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Edition: August 2011 Revision: August 2012	_	GENERAL INFORMATION	GI	General Information	
Publication No. SM2E-1A35U2			EM	Engine Mechanical	
			LU	Engine Lubrication System	
			CO	Engine Cooling System	
			EC	Engine Control System	
			FL	Fuel System	
			EX	Exhaust System	
			STR	Starting System	
	_		ACC	Accelerator Control System	
	C	HYBRID	HBC	Hybrid Control System	
			HBB HBR	Hybrid Battery System Hybrid Brake System	
	D	TRANSMISSION & DRIVE-	CL	Clutch System	
	-	LINE	TM	Transaxle & Transmission	
			DLN	Driveline	
			FAX	Front Axle	
			RAX	Rear Axle	
	Е	SUSPENSION	FSU	Front Suspension	
			RSU	Rear Suspension	
			SCS	Suspension Control System	
			WT	Road Wheels & Tires	
	F	BRAKES	BR	Brake System	
			PB BRC	Parking Brake System Brake Control System	<b>I</b> G
	G	STEERING	ST	Steering System	
	ŭ		STC	Steering Control System	
	Н	RESTRAINTS	SB	Seat Belt	
NISSAN			SBC	Seat Belt Control System	
			SR	SRS Airbag	
MAXIMA			SRC	SRS Airbag Control System	
	I	VENTILATION, HEATER & AIR CONDITIONER	VTL	Ventilation System	
MODEL A35 SERIES		AIR CONDITIONER	HA	Heater & Air Conditioning System	
	<del></del>	BODY INTERIOR	HAC	Heater & Air Conditioning Control System	
	J	BODT INTERIOR	INT IP	Interior Instrument Panel	
			SE	Seat	
			ADP	Automatic Drive Positioner	
	К	BODY EXTERIOR,	DLK	Door & Lock	
		DOORS, ROOF & VEHICLE SECURITY	SEC	Security Control System	
		SECONT	GW	Glass & Window System	
			PWC	Power Window Control System	
			RF	Roof	
			EXT	Exterior	
	<del></del>	DRIVER CONTROLS	BRM	Body Repair Manual	
	L	DRIVER CONTROLS	MIR EXL	Mirrors Exterior Lighting System	
			INL	Interior Lighting System	
			WW	Wiper & Washer	
			DEF	Defogger	
			HRN	Horn	
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Nissan North America, Inc.		CRUISE CONTROL	CCS	Cruise Control System	
	Ρ	MAINTENANCE	MA	Maintenance	

# FOREWORD

This manual contains maintenance and repair procedure for the 2012 NISSAN Maxima.

In order to assure your safety and the efficient functioning of the vehicle, this manual should be read thoroughly. It is especially important that the PRECAUTIONS in the GI section be completely understood before starting any repair task.

All information in this manual is based on the latest product information at the time of publication. The right is reserved to make changes in specifications and methods at any time without notice.

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The proper performance of service is essential for both the safety of the technician and the efficient functioning of the vehicle. The service methods in this Service Manual are described in such a manner that the service may be performed safely and accurately. Service varies with the procedures used, the skills of the technician and the tools and parts available. Accordingly, anyone using service procedures, tools or parts which are not specifically recommended by NISSAN must first be completely satisfied that neither personal safety nor the vehicle's safety will be jeopardized by the service method selected.



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#### Engine Tune-up Data

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Cylinder arrangemen	t			V-	6	
Displacement cm <sup>3</sup> (	(cu in)			3,498 (213.45)		
Bore and stroke mn	n (in)			95.5 x 81.4 (3.760 x 3.205)		
Valve arrangement				DO	HC	
Firing order				1-2-3-	4-5-6	
Number of pieton ring		Compression		2	2	
Number of piston ring	JS	Oil		1		
Number of main bear	rings	-		4		
Compression ratio				10.0	6:1	
0		Standard		1,275 (13	3.0, 185)	
Compression pressui kPa (kg/cm <sup>2</sup> , psi)/300		Minimum		981 (10.	0, 142)	
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			FRONT	SEM713A		
			POTATION OF POTATION OF INTAKE	EXHAUST CLOSES CLOSES		
Valve timing (Valve timing control	- "OFF")		POIRE ROLATION ROLATI	b Ostragos		
	- "OFF")		1000 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 10	b Ostragos	Unit: degre	
	- "OFF") b	c	1000 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 10	b Ostragos	Unit: degre	

