# FRONT SUSPENSION

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# < PRECAUTION > PRECAUTION PRECAUTIONS

#### Precaution for Supplemental Restraint System (SRS) "AIR BAG" and "SEAT BELT **PRE-TENSIONER**" INFOID:000000008764669

The Supplemental Restraint System such as "AIR BAG" and "SEAT BELT PRE-TENSIONER", used along with a front seat belt, helps to reduce the risk or severity of injury to the driver and front passenger for certain types of collision. Information necessary to service the system safely is included in the SR and SB section of this Service Manual.

#### WARNING:

- To avoid rendering the SRS inoperative, which could increase the risk of personal injury or death in the event of a collision which would result in air bag inflation, all maintenance must be performed by an authorized NISSAN/INFINITI dealer.
- Improper maintenance, including incorrect removal and installation of the SRS, can lead to personal injury caused by unintentional activation of the system. For removal of Spiral Cable and Air Bag Module, see the SR section.
- Do not use electrical test equipment on any circuit related to the SRS unless instructed to in this Service Manual. SRS wiring harnesses can be identified by yellow and/or orange harnesses or harness connectors.

#### PRECAUTIONS WHEN USING POWER TOOLS (AIR OR ELECTRIC) AND HAMMERS

#### WARNING:

- When working near the Airbag Diagnosis Sensor Unit or other Airbag System sensors with the Ignition ON or engine running, DO NOT use air or electric power tools or strike near the sensor(s) with a hammer. Heavy vibration could activate the sensor(s) and deploy the air bag(s), possibly causing serious injury.
- When using air or electric power tools or hammers, always switch the Ignition OFF, disconnect the battery and wait at least 3 minutes before performing any service.

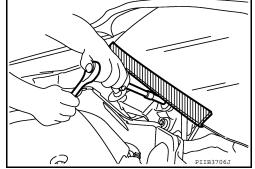
#### Precaution for Procedure without Cowl Top Cover

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When performing the procedure after removing cowl top cover, cover the lower end of windshield with urethane, etc to prevent damage to windshield.

#### Precautions for Suspension

- When installing rubber bushings, the final tightening must be carried out under unladen conditions with tires on ground. Spilled oil might shorten the life of rubber bushings. Be sure to wipe off any spilled oil.
- Unladen conditions mean that fuel, engine coolant and lubricant are full. Spare tire, jack, hand tools and mats are in designated positions.
- After servicing suspension parts, be sure to check wheel alignment.
- Self-lock nuts are not reusable. Always use new ones when installing. Since new self-lock nuts are pre-oiled, tighten as they are.
- The tightening surface must be kept free from oil/grease.
- When jacking up the vehicle with a floor jack, do not hang the jack on the torque rod.



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# **Special Service Tools**

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_ (J-44372)		Measuring ball joint swinging force	
Pull Gauge			D
	()		
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	LST024		
ST35652000 Strut attachment	ANC	Disassembling and assembling strut	F
			G
	ZZA0807D		Н
KV991040S1		Measuring wheel alignment	
Wheel alignment attachments	<b>9 9</b>		
1. KV99104020 Adapter A 2. KV99104030 Adapter B	( <b>?</b> )		I
3. KV99104040 Adapter C			
4. KV99104050 Adapter D 5. KV99104060 Plate	© © <sup>©</sup>		
6. KV99104070 Guide bolt			J
7. KV99104080 Spring	ZZA1167D		
8. KV99104090 Center plate			

# **Commercial Service Tools**

 Tool name
 Description
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 Power tool
 Loosening nuts, screws and bolts
 M

 PIIB1407E
 N
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 Spring compressor
 Removing and installing coil spring
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# NOISE, VIBRATION AND HARSHNESS (NVH) TROUBLESHOOTING < SYMPTOM DIAGNOSIS >

# SYMPTOM DIAGNOSIS NOISE, VIBRATION AND HARSHNESS (NVH) TROUBLESHOOTING

# NVH Troubleshooting Chart

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Reference			<u>FSU-8, FSU-10, FSU-12, FSU-16</u>	FSU-21	I	I	FSU-21	<u>FSU-8, FSU-10, FSU-12, FSU-16</u>	FSU-6	FSU-13	FAX-5, "NVH Troubleshooting Chart"	WT-43, "NVH Troubleshooting Chart"	WT-43, "NVH Troubleshooting Chart"	FAX-5, "NVH Troubleshooting Chart"	BR-7, "NVH Troubleshooting Chart"	ST-10, "NVH Troubleshooting Chart"
Possible ca	use and SUSPECTED PAR	ΓS	Improper installation, looseness	Shock absorber deformation, damage or deflection	Bushing or mounting deterioration	Parts interference	Spring fatigue	Suspension looseness	Incorrect wheel alignment	Stabilizer bar fatigue	FRONT AXLE	TIRE	ROAD WHEEL	DRIVE SHAFT	BRAKE	STEERING
		Noise	×	×	×	×	×	×			×	×	×	×	×	×
		Shake	×	×	×	×		×			×	×	×	×	×	×
	FRONT SUSPENSION	Vibration	×	×	×	×	×				×	×		×		×
Symptom		Shimmy	×	×	×	×			×		×	×	×		×	×
		Shudder	×	×	×						×	×	×		×	×
		Poor quality ride or	+	1												1

