



Tips from the gasket expert Engine failure – is the cylinder head gasket to blame? Oil leakage, sealing compound on sealing element (truck)

Damage symptoms:

The elastomer sealing element has been pressed away from the carrier plate. Dirt particles are in the sealing groove.



Cause:

Additional sealing compound was applied to the metal carrier plate. As a result of vulcanization, the elastomer sealing element was subjected to additional pressure and pushed back, causing oil leakage. The damage was accelerated by dirt particles that accumulated from the oil.

Other possible causes:

• The sealing element was damaged during installation/positioning of the cylinder head.

Measures:

Check the condition of the sealing surfaces very closely before installation and ensure that the cylinder head is. If necessary resurfacing by a specialist. Do not use sealing compounds. Change oil regularly.

		Para- meters	Metal/soft- material	Multi-layer metal	Metal- elastomer
		Rz	15 - 20 µm	11 µm	11 - 20 µm
		R _{max}	20 - 25 µm	15 µm	15 - 20 µm
		Wt		8-10 µm	

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