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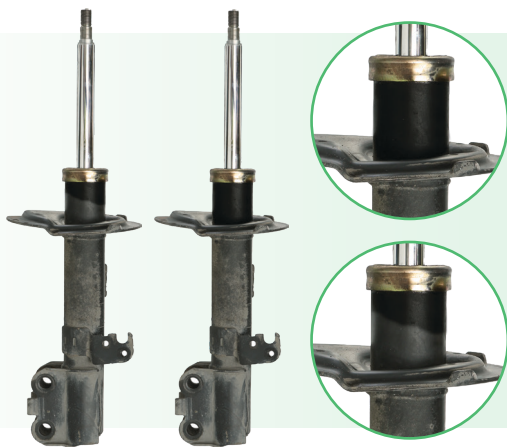
SCAN FOR KYB'S  
SUPPORT TOOLS

# KYB Technical Tip:

## LEAKING SHOCK ABSORBERS VS "SWEATING"



**Noticing fluid on the outside of a shock absorber or strut doesn't necessarily mean that the product is leaking.** A true leak signals a loss of vital fluid and can quickly lead to reduced ride control and safety issues. In contrast, "sweating" is often the result of normal operation as the seals lubricate themselves. Knowing the difference can save you from unnecessary repairs:

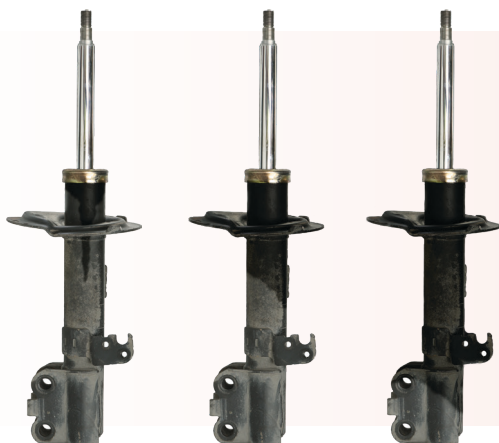


- 1 Slight, even film of oil originating from top of shock absorber.
- 2 Slightly damp and leaves no excess on fingers.
- 3 Area of "sweating" can reach up to spring seat and does not grow significantly over time.



**CONCLUSION:**  
SWEATING

**SOLUTION:**  
NO FURTHER  
ACTION NEEDED



- 1 Leak extends beyond the spring seat.
- 2 Noticeably oily when handled, leaving oil residue on fingers.
- 3 Oil often appears in thick, wet streaks or drips, worsening over time.



**CONCLUSION:**  
LEAKING

**SOLUTION:**  
REPLACEMENT  
REQUIRED



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