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VEHICLE APPLICATION

Taurus/Sable.

REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION

Hood

Removal

1. Open and support hood. Mark hood hinge locations on hood.
2. Protect body with covers to prevent damage to paint.
3. Disconnect gas cylinders from hood as outlined.
4. Remove two bolts retaining each hinge to hood, taking care not to let hood slip when bolts are removed.
5. Remove hood from vehicle.

Installation

1. Position hood to hood hinges. Tighten retaining bolts, hood-to-hinge to 22-34 N·m (17-25 lb-ft) and hinge-to-body to 22-34 N·m (17-25 lb-ft). Remove body covers.
2. Adjust hood for even fit between fenders and for flush fit with front of fenders.
3. Attach gas cylinders to hood as outlined.
4. Adjust hood for flush fit with rear of fenders.
5. Adjust hood latch, if necessary.

Hood Hinge

Removal

1. Open and support hood. Mark hood hinge locations on hood.
2. Protect body with covers to prevent damage to paint.
3. Disconnect gas cylinders from hood as outlined.
4. Remove two bolts retaining hinge to hood, taking care not to let hood slip when bolts are removed and support rear of hood.

5. Remove two bolts retaining hinge to body. Remove hinge.

Installation

1. Position hinge to body. Install two retaining bolts and tighten to 22-34 N·m (17-25 lb-ft).
2. Position hinge to hood. Install two retaining bolts and tighten to 22-34 N·m (17-25 lb-ft).
3. Connect gas lift cylinders to hood as outlined.
4. Adjust hood as outlined.

Hood Lift Assist and Support (Gas Cylinder)

Removal

1. Open hood and temporarily support it.
2. Disconnect gas cylinder from hood.
3. Disconnect gas cylinder from cowl. Remove gas cylinder.

Installation

1. Position hole at end of gas cylinder in the retaining bracket on cowl.
2. Insert retaining pin and install lock clip on end of pin.
3. Connect opposite end of gas cylinder to ball stud on hood. Ensure lock clip is in place on gas cylinder.