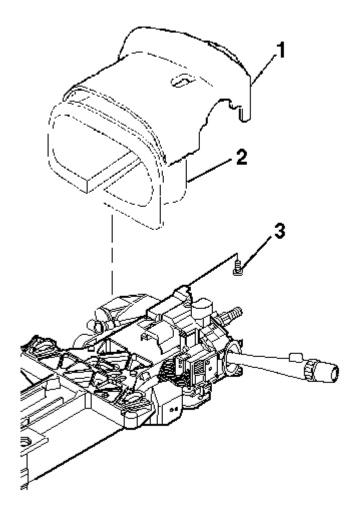


**Fig. 26: View Of Upper Steering Column Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.** 

# IMPORTANT: You must inspect for 1 TORX® head screw (3) in the upper trim cover (1) before removal.

- 8. If necessary, remove 1 TORX® head screw (3) from the upper trim cover (1) and the closeout trim cover (2) for removal.
- 9. If no screw is present, remove the upper trim cover (1) with the closeout trim cover (2).

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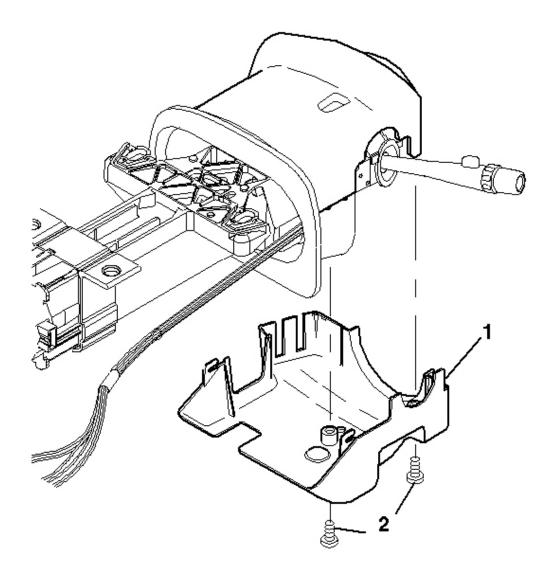
**Fig. 27: View Of Upper Steering Column** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- **NOTE:** Refer to <u>Fastener Notice</u> in Cautions and Notices.
- IMPORTANT: If the snap on/off feature on the trim covers was damaged during the removal procedure, you must use screws for the installation procedure. If screws were present in the trim covers before the removal procedure, you must use the screws during the installation procedure. If there was not any damage done to the trim covers during the removal procedure and no screws were present, proceed to step 6.

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1. Install the upper trim cover (1) with the closeout trim cover (2) and secure by using 1 TORX® head screw (3).

**Tighten:** Tighten the screw to 1 N.m (9 in. lb.).



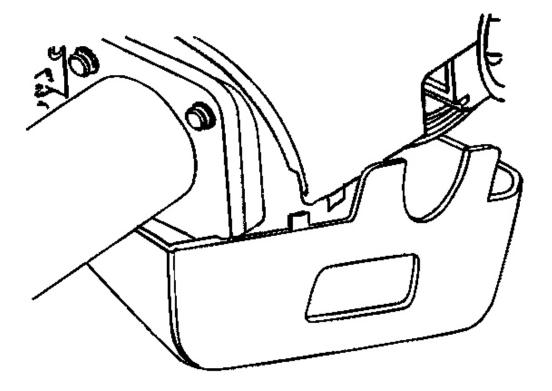
# **Fig. 28: Removing/Installing Lower Steering Column Cover** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 2. Install the lower trim cover (1).
- 3. Connect the lower trim cover (1) to the closeout trim cover.

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4. Install 2 pan head tapping screws (2).

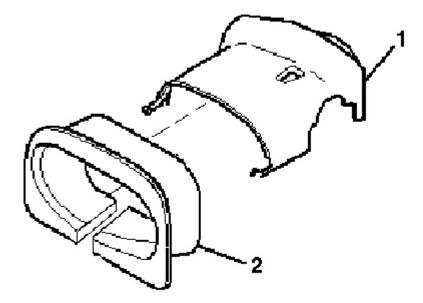
Tighten: Tighten the screws to 3.5 N.m (31 in. lb.).



### **Fig. 29: View Of Lower Trim Cover At Upper Trim Cover Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

- 5. Install the upper and lower trim covers onto the steering column.
- 6. Gently snap the upper and lower trim covers together.

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### **Fig. 30: Removing/Installing Closeout & Upper Trim Covers Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

- 7. Install the closeout trim cover (2) onto the upper trim cover (1).
- 8. Install the tilt lever. Refer to **<u>Tilt Lever Replacement</u>**.
- 9. Install the steering wheel. Refer to Steering Wheel Replacement.
- 10. Enable the SIR system. Refer to SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3 in SIR.

### **IGNITION SWITCH REPLACEMENT**

### **Tools Required**

J 42759 Ignition Switch Connector Release Tool. See Special Tools and Equipment.

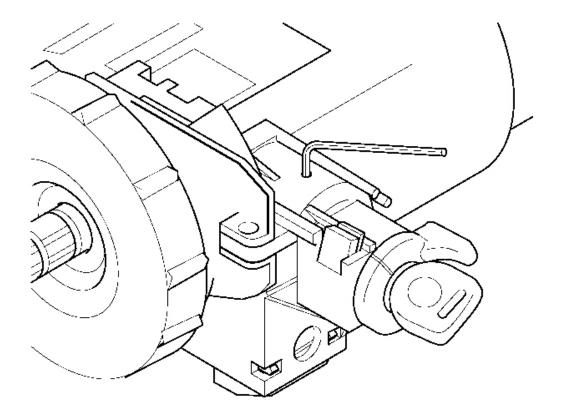
### **Removal Procedure**

1. Disconnect the negative battery cable. Refer to **<u>Battery Negative Cable Disconnect/Connect Procedure</u>** in Engine Electrical.

CAUTION: Refer to SIR Caution in Cautions and Notices.

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- 2. Disable the SIR system. Refer to **SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3** in SIR.
- 3. Remove the hush and knee bolster. Refer to <u>Knee Bolster Replacement</u> in Instrument Panel, Gages, and Console.
- 4. Remove the steering column trim covers. Refer to Steering Column Trim Covers Replacement.
- 5. With the key installed, turn the key to the RUN position.

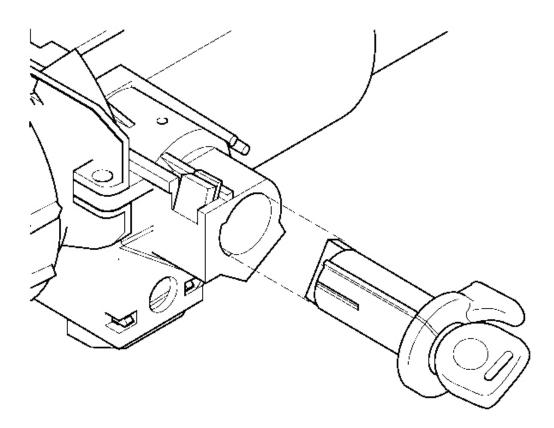


### **Fig. 31: Releasing/Installing Lock Cylinder Using Allen Wrench Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

6. Install an Allen wrench into the hole on top of the lock cylinder housing.

Push down on the Allen wrench to release the tab on the lock cylinder inside the lock cylinder housing.

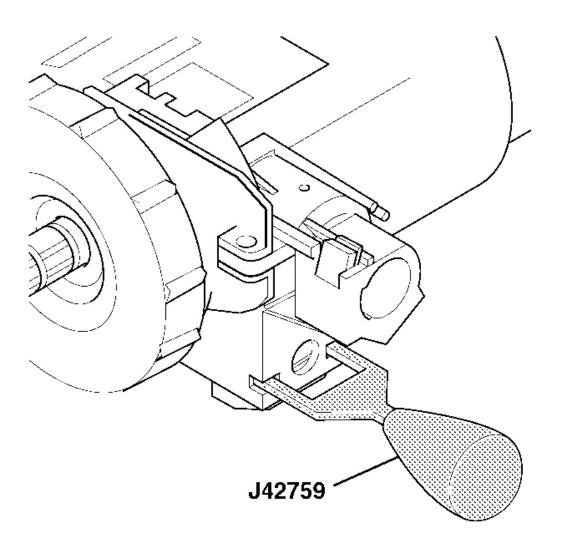
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# **Fig. 32: View Of Lock Cylinder At Lock Cylinder Housing Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

- 7. Slide the lock cylinder out of the lock cylinder housing.
- 8. Disconnect the passlock and key buzzer from the lock cylinder housing.

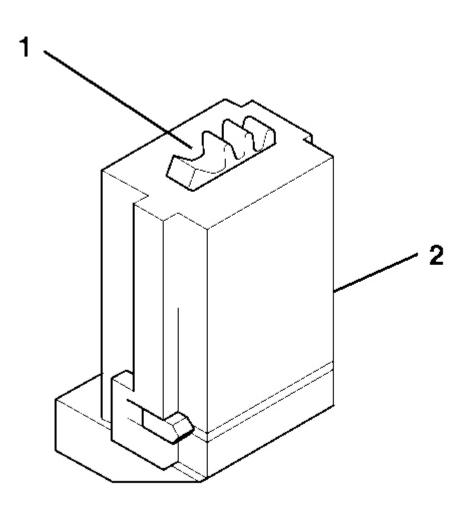
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# Fig. 33: Inserting J 42759 Into Lock Cylinder Housing To Release Tabs On Ignition Switch Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 9. Insert **J 42759** into the lock cylinder housing to release the tabs on the ignition switch. See <u>Special Tools</u> <u>and Equipment</u>.
- 10. Pull the ignition switch out of the lock cylinder housing.
- 11. Disconnect the connector from the ignition switch.

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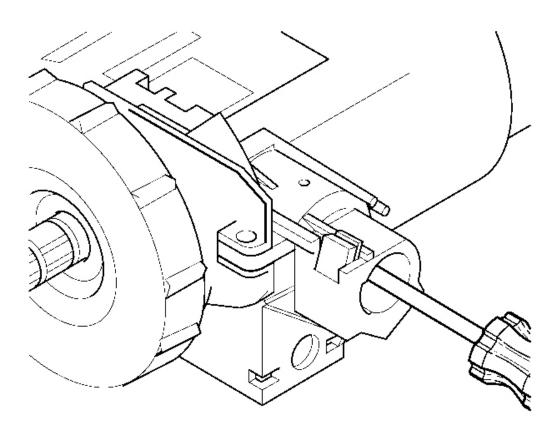


**Fig. 34: Aligning Gear In Ignition Switch Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.** 

IMPORTANT: The gears between the ignition switch and the lock cylinder housing must be in the correct position. Failure to do so will cause a misalignment of the gears in the ignition switch and the lock cylinder housing, which may result in a NO START or BATTERY DRAIN.

1. Verify the alignment of the gear (1) in the ignition switch (2). If gear (1) is not in position shown, turn gear in ignition switch (2) until you reach the correct position.

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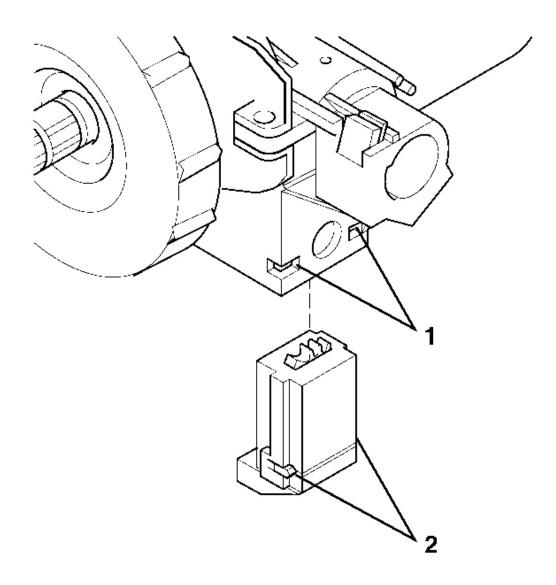


**Fig. 35: Using Screwdriver To Rotate Lock Cylinder Housing Gear** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

# IMPORTANT: In order to reach a stop while rotating the lock cylinder housing gear you MUST push and hold in the solenoid on the electric park lock.

- 2. Use a screwdriver to rotate the lock cylinder housing gear counterclockwise until it hits a stop.
- 3. Connect the connector to the ignition switch.

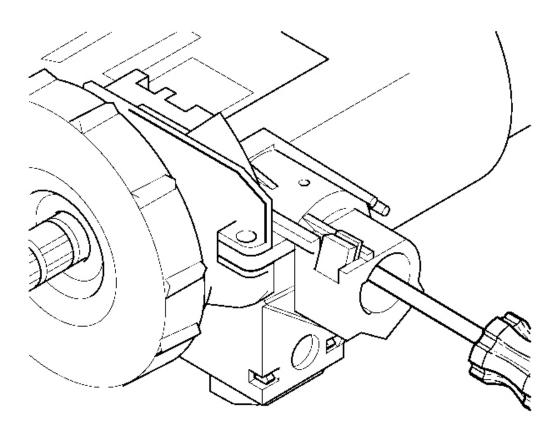
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# **Fig. 36: Inserting Ignition Switch Into Lock Cylinder Housing Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

4. Insert the ignition switch into the lock cylinder housing. The tabs (2) on the ignition switch MUST be seated inside the lock cylinder housing (1) for proper installation.

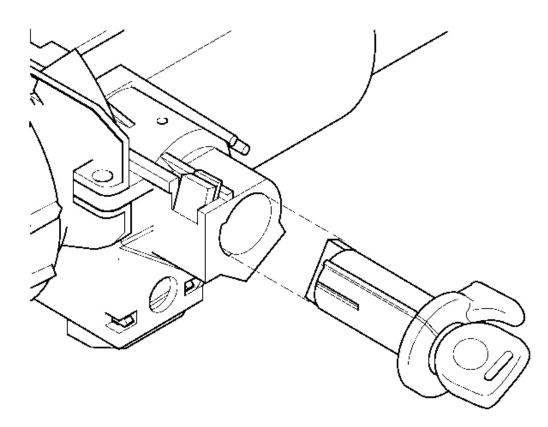
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# **Fig. 37: Using Screwdriver To Rotate Lock Cylinder Housing Gear** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

5. Use a screwdriver to rotate the lock cylinder housing gear clockwise to the START position - allowing it to spring return into the RUN position.

