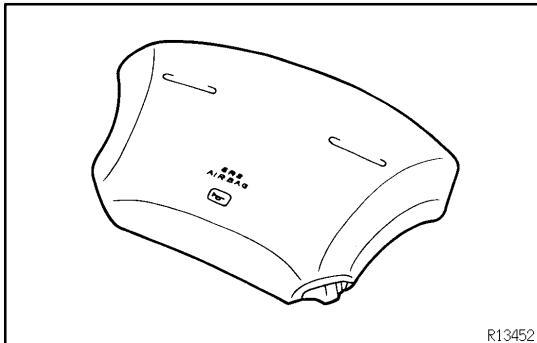


INSPECTION

1. VEHICLES NOT INVOLVED IN A COLLISION

- (a) Do a diagnostic system check (See page [DI-240](#)).
- (b) With the steering wheel pad (with airbag) installed in the vehicle, do a visual check with includes the following items.

Check for cuts, minute cracks or marked discoloration of the steering wheel pad top surface and grooved portion.

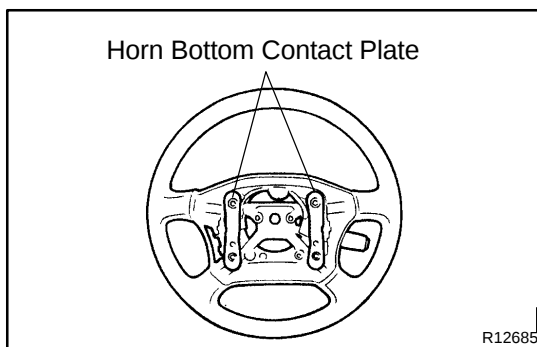


2. VEHICLES INVOLVED IN A COLLISION

- (a) Do a diagnostic system check (See page [DI-240](#)).
- (b) Do a visual check.

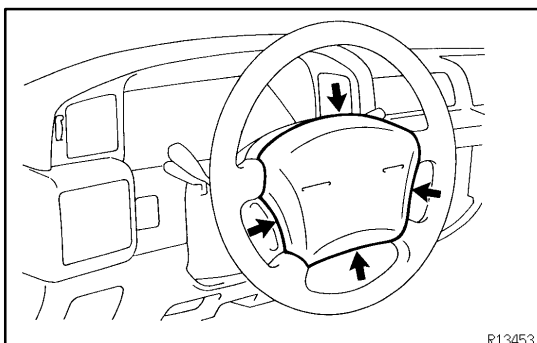
With the steering wheel pad removed from the vehicle, do a visual check with includes the following items.

- Check for cuts and cracks in, or marked discoloration of, the steering wheel pad top surface and its grooved portion.
- Check for cuts and cracks in wire harnesses, and for chipping in connectors.
- Check for deformation of the horn button contact plate of the steering wheel.



HINT:

- If the horn button contact plate of the steering wheel is deformed, never repair it. Always replace the steering wheel assembly with a new one.



- There should be no interference between the steering wheel pad and the steering wheel, and the clearance should be uniform all the way around when the new steering wheel pad is installed on the steering wheel.

CAUTION:

For removal and installation of the steering wheel pad, see pages [SR-11](#) and [SR-19](#) and be sure to follow the correct procedure.

3. VEHICLE INVOLVED IN COLLISION AND AIRBAG IS DEPLOYED

Do a visual check with includes the following items with the steering wheel pad removed from the vehicle.

- Check for deformation of the horn button contact plate of the steering wheel.
- Check for damage to the spiral cable connector and wire harness.

HINT:

There should be no interference between the steering wheel pad and the steering wheel, and the clearance should be uniform all the way around when the new steering wheel pad is installed on the steering wheel.