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# PERIODIC MAINTENANCE FRONT SUSPENSION ASSEMBLY

# Inspection

#### COMPONENT PART

Check the mounting conditions (looseness, backlash) of each component. Verify the component conditions С (wear, damage) are normal.

Ball Joint Axial End Play

- 1. Set the front wheels in a straight-ahead position.
- 2. Hold the axle side of the transverse link, and check the axial end play by move the transverse link up and down.

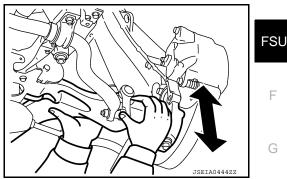
: Refer to FSU-23, "Ball Joint". Axial end play

#### **CAUTION:**

- Do not depress the brake pedal when measuring.
- Do not perform this inspection with the tires on the ground.
- Be careful not to damage ball joint boot. Do not damage the components by applying excessive force.

#### STRUT ASSEMBLY

Check for oil leaks or damage. Replace the parts if necessary.



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# < PERIODIC MAINTENANCE > WHEEL ALIGNMENT

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#### PRELIMINARY INSPECTION

#### WARNING:

# Always adjust the wheel alignment with the vehicle on a flat surface. NOTE:

If the wheel alignment is out of specification, inspect and replace any damaged or worn rear suspension parts before making any adjustments.

- 1. Check and adjust the wheel alignment with the vehicle under unladen conditions. "Unladen conditions" means that the fuel, engine coolant, and lubricants are full; the spare tire, jack, hand tools and mats are in designated positions.
- 2. Check the tires for incorrect air pressure and excessive wear.
- 3. Check the wheels for run out and damage. Refer to WT-44, "Inspection".
- 4. Check the wheel bearing axial end play. Refer to FAX-6, "Inspection".
- 5. Check the shock absorbers for leaks or damage.
- 6. Check each mounting point of the suspension components for any excessive looseness or damage.
- 7. Check each link, arm, and the suspension member for any damage.
- 8. Check the vehicle height. Refer to FSU-23, "Wheelarch Height (Unladen\*)".

#### GENERAL INFORMATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. A Four-Wheel Thrust Alignment should be performed.
  - This type of alignment is recommended for any NISSAN vehicle.
  - The four-wheel "thrust" process helps ensure that the vehicle is properly aligned and the steering wheel is centered.
  - The alignment machine itself should be capable of accepting any NISSAN vehicle.
  - The alignment machine should be checked to ensure that it is level.
- 2. Make sure the alignment machine is properly calibrated.
  - Your alignment machine should be regularly calibrated in order to give correct information.
  - Check with the manufacturer of your specific alignment machine for their recommended Service/Calibration Schedule.

#### THE ALIGNMENT PROCESS

**IMPORTANT:** Use only the alignment specifications listed in this Service Manual. Refer to <u>FSU-23</u>, "Wheel <u>Alignment (Unladen\*1)</u>".

- When displaying the alignment settings, many alignment machines use "indicators": (Green/red, plus or minus, Go/No Go). **Do NOT use these indicators.**
- The alignment specifications programmed into your alignment machine that operate these indicators may not be correct.
- This may result in an ERROR.
- Most camera-type alignment machines are equipped with both "Rolling Compensation" method and optional "Jacking Compensation" method to "compensate" the alignment targets or head units.
   "Rolling Compensation" is the preferred method.
- If using the "Rolling Compensation" method, after installing the alignment targets or head units, push or pull on the rear wheel to move the vehicle. Do not push or pull the vehicle body.
- If using the "Jacking Compensation" method, after installing the alignment targets or head units, raise the vehicle and rotate the wheels 1/2 turn both ways.

#### NOTE:

- Do not use the "rolling Compensation" method if you are using sensor-type alignment equipment.
- Follow all instructions for the alignment machine you're using for more information.

#### CAMBER, CASTER AND KINGPIN INCLINATION ANGLES INSPECTION

- Camber, caster, kingpin inclination angles cannot be adjusted.
- Before inspection, set the front wheels onto a turning radius gauge. Set the rear wheels onto a pad that has the same height so the vehicle will remain horizontal.

#### TOTAL TOE-IN INSPECTION

Measure the total toe-in using the following procedure.

