AUTO-2350: Automotive HVAC

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Course Number:

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Title:

Automotive HVAC

Catalog Description:

This course covers the theory of refrigeration and heating, electrical/electronic/pneumatic controls, and diagnosis and repair of climate control systems. Topics include diagnosis and repair of climate control components and systems, recovery/recycling of refrigerants, and safety and environmental regulations. Upon completion, students should be able to diagnose and repair vehicle climate control systems.

Credit Hour(s):

2

Lecture Hour(s):

1

Lab Hour(s):

3

Other Hour(s):

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Requisites

Prerequisite and Corequisite

AUTO-1502 Automotive Electrical Fundamentals; or departmental approval: industry-related expereince.

Outcomes

Course Outcome(s):

Diagnose and Isolate Problems in an Automotive A/C System; perform Diagnosis and Repair

Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:

Critical/Creative Thinking: Analyze, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to consider problems/ideas and transform them in innovative or imaginative ways.

Objective(s):

- 1. Identify and interpret heating and air conditioning problems; determine necessary action.
- 2. Research vehicle service information including refrigerant/oil type, vehicle service history, service precautions, and technical service bulletins.
- 3. Performance test A/C system; identify problems.
- 4. Identify refrigerant type; select and connect proper gauge set/test equipment; record temperature and pressure readings.
- 5. Leak test A/C system; determine necessary action.
- 6. Identify abnormal operating noises in the A/C system; determine necessary action.
- 7. Inspect condition of refrigerant oil removed from A/C system; determine necessary action.
- 8. Determine recommended oil and oil capacity for system application.
- 9. Inspect, remove, and/or replace A/C compressor drive belts, pulleys, tensioners and visually inspect A/C components for signs of leaks; determine needed action.

- 10. Remove, inspect, reinstall, and/or replace A/C compressor and mountings; determine recommended oil type and quantity.
- 11. Inspect for proper A/C condenser airflow; determine needed action.

Course Outcome(s):

Recognize Refrigeration System Components; Perform Diagnosis and Repair

Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:

Critical/Creative Thinking: Analyze, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to consider problems/ideas and transform them in innovative or imaginative ways.

Objective(s):

- 1. Identify hybrid vehicle A/C system electrical circuits and service/safety precautions.
- 2. Determine need for an additional A/C system filter; perform necessary action.
- 3. Remove and inspect A/C system mufflers, hoses, lines, fittings, O-rings, seals, and service valves; perform necessary action.
- 4. Inspect A/C condenser for airflow restrictions; perform necessary action.
- 5. Remove, inspect, and install expansion valve or orifice (expansion) tube.
- 6. Inspect evaporator housing water drain; perform necessary action.
- 7. Diagnose A/C system conditions that cause the protection devices (pressure, thermal, and Powertrain Control Motor (PCM)) to interrupt system operation; determine necessary action.
- 8. Determine procedure to remove and reinstall evaporator; determine required oil quantity.
- 9. Inspect and replace A/C compressor drive belts, pulleys, and tensioners; determine necessary action.
- 10. Inspect, test, service or replace A/C compressor clutch components and/or assembly; check compressor clutch air gap; adjust as needed.

Course Outcome(s):

Recall the operation of Heating, Ventilation, and Engine Cooling Systems Components; Perform Diagnosis and Repair of said Subsystems.

Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:

Critical/Creative Thinking: Analyze, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to consider problems/ideas and transform them in innovative or imaginative ways.

Objective(s):

- 1. Inspect engine cooling and heater systems hoses and pipes; perform needed action.
- 2. Inspect and test heater control valve(s); perform necessary action.
- 3. Diagnose temperature control problems in the heater/ventilation system; determine necessary action.
- 4. Determine procedure to remove, inspect, and reinstall heater core.
- 5. Inspect and test coolant; drain and recover coolant; flush and refill cooling system with recommended coolant; bleed air as required.
- 6. Remove and replace radiator.
- 7. Inspect and test fan(s) (electrical or mechanical), fan clutch, fan shroud, and air dams.

Course Outcome(s):

Diagnose and Repair Manual and Automatic HVAC Control System Concerns.

Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:

Critical/Creative Thinking: Analyze, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to consider problems/ideas and transform them in innovative or imaginative ways.

Objective(s):

- 1. Inspect and test HVAC system blower motors, resistors, switches, relays, wiring, and protection devices; determine needed action.
- 2. Diagnose A/C compressor clutch control systems; determine necessary action.
- 3. Diagnose malfunctions in the vacuum, mechanical, and electrical components and controls of the heating, ventilation, and A/C (HVAC) system; determine necessary action.
- 4. Inspect and test HVAC system control panel assembly; determine needed action.
- 5. Inspect and test HVAC system control cables, motors, and linkages; perform needed action.
- 6. Inspect A/C-heater ducts, doors, hoses, cabin filters, and outlets; perform necessary action.
- 7. Identify the source of A/C system odors.
- 8. Check operation of automatic or semi-automatic heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning (HVAC) control systems; determine necessary action.

Course Outcome(s):

Perform Proper Refrigerant Recovery, Recycling, and Handling Operations Using the Proper Equipment

Essential Learning Outcome Mapping:

Critical/Creative Thinking: Analyze, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to consider problems/ideas and transform them in innovative or imaginative ways.

Objective(s):

- 1. Perform correct use and maintenance of refrigerant handling equipment according to equipment manufacturer's standards.
- 2. Identify A/C system refrigerant; test for sealants; recover, evacuate, and charge A/C system; add refrigerant oil as required.
- 3. Recycle, label, and store refrigerant.
- 4. Evacuate and charge A/C system; add refrigerant oil as required.

Course Outcome(s):

Shop and personal safety is a primary and ongoing concern while in the repair environment for automotive HVAC; including using tools and equipment, working around supplemental restraint (SRS) or high voltage circuits, wearing personal protection equipment, awareness of personal clothing, adornments and body, and knowledge of fire safety and evacuation routes.

Objective(s):

- 1. Identify general shop safety rules and procedures.
- 2. Utilize safe procedures for handling of tools and equipment.
- 3. Identify and use proper placement of floor jacks and jack stands.
- 4. Identify and use proper procedures for safe lift operation.
- 5. Utilize proper ventilation procedures for working within the lab/shop area.
- 6. Identify marked safety areas.
- 7. Identify the location and the types of fire extinguishers and other fire safety equipment; demonstrate knowledge of the procedures for using fire extinguishers and other fire safety equipment.
- 8. Identify the location and use of eye wash stations.
- 9. Identify the location of the posted evacuation routes.
- 10. Comply with the required use of safety glasses, ear protection, gloves, and shoes during lab/shop activities.
- 11. Identify and wear appropriate clothing for lab/shop activities.
- 12. Secure hair and jewelry for lab/shop activities.
- 13. Demonstrate awareness of the safety aspects of supplemental restraint systems (SRS), electronic brake control systems, and hybrid vehicle high voltage circuits.
- 14. Demonstrate awareness of the safety aspects of high voltage circuits (such as high intensity discharge (HID) lamps, ignition systems, injection systems, etc.).
- 15. Locate and demonstrate knowledge of material safety data sheets (MSDS).

Methods of Evaluation:

- 1. Participation and discussion
- 2. Observation
- 3. Written assignments
- 4. Exams
- 5. Quizzes
- 6. Lab tasks
- 7. Classroom recitations

Course Content Outline:

- 1. Automotive HVAC Concepts
 - a. Heating and cooling principles and theory
 - b. HVAC operating system and components
 - c. Engine cooling system and components
 - d. Operating systems and mechanical and electronic controls
 - e. Refrigerant system component descriptions and repair techniques
 - f. Refrigerant recovery, evacuation and charging techniques
 - g. Refrigerant recycling and the safe handling of refrigerant
- 2. Work Related Concepts
 - a. Shop and personal safety
 - b. Tools and equipment

- d. Preparing vehicle for customer
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TOPICAL OUTLINE

