

# AC Compressor Warranty Pre-Check Sheet

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Report number:

Part number:

## Step 1: Check origin

Is it a genuine **DENSO** compressor? Yes  No   
If No: **No warranty**

## Step 2: Documents & application check

Are the right documents available? Yes  No   
Is it the right vehicle application? Yes  No   
If No: **No warranty**

## Step 3: Sealing of compressor

Are the caps installed or is the compressor in another way properly sealed? Yes  No   
If No: **No warranty**

## Step 4: DL Pulley (If applicable)

Is the limiter of the DL Pulley broken? Yes  No   
If Yes: **No warranty**

## Step 5: Magnetic Clutch (If applicable)

Is the Magnetic Clutch damaged / burned? Yes  No   
If Yes: **No warranty**

## Step 6: Rotation

Is it possible to rotate the compressor shaft normally?  
(Free rotation max 3,0 Nm rotation torque - not heavy or sticky feeling) Yes  No   
If No: **No warranty**

## Step 7: Compressor appearance

Is the Denso label burned? Yes  No   
Is the compressor or are parts of the compressor damaged? Yes  No   
Are there any parts missing from the compressor? Yes  No   
If Yes: **No warranty**

End of the investigation

## Step 1: Check origin

Check if the received compressor is genuine DENSO After Market compressor

### 1. Check if the DENSO label is present

All compressors with NON DENSO labels will be rejected.  
When the label is not present, or if there is doubt, the claim will be rejected.



NON DENSO labels



Original DENSO labels

**NOTE:** When there is doubt, please check with the DENSO catalogue or send pictures to DENSO SQA/warranty department for verification

Email: [EU\\_DNEU\\_AMIS\\_SQA@eu.denso.com](mailto:EU_DNEU_AMIS_SQA@eu.denso.com)

## Step 2: Documents & application check

### 1. Are the right documents available

- Customer's invoice, proof of purchase
- Proof of flushing the system and replacement of mandatory parts according to the OE repair manual (filter, dryer, tubes, condenser, evaporator, etc.).
- Fully filled in warranty return document? (vehicle data, cause and condition)

### 2. Check if the right application has been used

Check via TecDoc or the DENSO e-catalogue: [www.denso-am.eu/catalog/](http://www.denso-am.eu/catalog/)



Different clutch



No labels / different color bolts (gold = NO)



No labels / different color



No labels / different color / different bolts / different shape of the body

## Step 3: Sealing of compressor

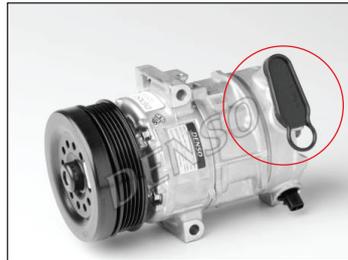
### 1. Are the caps installed or is the compressor in another way properly sealed?

- When the caps are not installed, dirt and debris can enter the compressor causing contamination that will result in an unreliable testbench procedure.

### 2. When caps are not installed, the oil can run out of the compressor creating:

- Loosing necessary evidence. The appearance of the oil and oil amount is an important indication in finding the root cause.
- Hazard to the ecological environment

When the caps are not installed properly, the claim will be rejected.



\* When the compressor is not properly sealed, oil can spill out the compressor which can lead to shipping issues and create environmental hazards.

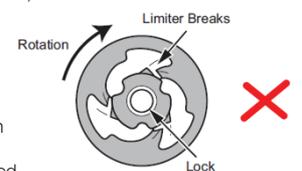
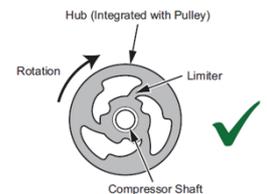
## Step 4: DL Pulley (If applicable)

### 1. Check if the Limiter of the pulley is broken

\* When the limiter is broken, there is no connection between the drive shaft and the multibelt drive pulley causing the compressor not to rotate when driven by the engine. A broken limiter usually indicates problems in the drive system of the compressor. See below possible causes.



- Free run pulley, alternator, is seized  
Overrunning Alternator Pulley (OAP) or Overrunning Alternator Decoupler (OAD)
- Torque fluctuation  
Rough idling or rough running of engine
- Liquid lock  
Too much oil – wrong refrigerant charging
- Chip tuning  
Higher torque output than specification of limiter
- Crankshaft damper is broken  
Torsional Vibration Damper is worn or broken (TVD)
- Automatic tensioner is broken  
Belt tensioner is worn or broken
- Compressor internal resistant is too high  
Compressor is locked, due to lack of lubrication
- Dual mass flywheel worn / conversion kit installed  
Conversion kit = change to solid flywheel



- Rotate the compressor pulley
- Check if the drive shaft is also rotating. (7 mm hexagon bolt should also rotate)
- If the drive shaft is NOT rotating with the rotation of the compressor pulley, the limiter is broken



## Step 5: Magnetic Clutch (If applicable)

### 1. Check the magnetic clutch for:

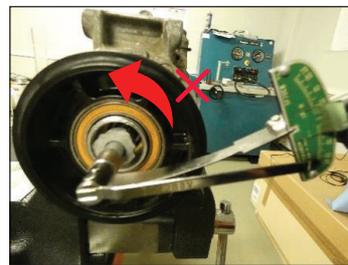
- Damaged / Burned? In this case it is important to determine if the compressor is internally rotating Y/N. If the compressor is rotating freely, the clutch is damaged / burned, due to too high thermal load. This can be caused by low heat dissipation, due to a worn condenser, no cooling fan operation or blocked airflow. (Dirt accumulating between condenser and radiator).
- If the compressor is locked, the clutch will burn. A locked compressor is either caused by insufficient lubrication or liquid lock.



## Step 6: Rotation

### 1. Is the compressor manually rotating freely?

In a normal situation the compressor should be rotating manually by turning the compressor shaft. Rotation should be smooth without any obstruction



In this example, the compressor is locked, so no rotation possible.

The compressor is locked due to insufficient lubrication. (Caused by blockage in the system or low refrigerant/oil amount)

## Step 7: Appearance of the compressor

1. Are all components present on the compressor. Clutch / control valve / nuts and bolts / discharge manifold cover. Missing parts or disassembled parts are making the warranty claim void
2. Are there damaged parts? If so, the claim will be rejected.



Broken control valve



DL-Pulley parts are missing.

3. Are the labels burned? If yes, the compressor has been exposed to excessive internal overheating. The claim will be rejected.

