



BLUE BIRD

DATE: DECEMBER 14, 2010

TO: BLUE BIRD DEALERS

SUBJECT: SERVICE BULLETIN S10SS STARTER CABLE BOOT REPLACEMENT

MODELS AFFECTED: 2011 MODEL YEAR ALL AMERICAN (A3FE/D3FE/D3RE) BUSES EQUIPPED WITH CUMMINS ISB10 ENGINES

On the subject buses, the boot over the starter cable at starter may deform due to heat from the engine turbo. The boot must be removed and a new insulated sleeve must be installed over the end of the starter cable at starter. Instructions for removing the original boot and replacing it with the new insulated sleeve are provided in Service Bulletin S10SS. Copy attached.

A printout of your buses potentially affected by Service Bulletin S10SS is also attached.

Service Bulletin S10SS is being mailed directly to owners. Owners are being advised to contact their dealer for assistance, if needed.

Time allowed to perform Service Bulletin S10SS is 0.3hr (18 minutes) per bus.

Parts for Service Bulletin S10SS must be ordered from Blue Bird Service Parts.

Service Bulletin S10SS ends one (1) year from date of issue. Claims for modifications performed after the end date cannot be submitted to Blue Bird.

Questions regarding Service Bulletin S10SS should be directed to your Blue Bird Service Representative.

Sincerely,

Bill Coleman
Engineering Services
Blue Bird Corporation



December 14, 2010

Dear Blue Bird Owner,

On certain 2011 model year Blue Bird All American buses, the boot over the starter cable at starter may deform due to heat from the engine turbo. The boot must be removed and a new insulated sleeve must be installed over the end of the starter cable at starter.

Instructions for removing the original boot and replacing it with the new insulated sleeve are provided in Service Bulletin S10SS. Copy attached.

Your buses affected by Service Bulletin S10SS are identified by Body Serial Number on the attached cover sheet.

Parts for Service Bulletin S10SS must be ordered through your usual Blue Bird Service Parts source.

Time allowed to perform Service Bulletin S10SS is 0.3hr (18 minutes) per bus.

You may contact your Blue Bird dealer to arrange to have this service bulletin performed. Or, if you prefer, you may perform this service bulletin yourself or have a qualified repair facility convenient to you perform it. A qualified technician should perform this procedure.

Service Bulletin S10SS ends one (1) year from date of issue.

Should you have any questions concerning this bulletin, please contact your Blue Bird dealer.

Sincerely,

Bill Coleman
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Starter Cable Boot Replacement

BULLETIN

Models Affected: All American (A3FE/D3FE/D3RE) with Cummins ISB10 Engine

ISSUE

Positive starter cable boot may deform due to heat from engine turbo.

CORRECTIVE ACTION

Replace original starter cable boot with new insulated sleeve over starter cable end.

PROCEDURE

WARNING: Always follow all Federal, State, Local and Shop safety standards and use proper safety equipment when performing these procedures. Thoroughly read and understand all instructions before performing this procedure.

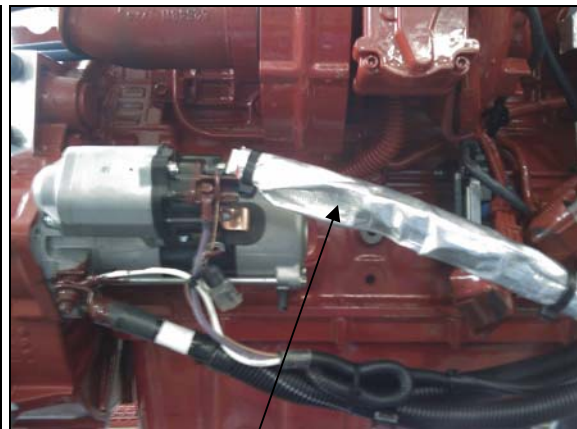
1. Park the bus on a level surface, apply parking brakes, switch engine off, remove ignition key and chock wheels.

Caution: Allow engine to cool before performing this procedure.

2. Disconnect all negative (black) battery cables first, then all positive (red) battery cables from the batteries.
3. Remove the starter cable (red) from the starter using 11/16" wrench or socket, then remove red rubber boot or silver heat shield from cable.



Red Rubber Boot

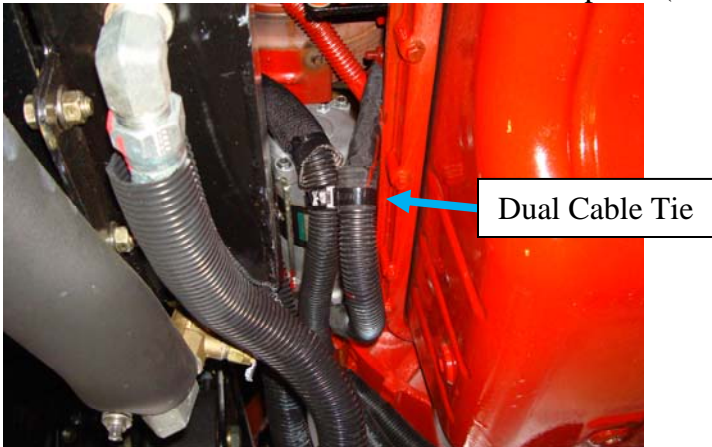


Silver Heat Shield

4. Add 11 inches of black heat sleeve (10019602) securing it with cable tie (00029999) away from the terminal.



5. Re-attach starter cable to starter. Apply red enamel glyptal sealant (GE 1201) or equivalent over fasteners for corrosion protection. Be sure cable does not contact turbo shield.
6. Secure starter cable as needed with dual clamp ties (00024043).



7. Re-connect the positive battery cables first, then the negative battery cables to batteries.
8. Remove wheel chocks and place bus back in normal service.

| Parts List | | |
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| Part Number | Description | Qty |
| 10019602 | SLEEVE,HEAT SHIELD,THERMFLEX 1220, 35MM | 11 inches |
| 00029999 | TIE,CABLE,120LB 15.25L | 1 EA |
| 00024043 | TIE,CLAMP,DUAL 150LB 19L X .50W | 1 EA |
| *GE 1201 | GLYPTAL SEALANT | |

* Procure GE 1201 or equivalent Glyptal Sealant locally.