- Course overview
 - a. Modern HVAC systems
 - b. Changes in HVAC service
- 2. Comfort and safety
 - a. The HVAC system increases safety by keeping the windows free of ice and condensation
- 3. Sources of heat and cold
 - a. Solar radiation
 - b. Weather
 - c. Engine and drivetrain heat
 - d. Passengers
- 4. The purpose of automotive HVAC systems
 - a. Regulate temperature
 - b. Control humidity
 - c. Circulate the air
- 5. Refrigerant and the environment
 - a. The ozone layer
 - b. Ultraviolet light
 - c. Precautions against the greenhouse effect
- 6. Refrigerant regulations
 - a. Alternative refrigerants
 - b. Technician certification
 - c. Non-compliance penalties
- 7. Engine coolant and the environment
 - a. Environmental concerns
 - b. Disposal of engine coolant
- 8. Physics of matter
 - a. The building blocks of matter
 - b. Molecules and chemical compounds
- 9. States of matter. solid, liquid, and vapor
 - a. Changes of state: boiling and condensation
 - b. Heat and temperature
 - i. definitions
 - ii. measurement of heat and temperature
 - iii. converting temperatures
 - c. Specific heat is a characteristic which indicates heat transfer capacity
 - d. Sensible heat causes a change in temperature
 - e. Latent heat is added or given off during a change of state
- 10. Temperature, pressure, and volume
 - a. Temperature and volume of a solid or liquid
 - b. Temperature, volume, and pressure of a vapor
 - c. Pressure-temperature relationships
 - d. Boiling points and pressure
 - e. Pressures in a sealed system
 - f. Vacuum
 - i. understanding pressure and vacuum
- 11. Heat flow and humidity
 - a. Conduction is the energy transfer that occurs as heat moves through a substance, or from object to object by direct contact.
 - b. Convection is energy transfer in which a liquid or gas carries the heat from one place to another.
 - c. Radiation is energy transfer through electromagnetic energy.
 - d. Humidity
 - i. measuring humidity
 - 1. absolute humidity
 - 2. relative humidity
 - 3. dew point
 - 4. the psychrometer and hygrometer
 - ii. the psychrometric chart

12. Heating and cooling in a vehicle

- a. The heat exchanger
- b. The refrigerant system
 - i. the compressor is a refrigerant pump
 - ii. the condenser is a heat exchanger which removes heat from the system
 - iii. the receiver-drier or accumulator provide filtering and storage
 - iv. the expansion device controls the pressure and rate of refrigerant flow
 - v. the evaporator is a heat exchanger which adds heat to the refrigerant
 - vi. the refrigerant (R-134a or R1234yf) is the medium for heat transfer
- c. Air conditioning operation
 - i. the compressor pressurizes the refrigerant in the high side by pumping against the restriction of the thermostatic expansion valve or tube expansion.
 - ii. the hot gas is cooled to below its boiling point in the condenser.
 - iii. in a receiver-drier the liquid is temporarily stored and any moisture and contaminants are removed.
 - iv. in the thermostatic expansion valve or expansion tube, the refrigerant expands into the low side as a low-pressure mist.
 - v. in the evaporator the refrigerant mist boils by absorbing the heat of vaporization from the air blowing into the passenger compartment.
 - vi. in expansion tube systems, the refrigerant finishes boiling in the accumulator before flowing back into the compressor.
 - vii. the low-pressure gas then flows to the inlet, or low side, of the compressor.
- 13. Cooling system function
 - a. The water jackets
 - b. Coolant flow
- 14. Engine coolant
 - a. The development of engine coolant
 - b. Coolant mixtures
 - c. Other engine coolants
 - i. propylene glycol
 - ii. DEX-COOL
 - iii. Honda coolant
 - iv. VW/Audi coolant

15. Cooling system components

- a. The water pump
 - i. centrifugal
 - ii. engine-driven
- b. The thermostat
 - i. normal operation
 - ii. symptoms of improper operation
 - iii. thermostat bypass operation
- c. The radiator
 - i. heat exchanger
 - ii. downflow design
 - iii. crossflow design
 - iv. internal automatic transmission coolers
- d. The radiator cap
 - i. greater system pressure raises boiling point and system efficiency
 - ii. pressure relief valve operation and ratings
 - iii. vacuum valve operation
- e. The coolant recovery tank
- f. The radiator fan
 - i. electric
 - ii. rigid blade
 - iii. flex-blade
 - iv. clutch fans
- g. Hoses
- h. Core plugs
- i. The heater core
 - i. heater control valves
 - ii. blend air doors
- j. Cooling systems for air-cooled engines