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### **Fig. 38: View Of Lock Cylinder At Lock Cylinder Housing Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

- 6. Align the lock cylinder and install the lock cylinder into the lock cylinder housing.
- 7. Connect the passlock and key buzzer into the lock housing.
- 8. Install the steering column trim covers. Refer to Steering Column Trim Covers Replacement.
- 9. Install the hush and knee bolster. Refer to <u>Knee Bolster Replacement</u> in Instrument Panel, Gages, and Console.
- 10. Enable the SIR system. Refer to SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3 in SIR.
- 11. Connect the negative battery cable. Refer to **<u>Battery Negative Cable Disconnect/Connect Procedure</u> in Engine Electrical.**

### **IGNITION LOCK CYLINDER REPLACEMENT**

### **Removal Procedure**

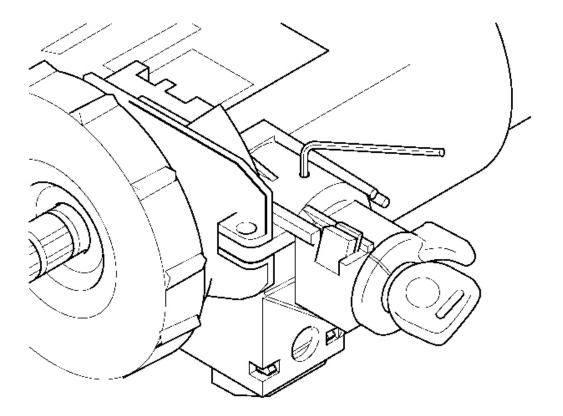
1. Disconnect the negative battery cable. Refer to **Battery Negative Cable Disconnect/Connect Procedure** 

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in Engine Electrical.

### CAUTION: Refer to <u>SIR Caution</u> in Cautions and Notices.

- 2. Disable the SIR system. Refer to SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3 in SIR.
- 3. Lower the hush and knee bolster. Refer to <u>Knee Bolster Replacement</u> in Instrument Panel, Gauges, and Console.
- 4. Remove the steering column trim covers. Refer to Steering Column Trim Covers Replacement.
- 5. With the key installed, turn the key to the RUN position.

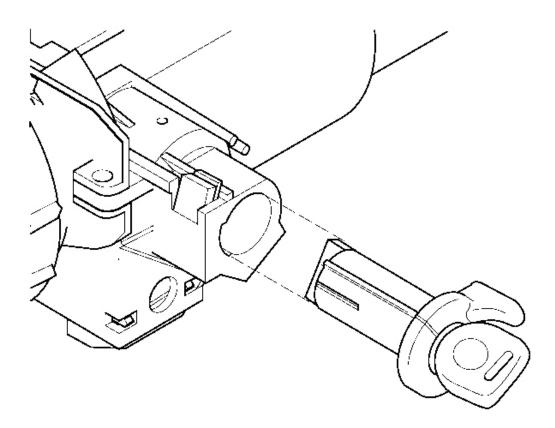


### **Fig. 39: Releasing/Installing Lock Cylinder Using Allen Wrench** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

6. Install an Allen wrench into the hole on top of the lock cylinder housing.

Push down on the Allen wrench to release the tab on the lock cylinder inside the lock cylinder housing.

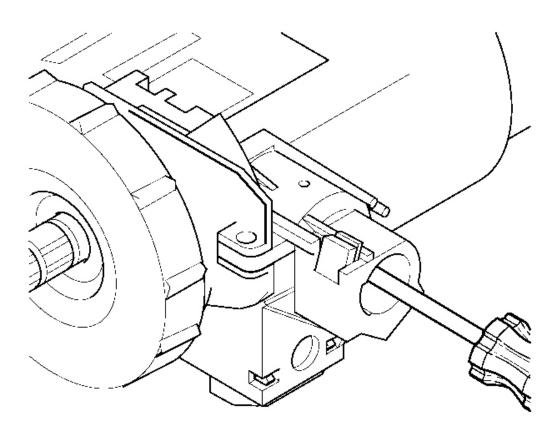
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# **Fig. 40: View Of Lock Cylinder At Lock Cylinder Housing Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

7. Slide the lock cylinder out of the lock cylinder housing.

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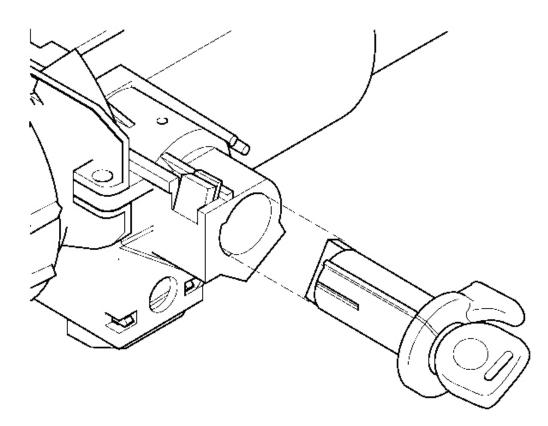
**Fig. 41: Using Screwdriver To Rotate Lock Cylinder Housing Gear** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

1. Install the key into the lock cylinder.

IMPORTANT: The gears between the ignition switch and the lock cylinder housing must be in the correct position. Failure to do so will cause a misalignment of the gears in the ignition switch and the lock cylinder housing, which may result in a NO START or BATTERY DRAIN.

2. Use a screwdriver to rotate the lock cylinder housing gear clockwise to the start position - allowing it to spring return into the RUN position.

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### **Fig. 42: View Of Lock Cylinder At Lock Cylinder Housing Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

- 3. Align the lock cylinder and install into the lock cylinder housing.
- 4. Install the steering column trim covers. Refer to Steering Column Trim Covers Replacement.
- 5. Install the hush and knee bolster. Refer to <u>Knee Bolster Replacement</u> in Instrument Panel, Gauges, and Console.
- 6. Enable the SIR system. Refer to **<u>SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3</u>** in SIR.
- 7. Connect the negative battery cable. Refer to **<u>Battery Negative Cable Disconnect/Connect Procedure</u> in Engine Electrical.**

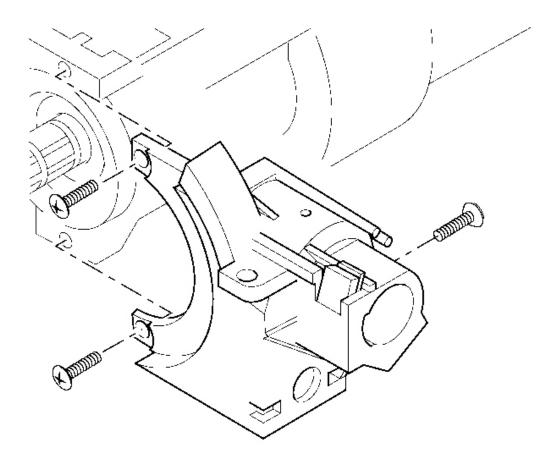
### IGNITION LOCK CYLINDER CASE REPLACEMENT

### **Removal Procedure**

CAUTION: Refer to <u>SIR Caution</u> in Cautions and Notices.

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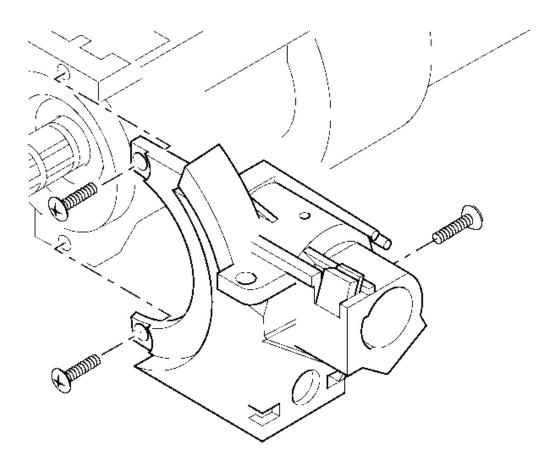
- 1. Disable the SIR system. Refer to **SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3** in SIR.
- 2. Remove the ignition switch. Refer to **Ignition Switch Replacement**.
- 3. Remove the turn signal cancel cam. Refer to <u>Turn Signal Cancel Cam and Steering Shaft Upper</u> <u>Bearing Spring Replacement</u>.
- 4. Remove the park lock cable from the lock cylinder housing.



### **Fig. 43: View Of Lock Cylinder Housing TORX Screws Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

- 5. Remove 3 TORX® screws.
- 6. Remove the lock cylinder housing from the steering column.

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### **Fig. 44: View Of Lock Cylinder Housing TORX Screws Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

### NOTE: Refer to <u>Fastener Notice</u> in Cautions and Notices.

1. Install 3 TORX® screws into the lock cylinder housing.

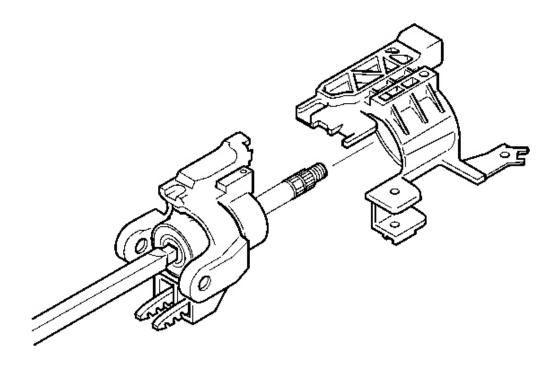
Tighten: Tighten the TORX® screws to 7N.m (62 in. lb.).

- 2. Install the turn signal cancel cam. Refer to <u>Turn Signal Cancel Cam and Steering Shaft Upper</u> <u>Bearing Spring Replacement</u>.
- 3. Install the park lock cable into the lock cylinder housing.
- 4. Install the ignition switch. Refer to **Ignition Switch Replacement**.
- 5. Enable the SIR system. Refer to **<u>SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3</u>** in SIR.

#### MULTIFUNCTION TURN SIGNAL SWITCH HOUSING REPLACEMENT

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### **Removal Procedure**



**Fig. 45: View Of Turn Signal Switch Housing & Steering Column Shaft Assembly** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

### CAUTION: Refer to <u>SIR Caution</u> in Cautions and Notices.

- 1. Disable the SIR system. Refer to **<u>SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3</u>** in SIR.
- 2. Remove the steering wheel from the column. Refer to Steering Wheel Replacement.
- 3. Remove the ignition lock cylinder case assembly. Refer to **Ignition Lock Cylinder Case Replacement**.
- 4. Remove the turn signal and multifunction switch assembly. Refer to <u>Multifunction, Turn Signal Switch</u> <u>Replacement</u>.
- 5. Slide the turn signal switch housing off of the steering column shaft assembly.

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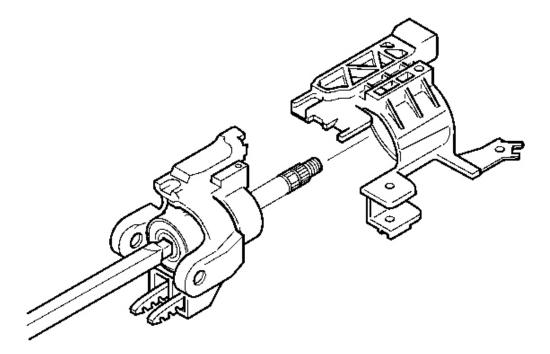


Fig. 46: View Of Turn Signal Switch Housing & Steering Column Shaft Assembly Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

# IMPORTANT: The turn signal switch housing must be pressed firmly against the steering column tilt head in order for the screws from the turn signal and multifunction switch assembly screws to line up.

- 1. Slide the turn signal switch housing onto the steering column shaft assembly.
- 2. Install the turn signal and multifunction switch assembly. Refer to <u>Multifunction, Turn Signal Switch</u> <u>Replacement</u>.
- 3. Install the ignition lock cylinder case. Refer to **Ignition Lock Cylinder Case Replacement**.
- 4. Install the steering wheel onto the column. Refer to Steering Wheel Replacement.
- 5. Enable the SIR system. Refer to **<u>SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3</u>** in SIR.

# TURN SIGNAL CANCEL CAM AND STEERING SHAFT UPPER BEARING SPRING REPLACEMENT

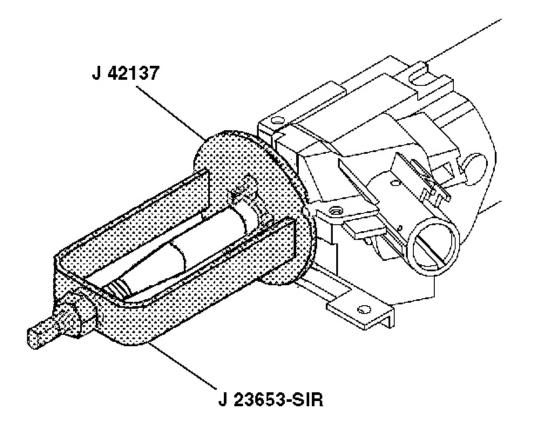
### **Tools Required**

• J 23653-SIR Steering Column Lock Plate Compressor

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• J 42137 Steering Column Lock Plate Compressor Adapter. See Special Tools and Equipment.

**Removal Procedure** 



### **Fig. 47: Depressing Lock Plate Using J 23653-SIR And J 42137** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

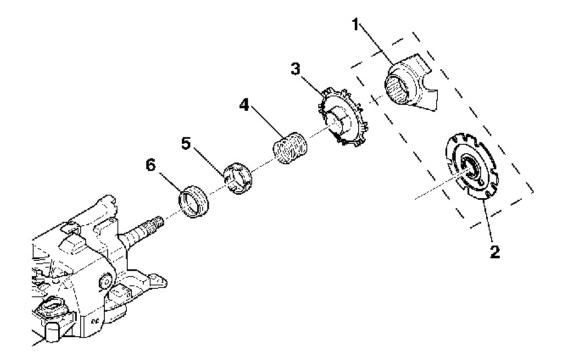
# CAUTION: Refer to <u>SIR Caution</u> in Cautions and Notices.

- 1. Disable the SIR system. Refer to **SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3** in SIR.
- 2. Remove the SIR coil. Refer to Inflatable Restraint Steering Wheel Module Coil Replacement in SIR.
- 3. Remove and discard the bearing retainer using J 23653-SIR and J 42137 . See Special Tools and

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### <u>Equipment</u>.

4. Remove J 23653-SIR and J 42137 from the steering shaft. See Special Tools and Equipment.



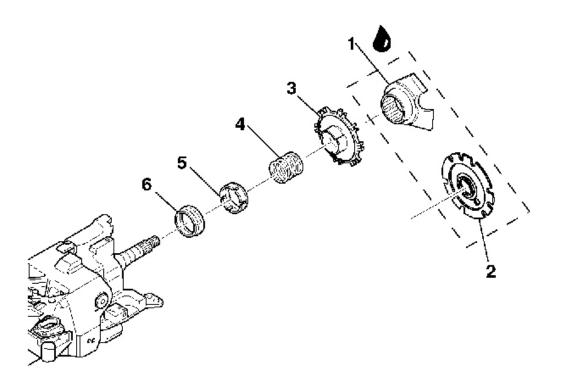
### Fig. 48: Removing Shift Lock, Cancel Cam, Upper Bearing & Spring Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

5. Remove the shaft lock (2) or the cam orientation plate (1).

### **IMPORTANT:** Do not wipe the lubricant off the turn signal cancel cam assembly.

- 6. Remove the turn signal cancel cam assembly (3).
- 7. Remove the upper bearing spring (4).
- 8. Remove the upper bearing inner race seat (5).
- 9. Remove the inner race (6).

