



M-TIPS



2004 RX-8 (with M/T)

Hard/No Shift

Some customers may complain of hard shifting, or they are unable to move the shifter into any gear range while the engine is running. Also, the clutch may engage/disengage near the floor. The concern may be caused by loose clutch cover (pressure plate) bolts. Follow the repair procedure below:

1. Confirm customer concern.
2. Remove starter according to WSM (Section 01-19-02).
3. Check clutch cover bolts are torqued to 16.3 - 24.4 ft. lbf.

Note: Bolts may be difficult to access using standard wrenches & sockets. Aftermarket distributor wrenches (14 mm or 9/16) may be used (example: Snap-On #S-8176).