# WHEEL ALIGNMENT

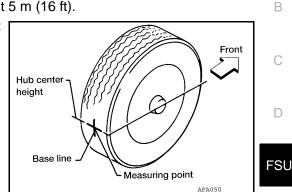
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**CAUTION:** 

push vehicle backward.

- Always perform the following procedure on a flat surface.
- Make sure that no person is in front of vehicle before pushing it.
- Bounce the front of vehicle up and down to stabilize the vehicle height (posture). 1.
- 2. Push on the rear wheel to move the vehicle straight ahead about 5 m (16 ft).
- 3. Put a mark on base line of the tread (rear side) of both tires at the same height of hub center. These are measuring points.



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- Lines parallel to center line of body 5. Push on the rear wheel to move the vehicle slowly ahead and to If the wheels have rotated more than 180 degrees (1/2 turn), try the above procedure again from the beginning. Do not Total toe-in = A - B Front SFA234AC
- 7. Use the formula below to calculate total toe-in.

4. Measure the distance (A) from the rear side.

rotate the wheels 180 degrees (1/2 turn).

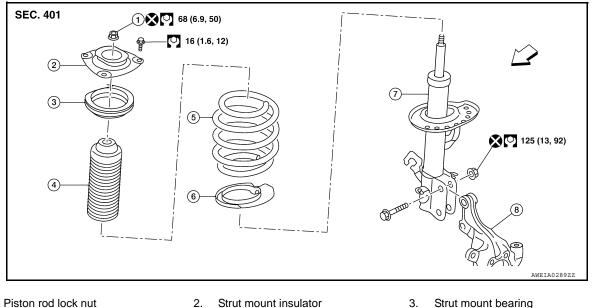
Measure the distance (B) from the front side.

Total toe-in	: A - B	J			
Total toe-in specification	: Refer to FSU-23, "Wheel Alignment (Unladen*1)".				
<ul> <li>If the total toe-in is outside the</li> </ul>	ne specification, adjust the total toe-in. Refer to FSU-7. "Adjustment".	Κ			
Adjustment	INFOID:00000008764678				
TOTAL TOE-IN Loosen the steering outer socket.	Adjust the length using the steering inner socket.	L			
Toe-in : Refer to <u>FSU</u> <u>laden*1)"</u> .	-23, "Wheel Alignment (Un-	Μ			
<ul> <li>CAUTION:</li> <li>Always evenly adjust both toe-in alternately and adjust the difference between the left and right to the standard.</li> <li>Always hold the steering inner socket when tightening the steering outer socket.</li> </ul>					
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# < REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION > **REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION** FRONT COIL SPRING AND STRUT

## Exploded View

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1. 4. Bound bumper

Strut

- Strut mount insulator
- 5. Coil spring
- 8. Steering knuckle

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# Removal and Installation

#### REMOVAL

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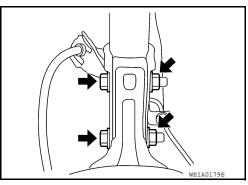
- 1. Remove the wheel and tire using power tool. Refer to WT-45, "Exploded View".
- 2. Remove the lock plate from the front coil spring and strut and reposition the brake hose. Refer to BR-24, "FRONT : Exploded View".

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Lower rubber seat

- Disconnect the stabilizer connecting rod from the front coil spring and strut. Refer to <u>FSU-12. "Removal</u> and Installation".
- 4. Remove the wheel sensor bolt. Position the wheel sensor and the wheel sensor harness aside. Refer to BRC-104, "FRONT WHEEL SENSOR : Removal and Installation".
- 5. Use a jack to support the transverse link and the steering knuckle.
- 6. Remove the lower strut nuts and bolts (



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7. Remove the grommet (A) from the cowl top cover.

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- 8. Access 1 upper strut bolt through the grommet hole.
- 9. Remove the upper strut bolts from the strut mount insulator (1).
- 10. Remove the front coil spring and strut.
- 11. Inspect the components. Refer to FSU-21, "Inspection".

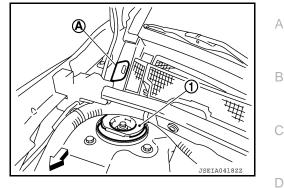
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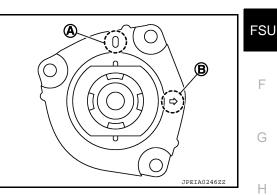
Install in the reverse order of removal.

• Install the front coil spring and strut with the identification mark (A) of the strut mount insulator facing toward the front of the vehicle and the arrow (B) facing the outboard side. NOTE:

The identification mark "0" shows the (RH) strut mount insulator and "1" shows the (LH).

