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	C HYBRID	HBC Hybrid Control System
		HBB Hybrid Battery System
HBR Hybrid Brake System		
D TRANSMISSION & DRIVE-LINE	TM Transaxle & Transmission	
	DLN Driveline	
	FAX Front Axle	
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	SCS Suspension Control System	
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	INL Interior Lighting System	
	WW Wiper & Washer	
	DEF Defogger	
	HRN Horn	
	PWO Power Outlet	
	BCS Body Control System	
	LAN LAN System	
M ELECTRICAL & POWER CONTROL	PCS Power Control System	
	CHG Charging System	
	PG Power Supply, Ground & Circuit Elements	
	MWI Meter, Warning Lamp & Indicator	
	WCS Warning Chime System	
N DRIVER INFORMATION & MULTIMEDIA	SN Sonar System	
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FOREWORD

This manual contains maintenance and repair procedure for the 2008 NISSAN PATHFINDER.

In order to assure your safety and the efficient functioning of the vehicle, this manual should be read thoroughly. It is especially important that the PRECAUTIONS in the GI section be completely understood before starting any repair task.

All information in this manual is based on the latest product information at the time of publication. The right is reserved to make changes in specifications and methods at any time without notice.

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The proper performance of service is essential for both the safety of the technician and the efficient functioning of the vehicle.

The service methods in this Service Manual are described in such a manner that the service may be performed safely and accurately. Service varies with the procedures used, the skills of the technician and the tools and parts available. Accordingly, anyone using service procedures, tools or parts which are not specifically recommended by NISSAN must first be completely satisfied that neither personal safety nor the vehicle's safety will be jeopardized by the service method selected.



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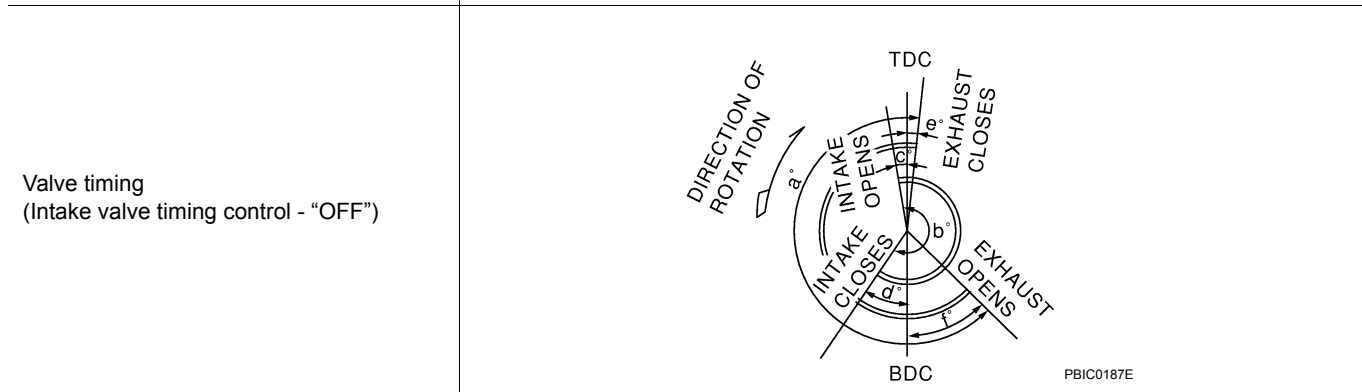
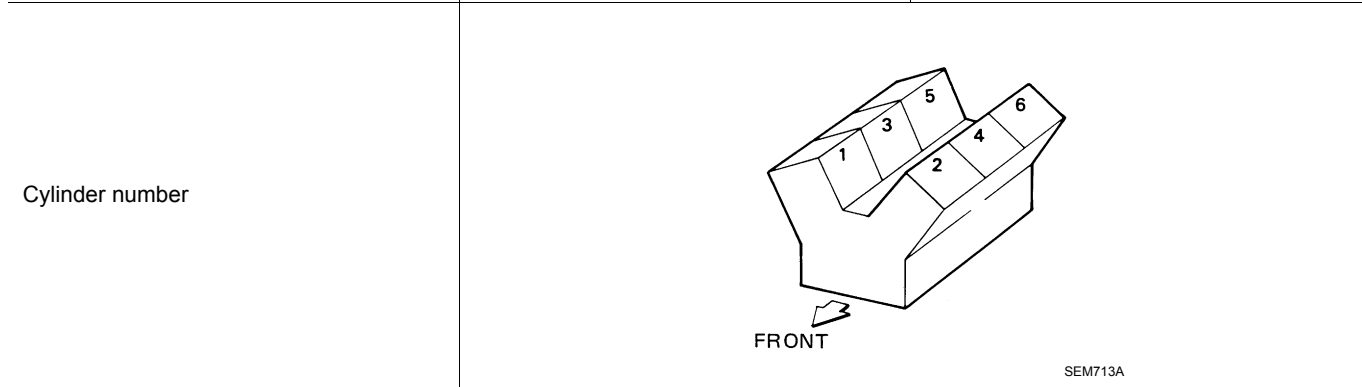
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Engine Tune-up Data: VQ40DE

