

## JF: Integrated Ignition Coil On Plug Coils A Through J Failure

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### JF1 DETERMINE WHICH COIL IS NOT FIRING PROPERLY

**Note:** Electronic ignition engine timing is entirely controlled by the PCM. Electronic ignition timing is NOT adjustable. Do not attempt to check base timing. You will receive false readings.

- Determine which coil is not firing properly using the information from Pinpoint Test JB or a DTC and the table at the beginning of this pinpoint test.
- Record the suspect cylinder, coil and PCM pin number from the table.

Is the suspect cylinder number, coil driver and PCM pin number recorded?

Yes	No
GO to <a href="#">JF2</a> .	REPEAT the test step to obtain the required information.

### JF2 CHECK THE FUNCTIONALITY OF THE SUSPECT COIL DRIVER CIRCUIT

- Ignition OFF.
- Suspect coil connector disconnected.
- Remove the fuel pump fuse to disable the fuel pump.
- Connect a non-powered test lamp between the IGN START/RUN and suspect coil driver, harness side.
- Observe the test lamp while cranking the engine.

Is the test lamp blinking consistently?

Yes	No
GO to <a href="#">JF3</a> .	GO to <a href="#">JF4</a> .

### JF3 CHECK THE FUNCTIONALITY OF THE SUSPECT COIL

- Ignition OFF.
- Carry out a visual inspection. Closely inspect the coil case and boot for carbon tracking, cracks and torn or improperly installed boots.
- Remove the suspect COP from the spark plug.
- Connect the Air Gap Spark Tester 303-DO37 (D81P-6666-A) or equivalent.
- Suspect coil connector connected.
- Crank the engine.
- Observe the spark tester while cranking the engine.

Is a bluish-white spark present?

Yes	No
	INSTALL a new suspect coil. If necessary, INSTALL a new spark plug. REFER to the Workshop Manual Section 303-07, Engine

GO to Pinpoint Test [Z](#).

Ignition.

CLEAR the DTCs. REPEAT the self-test.

## JF4 CHECK THE IGNITION START/RUN SUPPLY TO THE SUSPECT COIL

- Ignition ON, engine OFF.
- Suspect coil connector disconnected.
- Measure the voltage between:

( + ) COP Connector, Harness Side	( - ) Vehicle Battery
IGN START/RUN	Negative terminal

Is the voltage greater than 10 V?

Yes	No
GO to <a href="#">JF5</a> .	For Crown Victoria, Grand Marquis, and Town Car, GO to <a href="#">JF9</a> .  For all others, REPAIR the open circuit.  CLEAR the DTCs. REPEAT the self-test.

## JF5 CHECK THE SUSPECT COIL DRIVER CIRCUIT FOR AN OPEN IN THE HARNESS

- Ignition OFF.
- PCM connector disconnected.
- Suspect coil connector disconnected.
- Measure the resistance between:

( + ) PCM Connector, Harness Side	( - ) COP Connector, Harness Side
Suspect coil driver	COP

Is the resistance less than 5 ohms?

Yes	No
GO to <a href="#">JF6</a> .	REPAIR the open circuit. CLEAR the DTCs. REPEAT the self-test.

## JF6 CHECK THE SUSPECT COIL DRIVER CIRCUIT FOR A SHORT TO VOLTAGE IN THE HARNESS

- Ignition ON, engine OFF.
- Measure the voltage between:

( + ) PCM Connector, Harness Side	( - ) Vehicle Battery
Suspect coil driver	Negative terminal

Is the voltage less than 1 V?

Yes	No
GO to <a href="#">JF7</a> .	REPAIR the short circuit. CLEAR the DTCs. REPEAT the self-test.

## JF7 CHECK THE SUSPECT COIL DRIVER CIRCUIT FOR A SHORT TO GROUND IN THE HARNESS

- Ignition OFF.
- Measure the resistance between:

( + ) PCM Connector, Harness Side	( - ) Vehicle Battery
Suspect coil driver	Negative terminal

Is the resistance greater than 10K ohms?

Yes	No
GO to <a href="#">JF14</a> .	REPAIR the short circuit. CLEAR the DTCs. REPEAT the self-test. If the concern or DTC is still present,  GO to <a href="#">JF8</a> .

## JF8 CHECK THE SUSPECT COIL FOR DAMAGE

- PCM connector connected.
- Connect the Air Gap Spark Tester 303-D037 (D81P-6666-A) or equivalent to the suspect coil.
- Crank the engine.
- Observe the spark tester while cranking the engine.

Is a bluish-white spark present?

Yes	No
If necessary, INSTALL a new spark plug. REFER to the Workshop Manual Section 303-07, Engine Ignition.  CLEAR the DTCs. REPEAT the self-test.	INSTALL a new suspect coil. REFER to the Workshop Manual Section 303-07, Engine Ignition.  CLEAR the DTCs. REPEAT the self-test.

## JF9 CHECK VPWR CIRCUIT CONTINUITY BETWEEN THE SUSPECT COIL AND IGNITION COILS RELAY

- Ignition OFF.
- Ignition Coils Relay connector disconnected.
- Measure the resistance between:

( + ) Ignition Coils Relay Connector, Harness Side	( - ) Suspect coil Connector, Harness Side
VPWR - Pin 3	IGN START/RUN

Is the resistance less than 5 ohms?

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Yes	No
GO to <a href="#">JF10</a> .	REPAIR the open circuit. The open is between the splice and the ignition coils relay.  CLEAR the DTCs. REPEAT the self-test.

## JF10 CHECK THE B+ AND IGN START/RUN VOLTAGE TO IGNITION COILS RELAY

- Ignition ON, engine OFF.
- Measure the voltage between:

( + ) Ignition Coils Relay Connector, Harness Side	( - )
B+ - Pin 5	Ground
IGN START/RUN - Pin 2	Ground

Are the voltages greater than 10 V?

Yes	No
GO to <a href="#">JF11</a> .	REPAIR the open circuit. CLEAR the DTCs. REPEAT the self-test.

## JF11 CHECK THE IGNITION COILS RELAY GND CIRCUIT FOR AN OPEN IN THE HARNESS

- Measure the voltage between:

( + ) Ignition Coils Relay Connector, Harness Side	( - ) Ignition Coils Relay Connector, Harness Side
B+ - Pin 5	GND - Pin 1

Is the voltage greater than 10 V?

Yes	No
GO to <a href="#">JF12</a> .	REPAIR the open circuit. CLEAR the DTCs. REPEAT the self-test.

## JF12 CHECK THE IGNITION COILS RELAY

- Carry out the ignition coils relay component test. Refer to the Wiring Diagrams Cell 149 Component Testing.

Is a concern present?

Yes	No
INSTALL a new Ignition Coils relay. CLEAR the DTCs. REPEAT the self-test.	GO to <a href="#">JF13</a> .

## JF13 TEST DIRECTION FOR PINPOINT TEST A

Were you directed to this pinpoint test from pinpoint test step A8?

Yes	No
GO to <a href="#">A9</a> .	GO to <a href="#">JF14</a> .

## JF14 CHECK FOR CORRECT PCM OPERATION

- Disconnect all the PCM connectors.
- Visually inspect for:
  - pushed out pins
  - corrosion
- Connect all the PCM connectors and make sure they seat correctly.
- Carry out the PCM self-test and verify the concern is still present.

Is the concern still present?

Yes	No
INSTALL a new PCM.  REFER to Section 2, <a href="#">Flash Electrically Erasable Programmable Read Only Memory (EEPROM)</a> , Programming the VID Block for a Replacement PCM.	The system is operating correctly at this time. The concern may have been caused by a loose or corroded connector.

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