- Perform the final tightening of the bolts and nuts under unladen conditions with the tires on level ground.
- Complete the inspection. Refer to FSU-21, "Inspection".
- After replacing the strut, always follow the disposal procedure to discard the old strut. Refer to FSU-22, "Disposal".







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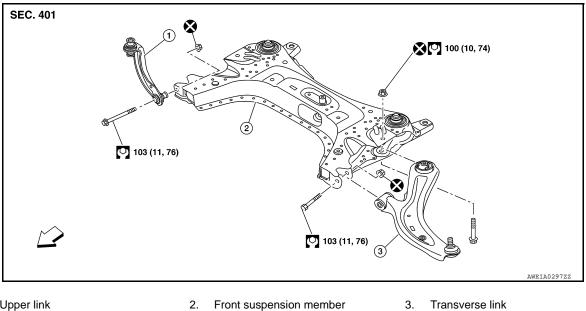
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# TRANSVERSE LINK

# **Exploded View**

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- Upper link 1.
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#### Removal and Installation

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#### REMOVAL

- 1. Remove the wheel and tire using power tool. Refer to <u>WT-45, "Exploded View"</u>.
- 2. Remove the nut and bolt from the lower ball joint. Disconnect the transverse link from steering knuckle. Refer to FAX-8, "Exploded View".
- 3. Remove the nuts and bolts and disconnect the transverse link from the suspension member.
- Inspect the components. Refer to <u>FSU-10, "Inspection"</u>.

#### INSTALLATION

Install in the reverse order of removal. CAUTION:

#### Do not reuse the transverse link nuts.

- Perform the final tightening of the nuts and bolts under unladen conditions with the tires on level ground.
- Complete the inspection. Refer to <u>FSU-10</u>, "Inspection".

#### Inspection

#### INSPECTION AFTER REMOVAL

Check the following items, and replace the parts if necessary.

Transverse Link

- Check the transverse link and bushing for deformation, cracks or damage.
- Check the ball joint boot for cracks or other damage, and also for grease leaks.

#### Swing Torque

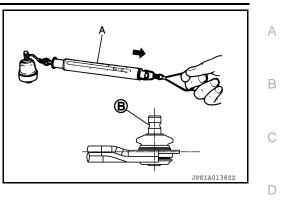
Move the ball joint at least ten times by hand to check for smooth movement with no binding. 1.

# TRANSVERSE LINK

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2. Hook the Tool (A) on the on ball joint (B). Confirm the measurement value is within specifications when the ball joint begins moving.

Tool number:-(J-44372)Swing torque: Refer to FSU-23, "Ball Joint".Measurement on<br/>spring balance: Refer to FSU-23, "Ball Joint"



• If swing torque exceeds standard range, replace the transverse link.

Axial End Play

- 1. Move the ball joint at least ten times by hand to check for smooth movement.
- 2. Move the tip of the ball joint in the axial direction to check for looseness.

#### Axial end play : Refer to FSU-23, "Ball Joint".

• If the axial end play exceeds the standard value, replace the transverse link.

#### INSPECTION AFTER INSTALLATION

- 1. Check the neutral position of the steering angle sensor. Refer to <u>BRC-54, "Work Procedure"</u>.
- 2. Check the wheel alignment. Refer to FSU-6, "Inspection".

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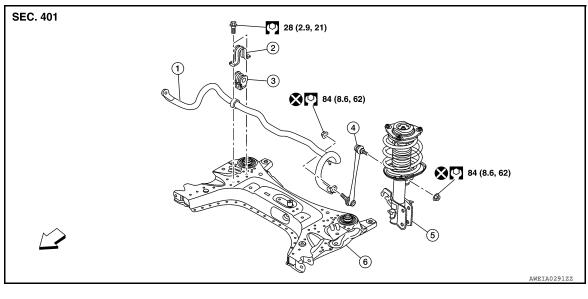
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# FRONT STABILIZER

# **Exploded View**

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- Stabilizer bar 1.
- 4. Stabilizer connecting rod
- Stabilizer clamp 2. 5.

Front coil spring and strut

- Stabilizer bushing 3.
  - 6. Front suspension member

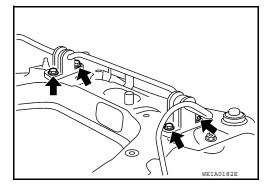
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# Removal and Installation

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#### REMOVAL

- 1. Remove the wheel and tire using power tool. Refer to WT-45, "Exploded View".
- 2. Remove the nut and disconnect the stabilizer connecting rod from the stabilizer bar.
- Remove the front suspension member. Refer to FSU-16, "Removal and Installation". 3.
- 4. Remove the stabilizer clamp bolts (-).
- 5. Remove the stabilizer clamps.
- 6. Remove the stabilizer bushings.
- 7. Remove the stabilizer bar.
- Inspect the components. Refer to FSU-13, "Inspection". 8.