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GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Cylinder arrangement		V-6
Displacement cm ³ (cu in)		3,954 (241.30)
Bore and stroke mm (in)		95.5 × 92.0 (3.76 × 3.622)
Valve arrangement		DOHC
Firing order		1-2-3-4-5-6
Number of piston rings	Compression	2
	Oil	1
Number of main bearings		4
Compression ratio		9.7
Compression pressure (kg/cm ² , psi)/300 rpm	kPa	
	Standard	1,275 (13.0, 185)
	Minimum	981 (10.0, 142)
Differential limit between cylinders		98 (1.0, 14)



Unit: degree

a	b	c	d	e	f
244	240	-4	64	6	58

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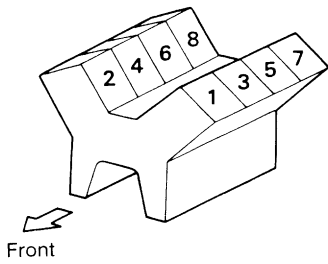
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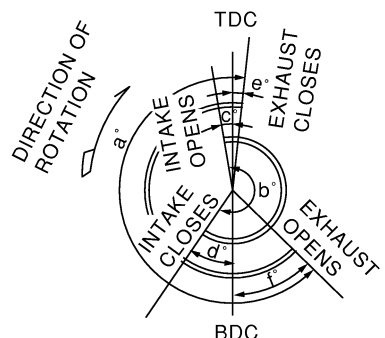
Cylinder arrangement		V-8
Displacement cm ³ (in ³)		5,552 (338.80)
Bore and stroke mm (in)		98 x 92 (3.86 x 3.62)
Valve arrangement		DOHC
Firing order		1-8-7-3-6-5-4-2
Number of piston rings	Compression	2
	Oil	1
Number of main bearings		5
Compression ratio		9.8:1
Compression pressure (kg/cm ² , psi)/rpm	kPa	
	Standard	1,520 (15.5, 220)/200
	Minimum	1,324 (13.5, 192)/200
Differential limit between cylinders		98 (1.0, 14)/200

Cylinder number



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Valve timing



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Unit: degree

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244°	232°	8°	60°	10°	54°

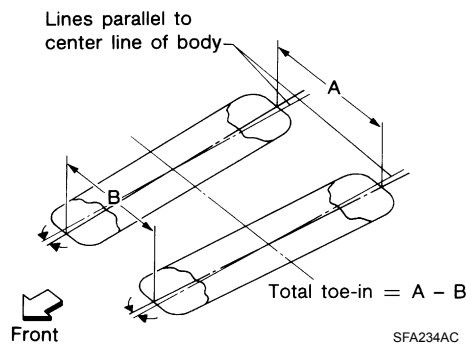
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Front Wheel Alignment (Unladen*1)