- 16. Fresh air ventilation
 - a. Open windows for ventilation
 - b. Ram air ventilation
 - i. cowl air intake
 - ii. pressure release grille
- 17. Heating and ventilation system components
 - a. Blower motor
 - b. The heater core
 - c. Heater control valves
 - i. cable-operated
 - ii. vacuum-operated
 - iii. electric solenoid operated
 - d. Heater hoses
 - e. Ducting and doors
 - f. Plenum chamber
- 18. Heating system operation
 - a. Coolant control
 - b. Air control
 - c. Temperature regulation
 - i. coolant control
 - ii. air control
 - iii. combination control
 - d. Heating system and ducts
- 19. Control devices
 - a. The control head
 - i. temperature control
 - ii. mode selection
 - iii. fresh air versus recirculated air
 - iv. air conditioning controls
 - b. Cable controls
 - c. Vacuum controls
 - d. Electronic controls
- 20. Vacuum control devices
 - a. Motors
 - b. Valves
 - c. Reservoirs
 - d. Lines
 - e. Reading vacuum diagrams
- 21. Rear window defrosters
- 22. Compressor, condenser, and evaporator interaction
 - a. Refrigerant flow
 - b. Low-side characteristics
 - c. High-side characteristics
- 23. Types of compressors
 - a. positive-displacement piston compressors
 - b. Variable-displacement compressors
 - c. Rotary-vane compressors
 - d. Scroll compressor
- 24. Compressor clutches
 - a. Components and function
 - b. Compressor clutch electrical circuit
 - i. cycling-clutch controls
 - ii. other electric clutch controls
 - 1. switches and sensors
 - 2. diode and spike protection
- 25. Condensers and evaporators
 - a. Condenser and evaporator construction
 - b. The condenser
 - c. The evaporator

- i. heat exchange
- ii. humidity control
- iii. evaporator designs
- 26. Expansion devices
 - a. Basic functions
 - i. pressure control
 - ii. flow control
 - b. Thermostatic expansion valves
 - i. variable orifice
 - ii. evaporator outlet temperature
 - iii. internal versus external equalization
 - iv. superheat
 - c. Combination valves
 - d. Fixed-orifice tubes
- 27. Receiver-driers and accumulator
 - a. Receiver-driers
 - b. Accumulators
- 28. Refrigeration hoses, connections, and other assemblies
 - a. Types of refrigeration lines and hoses
 - i. rigid lines
 - ii. barrier hoses in R-134a systems
 - b. Refrigeration line connections
 - i. flare fittings
 - ii. o-ring seals
 - iii. spring-lock coupling
 - c. Service valves
 - i. the Schrader valve
 - ii. quick-disconnect valves
 - d. Mufflers
 - e. Filters.
- 29. Types of control devices
 - a. Sensors and switches
 - b. Control modules and relays
 - c. Compressor control solenoids
- 30. Preventing compressor damage
 - a. The potential for damage
 - b. Sensing ambient temperature
 - i. ambient temperature sensor
 - c. Sensing refrigerant pressure and temperature
 - i. low-pressure cutout switch
 - ii. high- and low-side temperature sensors
 - iii. pressure-cycling switch
 - iv. pressure-relief valve
 - v. high-pressure cutoff switch
 - vi. thermostatic-control switch
 - vii. dual-pressure switch
 - viii. thermal-control switch
- 31. Preventing damage to other systems
- 32. Maintaining driveability
 - a. Heavy-load or cold-start conditions
 - i. wide-open throttle switch
 - ii. throttle-position sensor
 - iii. power-steering pressure switch
 - b. Delay devices
 - i. delay relay
 - ii. power-brake delay relay
 - iii. anti-dieseling relay
 - iv. constant-run relay
- 33. Preventing overheating

