

# 1982 - 1991 Corvette: Service Bulletin: Evaluating Peened Spacer Plate (Service Information)

**Subject:** EVALUATING PEENED SPACER PLATE (Service Information)

**Model and Year:** 1982-1991 ALL PASSENGER CARS AND TRUCKS  
WITH AUTOMATIC TRANSAXLES AND TRANSMISSIONS (EXCEPT  
GEO)

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**TRANSMISSION APPLICATIONS:** All HYDRA-MATIC Automatic  
Transmissions and Transaxles

**TRANSMISSION MODELS:** All

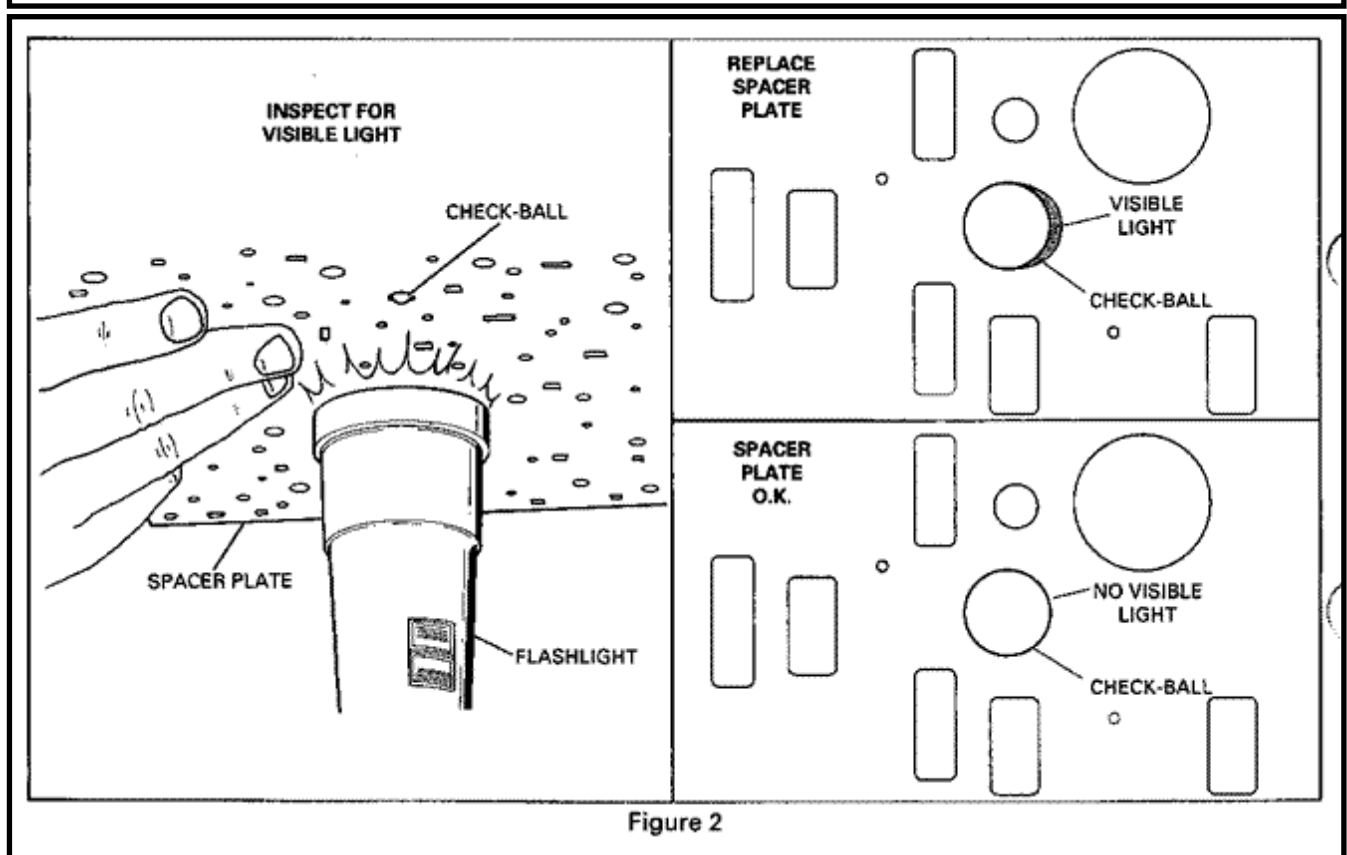
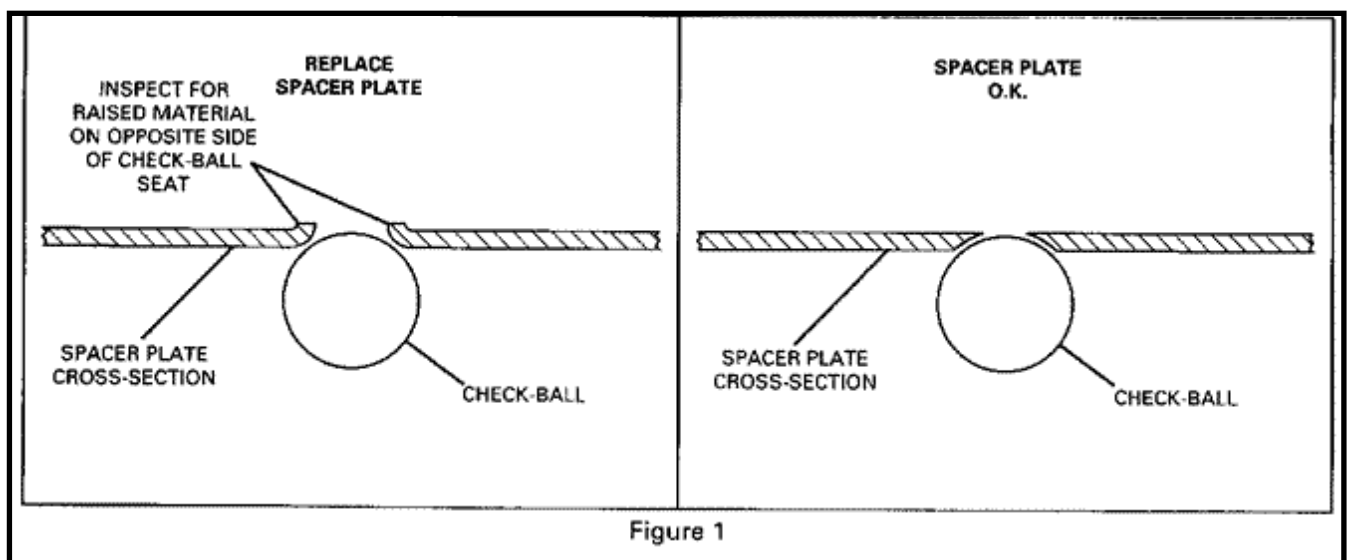
**BULLETIN COVERS:** Some spacer plate peening is considered acceptable  
and preferred because it can help seat the check ball. This bulletin will help  
you decide if a spacer plate needs to be replaced due to a peening condition.

**SERVICE PROCEDURE:** The following two procedures can help determine  
if the spacer plate can be reused. The following must be performed at all  
check-ball locations.

1. The spacer plate must be inspected 100% for raised material on the  
opposite side of the check-ball seat (see Figure 1) . If the material on the  
opposite side is raised, the peening is too severe and the spacer plate must be  
replaced.
2. To verify that the spacer plate is peening evenly and the ball is sealing  
correctly, seat the check-ball on the spacer plate. Shine a beam of light on the

opposite side and inspect for light between the spacer plate and check-ball (see Figure 2). No trace of light should be present. If light can be seen, a proper seal does not exist, and the spacer plate must be replaced.

### SERVICE MANUAL REFERENCE:



Refer to the HYDRA-MATIC Automatic Transaxle/Transmission Diagnosis or Unit Repair section of your service manual for proper check-ball locations

and functions.

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