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Drive type		2WD	4WD
Camber Degree minute (decimal degree)	Minimum	-0° 30' (-0.50°)	-0° 15' (-0.25°)
	Nominal	0° 15' (0.25°)	0° 30' (0.50°)
	Maximum	1° 00' (1.00°)	1° 15' (1.25°)
	Cross camber	0° 45' (0.75°) or less	0° 45' (0.75°) or less
Caster Degree minute (decimal degree)	Minimum	2° 15' (2.25°)	2° 00' (2.00°)
	Nominal	3° 0' (3.00°)	2° 45' (2.75°)
	Maximum	3° 45' (3.75°)	3° 30' (3.50°)
	Cross caster	0° 45' (0.75°) or less	0° 45' (0.75°) or less
Kingpin inclination Degree minute (decimal degree)	Nominal	13° 0' (13.00°)	12° 45' (12.75°)



Total toe-in	Distance (A - B)	Minimum	2.1 mm (0.08 in)	2.1 mm (0.08 in)
		Nominal	3.1 mm (0.12 in)	3.1 mm (0.12 in)
		Maximum	4.1 mm (0.16 in)	4.1 mm (0.16 in)
	Angle (left wheel or right wheel) Degree minute (decimal degree)	Minimum	0° 5' (0.08°)	0° 5' (0.08°)
		Nominal	0° 7' (0.12°)	0° 7' (0.12°)
		Maximum	0° 9' (0.15°)	0° 9' (0.15°)
Wheel turning angle (full turn)	Inside Degree minute (Decimal degree)	33° 26' - 35° 26' *2 (33.43° - 35.43°)	33° 33' - 35° 33' *4 (33.60° - 35.60°)	
	Outside Degree minute (Decimal degree)	29° 22' - 31° 22' *3 (29.37° - 31.37°)	29° 38' - 31° 38' *5 (29.73° - 31.73°)	

*1: Fuel, radiator coolant and engine oil full. Spare tire, jack, hand tools and mats in designated positions.

*2: Target value 35° 26' (35.43°)

*3: Target value 31° 22' (31.37°)

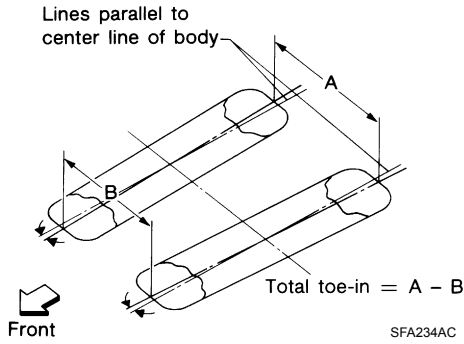
*4: Target value 35° 33' (35.55°)

*5: Target value 31° 38' (31.63°)

Rear Wheel Alignment

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Camber Degree minute (decimal degree)	Minimum	- 0° 32' (- 0.53°)
	Nominal	- 0° 2' (- 0.03°)
	Maximum	0° 28' (0.47°)

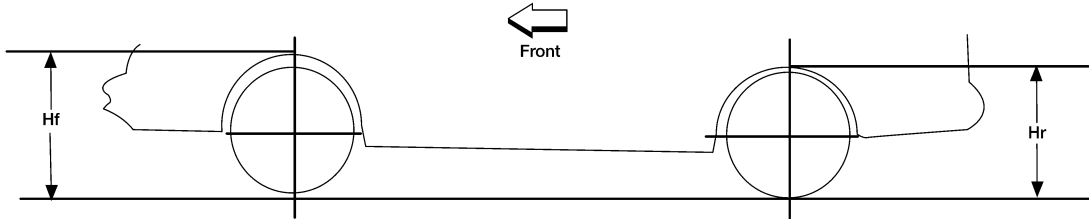


Total toe-in	Distance (A - B)	Minimum	- 1.4 mm (- 0.055 in)
		Nominal	1.9 mm (0.075 in)
		Maximum	5.2 mm (0.205 in)
		Cross toe	0 ± 2 mm (0 ± 0.079 in)
	Angle (left, right) Degree minute (decimal degree)	Minimum	- 0° 3' (-0.05°)
		Nominal	0° 4' (0.07°)
Maximum		0° 11' (0.18°)	

Wheelarch Height (Unladen*)

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Unit: mm (in)