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### **Fig. 49: Installing Shift Lock, Cancel Cam, Upper Bearing & Spring** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 1. Install the inner race (6).
- 2. Install the upper bearing inner race seat (5).
- 3. Install the upper bearing spring (4).

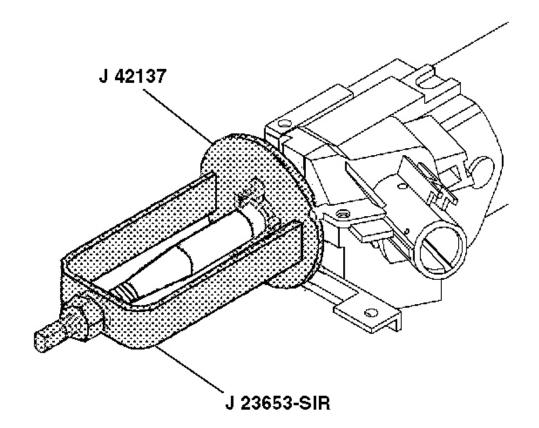
# IMPORTANT: The electrical contact of the turn signal and multifunction switch assembly must rest on the turn signal cancel cam assembly.

4. If replacing the turn signal cancel cam (3), lubricate the new turn signal cancel cam with GM P/N 12377900 (Canadian P/N 10953529).

Install the turn signal cancel cam assembly (3).

5. Install the shaft lock (2) or the cam orientation plate (1).

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### **Fig. 50: Depressing Lock Plate Using J 23653-SIR And J 42137** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 6. Install the new bearing retainer using J 23653-SIR and J 42137 . See Special Tools and Equipment.
- 7. Remove J 23653-SIR and J 42137 from the steering shaft. See <u>Special Tools and Equipment</u>.

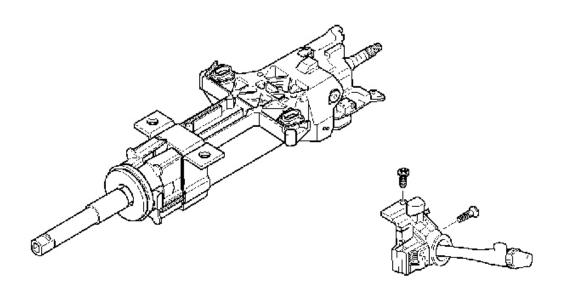
# CAUTION: Refer to SIR Inflator Module Coil Caution in Cautions and Notices.

- 8. Install the SIR coil. Refer to **Inflatable Restraint Steering Wheel Module Coil Replacement** in SIR.
- 9. Enable the SIR system. Refer to **<u>SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3</u>** in SIR.

### MULTIFUNCTION, TURN SIGNAL SWITCH REPLACEMENT

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### **Removal Procedure**

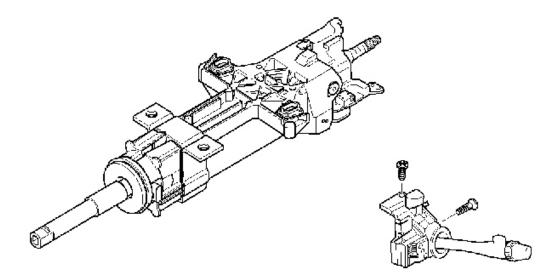


**Fig. 51: Removing/Installing Turn Signal Switch Assembly** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

### CAUTION: Refer to <u>SIR Caution</u> in Cautions and Notices.

- 1. Disable the SIR system. Refer to SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3 in SIR.
- 2. Remove the upper and lower trim covers. Refer to Steering Column Trim Covers Replacement.
- 3. Tilt the column to the CENTER position.
- 4. Disconnect the connectors from the turn signal and multifunction switch assembly.
- 5. Remove the turn signal and multifunction switch assembly.
- 6. Remove 2 pan head tapping screws from the turn signal and multifunction switch assembly.

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**Fig. 52: Removing/Installing Turn Signal Switch Assembly Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.** 

# IMPORTANT: The electrical contact on the turn signal and multifunction switch assembly must rest on the turn signal cancel cam assembly.

1. Install the turn signal and multifunction switch assembly.

### NOTE: Refer to <u>Fastener Notice</u> in Cautions and Notices.

2. Secure by using 2 pan head tapping screws.

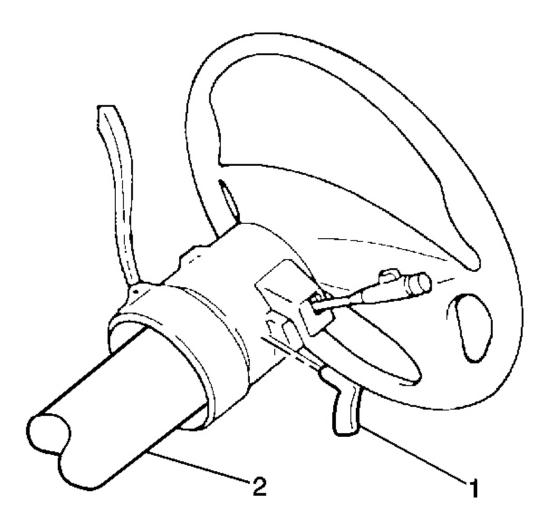
### **Tighten:**

- Tighten the screw on the top of the column to 3 N.m (27 in. lb.).
- Tighten the screw on the side to 7 N.m (62 in. lb.).
- 3. Connect the connectors to the turn signal and multifunction switch assembly.
- 4. Install the upper and lower trim covers. Refer to Steering Column Trim Covers Replacement.
- 5. Enable the SIR system. Refer to **<u>SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3</u>** in SIR.

### TILT LEVER REPLACEMENT

### **Removal Procedure**

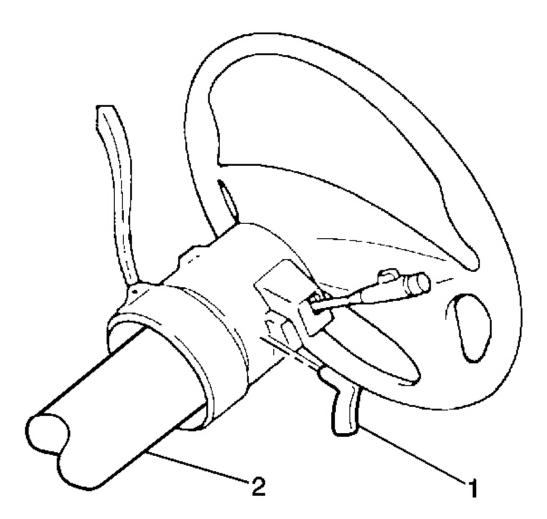
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# **Fig. 53: View Of Upper Steering Column With Tilt Lever** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

Pull the tilt steering column lever (1) out from the steering column (2).

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### **Fig. 54: View Of Upper Steering Column With Tilt Lever** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

Align the tilt steering column lever (1) and push the lever into the steering column (2).

### HORN SWITCH REPLACEMENT

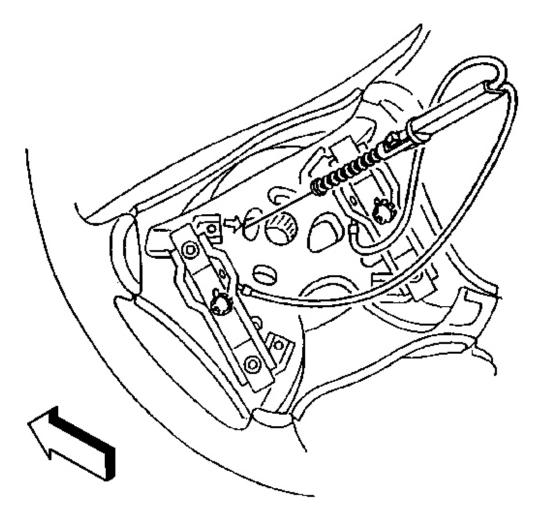
**Removal Procedure** 

CAUTION: Refer to Servicing the SIR System Caution in Cautions and Notices.

1. Disable the SIR system. Refer to **SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3** in SIR.

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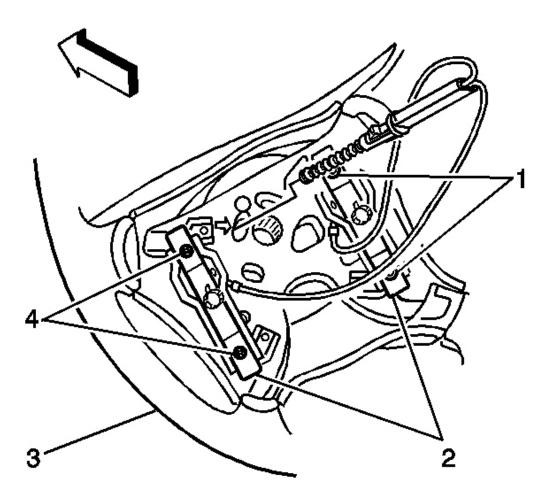
2. Remove the Inflatable Restraint Steering Wheel module. Refer to <u>Inflatable Restraint Steering Wheel</u> <u>Module Replacement</u> in SIR.



### **Fig. 55: View Of Horn Plunger At Steering Column** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

3. Remove the horn plunger from the steering column by pressing inward to the stop and by rotating the plunger 90 degrees.

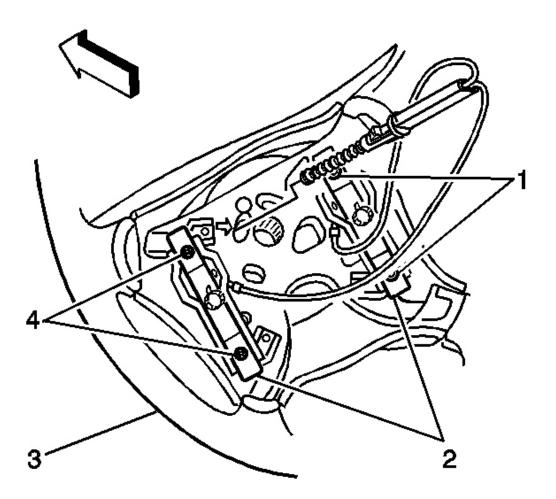
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# **Fig. 56: View of Horn Contact Plate, Steering Wheel & Screws Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

- 4. Disconnect the screws (1,4) from the steering wheel (3).
- 5. Remove the horn switch (2) from the steering wheel (3).

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### **Fig. 57: View of Horn Contact Plate, Steering Wheel & Screws Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

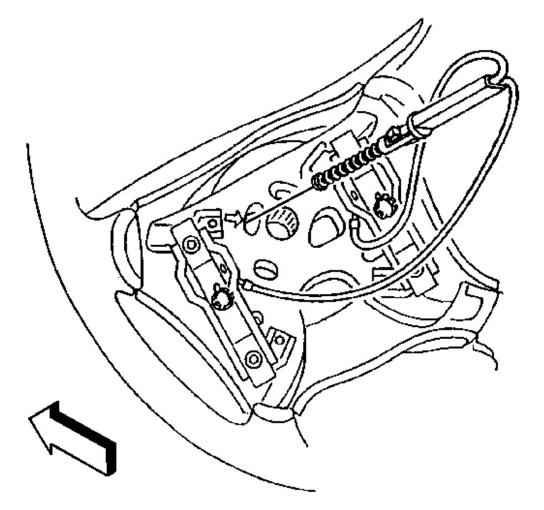
1. Install the horn switch (2) to the steering wheel (3).

### NOTE: Refer to <u>Fastener Notice</u> in Cautions and Notices.

2. Connect the screws (1,4) that secure the contact plate to the steering wheel (3).

Tighten: Tighten the screws to 5.5 N.m (49 in. lb.).

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### **Fig. 58: View Of Horn Plunger At Steering Column** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

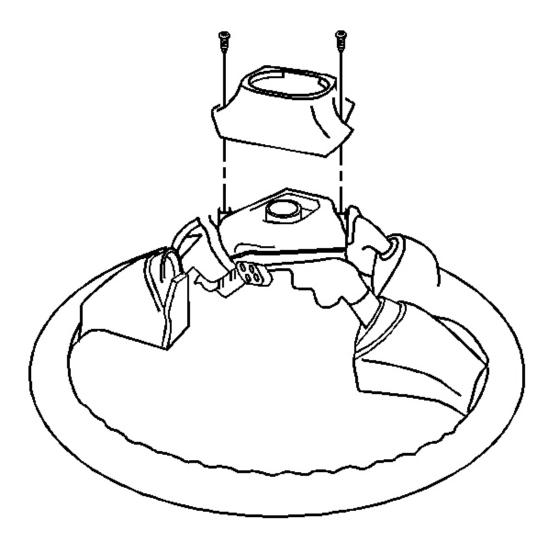
- 3. Install the horn plunger to the steering column.
- 4. Install the inflator module. Refer to **Inflatable Restraint Steering Wheel Module Replacement** in SIR.
- 5. Enable the SIR system. Refer to **<u>SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3</u>** in SIR.

### STEERING WHEEL CONTROL SWITCH ASSEMBLY REPLACEMENT

### **Removal Procedure**

1. Remove the steering wheel. Refer to Steering Wheel Replacement.

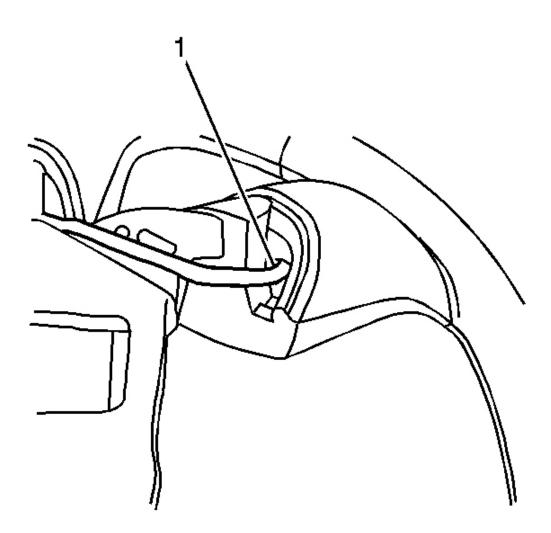
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# **Fig. 59: View Of Shroud & Screws Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

- 2. Remove the shroud retaining screws from the back of the steering wheel.
- 3. Remove the shroud from the steering wheel.

