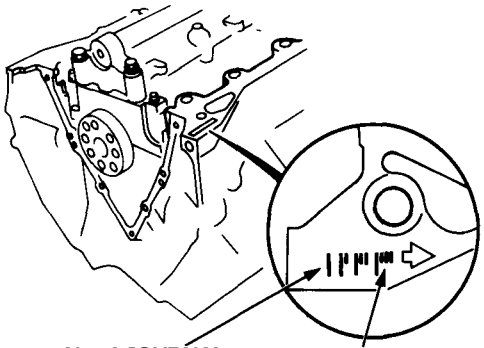
Main Bearings

Selection

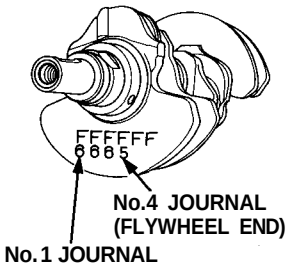
CAUTION: If the codes are indecipherable because of an accumulation of dirt and dust, do not scrub them with a wire brush or scraper. Clean them only with solvent or detergent.

Crankshaft Bore Code Locations

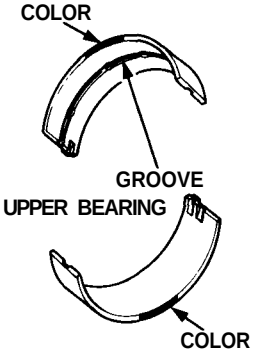
Letters or bars have been stamped on the end of the block as a code for the size of each of the four main journal bores. Use them, and the numbers stamped on the crankshaft (codes for main journal size), to choose the correct bearings.



Main Journal Code Locations (numbers or bars)



Bearing Design



Bearing Identification

Color code is on the edge of the bearing

Larger crank bore →

A or I	B or II	C or III	D or IIII
Small bearing (thicker) →			

Smaller main journal		Smaller bearing (thicker)			
1 or I	Pink Pink	Pink Yellow	Yellow Yellow	Yellow Green
2 or II	Pink Yellow	Yellow Yellow	Yellow Green	Green Green
3 or III	Yellow Yellow	Yellow Green	Green Green	Green Brown
4 or IIII	Yellow Green	Green Green	Green Brown	Brown Brown
5 or IIIII	Green Green	Green Brown	Brown Brown	Brown Black
6 or IIIIII	Green Brown	Brown Brown	Brown Black	Black Black

NOTE: When using bearing halves of different colors, it does not matter which color is used in the top or bottom.

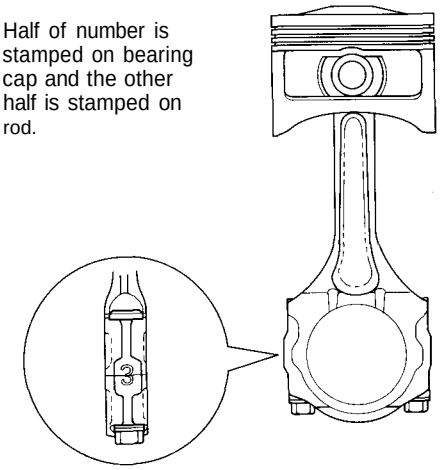
Connecting Rod Bearings

Selection

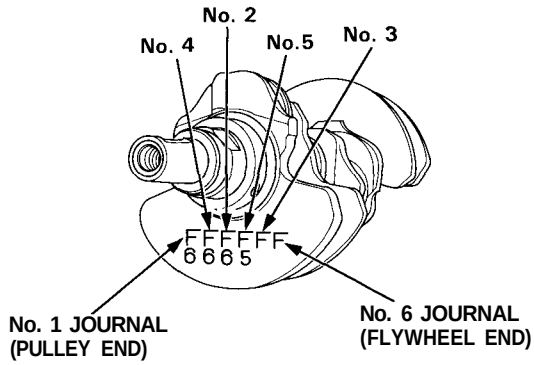
CAUTION: If the codes are indecipherable because of an accumulation of dirt and dust, do not scrub them with a wire brush or scraper. Clean them only with solvent or detergent.

Connecting Rod Journal Code Location

Numbers have been stamped on the side of each connecting rod as a code for the size of the big end. Use them, and the letters stamped on the crankshaft (codes for rod journal size), to choose the correct bearings.



Rod Journal Code Locations (letters or bars)



Bearing Identification

Color code is on the edge of the bearing

Larger big end bore →

1	2	3	4
Small bearing (thicker) →			

Smaller rod journal		Smaller bearing (thicker)			
A or I	Red Red	Red Pink	Pink Yellow	Yellow Yellow
B or II	Red Pink	Pink Yellow	Yellow Yellow	Yellow Green
C or III	Pink Yellow	Yellow Yellow	Yellow Green	Green Brown
D or IIII	Yellow Yellow	Yellow Green	Green Brown	Brown Brown
E or IIIII	Yellow Green	Green Brown	Brown Brown	Brown Black
F or IIIIII	Green Brown	Brown Brown	Brown Black	Black Blue

NOTE: When using bearing halves of different colors, it does not matter which color is used in the top or bottom.