- a. Devices that prevent air-conditioning operation
 - i. coolant-temperature switch
 - ii. coolant-temperature sensor
- b. Controls that operate the electric engine fan
 - i. coolant-temperature fan switch
 - ii. constant-control relay module (CCRM)
 - iii. air-conditioning system pressure fan switch
- 34. Temperature control system types
 - a. Manual systems
 - b. Semiautomatic temperature control
 - c. Electronic automatic temperature control
- 35. Semiautomatic temperature control
 - a. Components
 - i. control head and temperature sensors
 - ii. programmer or control assembly
 - iii. blower speed and compressor power module
 - iv. electronically or vacuum-operated actuators
 - b. The programmer
 - c. General Motors tempmatic control system
- 36. Automatic temperature control systems
 - a. Control modes
 - b. Sensors
 - i. ambient temperature sensors
 - ii. in-car temperature sensor
 - iii. sun-load (solar) sensor
 - c. Actuators
 - d. Blower and air-conditioning clutch controls
- 37. Manual air-conditioning system controls
 - a. Thermostatic expansion valve systems
 - i. thermostatic control switch
 - ii. suction throttling device
 - iii. variable-displacement compressor
 - b. Fixed-orifice tube systems
 - i. pressure-cycling switch
- 38. Understanding microprocessor control systems
 - a. Computer functions
 - i. input
 - ii. processing
 - iii. storage
 - iv. output
- 39. Laboratory Topics
- 40. Safe work practices
 - a. Shop clothing
 - b. The work area
 - c. Tool safety, maintenance, and use
 - d. Hazardous materials
 - e. Electrical hazards
 - f. Fire hazards
 - g. When an accident occurs
 - h. Shop safety programs and legal requirements
 - i. Safety for heating and air-conditioning systems
 - i. Common sense and thinking ahead
- 41. Special tools
 - a. Vacuum pump and pressure gauge
 - b. Belt tensioners and tension gauge
 - c. Electronic refrigerant identifier
 - d. Manifold gauge set
 - i. the manifold
 - ii. the gauges

- e. The recovery/recycling station
- f. Leak detectors
 - i. electronic leak detector
 - ii. dye leak detectors
- g. Thermometers
 - i. rotary-dial thermometer
 - ii. electronic thermometer
 - iii. temperature test box
- h. Vacuum pump
- i. Clutch and component service tools
 - i. shaft seal and bearing service tools
 - ii. special refrigerant hose adapters
 - iii. fin straightener
- j. Scan tools
- k. Test meters
- I. Other electronic diagnostic tools
- m. Other special air-conditioning service tools
- 42. Compliance with the Clean Air Act
 - a. Technician certification
 - b. Proper service equipment for different A/C systems
- 43. Environmental friendliness
 - a. Disposal of hazardous waste
 - b. Recycling
- 44. Organize your repair approach
 - a. Identify the complaint
 - b. Verify the complaint
 - c. Familiarize yourself with the system
 - d. Test systematically
 - e. Verify the test results
 - f. Make your repairs
 - g. Verify a successful repair
- 45. Cooling system inspection
 - a. Drive belts
 - b. System hoses
 - c. Leaks
 - d. Radiator
 - e. Radiator cap
 - f. Heater assembly
 - g. Water pump
 - h. Radiator fan
 - i. Fan shrouds and air deflectors
 - i. Unusual noises
 - k. Cooling system inspection check list
- 46. Cooling system service
 - a. Coolant disposal and recycling
 - b. Cleaning the cooling system
 - i. cooling system flushing
 - ii. flushing with plain water
 - iii. back-flushing
 - iv. chemical cleaning
 - c. Cooling system bleeding
 - i. Chrysler
 - ii. Ford
 - iii. General Motors
 - d. Belt replacement
 - i. v-belt
 - ii. serpentine belt
 - e. Water pump service
- 47. Cooling system diagnosis