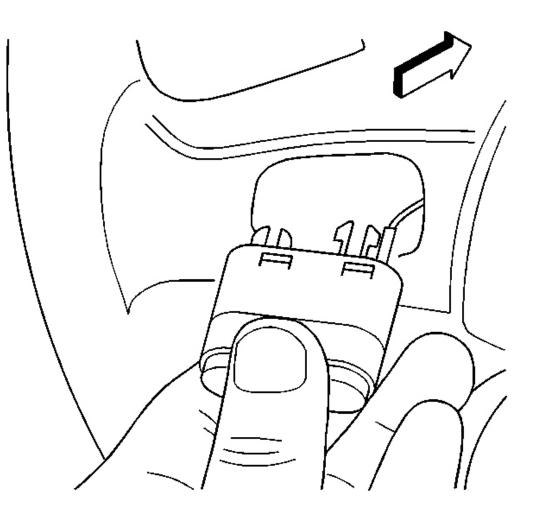
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## **Fig. 60: Partially Removing Steering Wheel Control Switch** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

4. Position a blunt ended tool into the wire harness cavity (1) and apply moderate pressure in order to partially remove the steering wheel control switch from the steering wheel.

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#### **Fig. 61: View Of Steering Wheel Control Switch Electrical Connector Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

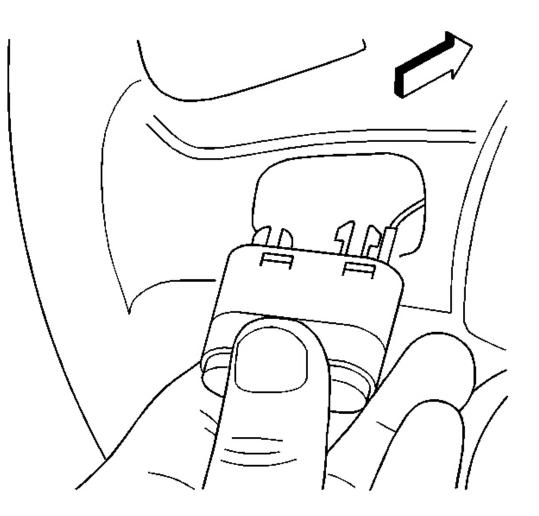
5. Disconnect the steering wheel control switch electrical connector.

# IMPORTANT: The bulbs in the steering wheel control switches are not serviceable. The switches should be replaced only as an assembly.

6. Remove the steering wheel control switch from the steering wheel.

#### **Installation Procedure**

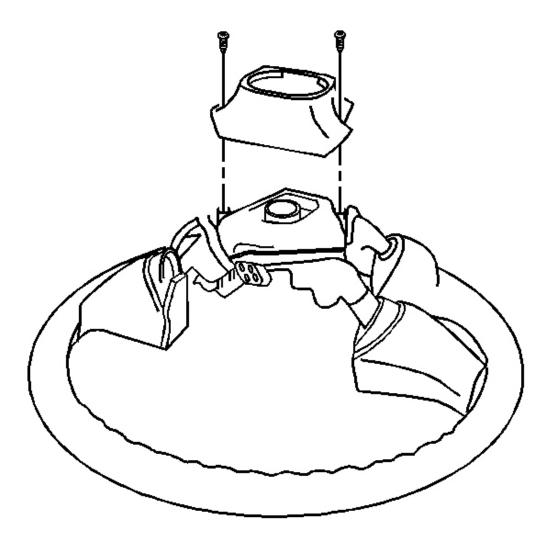
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#### **Fig. 62: View Of Steering Wheel Control Switch Electrical Connector Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

- 1. Position the steering wheel control switch to the steering wheel.
- 2. Connect the electrical connector to the steering wheel control switch.
- 3. Install the steering wheel control switch into the steering wheel, ensuring the retaining tabs are fully seated.

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# **Fig. 63: View Of Shroud & Screws Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

4. Install the shroud to the steering wheel.

## **NOTE:** Refer to <u>Fastener Notice</u> in Cautions and Notices.

5. Install the shroud retaining screws to the steering wheel.

Tighten: Tighten the screws to 2 N.m (18 in. lb.).

6. Install the steering wheel. Refer to **Steering Wheel Replacement**.

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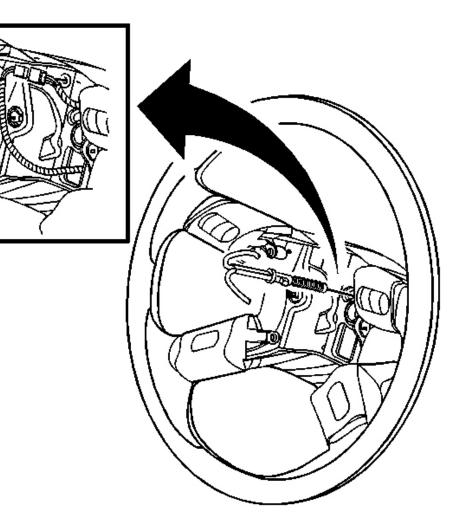
## STEERING WHEEL REPLACEMENT

**Tools Required** 

**Tools Required** 

- J 1859-A Steering Wheel Puller. See Special Tools and Equipment.
- J-36541-A Steering Wheel Puller Adapter. See Special Tools and Equipment.
- J 42578 Steering Wheel Puller Legs. See Special Tools and Equipment.

**Removal Procedure** 

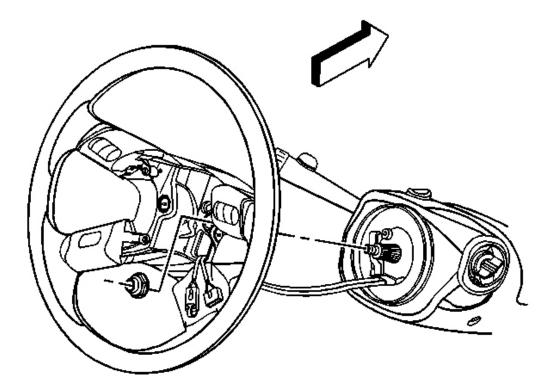


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#### **Fig. 64: Removing/Installing Air Bag Module** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

CAUTION: Refer to Servicing the SIR System Caution in Cautions and Notices.

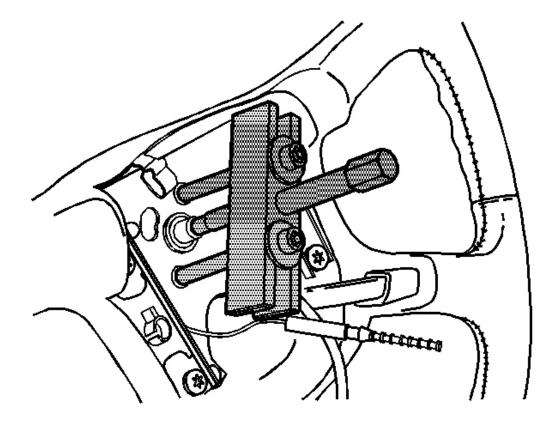
- 1. Disable the SIR system. Refer to **<u>SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3</u>** in SIR.
- 2. Remove the inflator module. Refer to <u>Inflatable Restraint Steering Wheel Module Replacement</u> in SIR.
- 3. Remove the horn plunger from the steering column by pressing inward to the stop and rotating horn plunger 90 degrees.
- 4. Disconnect the steering wheel electrical connector.



#### **Fig. 65: Removing/Installing Steering Wheel Retaining Nut** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

5. Remove the retaining nut which secures the steering wheel to the steering wheel shaft.

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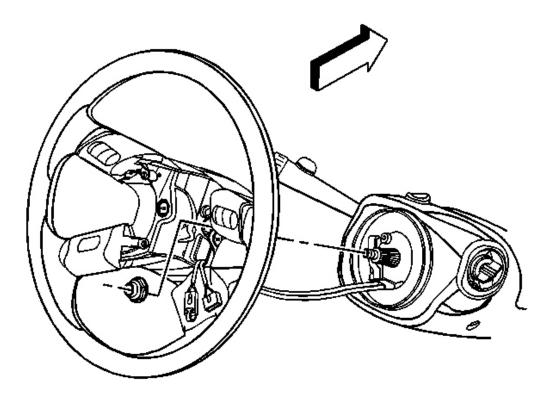


**<u>Fig. 66: Removing Steering Wheel</u>** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- NOTE: When removing the steering wheel, use only the specified steering wheel puller. Do not hammer on the end of the steering column shaft. Hammering could loosen the plastic injections which maintain the steering column rigidity.
- 6. Install J 1859-A with. See <u>Special Tools and Equipment</u>.J-36541-A or. See <u>Special Tools and</u> <u>Equipment</u>.J 42578 to the steering wheel. See <u>Special Tools and Equipment</u>.
- 7. Remove the steering wheel using J 1859-A with. See <u>Special Tools and Equipment</u>.J-36541-A or. See <u>Special Tools and Equipment</u>.J 42578 . See <u>Special Tools and Equipment</u>.

**Installation Procedure** 

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#### **Fig. 67: Removing/Installing Steering Wheel Retaining Nut** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

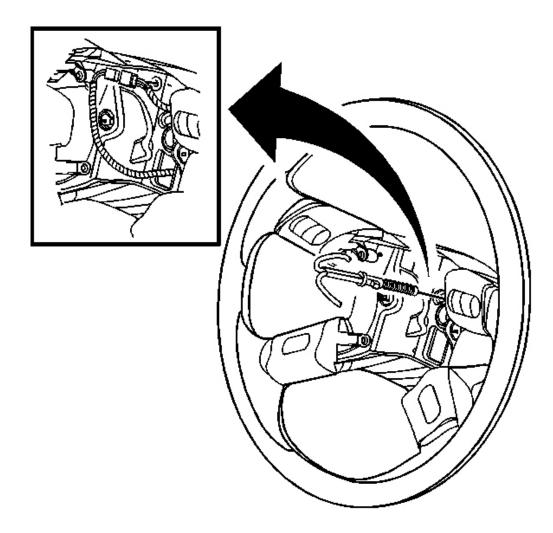
1. Install the steering wheel to the steering wheel shaft.

# **NOTE:** Refer to Fastener Notice in Cautions and Notices.

2. Install the retaining nut that secures the steering wheel to the steering wheel shaft.

Tighten: Tighten the retaining nut to 41 N.m (30 ft. lb.).

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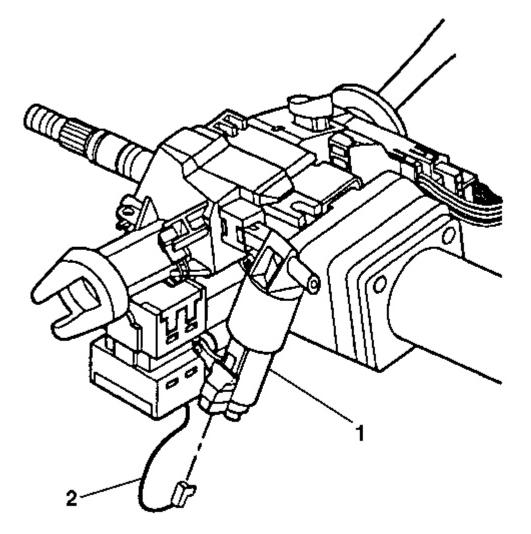
#### **Fig. 68: Removing/Installing Air Bag Module** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 3. Connect the steering wheel electrical connector.
- 4. Install the horn plunger to the steering column.
- 5. Install the inflator module. Refer to **Inflatable Restraint Steering Wheel Module Replacement** in SIR.
- 6. Enable the SIR system. Refer to **<u>SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3</u>** in SIR.

# STEERING WHEEL THEFT DETERRENT LOCK REPLACEMENT

#### **Removal Procedure**

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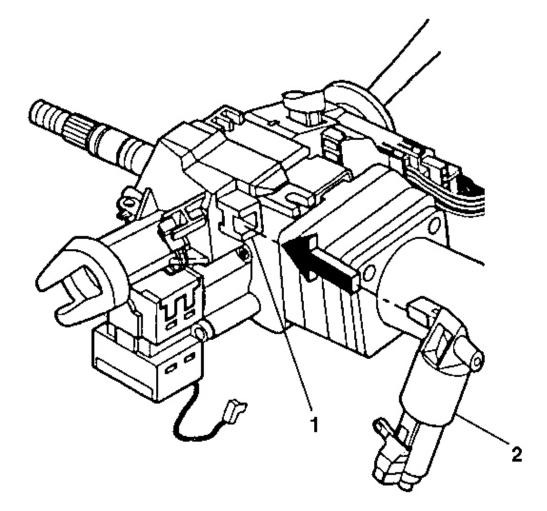


**Fig. 69: Removing/Installing Connector At Lock** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

# CAUTION: Refer to <u>SIR Caution</u> in Cautions and Notices.

- 1. Disable the SIR system. Refer to **<u>SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3</u>** in SIR.
- 2. Remove the upper and lower trim covers. Refer to Steering Column Trim Covers Replacement.
- 3. Remove the connector (2) from the lock (1).