## DRIVE BELT

Tension of drive belt

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## Spark Plug

SPARK PLUG

Unit:	mm	(in)

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Make	DENSO	
Standard type*		FXE22HR11
Gap	Standard	1.1 (0.043)
	Limit	1.4 (0.055)

\*: Always check with the Parts Department for the latest parts information.

#### Front Wheel Alignment (Unladen\*)

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Market				United Sta	tes/Canada	Mexico	
Tire size				P245/45R18	P245/40R19	P245/45R18	P245/40R19
Camber			Minimum	-1°05' (-1.10°)	-1°10' (-1.15°)	-0°55'	(-0.95°)
-	Degree minute (Decimal de- gree)		Nominal	-0°20' (-0.35°)	-0°25' (-0.40°)	-0°10'	(-0.20°)
gree			Maximum	0°25' (0.40°)	0°20' (0.35°)	0°35'	(0.55°)
			Minimum	-1°20' (-1.35°)	-1°25' (-1.40°)	-1°10'	(-1.20°)
		RH	Nominal	-0°35' (-0.60°)	-0°40' (-0.65°)	-0°25'	(-0.45°)
			Maximum	0°10' (0.15°)	0°05' (0.10°)	0°20'	(0.30°)
		RH with respec	ct to LH		0°15' ± 0°33'	(0.25°± 0.55°)	
Caster		1	Minimum	4°10' (4.20°)	4°15' (4.25°)	3°45'	(3.75°)
Degree minu Against grou	te (Decimal degree	e)	Nominal	4°55' (4.95°)	5°00' (5.00°)	4°30'	(4.50°)
Against grou			Maximum	5°40' (5.70°)	5°45' (5.75°)	5°15'	(5.25°)
Maximum left and right dif- ference			-	0°33' (0.55°)			
Kingpin offse Degree minu	t te (Decimal degree	e)	1	14°25' (14.42°)		14°05'	(14.10°)
	Lines paral center line	of body	toe-in = A - B				
			Minimum		Out 1 mm (	Out 0.03 in)	
	Distance (A - I	3)	Nominal	In 1 mm (In 0.03 in)			
Toe-in			Maximum		ln 3 mm (	In 0.11 in)	
	Angle		Minimum		Out 0°4′48′	′ (Out 0.08°)	
	Degree minute	e (Decimal De-	Nominal		In 0°4′48′	′ (ln 0.08°)	
gree)			Maximum		In 0°14′24	″ (In 0.24°)	

\*: Fuel, radiator coolant and engine oil full. Spare tire, jack, hand tools and mats in designated positions.

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# Rear Wheel Alignment (Unladen\*)