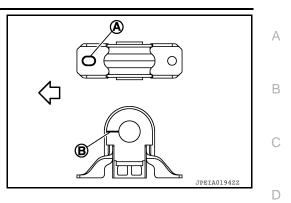


**INSTALLATION** Install in the reverse order of removal.

# FRONT STABILIZER

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- Install the stabilizer bushing with the slit (B) facing toward the front of the vehicle (<□).
- Install the stabilizer clamp with oblong hole (A) facing toward the front of the vehicle (<⊃).



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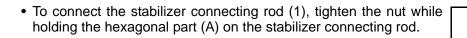
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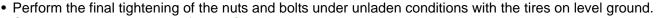
1, 3, 5

Install the stabilizer clamp bolts in the order of 1 to 5 as shown.

Manual tightening	: 1
Temporary tightening	$: 2 \rightarrow 3$
Final tightening (Specified torque)	$: 4 \rightarrow 5$







Complete the inspection. Refer to <u>FSU-13, "Inspection".</u>

#### Inspection

#### INSPECTION AFTER REMOVAL

Check the stabilizer bar, the stabilizer connecting rods, the stabilizer bushings, and the stabilizer clamps for deformation, cracks or damage. Replace components if necessary.

#### **INSPECTION AFTER INSTALLATION**

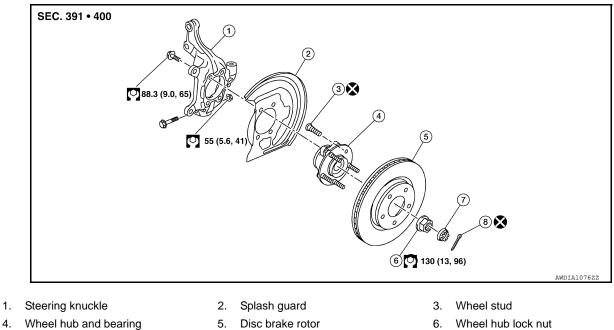
- 1. Check the neutral position of the steering angle sensor. Refer to BRC-54, "Work Procedure".
- 2. Check the wheel alignment. Refer to FSU-6. "Inspection".

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# STEERING KNUCKLE

# **Exploded View**

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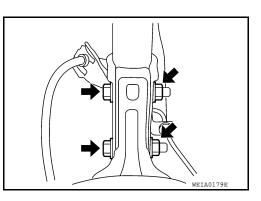
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- 7. Nut retainer
- 8. Cotter pin

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# REMOVAL

- Remove the wheel and tire using power tool. Refer to WT-45, "Exploded View". 1.
- Remove the nut and disconnect the steering outer socket from the steering knuckle. Refer to ST-15, 2. "Removal and Installation".
- Remove the nut and bolt from the lower ball joint. Disconnect the steering knuckle from the transverse 3. link.
- Remove the wheel hub and bearing from the steering knuckle. Refer to <u>FAX-8, "Removal and Installation"</u>.
- 5. Remove the splash guard from the steering knuckle.
- 6. Suspend the drive shaft with suitable wire.
- 7. Remove the lower strut nuts and bolts (+). Refer to FSU-8, "Exploded View".



- Remove the steering knuckle. 8.
- 9. Inspect the components. Refer to FSU-15, "Inspection".

#### INSTALLATION

Install in the reverse order of the removal.

Complete the inspection. Refer to <u>FSU-15, "Inspection"</u>.

# **STEERING KNUCKLE**

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tc - T	prque. Transverse link: Refer to <u>FSU-10, "Inspection"</u> . Transverse link: Refer to <u>FSU-10, "Inspection"</u> .	С
INS	SPECTION AFTER INSTALLATION	
1.	Check the wheel sensor harness to be sure the connectors are fully seated.	D
2.	Check the wheel alignment. Refer to FSU-6, "Inspection".	
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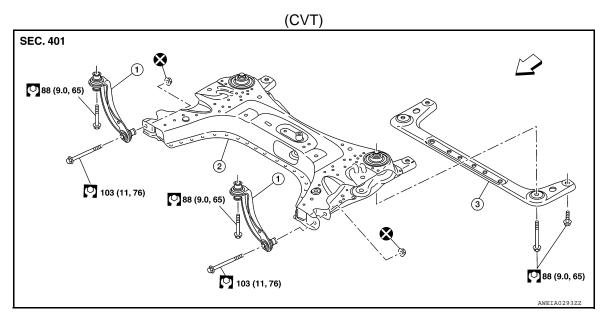
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# FRONT SUSPENSION MEMBER

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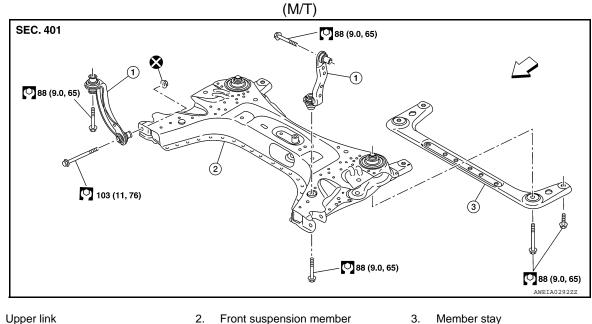
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Upper link 1.