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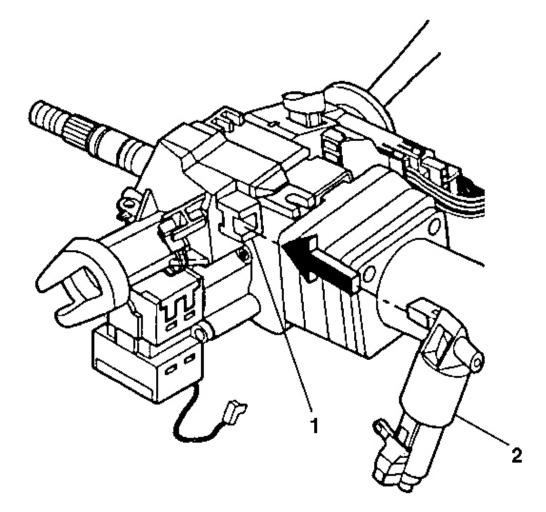


#### Fig. 70: View Of Electric Park Lock & Ignition Lock Cylinder Case Assembly Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

4. Pry the electric park lock (2) off of the ignition lock cylinder case assembly (1).

#### **Installation Procedure**

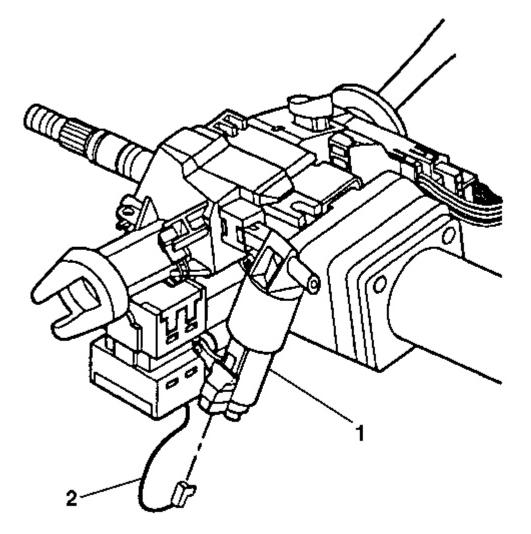
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# Fig. 71: View Of Electric Park Lock & Ignition Lock Cylinder Case Assembly Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

1. Snap the electric park lock (2) onto the ignition lock cylinder case assembly (1).

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**Fig. 72: Removing/Installing Connector At Lock** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

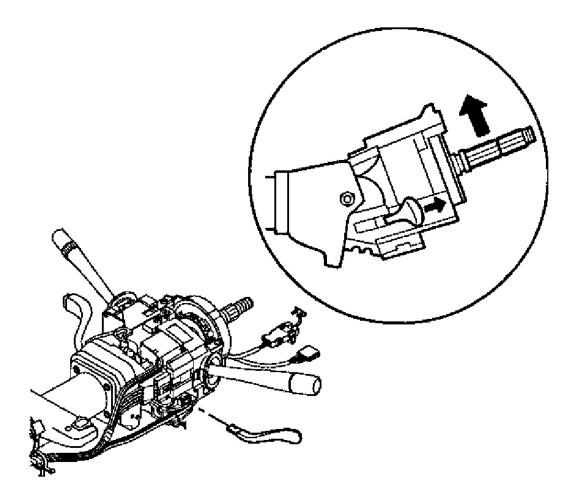
# CAUTION: Refer to SIR Inflator Module Coil Caution in Cautions and Notices.

- 2. Reconnect the connector (2) to the electric park lock (1).
- 3. Install the upper and lower trim covers. Refer to Steering Column Trim Covers Replacement.
- 4. Enable the SIR system. Refer to **<u>SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3</u>** in SIR.

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#### TILT SPRING REPLACEMENT

#### **Removal Procedure**

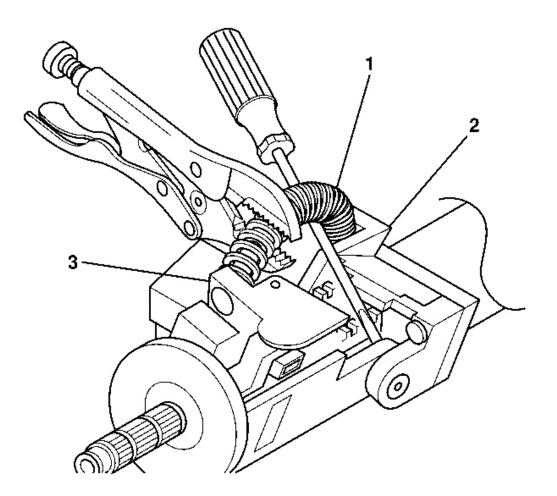


**Fig. 73: Tilting Column To Up Position Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.** 

## CAUTION: Refer to <u>SIR Caution</u> in Cautions and Notices.

- 1. Disable the SIR system. Refer to **<u>SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3</u>** in SIR.
- 2. Remove the upper and lower trim covers. Refer to Steering Column Trim Covers Replacement.
- 3. Use the tilt lever to tilt the column to the UP position.

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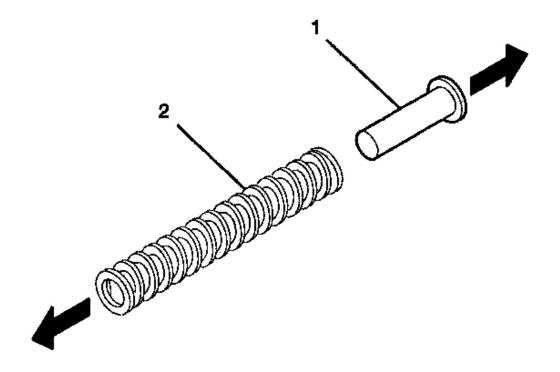


**Fig. 74: Removing Tilt Spring From Steering Column Support Assembly Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.** 

- CAUTION: The tilt spring and the spring guide are under pressure. The tilt spring and the spring guide may become a projectile. Secure the spring with locking pliers during removal. Secure the spring with locking pliers during installation. Bodily injury may result during removal and installation of the tilt spring and the spring guide. Always use caution during removal and installation of the tilt spring and the spring guide.
- 4. Remove one end of the tilt spring (1) from the steering column support assembly (2) and the other end from the steering column tilt head assembly (3) by using the following procedure:
  - 1. Pry up the tilt spring (1) until a bulge occurs and most of the tilt spring tension is removed.

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- 2. Secure the tilt spring (1) with locking pliers.
- 3. Continue prying up the tilt spring (1) until the tilt spring disengages from the post on the steering column support assembly (2) and from the steering column tilt head assembly (3).

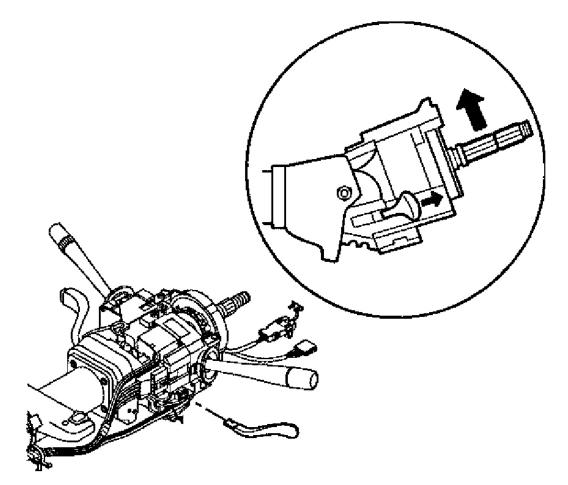


#### **Fig. 75: Identifying Spring Guide Components** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

5. Remove the spring guide (1) from the tilt spring (2).

#### **Installation Procedure**

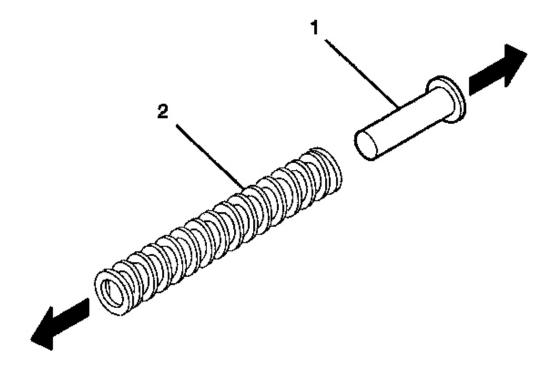
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# **Fig. 76: Tilting Column To Up Position Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

1. Use the tilt lever to tilt the column to the UP position.

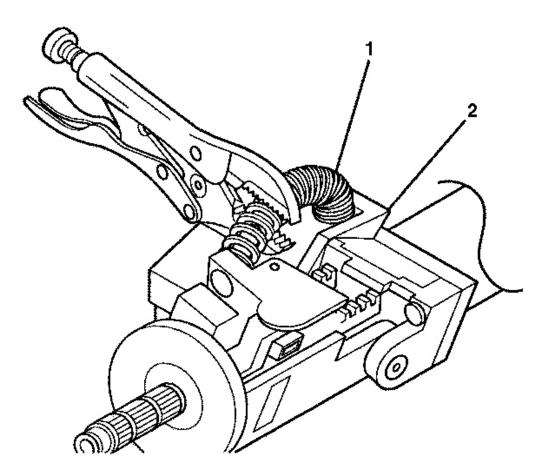
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# **Fig. 77: Identifying Spring Guide Components Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

2. Install the spring guide (1) into the tilt spring (2).

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#### **Fig. 78: Installing Tilt Spring Onto The Steering Column Support Assembly** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 3. Install the tilt spring (1) onto the steering column support assembly (2) and onto the steering column tilt head assembly by using the following procedure:
  - 1. Install the tilt spring (1) onto the steering column tilt head assembly.
  - 2. Install the tilt spring (1) onto the post on the steering column support assembly (2).
- 4. Install the upper and lower trim covers. Refer to **Steering Column Trim Covers Replacement**.
- 5. Enable the SIR system. Refer to **<u>SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3</u>** in SIR.

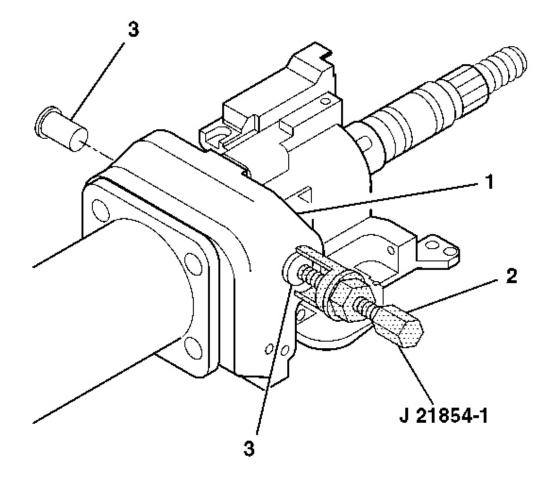
## STEERING COLUMN TILT HEAD HOUSING REPLACEMENT

#### **Tools Required**

J 21854-01 Pivot Pin Remover

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#### **Removal Procedure**



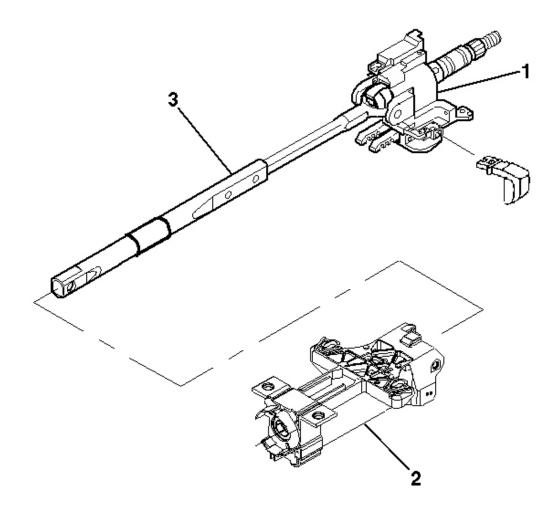
**Fig. 79: View Of Pivot Pins To Steering Column Tilt Head Assembly Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.** 

## CAUTION: Refer to <u>SIR Caution</u> in Cautions and Notices.

- 1. Disable the SIR system. Refer to **SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3** in SIR.
- 2. Remove the steering column from the vehicle. Refer to Steering Column Replacement.
- 3. Remove the ignition lock cylinder case assembly. Refer to **Ignition Lock Cylinder Case Replacement**.
- 4. Remove the turn signal and multifunction switch assembly. Refer to <u>Multifunction, Turn Signal Switch</u> <u>Replacement</u>.

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- 5. Remove the turn signal switch housing. Refer to <u>Multifunction Turn Signal Switch Housing</u> <u>Replacement</u>.
- 6. Remove the tilt spring. Refer to **<u>Tilt Spring Replacement</u>**.
- 7. Remove the 2 pivot pins (3) from the steering column tilt head assembly (1) using J 21854-01.



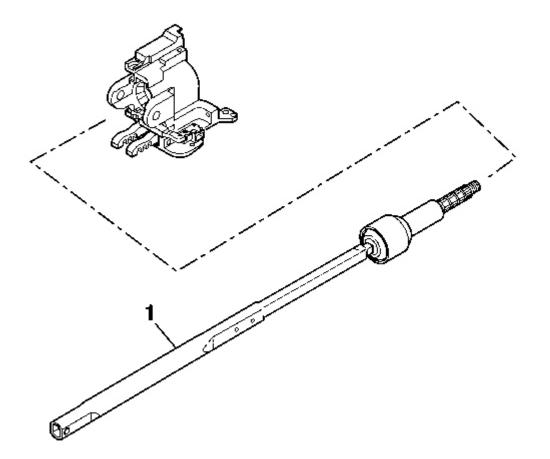
#### **Fig. 80: View Of Upper Steering Column Components Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

- 8. Install the tilt lever into the steering column tilt head assembly (1).
- 9. Pull back on the tilt lever and at the same time pull the steering column tilt head assembly (1) down and away from the steering column.
- 10. Remove the steering column tilt head assembly (1) with the steering shaft assembly (3) from the steering

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column jacket assembly (2).

11. Remove the tilt lever.

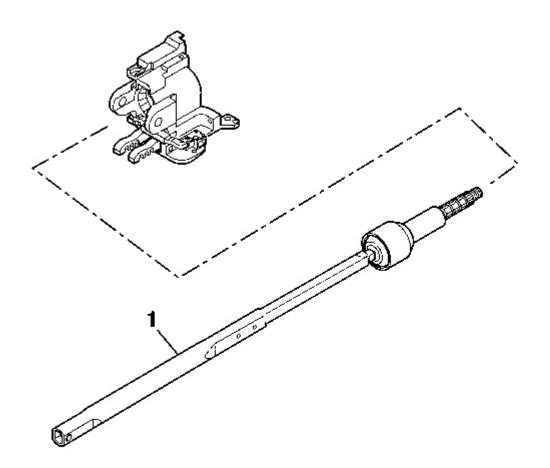


# **<u>Fig. 81: Identifying Steering Shaft</u>** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

12. Remove the steering shaft (1) from the steering column tilt head assembly.

#### **Installation Procedure**

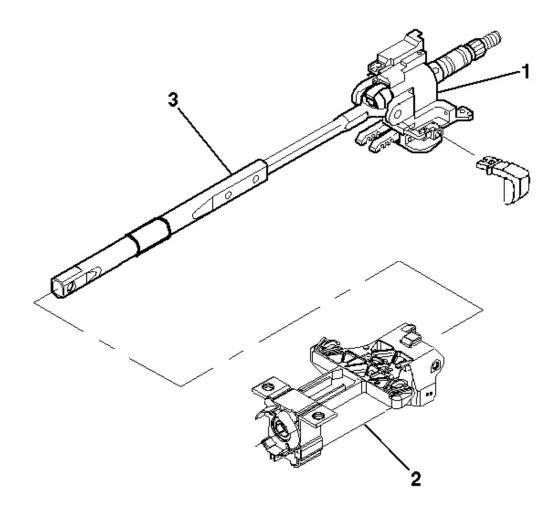
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# **<u>Fig. 82: Identifying Steering Shaft</u> Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

1. Install the steering shaft (1) into the steering column tilt head assembly.

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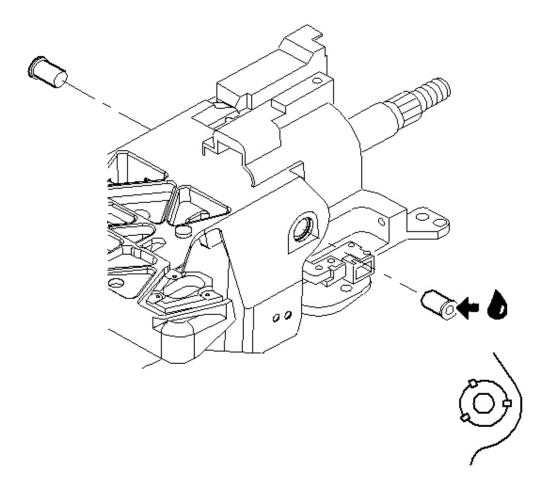
#### **Fig. 83: View Of Upper Steering Column Components** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 2. Install the steering shaft (3) into the steering column tilt head assembly (1).
- 3. Install the tilt head assembly (1) and the steering shaft (3) into the steering column jacket assembly (2).