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Market			USA*1	USA*2	Canada*1	Canada*2	Mexico
	Camber Degree minute (Decimal degree) Maximum		-0° 55′ (- 0.92°)	-1° 02′ (- 1.03°)	-0° 52′ (- 0.87°)	-1° 02′ (- 1.03°)	–0° 10′ (– 0.2°)
			-0° 25′ (- 0.42°)	-0° 32′ (- 0.53°)	–0° 22′ (– 0.37°)	-0° 32′ (- 0.53°)	0° 20′ (0.3°)
			0° 05′ (0.08°)	-0° 02′ (- 0.03°)	0° 8′ (0.13°)	-0° 02′ (- 0.03°)	0° 50′ (0.8°)
		Minimum	Out 1.4 mm (Out 0.05 in)	Out 1.1 mm (Out 0.04 in)	Out 1.4 mm (Out 0.05 in)	Out 1.1 mm (Out 0.04 in)	Out 1.4 mm (Out 0.05 in)
	Distance	Nominal	In 1.6 mm (In 0.06 in)	In 1.9 mm (In 0.07 in)	In 1.6 mm (In 0.06 in)	In 1.9 mm (In 0.07 in)	In 1.6 mm (In 0.06 in)
Toe-in		Maximum	In 4.6 mm (In 0.18 In)	In 4.9 mm (In 0.19 in)	ln 4.6 mm (In 0.18 ln)	In 4.9 mm (In 0.19 in)	In 4.6 mm (In 0.18 In)
106-111		Minimum	Out 0° 3' 36" (Out 0.06°)	Out 0° 2′ 24″ (Out 0.04°)	Out 0° 3′ 36″ (Out 0.06°)	Out 0° 2′ 24″ (Out 0.04°)	Out 0° 3′ 36″ (Out 0.06°)
	Angle Degree minute (decimal degree)	Nominal	In 0° 8′ 24″ (In 0.14°)	ln 0° 9′ 36″ (ln 0.16°)	In 0° 8′ 24″ (In 0.14°)	ln 0° 9′ 36″ (ln 0.16°)	ln 0° 8′ 24″ (ln 0.14°)
		Maximum	ln 0° 20′ 24″ (ln 0.34°)	In 0° 21′ 36″ (In 0.36°)	ln 0° 20′ 24″ (ln 0.34°)	ln 0° 21′ 36″ (ln 0.36°)	ln 0° 20′ 24″ (ln 0.34°)

\*: Fuel, radiator coolant and engine oil full. Spare tire, jack, hand tools and mats in designated positions.

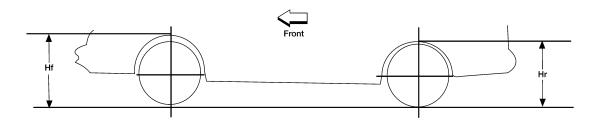
\*1: 18" tire.

\*2: 19" tire.

#### Wheelarch Height (Unladen\*1)

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Unit: mm (in)



							LEIA008	5E
Market	United States				Canada		Ме	xico
Tire size	P245/ 45R18 <sup>*2</sup>	P245/ 45R18 <sup>*3</sup>	P245/ 40R19 <sup>*2</sup>	P245/ 45R18 <sup>*2</sup>	P245/ 45R18 <sup>*3</sup>	P245/ 40R19 <sup>*2</sup>	P245/ 45R18 <sup>*2</sup>	P245/ 40R19 <sup>*2</sup>
Front (Hf)	719 (28.31)	719 (28.31)	723 (28.46)	720 (28.35)	719 (28.31)	723 (28.46)	729 (28.70)	732 (28.82)
Rear (Hr)	728 (28.66)	727 (28.62)	730 (28.74)	728 (28.66)	727 (28.62)	730 (28.74)	747 (29.41)	750 (29.53)

\*1: Fuel, engine coolant and engine oil full. Spare tire, jack, hand tools and mats in designated positions.

\*2: Without top load sunroof

\*3: With top load sunroof

#### **Brake Specifications**

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Unit: mm (in)

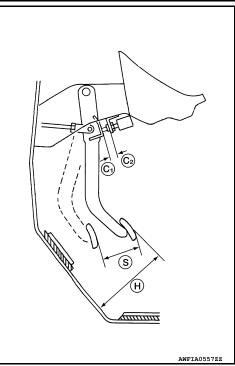
Brake model

	Cylinder bore diameter	57.15 (2.250)
Front brake	Pad length × width × thickness	123.6 × 47.5 × 11 (4.866 × 1.870 × 0.433)
	Rotor outer diameter × thickness	320 × 28 (12.598 × 1.102)
	Brake model	Kiriu
Deerbreke	Cylinder bore diameter	34.93 (1.375)
Rear brake	Pad length × width × thickness	83.0 × 33.0 × 8.5 (3.268 × 1.299 × 0.335)
	Rotor outer diameter × thickness	308 × 16 (12.126 × 0.630)
Master cylinder	Cylinder bore diameter	23.81 (0.937)
Control valve	Valve model	Electric brake force distribution
Brake booster	Booster model	Bosch

