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# Technical Bulletin

Subject: **Sealants, Liquid Gaskets and Lubricants Containing  
Silicone**

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## Condition

Damage to Mass Air Flow (MAF) sensors and Oxygen sensors due to use of sealants, liquid gaskets or lubricants containing silicone.

## Service

Many detailing products contain silicone.

If a vehicle engine is running when spraying products which contain silicone (tire dressing, exterior and interior trim cleaner/protectants), silicone may be drawn into the intake system and can contaminate the MAF sensor and/or Oxygen sensors.

- DO NOT use sprays containing silicone on or near running engines with a Mass Air Flow sensor or Oxygen sensors.

In addition, if using sealants or liquid gaskets containing silicone on or near the engine of a vehicle with a MAF sensor or Oxygen sensors:

- Always allow the silicone to cure properly before starting and running the vehicle's engine.

### **CAUTION!**

***DO NOT use sprays containing silicone on or near engines with a Mass Air Flow sensor or Oxygen sensors.***

***Sealants or liquid gaskets containing silicone should be cured prior to starting and running the vehicle's engine.***

***Always read the ingredients of the material you are using.***

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