

Common Causes of Damaged Rack and Pinion Threads

Application All vehicles with Power Rack & Pinion Steering Systems.

Damage to threads/housing during installation of the power steering hoses. Problem

Cross-threading or over-tightening of the power steering hose fittings. Cause

Clean and inspect the power steering hose fittings. Solution

- **DO NOT** use power steering hoses that are cracked, chaffed, soft or have damaged fittings.
- Install new "O" rings if applicable. Lubricate with new fluid recommended for your vehicle. CAUTION: DO NOT USE THREAD SEALING TAPE OF ANY KIND ON THE FITTINGS!
- Finger-tighten all power steering hose fittings prior to tightening to final torque.
- Torque power steering hose fittings to manufacturer's specifications for your vehicle.
- Flush system using fluid approved for your vehicle according to instructions provided with the replacement rack & pinion and service manual.

Damaged threads/housing due to improper installation will **VOID THE WARRANTY**.

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