Front suspension member 3. Member stay

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Upper link 1.

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# **Removal and Installation**

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#### REMOVAL

- Remove the front wheels and tires using power tool. Refer to WT-45, "Exploded View". 1.
- Remove the front under cover and the engine under cover. Refer to EXT-30, "FRONT UNDER COVER : 2. Removal and Installation".
- Disconnect the steering gear from the lower shaft. Refer to ST-13, "Removal and Installation". 3.

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4.	Disconnect the steering outer socket from the steering knuckle. Refer to <u>ST-15</u> , "Removal and Installa- tion".	А
5.	Remove the nut and bolt from the lower ball joint. Disconnect the transverse link from the steering knuckle. Refer to FAX-8, "Exploded View".	
6.	<ul> <li>Remove the rear torque rod and the rear torque rod bracket.</li> <li>MRA8DE (M/T): Refer to <u>EM-82, "M/T : Removal and Installation"</u>.</li> <li>MRA8DE (CVT): Refer to <u>EM-86, "CVT : Removal and Installation"</u>.</li> </ul>	В
7.	Disconnect the oxygen sensor. Refer to EX-5, "Removal and Installation".	С
8.	Disconnect the stabilizer connecting rod from the stabilizer bar. Refer to FSU-12, "Exploded View".	0
9.	Set a suitable jack under front suspension member.	D
	• At this step, the suitable jack must be set only for supporting the removal procedure. For details	D
	<ul> <li>on jacking up the vehicle, refer to <u>GI-35, "Garage Jack and Safety Stand and 2-Pole Lift"</u>.</li> <li>Do not damage the front suspension member with the suitable jack.</li> </ul>	
10.	Remove the lower bolts from the upper links.	FSU
11.	Remove the bolts and the member stay.	
12.	Remove the front suspension member bolts.	F
13.	Gradually lower the suitable jack to remove the front suspension member from the vehicle.	
	Make sure the front suspension member is stable when using the suitable jack.	G
14.	If replacing the front suspension member, perform the following procedures:	
	<ul> <li>Remove the steering gear. Refer to <u>ST-15, "Exploded View"</u>.</li> <li>Remove the transverse links. Refer to <u>FSU-10, "Exploded View"</u>.</li> <li>Remove the stabilizer bar, the stabilizer clamps, and the stabilizer bushings. Refer to <u>FSU-12, "Exploded View"</u>.</li> </ul>	Н
	<ul> <li>Remove the oxygen sensor bracket. Refer to <u>EX-5, "Exploded View"</u>.</li> </ul>	
15.	Inspect the components. Refer to FSU-18, "Inspection".	
INS	STALLATION	
	all in the reverse order of removal.	J
	UTION: not reuse the transverse link nuts.	
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	uspension member bolts in the order of 1 to 10 as shown (if quipped with the CVT).	
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	(Specified torque)	
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Perform the final tightening of the nuts and bolts under unladen conditions with the tires on level ground.
Complete the inspection. Refer to <u>FSU-18</u>, "Inspection".

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#### Inspection

#### INSPECTION AFTER REMOVAL

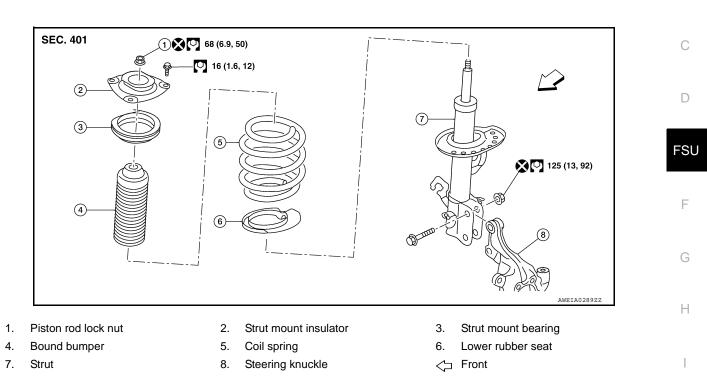
Check the front suspension member for cracks, wear or damage. Replace components if necessary.