- a. Coolant concentration testing
- b. Pressure testing
- c. Testing the thermostat
- d. Testing the radiator fan
 - i. testing clutch fans
 - ii. testing electric fans
- e. Testing the temperature switch
- f. Testing the radiator fan relay
 - i. ohmmeter testing
 - ii. voltmeter testing
- g. Testing the radiator flow rate
 - i. flow meter quick test
 - ii. testing without a flow meter
- h. Cooling system troubleshooting chart
- 48. Heating systems
 - a. Heating system types
 - i. heater-control valve system
 - ii. blend door system
 - iii. combination system
 - b. Heating problems
 - i. no heat
 - ii. insufficient heat
 - iii. excessive heat
 - c. Heating system service
 - i. pressure testing
 - ii. bench testing
 - iii. flushing
 - iv. heater-control valve service
- 49. Ventilation systems
 - a. Ventilation system problems
 - i. no airflow
 - ii. insufficient airflow
 - iii. other ventilation problems
 - b. Ventilation system service
 - i. removing vents
 - ii. control cable service
 - iii. blower motor troubleshooting
 - 1. blower motor does not operate at all
 - 2. blower motor operates on HI, but not other speeds
 - 3. blower motor operates on lower speeds, but not on HI
 - iv. blower motor circuit tests
 - 1. blower switch continuity test
 - 2. blower motor current draw test
 - 3. resistor block testing
 - 4. blower motor relay check
 - v. vacuum system service
 - 1. vacuum control system diagnosis
 - 2. vacuum component service and replacement
 - vi. Defrosting systems
- 50. Manifold gauge set
 - a. Functions
 - i. diagnosis
 - ii. charging
 - iii. evacuating
 - b. Description
 - i. gauge layout
 - ii. valve operation
 - iii. gauge scales
 - c. Shut-off valves

- d. Gauge calibration and altitude adjustment
- e. Attaching the manifold gauge set
- f. Reading system pressures
 - i. stabilizing the air-conditioning system
 - ii. normal pressure readings
- 51. Refrigerant recovery and recycling
 - a. Equipment types
 - i. recovery-only
 - ii. recovery and recycling
 - iii. recovery, recycling, and recharging
 - b. Refrigerant identification
 - c. Checking refrigerant for air contamination
 - d. Evacuating the system
 - i. deep vacuum
 - e. evacuation procedure
 - f. Charging the system
 - i. charging tips
 - ii. charging with liquid and vapor
 - iii. charging procedure
- 52. System identification
 - a. Expansion devices
 - i. thermostatic expansion valve systems
 - ii. fixed-orifice tube
- 53. systems
 - a. Suction-throttling devices
 - b. Variable-displacement compressors
 - c. Identifying temperature control systems
- 54. Inspecting the air-conditioning system
- 55. Air-conditioning performance test
- 56. System diagnosis
 - a. Diagnosing by temperature
 - b. Diagnosing by sight
 - c. Sight glass diagnosis
 - d. Diagnosing by sound
 - i. mechanical noise
 - ii. compressor clutch noise
 - iii. compressor noise
 - iv. blower motor noise
 - v. drive belt noise
 - vi. refrigerant noise
- 57. Refrigerant leak detection
 - a. Leak detection strategies
 - b. Leak detection tools
 - i. electronic leak detectors
 - ii. dye leak detection
- 58. Alternative refrigerant considerations
 - a. Automobile manufacturers" recommendations
 - b. EPA approval and regulations
 - c. Customer concerns
 - d. Determining when to retrofit
- 59. Component compatability
 - a. Compressor
 - b. Refrigerant pressure controls
 - c. Hoses, o-rings, and gaskets
 - d. Evaporators and condensers
 - e. Receiver-drier, accumulator, and desiccant
- 60. Perfomance of retrofit systems
 - a. Manufacturer retrofit procedures
 - b. "Least-cost" retrofit

