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## SERVICE BULLETIN

**APPLICABILITY:** 2012-21MY Forester  
**SUBJECT:** Service Manual Corrections

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### INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this bulletin is to provide a description of current changes to Service Manuals available via the Subaru Technical Information System (STIS) web site. The tables contained within this bulletin are to be used as guides for becoming aware of the latest changes. We advise you to always refer to the STIS web site when looking for the latest Service information. Printed pages will **not** be made available to update printed Service Manuals.

**Paper manuals may have different page numbering than what is reflected below, based on multiple new and revised pages. Please refer to the information contained on the STIS web site for all future, update service manual information.**

YEAR	MODEL	SECTION	SUB-SECTION	PAGE or CHAPTER	DESCRIPTION OF CHANGE
2021	Forester	Engine	Speed Control (H4D0)	Accelerator Pedal	Inspection/testing steps added.
			Fuel Injection (H4D0)	Throttle Body	Inspection/testing steps added.
2020	Forester	Diagnosis	Engine (H4D0)	Diagnostic procedure with DTC.	Diagnostic steps added for DTCs P0011, 0014, 0021, 0024.
		Airbag & Seat Belt System	Airbag System	Roll Connector	Neutral position adjustment steps updated.
		Engine	Speed Control (H4D0)	Accelerator Pedal	Inspection/testing steps added.
			Fuel Injection (H4D0)	Throttle Body	Inspection/testing steps added.
2019	Forester	Diagnosis	Engine (H4D0)	Diagnostic procedure with DTC.	Diagnostic steps added for DTCs P0011, 0014, 0021, 0024.
		Airbag & Seat Belt System	Airbag System	Roll Connector	Neutral position adjustment steps updated.
		Engine	Speed Control (H4D0)	Accelerator Pedal	Inspection/testing steps added.
			Fuel Injection (H4D0)	Throttle Body	Inspection/testing steps added.
2018	Forester	Diagnosis	Engine (H4D0)	Diagnostic procedure with DTC.	Diagnostic steps added for DTCs P0011, 0021.
			Engine (H4DOTC)	Diagnostic procedure with DTC.	Diagnostic steps added for DTCs P0011, 0014, 0021, 0024.
		Engine	Speed Control (H4D0)	Accelerator Pedal	Inspection/testing steps added.
			Fuel Injection (H4D0)	Throttle Body	Inspection/testing steps added.
			Fuel Injection (H4DOTC)	Throttle Body	Inspection/testing steps added.

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YEAR	MODEL	SECTION	SUB-SECTION	PAGE or CHAPTER	DESCRIPTION OF CHANGE
2017	Forester	Diagnosis	Engine (H4D0)	Diagnostic procedure with DTC.	Diagnostic steps added for DTCs P0011, 0021.
			Engine (H4DOTC)	Diagnostic procedure with DTC.	Diagnostic steps added for DTCs P0011, 0014, 0021, 0024.
		Airbag & Seat Belt System	Airbag System	Roll Connector	Neutral position adjustment steps updated.
		Engine	Speed Control (H4D0)	Accelerator Pedal	Inspection/testing steps added.
			Fuel Injection (H4D0)	Throttle Body	Inspection/testing steps added.
			Fuel Injection (H4DOTC)	Throttle Body	Inspection/testing steps added.
2016	Forester	Diagnosis	Engine (H4D0)	Diagnostic procedure with DTC.	Diagnostic steps added for DTCs P0011, 0021.
			Engine (H4DOTC)	Diagnostic procedure with DTC.	Diagnostic steps added for DTCs P0011, 0014, 0021, 0024.
		Airbag & Seat Belt System	Airbag System	Roll Connector	Neutral position adjustment steps updated.
		Engine	Speed Control (H4D0)	Accelerator Pedal	Inspection/testing steps added.
			Fuel Injection (H4D0)	Throttle Body	Inspection/testing steps added.
			Fuel Injection (H4DOTC)	Throttle Body	Inspection/testing steps added.
2015	Forester	Diagnosis	Engine (H4D0)	Diagnostic procedure with DTC.	Diagnostic steps added for DTCs P0011, 0021.
			Engine (H4DOTC)	Diagnostic procedure with DTC.	Diagnostic steps added for DTCs P0011, 0014, 0021, 0024.
		Airbag & Seat Belt System	Airbag System	Roll Connector	Neutral position adjustment steps updated.
		Engine	Speed Control (H4D0)	Accelerator Pedal	Inspection/testing steps added.
			Fuel Injection (H4D0)	Throttle Body	Inspection/testing steps added.
			Fuel Injection (H4DOTC)	Throttle Body	Inspection/testing steps added.
2014	Forester	Diagnosis	Engine (H4D0)	Diagnostic procedure with DTC.	Diagnostic steps added for DTCs P0011, 0021.
			Engine (H4DOTC)	Diagnostic procedure with DTC.	Diagnostic steps added for DTCs P0011, 0014, 0021, 0024.
		Engine	Speed Control (H4D0)	Accelerator Pedal	Inspection/testing steps added.
			Fuel Injection (H4D0)	Throttle Body	Inspection/testing steps added.
			Fuel Injection (H4DOTC)	Throttle Body	Inspection/testing steps added.
		2013	Forester	General Description	Recommended Materials
Brakes	Front Brake Pad			Installation	Steps changed to include the Brake Pad Assembly Grease.
	Front Disc Brake Assembly			Installation	Steps changed to include the Brake Pad Assembly Grease.
	Rear Brake Pad			Installation	Steps changed to include the Brake Pad Assembly Grease.
	Rear Disc Brake Assembly			Installation	Steps changed to include the Brake Pad Assembly Grease.

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YEAR	MODEL	SECTION	SUB-SECTION	PAGE or CHAPTER	DESCRIPTION OF CHANGE
2012	Forester	General Description	Recommended Materials	Grease	Grease added for use on the Parking Brake and Brake Pad Clips.
		Brakes	Front Brake Pad	Installation	Steps changed to include the Brake Pad Assembly Grease.
			Front Disc Brake Assembly	Installation	Steps changed to include the Brake Pad Assembly Grease.
			Rear Brake Pad	Installation	Steps changed to include the Brake Pad Assembly Grease.
			Rear Disc Brake Assembly	Installation	Steps changed to include the Brake Pad Assembly Grease.