#### **INSPECTION AFTER INSTALLATION**

- 1. Check the wheel sensor harness to be sure the connectors are fully seated.
- 2. Check the neutral position of the steering angle sensor. Refer to BRC-54, "Work Procedure".
- 3. Check the wheel alignment. Refer to <u>FSU-6, "Inspection"</u>.

# Exploded View

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# Disassembly and Assembly

# DISASSEMBLY

#### CAUTION:

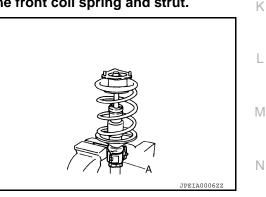
Do not damage the piston rod when removing components from the front coil spring and strut.

1. Install Tool (A) to the front coil spring and strut.

CAUTION: When installing Tool (A), wrap a shop cloth around the front coil spring and strut to protect the parts from damage.

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2. Secure Tool (A) in a vise.



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3. Slightly loosen the piston rod lock nut.

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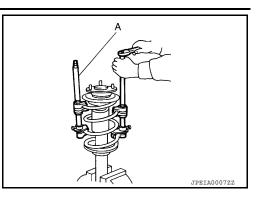
Do not remove the piston rod lock nut completely. If the piston rod lock nut is removed completely, the coil spring can jump out and may cause serious damage or injury.

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Compress the coil spring using a suitable tool (A).
 WARNING:
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Make sure that the pawls of the suitable tool are firmly hooked on the coil spring. The suitable tool must be tightened alternately so as to not tilt the coil spring.



- 5. Make sure the coil spring is free between the strut mount insulator and the lower rubber seat.
- 6. Hold the piston rod and remove the piston rod lock nut.
- 7. Remove the strut mount insulator, the strut mount bearing, and the bound bumper from the strut.
- B. Gradually release the suitable tool and remove the coil spring.
   CAUTION: Release the suitable tool while making sure the position of the suitable tool on the coil spring does not move.
- 9. Remove the lower rubber seat.
- 10. Inspect the components. Refer to FSU-21, "Inspection".

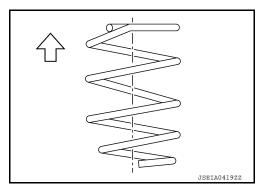
# ASSEMBLY

#### **CAUTION:**

#### Do not damage the piston rod when removing components from the front coil spring and strut.

- 1. Install the lower rubber seat to the strut.
- 2. Identify the upper side of the coil spring.

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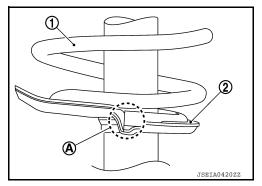
3. Compress the coil spring using a suitable tool.

#### WARNING:

Make sure that the pawls of the suitable tool are firmly hooked on the coil spring. The suitable tool must be tightened alternately so as to not tilt the coil spring.

4. Align the lower end of the coil spring (1) with the lower rubber seat (2) as shown.

Maximum Gap (A) : 5 mm (0.2 in)



- Apply soapy water to the bound bumper.
   CAUTION:
   Do not use machine oil.
- 6. Install the bound bumper to the strut.

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- 7. Install the strut mount bearing to the coil spring. **CAUTION:** Do not apply oil, such as grease, when installing the strut mount bearing.
- Install the strut mount insulator to the strut with the identification 8 mark (A) of the strut mount insulator facing toward the front of the vehicle and the arrow (B) facing the outboard side. NOTE:

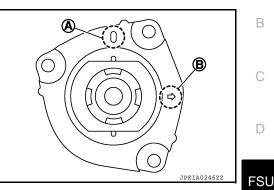
The identification mark "0" shows the (RH) strut mount insulator and "1" shows the (LH).

Secure the piston rod tip so that the piston rod does not turn. 9 Install the piston rod lock nut and tighten to the specified torque. CAUTION:

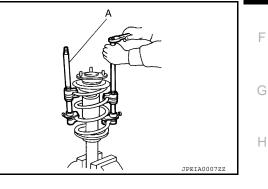
#### Do not reuse piston rod lock nut.

10. Gradually release the suitable tool (A) and remove the suitable tool from the coil spring. **CAUTION:** 

Release the suitable tool while making sure the position of the suitable tool on the coil spring does not move.



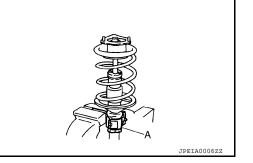
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# 11. Remove Tool (A) from the vise.

- 12. Remove Tool (A) from the front coil spring and strut.
- 13. After replacing the strut, always follow the disposal procedure to discard the old strut. Refer to FSU-22, "Disposal".



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#### Inspection

#### INSPECTION AFTER DISASSEMBLY

Check the following items and replace the parts if necessary.

#### Strut

- Check the strut for oil leaks, deformation, cracks, or damage.
- Check the piston rod for damage, uneven wear, or distortion.