#### Brake Pedal

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Unit: mm (in)



Brake pedal free height (H)	190.7 - 202.7 (7.51 - 7.98)
Brake pedal full stroke (S)	130.0 (5.12)
Clearance between brake pedal bracket (C1) and threaded end of stop lamp switch and ASCD cancel switch (C2)	0.74 - 1.96 (0.0291 - 0.0772)

#### Front Disc Brake

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		Unit	: mm (in)
Brake model		Kiriu	
Brake pad	Standard thickness (new)	11.0 (0.433)	
Diake pau	Minimum thickness	2.0 (0.079)	
	Standard thickness (new)	28.0 (1.102)	
Disc rotor	Minimum thickness	26.0 (1.024)	
DISC TOLOI	Thickness variation (measured at 8 positions)	0.015 (0.0006)	
	Maximum runout (with it attached to the vehicle)	0.035 (0.0014)	

#### Rear Disc Brake

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Unit: mm (in)

Brake model		Kiriu
Brake pad	Standard thickness (new)	8.5 (0.335)
Blake pau	Minimum thickness	1.0 (0.039)
	Standard thickness (new)	16.0 (0.630)
Disc rotor	Minimum thickness	14.0 (0.551)
DISC TOLOI	Thickness variation (measured at 8 positions)	0.015 (0.0006)
	Maximum runout (with it attached to the vehicle)	0.05 (0.002)

#### FOR USA AND CANADA : Fluids and Lubricants

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Description		Capacity (Approximate)		
De		Metric US measure		Imp measure
Fuel		75.6 <i>l</i>	20 gal	16 5/8 gal
Engine oil Drain and refill	With oil filter change	4.8 <i>l</i>	5-1/8 qt	4 1/4 qt
	Without oil filter change	4.5 l	4 3/4 qt	4 qt
	Dry engine (Overhaul)	5.3 l	5 5/8 qt	4 5/8 qt
Cooling system (with reservoir at MAX le	vel)	9.0 <i>l</i>	9 1/2 qt	7 7/8 qt
CVT fluid		10.2 <i>l</i>	10 3/4 qt	9 qt
Power steering fluid (PS	F)	1.0 <i>l</i>	1 1/8 qt	7/8 qt
Brake fluid		—	—	_
Multi-purpose grease		—	—	—
Windshield washer fluid		4.5 l	4 3/4 qt	4 qt
Air conditioning system refrigerant		$0.55\pm0.025~\text{kg}$	$1.21\pm0.055~\text{lb}$	$1.21\pm0.055~\text{lb}$
Air conditioning system oil		150 mℓ	5.03 fl oz	5.03 fl oz

#### FOR MEXICO : Fluids and Lubricants

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Description		Capacity (Approximate)		
Description		Metric US measure Imp me		Imp measure
Fuel		75.6 <i>l</i>	20 gal	16-5/8 gal
Engine oil Drain and refill	With oil filter change	4.8 <i>l</i>	5-1/8 qt	4 14 qt
	Without oil filter change	4.5 l	4-3/4 qt	4 qt
	Dry engine (engine overhaul)	5.3 l	5-5/8 qt	4 5/8 qt
Cooling system (with reservoir at MAX level)		9.0 <i>l</i>	9-1/2 qt	7-7/8 qt
CVT fluid		10.2 <i>l</i>	10-3/4 qt	9 qt
Power steering fluid		1.0 <i>l</i>	1-1/8 qt	7/8 qt
Brake fluid		—	—	—
Multi-purpose grea	ase	_	_	

Description	Capacity (Approximate)			
Description	Metric	US measure Ir	Imp measure	
Air conditioning system refrigerant	$0.55\pm0.025~\text{kg}$	$1.21\pm0.055~\text{lb}$	$1.21\pm0.055~\text{lb}$	
Air conditioning system oil	150 m ℓ	5.03 fl oz	5.03 fl oz	
Windshield washer fluid	4.5 <i>l</i>	4-3/4 qt	4 qt	