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2004 RX-8

Clicking Noise From Rear Wheels

Some customers may complain of a "clicking" noise from the rear wheels when moving from a complete stop. The noise can occur when moving forward or backward. Follow the repair procedure below:

- 1. Remove rear wheels, axle nuts, and washers.
 - NOTE: Un-stake the crimp from the nuts before removal.
- 2. Discard axle nuts.
- 3. Clean washers and washer-hub contact area.
- 4. Apply a light coating of anti-seize compound to both sides of the axle washers.
- 5. Install washers & new axle nuts (LA01-33-042B). Torque nuts to 173.4 lb. ft. NOTE: Make sure axle nuts are torqued with a torque wrench.
- 6. Stake new nut crimp.
- 7. Reinstall wheels and confirm repair.