#### Strut Mount Insulator and bound bumper

Check the strut mount insulator and the bound bumper for cracks, wear, or damage.

#### Coil Spring

Check the coil spring for cracks, wear, or damage.

#### INSPECTION AFTER INSTALLATION

- 1. Check the wheel sensor harness to be sure the connectors are fully seated.
- Check the neutral position of the steering angle sensor. Refer to <u>BRC-54, "Work Procedure"</u>. 2.
- Check the wheel alignment. Refer to FSU-6, "Inspection". 3.

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#### < UNIT DISASSEMBLY AND ASSEMBLY >

#### Disposal

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- 1. Set the strut horizontally with the piston rod fully extended.
- Drill a 2 3 mm (0.08 0.12 in) hole at the position (●) from top as shown to release gas gradually.
   CAUTION:
  - Wear eye protection (safety glasses).
  - Wear gloves.
  - Be careful with metal chips or oil blown out by the compressed gas.

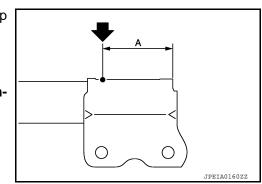
NOTE:

- Drill vertically in this direction (+).
- Drill directly to the outer tube avoiding brackets.
- The gas is clear, colorless, odorless, and harmless.

#### (A) : 20 – 30 mm (0.79 – 1.18 in)

3. Position the drilled hole downward and drain oil by moving the piston rod several times. CAUTION:

Dispose of drained oil according to the law and local regulations.



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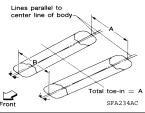
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# Wheel Alignment (Unladen\*1)

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	Minimum	-1° 04′ (-1.07°)	
Camber	Nominal	-0° 25′ (-0.42°)	
Degree minute (Decimal degree)	Maximum	0° 14′ (0.23°)	D
	(LH) and (RH) difference* <sup>2</sup>	-0° 35′ (-0.58°) - 0° 35′ (0.58°)	
	Minimum	4° 05′ (4.08°)	FSU
Caster	Nominal	4° 50′ (4.83°)	
Degree minute (Decimal degree)	Maximum	5° 35′ (5.58°)	
	(LH) and (RH) difference* <sup>2</sup>	-0° 45′ (-0.75°) - 0° 45′ (0.75°)	F
	Minimum	11° 20′ (11.33°)	
Kingpin inclination Degree minute (Decimal degree)	Nominal	12° 05′ (12.08°)	G
	Maximum	12° 50′ (12.83°)	



Total toe-in		Minimum	In 1 mm (In 0.04 in)	J
	Distance (A - B)	Nominal	In 2 mm (In 0.08 in)	
		Maximum	In 3 mm (In 0.12 in)	K
	Angle (LH and RH)	Minimum	In 0° 04′ (In 0.07°)	
	Degree minute	Nominal	In 0° 10′ (In 0.17°)	
	(Decimal degree)	Maximum	ln 0° 16′ (ln 0.27°)	L
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\*1: Fuel, engine coolant, and lubricants are full. Spare tire, jack, hand tools, and mats are in designated positions.

\*2: The difference when assuming the (LH) side is the standard.

#### **Ball Joint**

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Swing torque	0.5 – 4.9 N⋅m (0.05 – 0.50 kg-m, 4 – 43 in-lb)	— N
Measurement on spring balance	15.4 – 150.8 N (1.57 – 15.38 kg, 3.46 – 33.90 lb)	
Axial end play	0 mm (0 in)	0

# Wheelarch Height (Unladen\*)

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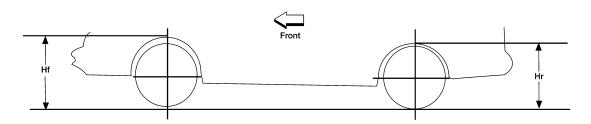
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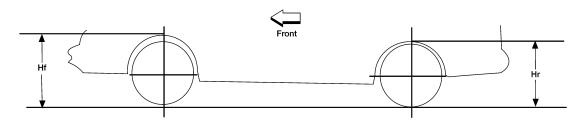


			LEIA0085E
Transaxle	6M/T or CVT	С	VT
Tire size	205/55R16 (Except FE)	205/55R16 (FE)	205/50R17
Front (Hf)	703 (27.68)	706 (27.80)	708 (27.87)
Rear (Hr)	703 (27.68)	706 (27.80)	707 (27.83)

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

#### CANADA

Unit: mm (in)



		LEIA0085E
Transaxle	6M/T or CVT	CVT
Tire size	205/55R16	205/50R17
Front (Hf)	704 (27.72)	709 (27.91)
Rear (Hr)	704 (27.72)	708 (27.87)

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