# IMPORTANT: The steering wheel lock shoes teeth must be resting on the bar in the steering column jacket assembly.

4. Align the steering column tilt head assembly with the pivot pin holes on the steering column jacket assembly.

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#### **<u>Fig. 84: Identifying Pivot Pin Locations</u> Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

5. Lubricate the pivot pins with GM P/N 12346293 (Canadian P/N 992723).

Install the 2 pivot pins into the steering column support assembly.

- 6. Stake the pins in 3 places.
- 7. Install the tilt spring assembly only. Refer to **<u>Tilt Spring Replacement</u>**.
- 8. Install the turn signal switch housing only. Refer to <u>Multifunction Turn Signal Switch Housing</u> <u>Replacement</u>.
- 9. Install the turn signal and multifunction switch assembly only. Refer to <u>Multifunction, Turn Signal</u> <u>Switch Replacement</u>.

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- 10. Install the ignition lock cylinder case assembly. Refer to **Ignition Lock Cylinder Case Replacement**.
- 11. Install the steering column to the vehicle. Refer to **Steering Column Replacement**.
- 12. Enable the SIR system. Refer to **SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3** in SIR.

## STEERING COLUMN REPLACEMENT

#### **Tools Required**

J 42640 Steering Column Lock Pin

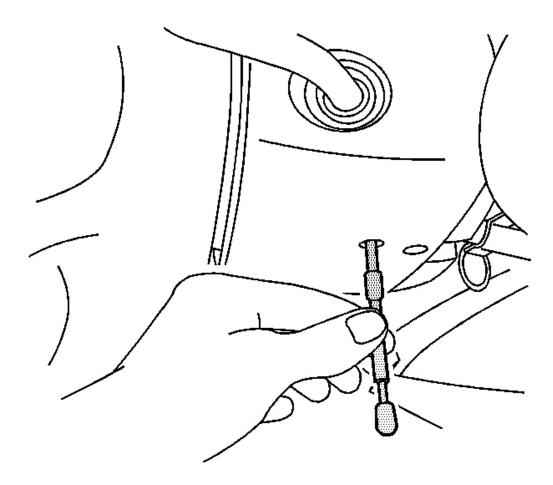
#### **Removal Procedure**

- NOTE: Once the steering column is removed from the vehicle, the column is extremely susceptible to damage. Dropping the column assembly on the end could collapse the steering shaft or loosen the plastic injections, which maintain column rigidity. Leaning on the column assembly could cause the jacket to bend or deform. Any of the above damage could impair the columns collapsible design. Do NOT hammer on the end of the shaft, because hammering could loosen the plastic injections, which maintain column rigidity. If you need to remove the steering wheel, refer to the Steering Wheel Replacement procedure in this section.
- NOTE: The front wheels of the vehicle must be maintained in the straight ahead position and the steering column must be in the LOCK position before disconnecting the steering column or intermediate shaft. Failure to follow these procedures will cause improper alignment of some components during installation and result in damage to the SIR coil assembly.

CAUTION: Refer to <u>SIR Caution</u> in Cautions and Notices.

1. Disable the SIR system. Refer to **<u>SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3</u>** in SIR.

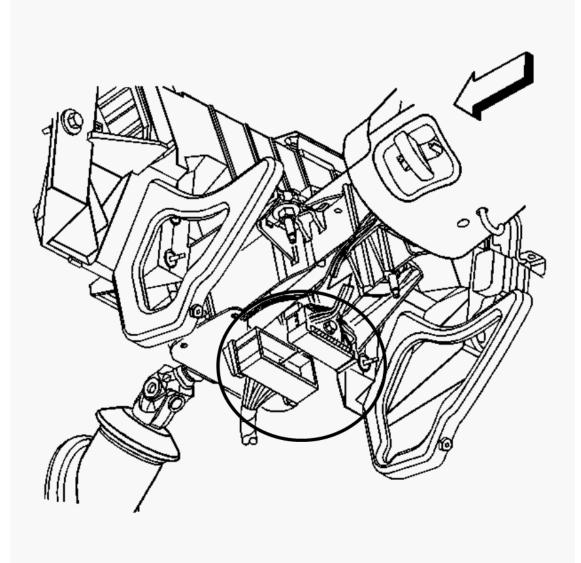
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#### **<u>Fig. 85: Identifying J 42640</u>** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 2. Lock the steering column through the access hole in the lower steering column trim cover using J 42640.
- 3. Remove the steering wheel. Refer to **Steering Wheel Replacement**.
- 4. Remove the knee bolster. Refer to <u>Knee Bolster Replacement</u> in Instrument Panel, Gages and Console.

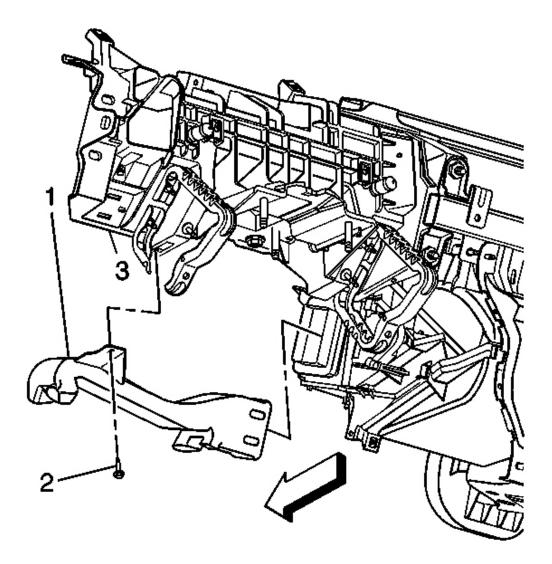
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# <u>Fig. 86: Disconnecting/Reconnecting Steering Column Electrical Connector</u> Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 5. Disconnect the steering column electrical connector.
- 6. Disconnect the body wiring harness connector from the steering column lower bracket.

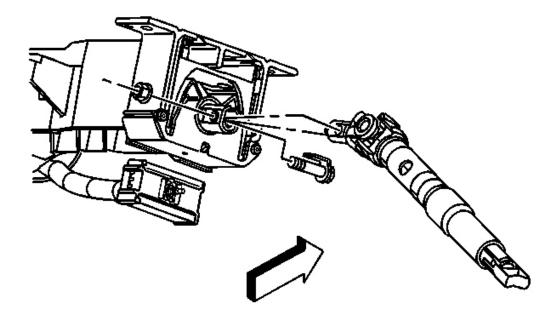
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# **Fig. 87: Removing/Installing Left Side HVAC Floor Air Outlet Duct** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 7. Remove the retaining screw (2) from the left HVAC floor duct (1).
- 8. Disconnect the left HVAC floor duct temperature sensor and remove the left HVAC floor duct.

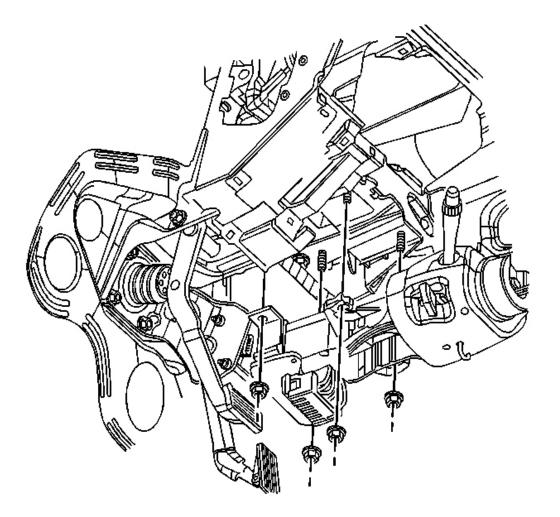
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# **Fig. 88: View Of Steering Column & Upper Intermediate Shaft** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

9. Remove the intermediate shaft bolt from the steering column.

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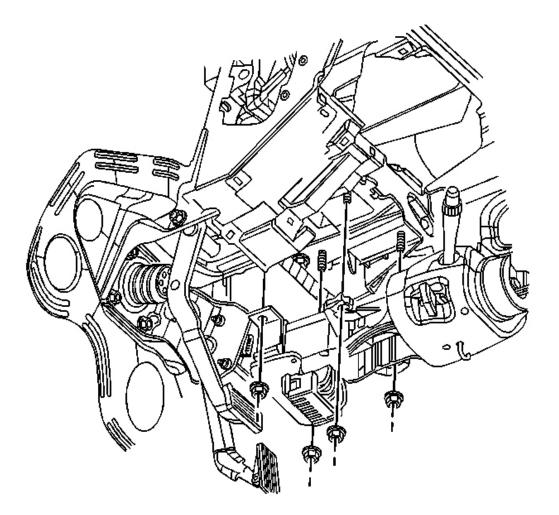


# **Fig. 89: View Of Steering Column Assembly Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

- 10. Remove the steering column mounting nuts.
- 11. Remove the steering column from the vehicle.

#### **Installation Procedure**

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# **Fig. 90: View Of Steering Column Assembly Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

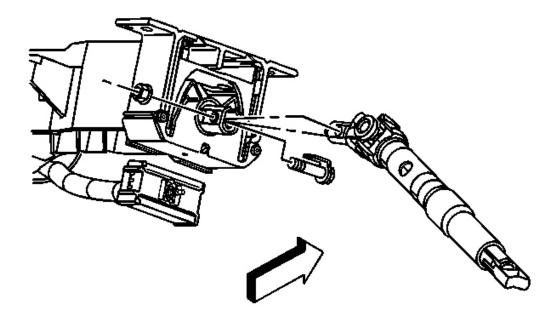
1. Install the steering column to the vehicle and connect the column to the intermediate shaft.

# **NOTE:** Refer to <u>Fastener Notice</u> in Cautions and Notices.

2. Install the steering column mounting nuts.

Tighten: Tighten the nuts to 27 N.m (20 ft. lb.).

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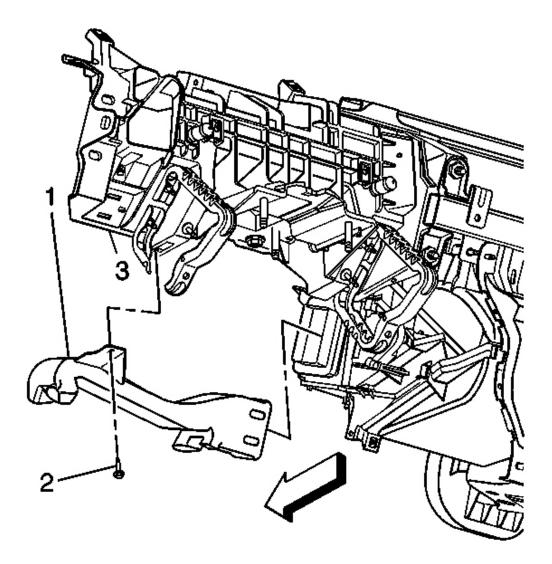


# **Fig. 91: View Of Steering Column & Upper Intermediate Shaft** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

3. Install the intermediate shaft bolt to the steering column.

**Tighten:** Tighten the bolt to 50 N.m (37 ft. lb.).

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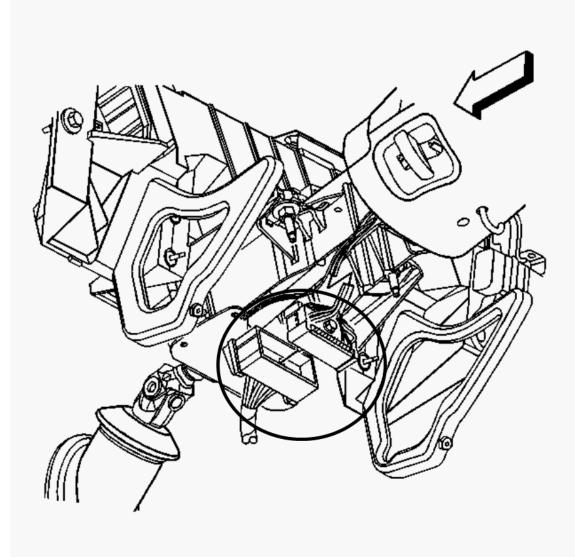


# **Fig. 92: Removing/Installing Left Side HVAC Floor Air Outlet Duct** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 4. Connect the left HVAC floor duct temperature sensor and install the left HVAC floor duct (1).
- 5. Install the mounting screw (2) to the left HVAC floor duct.

Tighten: Tighten the screw to 1.9 N.m (17 in. lb.).

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## **Fig. 93: Disconnecting/Reconnecting Steering Column Electrical Connector Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

- 6. Connect the body wiring harness connector to the steering column lower bracket.
- 7. Connect the steering column electrical connector to the vehicle wiring harness.

**Tighten:** Tighten the screw to 6 N.m (53 ft. lb.).

- 8. Install the knee bolster. Refer to Knee Bolster Replacement in Instrument Panel, Gages and Console.
- 9. Install the steering wheel. Refer to **<u>Steering Wheel Replacement</u>**.
- 10. Unlock the steering column by removing J 42640 from the lower trim cover access hole.
- 11. Enable the SIR system. Refer to **SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3** in SIR.