- 61. Performing a system retrofit
 - a. System evaluation
 - b. System refrigerant recovery
 - c. System repair and retrofit
 - i. service valves
 - ii. saddle clamp adapter
 - iii. high-pressure cutoff switch
 - iv. retrofit labels
 - v. evacuation and recharge
 - d. System performance test
- 62. Other sources of retrofit information
- 63. General compressor diagnosis
 - a. Failure types
 - b. Inspect the components
- 64. Compressor failures
 - a. Clutch failures
 - b. Seal failures
 - c. Bearing failures
 - d. Reed valve failure
 - e. Mechanical failure
 - f. Contamination
- 65. Compressor replacement
 - a. Discharging a compressor
 - b. Removing and replacing compressors
- 66. Compressor testing
 - a. Checking compressor operating pressures
 - b. Compressor noise and vibration
 - c. Checking cycling-clutch compressors
 - d. Checking for seal leaks
 - e. Checking the compressor clutch operation
 - f. Compressor protection devices
 - i. high-pressure cutoff switches
 - ii. high-pressure relief valves
 - iii. low-pressure cutoff switches
 - iv. thermal protection devices
 - v. lock-up protection devices
- 67. Compressor service procedures
 - a. Checking the oil level
 - i. stabilizing the compressor
 - ii. checking the oil level with a dipstick
 - iii. checking the compressor oil level without a dipstick
 - b. Servicing compressor clutches
 - i. clutch removal
 - ii. clutch pulley bearing replacement
 - iii. field coil replacement
 - iv. compressor clutch installation
 - c. Servicing compressor seals
- 68. Diagnostic and repair procedures
 - a. Before the repair checklists
 - i. information
 - ii. diagnosis
 - iii. materials
 - iv. tools
 - v. cleaning
 - b. After the repair checklists
 - i. assembly
 - ii. flushing
 - iii. recover and recharge
 - iv. leak and performance tests

- 69. Identifying systems, refrigerants, and oils
 - a. System type
 - i. manual or automatic
 - ii. expansion device
 - iii. compressor type
 - b. Refrigerant and refrigerant oil
 - i. refrigerant identification
 - ii. refrigerant oil identification
 - iii. oil replacement amount
- 70. Hose and line service
 - a. Refrigerant hose failure
 - i. vibration
 - ii. high pressure
 - iii. collision damage
 - iv. chemical attack
 - v. improper installation
 - b. Refrigerant hose and line service procedures
 - i. hose replacement
 - ii. line replacement
 - iii. line fitting repair
 - iv. o-ring replacement
 - v. Ford spring-lock coupling
- 71. System flushing
 - a. Flushing solvents
 - b. Flushing equipment
 - c. Flushing procedure
- 72. Condenser and evaporator service
 - a. Condenser and evaporator replacement procedures
 - i. evaporator
 - ii. condenser
- 73. Accumulator service
 - a. Accumulator replacement guidelines
 - b. Accumulator replacement procedures
- 74. Receiver-drier service
 - a. Receiver-drier replacement guidelines
 - b. Receiver-drier replacement procedures
- 75. Expansion device service
 - a. Expansion valve
 - i. symptoms and indicators
 - ii. expansion valve testing
 - iii. expansion valve replacement
 - b. Fixed-orifice tube service
 - i. symptoms and indicators
 - ii. fixed-orifice tube testing
 - iii. fixed-orifice tube replacement
- 76. Suction-throttling devices
- 77. Specialized electrical test equipment
 - a. Using a scan tool
 - i. independent manufacturers" scan tools
 - ii. vehicle manufacturers" diagnostic testers
 - b. Vehicle test and diagnostic connectors
- 78. Electrical switch diagnosis and testing
 - a. Wide-open throttle (WOT) switch testing
 - b. Air-conditioning selector and blower-motor switch testing
 - c. Cycling-clutch switch testing and replacement
 - i. capillary-sensed cycling-clutch switch
 - ii. fin-sensed cycling-clutch switch
 - iii. electronic cycling-clutch switch (ECCS)
 - d. Pressure switch testing and replacement

- i. low-pressure cutoff switch
- ii. cycling-clutch pressure switch
- e. Temperature switch testing and replacement
 - i. ambient-temperature switch
 - ii. thermostatic switch
- 79. Compressor clutch electrical troubleshooting
 - a. Failure to engage
 - b. Clutch troubleshooting procedure
- 80. Automatic temperature controls
 - a. Components
 - b. Functions and operation
- 81. Diagnostic codes in electronically controlled systems
 - a. Code retrieval and interpretation
 - b. Diagnostic and control data
- 82. Testing parts
 - a. Sensors
 - b. Actuators
- 83. Electrostatic discharge (ESD)

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