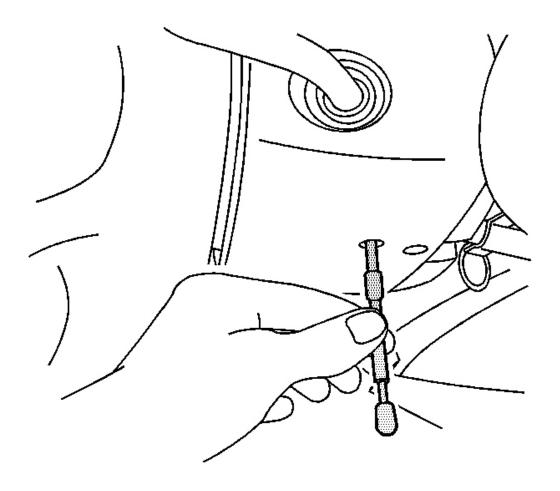
#### STEERING COLUMN SEAL REPLACEMENT

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#### **Tools Required**

J 42640 Steering Column Lock Pin

#### **Removal Procedure**

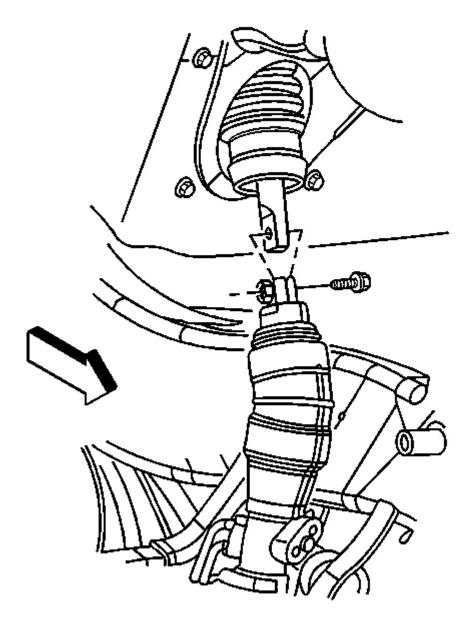


#### **<u>Fig. 94: Identifying J 42640</u>** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- NOTE: The front wheels of the vehicle must be maintained in the straight ahead position and the steering column must be in the LOCK position before disconnecting the steering column or intermediate shaft. Failure to follow these procedures will cause improper alignment of some components during installation and result in damage to the SIR coil assembly.
- 1 Turn the steering wheel so that the front wheels are pointing straight ahead

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- 2. Turn the ignition switch to the lock position and remove the key.
- 3. Lock the steering column through the access hole in the lower steering column trim cover using J 42640.



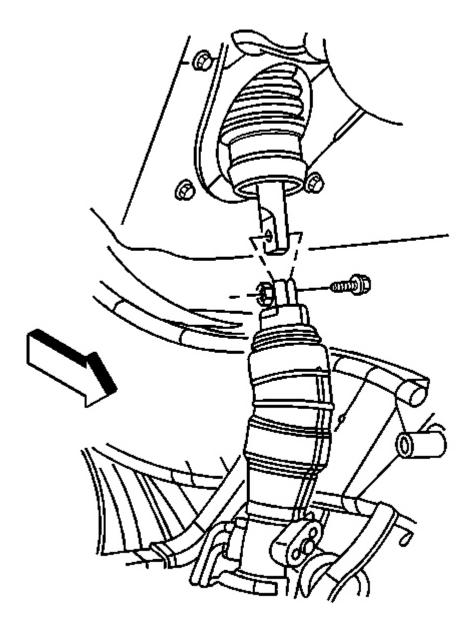
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- 4. Disconnect the upper intermediate shaft boot from the lower intermediate shaft boot to gain access to the upper intermediate shaft to lower intermediate pinch bolt.
- 5. Remove the lower intermediate shaft to upper intermediate shaft pinch bolt.
- 6. Disconnect the lower intermediate shaft from the upper intermediate shaft.
- 7. Remove the steering column seal by rolling lip of seal from inside vehicle pushing it down the upper intermediate shaft.

#### **Installation Procedure**

1. Install steering column seal by rolling seal lip to inside vehicle.

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#### **Fig. 96: Steering Column To Steering Gear Connection Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

2. Connect the lower intermediate shaft to the upper intermediate shaft.

## **NOTE:** Refer to Fastener Notice in Cautions and Notices.

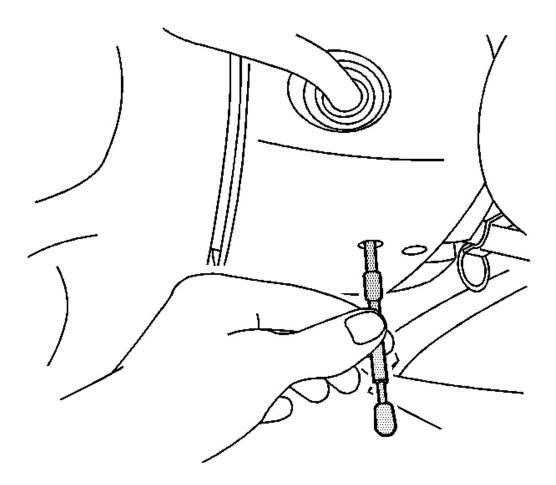
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3. Install the lower intermediate shaft to the upper intermediate shaft pinch bolt.

**Tighten:** Tighten the lower intermediate shaft to the upper intermediate shaft pinch bolt to 50 N.m (37 ft. lb.).

# IMPORTANT: The upper intermediate shaft boot must completely cover the white insert of the lower intermediate shaft boot to ensure proper sealing.

4. Connect the upper intermediate shaft boot to the lower intermediate shaft boot.



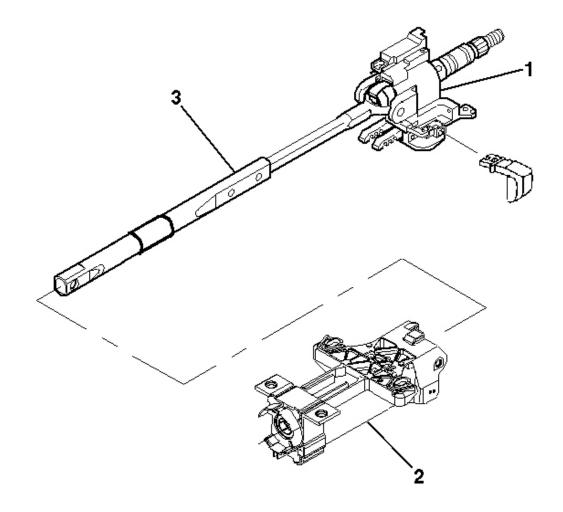
## **Fig. 97: Identifying J 42640** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

5. Unlock the steering column by removing J 42640 from the steering column lower trim cover access hole.

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## STEERING COLUMN JACKET REPLACEMENT

#### **Removal Procedure**



**Fig. 98: View Of Upper Steering Column Components Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.** 

## CAUTION: Refer to <u>SIR Caution</u> in Cautions and Notices.

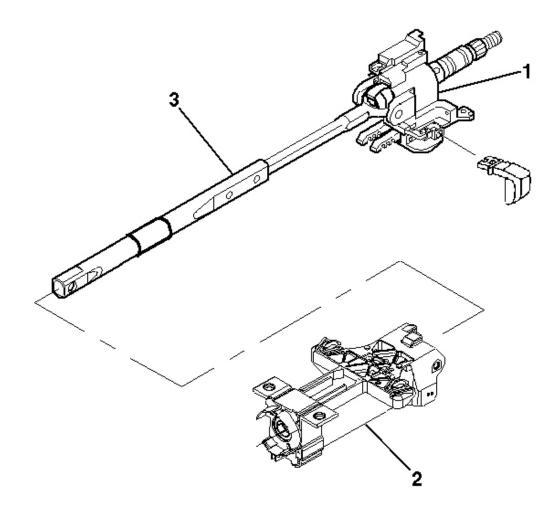
- 1. Disable the SIR system. Refer to **SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3** in SIR.
- 2. Remove the steering column from the vehicle. Refer to **<u>Steering Column Replacement</u>**.
- 3. Inspect the steering column for accident damage. Refer to Steering Column Accident Damage

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#### Inspection.

- 4. Remove the steering column tilt head. Refer to **<u>Steering Column Tilt Head Housing Replacement</u>**.
- 5. Remove the jacket (2).

#### **Installation Procedure**



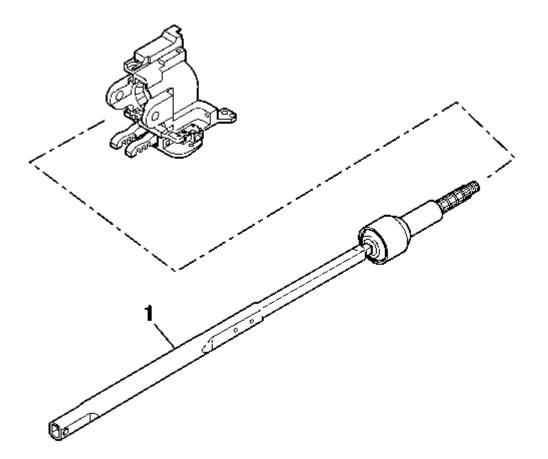
#### **Fig. 99: View Of Upper Steering Column Components Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

- 1. Install the jacket (2).
- 2. Install the steering column tilt head (1). Refer to Steering Column Tilt Head Housing Replacement.
- 3. Install the steering column to the vehicle. Refer to Steering Column Replacement.
- 4. Enable the SIR system. Refer to **SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3** in SIR.

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## STEERING COLUMN SHAFT REPLACEMENT

**Removal Procedure** 



#### **<u>Fig. 100: Identifying Steering Shaft</u>** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

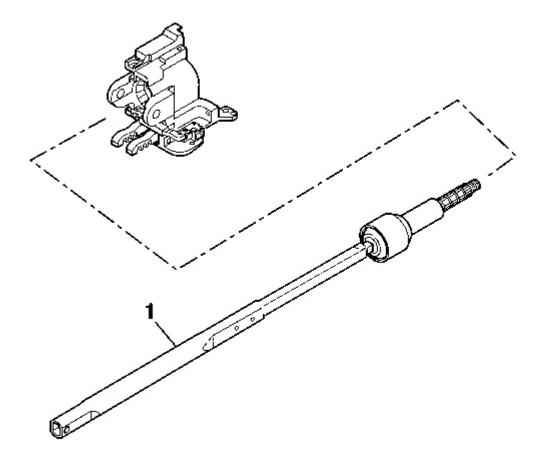
## CAUTION: Refer to <u>SIR Caution</u> in Cautions and Notices.

- 1. Disable the SIR system. Refer to **SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3** in SIR.
- 2. Remove the steering column tilt head. Refer to **<u>Steering Column Tilt Head Housing Replacement</u>**.
- 3. Remove the steering shaft (1) from the steering column tilt head assembly.
- 4. Inspect the steering column for accident damage. Refer to Steering Column Accident Damage

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#### Inspection.

**Installation Procedure** 



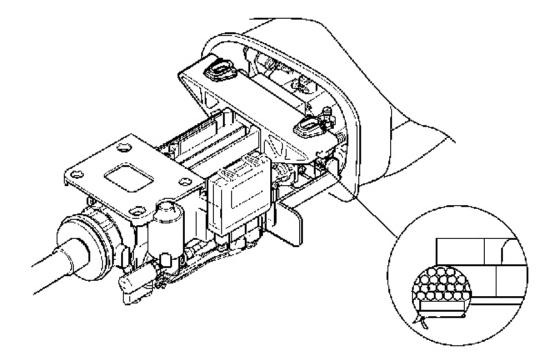
#### **Fig. 101: Identifying Steering Shaft** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 1. Install the steering shaft (1) into the steering column tilt head assembly.
- 2. Install the steering column tilt head. Refer to Steering Column Tilt Head Housing Replacement.
- 3. Enable the SIR system. Refer to **<u>SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3</u>** in SIR.

## STEERING COLUMN WIRE HARNESS ASSEMBLY REPLACEMENT

#### **Removal Procedure**

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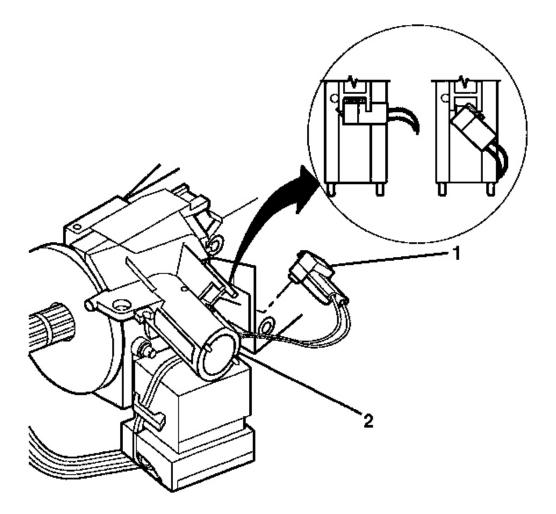


**Fig. 102: Removing/Installing Plastic Mounted Steering Column Bracket** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

CAUTION: Refer to <u>SIR Caution</u> in Cautions and Notices.

- 1. Disable the SIR system. Refer to **<u>SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3</u>** in SIR.
- 2. Remove the upper and lower trim covers. Refer to **Steering Column Trim Covers Replacement**.
- 3. Remove the wire harness strap.

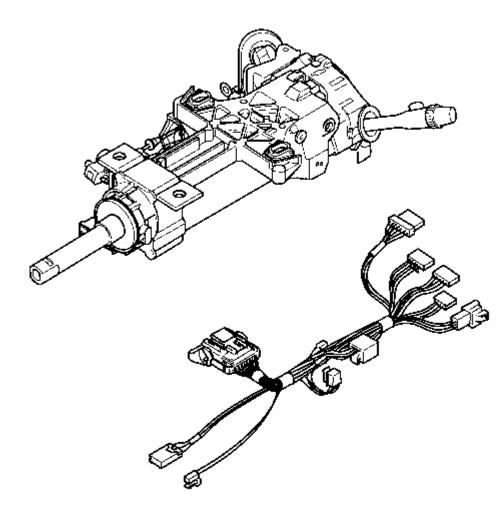
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#### **Fig. 103: Identifying Key Alarm Connector At Ignition Lock Cylinder Case** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 4. Remove the steering wheel theft deterrent lock. Refer to <u>Steering Wheel Theft Deterrent Lock</u> <u>Replacement</u>.
- 5. Rotate the key alarm connector (1) 90 degrees.
- 6. Gently pull the key alarm connector (1) out of the ignition lock cylinder case assembly (2).
- 7. Disconnect the connector from the ignition switch assembly.
- 8. Remove the wires encased in the ignition switch clip, which is located on the side of the ignition switch.

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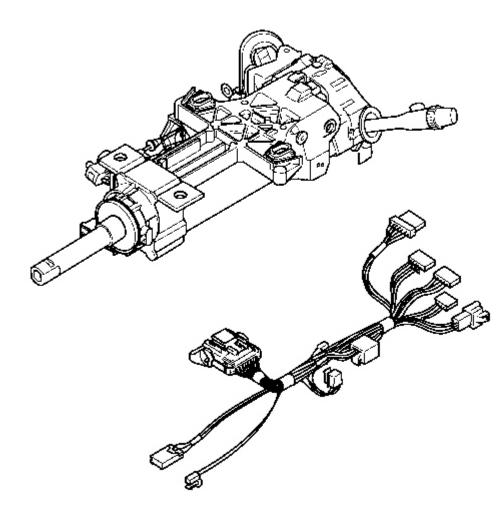
**Fig. 104: View Of Steering Column And Wire Harness Assembly Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.** 

IMPORTANT: If the steering wheel has steering wheel controls, the SIR coil and the wire harness assembly must come off as one piece. Refer to <u>Inflatable</u> <u>Restraint Steering Wheel Module Coil Replacement</u> in SIR.

9. Disconnect all connectors attached to the wire harness assembly.

#### **Installation Procedure**

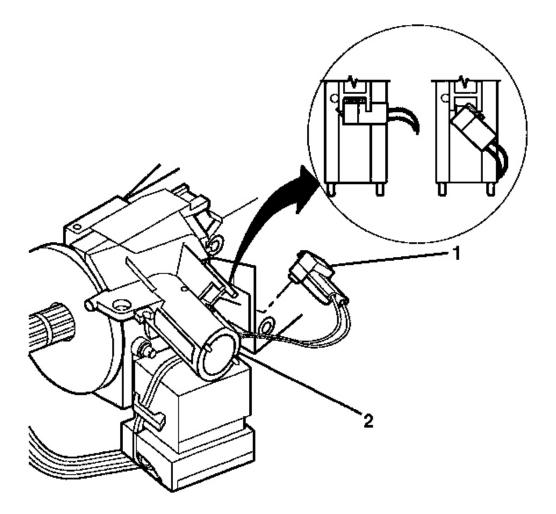
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#### **Fig. 105: View Of Steering Column And Wire Harness Assembly Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.**

- 1. If the steering wheel has steering wheel controls, install the SIR coil. Refer to <u>Inflatable Restraint</u> <u>Steering Wheel Module Coil Replacement</u> in SIR.
- 2. Connect all of the connectors from the new wire harness assembly.

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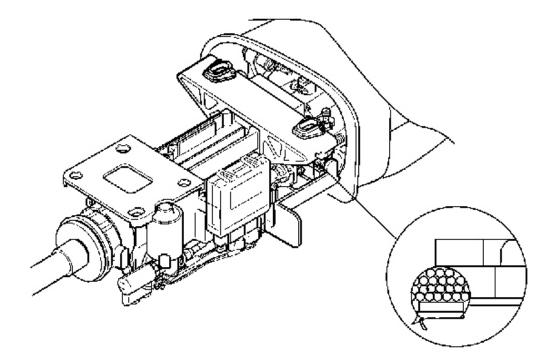
#### **Fig. 106: Identifying Key Alarm Connector At Ignition Lock Cylinder Case** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 3. Push the key alarm connector (1) into the ignition lock cylinder case assembly (2).
- 4. Rotate the key alarm connector (1) 90 degrees so that the key alarm connector (1) locks into place.
- 5. Install the steering wheel theft deterrent lock. Refer to <u>Steering Wheel Theft Deterrent Lock</u> <u>Replacement</u>.

## CAUTION: Refer to SIR Inflator Module Coil Caution in Cautions and Notices.

6. Install the wires back into the ignition switch clip, located on the side of the ignition switch.

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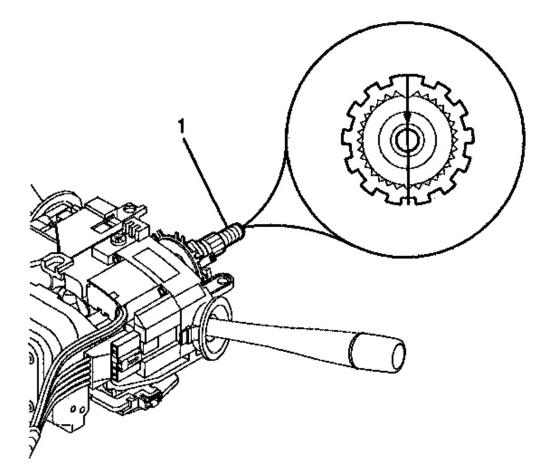


#### **Fig. 107: Removing/Installing Plastic Mounted Steering Column Bracket** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 7. Install the wire harness strap.
- 8. Install the upper and lower trim covers. Refer to **Steering Column Trim Covers Replacement**.
- 9. Enable the SIR system. Refer to **<u>SIR Disabling and Enabling Zone 3</u>** in SIR.

## INFLATABLE RESTRAINT STEERING WHEEL MODULE COIL CENTERING

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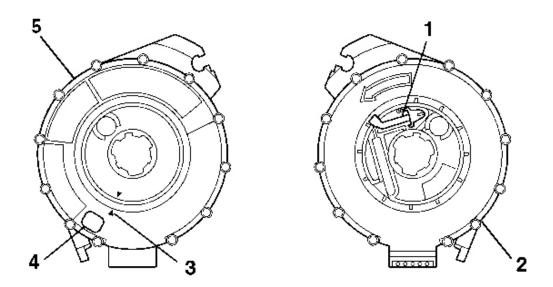


**Fig. 108: View Of Block Tooth Of Steering Shaft Assembly In 12 O'clock Position** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

NOTE: The new SIR coil assembly will be centered. Improper alignment of the SIR coil assembly may damage the unit, causing an inflatable restraint malfunction.

- 1. Verify the following conditions before centering the SIR coil:
  - The wheels on the vehicle are straight ahead.
  - The block tooth (1) of the steering shaft assembly is in the 12 o'clock position.
  - The ignition switch assembly is in the LOCK position.

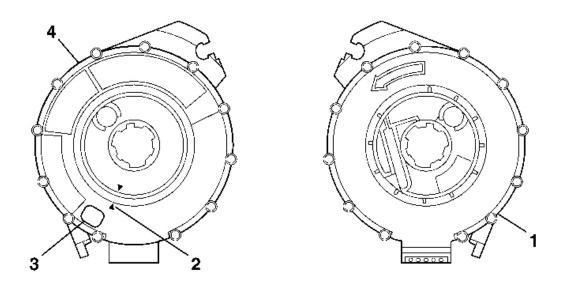
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#### Fig. 109: Centering SIR Coil (With Centering Window & Spring Service Lock) Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 2. If the front (5) of the SIR coil has a centering window (4), and the back side (2) has a spring service lock (1), perform the following steps:
  - 1. Hold the coil with the face up.
  - 2. While depressing the spring service lock, rotate the coil hub clockwise until the coil ribbon stops.
  - 3. Rotate the coil hub slowly, counterclockwise, until the centering window appears yellow and both arrows (3) line up.
  - 4. Release the spring service lock between the locking tab. The SIR coil is now centered.
  - 5. Align the centered SIR coil with the horn tower and slide onto the steering shaft assembly.

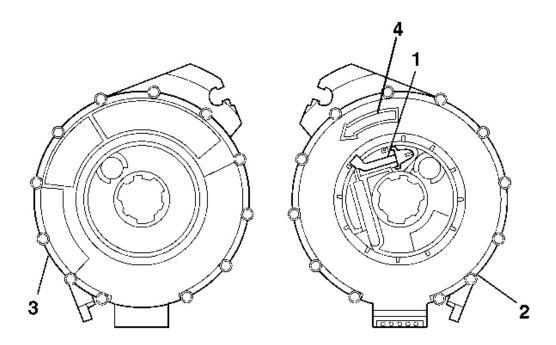
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#### Fig. 110: Centering SIR Coil (With Centering Window, Without Spring Service Lock) Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 3. If the front (4) of the SIR coil has a centering window (3) and the back side (1) has NO spring service lock, perform the following steps:
  - 1. Hold the coil with the face up.
  - 2. Rotate the coil hub clockwise until the coil ribbon stops.
  - 3. Rotate the coil hub slowly, counterclockwise until the centering window appears yellow and both arrows (2) line up. This is the CENTER position.
  - 4. While holding the coil hub in the CENTER position, align the coil with the horn tower and slide the coil onto the steering shaft assembly.

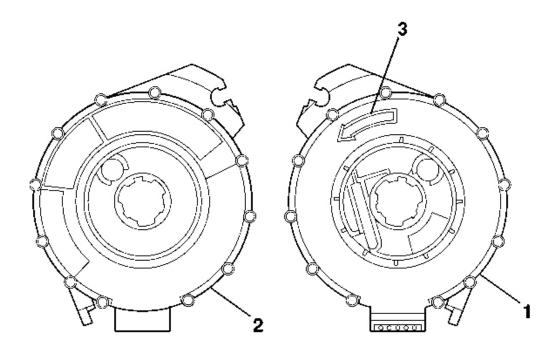
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#### Fig. 111: Centering SIR Coil (No Centering Window, But Back Side Includes A Spring Service Lock) Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 4. If no centering window is present on the front side (3) of the SIR coil, but a spring service lock (1) is on the back side (2), perform the following steps:
  - 1. Hold the coil with the back side up.
  - 2. While depressing the spring service lock, rotate the coil hub in the direction of the arrow (4) until the coil ribbon stops.
  - 3. Still pressing the spring service lock, rotate the coil hub in the opposite direction 21/2 revolutions.
  - 4. Release the spring service lock between the locking tabs. The SIR coil is now centered.
  - 5. Align the centered coil with the horn tower and slide the coil onto the steering shaft assembly.

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## **Fig. 112: Centering SIR Coil (Without Centering Window, Without Spring Service Lock)** Courtesy of GENERAL MOTORS CORP.

- 5. If no centering window appears on the front side (2) of the SIR coil and no spring service lock exists on the back side (1), perform the following steps:
  - 1. Hold the coil with the face up.
  - 2. Rotate the coil hub in the direction of the arrow until the coil ribbon stops.
  - 3. Rotate the coil hub, slowly, counterclockwise, for 21/2 revolutions. This is the CENTER position.
  - 4. While maintaining the coil hub in the CENTER position, align the centered coil with the horn tower and slide the coil onto the steering shaft assembly.

## **DESCRIPTION AND OPERATION**

## STEERING WHEEL AND COLUMN DESCRIPTION AND OPERATION

The steering wheel and column has 4 primary functions:

- Vehicle steering
- Vehicle security
- Driver convenience

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• Driver safety

#### Vehicle Steering

The steering wheel is the first link between the driver and the vehicle. The steering wheel is fastened to a steering shaft within the column. At the lower end of the column, the intermediate shaft connects the column to the steering gear.

#### Vehicle Security-Some Vehicle Models

Theft deterrent components are mounted and designed into the steering column. The following components allow the column to be locked in order to minimize theft:

- The ignition switch
- The steering column lock
- The ignition cylinder

#### **Driver Convenience**

The steering wheel and column may also have driver controls attached for convenience and comfort. The following controls may be mounted on or near the steering wheel or column.

- The turn signal switch
- The hazard switch
- The headlamp dimmer switch
- The wiper/washer switch
- The horn pad/cruise control switch
- The redundant radio/entertainment system controls
- The tilt or tilt/telescoping functions
- The navigation/OnStar® features
- The HVAC controls

#### **Driver Safety**

The energy-absorbing steering column compresses in the event of a front-end collision, which reduces the chance of injury to the driver. The mounting capsules break away from the mounting bracket in the event of an accident.

#### Ignition Lock Cylinder Control Actuator

If the vehicle is equipped with a floor mounted console gear shifter, it has a ignition lock cylinder control actuator system in the steering column as an added safety feature. The ignition lock cylinder control actuators purpose is to prevent the steering wheel from being locked when the transmission is in gear and the vehicle may still be moving. The column ignition lock system consists of a ignition lock cylinder control actuator, and a park position switch that is located in the A/T shift lock control switch. The ignition lock cylinder control actuator

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contains a pin that is spring loaded out to mechanically prevent the ignition key cylinder from being turned to the lock position when vehicle transmission is not in the Park position. If vehicle power is lost, and/or the transmission is not in the Park position the operator will not be able to turn the ignition key to the lock position and will not be able to remove the ignition key from the column.

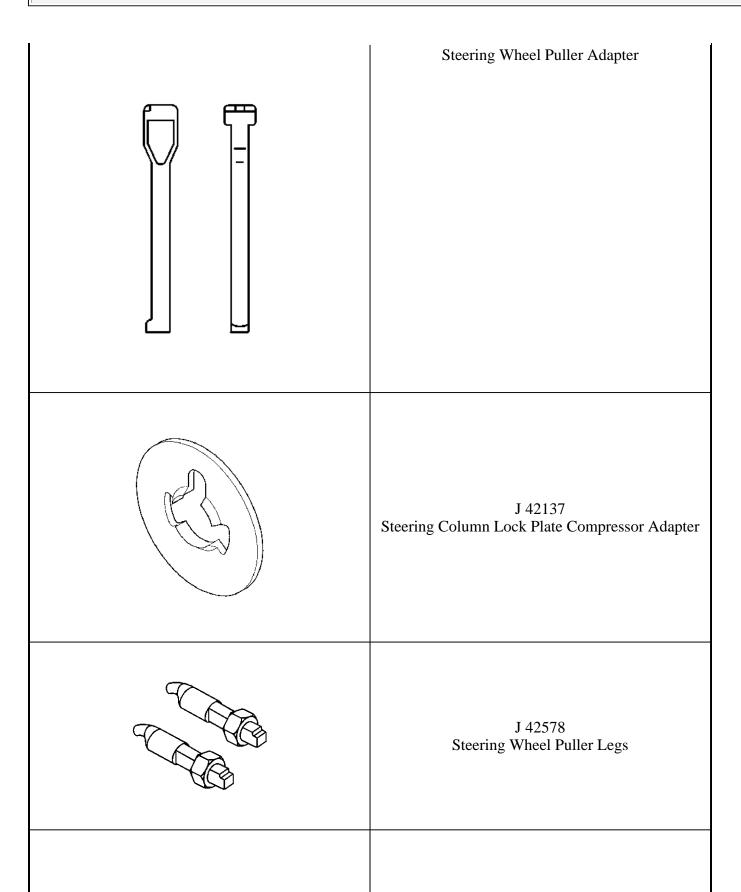
# SPECIAL TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT

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Illustration	Tool Number/Description
	J 1859-A Steering Wheel Puller
OOT OOT	J 21854-01 Pivot Pin Remover
	J 23653-SIR Steering Column Lock Plate Compressor
	J 36541-A

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