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Engine	VQ40DE							VK56DE	
Drive type	2WD			Part time 4WD			Full time 4WD	2WD	4WD
Tire size	245/ 75R16	265/ 70R16	265/ 65R17	245/ 75R16	265/ 70R16	265/ 75R16	265/ 65R17	265/60R18	
Front wheelarch height (Hf)	867 (34.13)	865 (34.06)	865 (34.06)	875 (34.45)	873 (34.37)	889 (35.00)	874 (34.41)	868 (34.17)	876 (34.49)
Rear wheelarch height (Hr)	875 (34.45)	873 (34.37)	873 (34.37)	884 (34.80)	882 (34.72)	898 (35.35)	883 (34.76)	876 (34.49)	886 (34.88)

*1: Fuel, radiator coolant and engine oil full. Spare tire, jack, hand tools and mats in designated positions.

Brake General Specification

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Unit: mm (in)

Front brake	Brake model	CLZ33VB
	Rotor outer diameter × thickness	296 × 28 (11.654 × 1.102)
	Pad Length × width × thickness	111.0 × 73.5 × 10.0 (4.73 × 2.894 × 0.394)
	Cylinder bore diameter (each)	46.4 (1.83)

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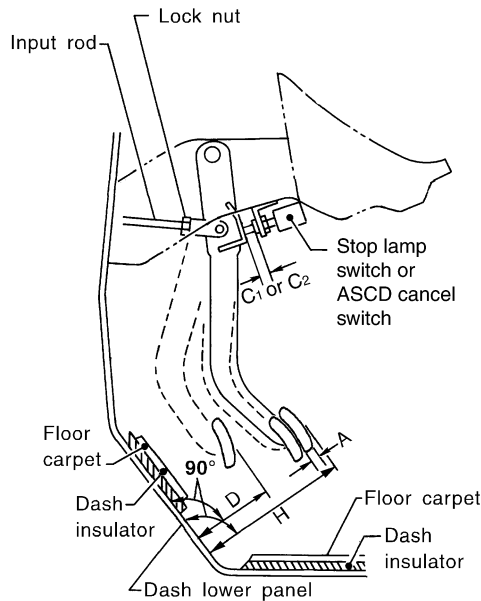
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Rear brake	Brake model	CLZ14VB
	Rotor outer diameter × thickness	308 × 18 (12.126 × 0.709)
	Pad Length × width × thickness	83.0 × 33.0 × 11.0 (3.268 × 1.299 × 0.433)
	Cylinder bore diameter	38.1 (1.50)
Control valve	Valve model	Electric brake force distribution
Brake booster	Booster model	C215T
	Diaphragm diameter	215 (8.46)
Recommended brake fluid		Refer to Fluids and Lubricants

Brake Pedal

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Unit: mm (in)



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Free height "H"	182.1 - 192.1 (7.17 - 7.56)
Depressed pedal height ("D" [under a force of 490 N (50 kg, 110 lb) with engine running])	105 - 115 (4.13 - 4.53)
Clearance between pedal stopper and threaded end of stop lamp switch and ASCD switch "C1" or "C2"	0.74 - 1.96 (0.029 - 0.077)
Pedal play "A"	3 - 11 (0.12 - 0.43)

Front Disc Brake

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Unit: mm (in)

Brake model		CLZ33VB
Brake pad	Standard thickness (new)	10.0 (0.394)
	Repair limit thickness	2.0 (0.079)
Disc rotor	Standard thickness (new)	28.0 (1.102)
	Repair limit thickness	26.0 (1.024)
	Maximum uneven wear (measured at 8 positions)	0.015 (0.0006)
	Runout limit (with it attached to the vehicle)	0.05 (0.0020)

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Rear Disc Brake

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Unit: mm (in)

Brake model		CLZ14VB
Brake pad	Standard thickness (new)	11.0 (0.433)
	Repair limit thickness	2.0 (0.079)
Disc rotor	Standard thickness (new)	18.0 (0.709)
	Repair limit thickness	16.0 (0.630)
	Maximum uneven wear (measured at 8 positions)	0.015 (0.0006)
	Runout limit (with it attached to the vehicle)	0.05 (0.0020)

Fluids and Lubricants

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Description			Capacity (Approximate)		
			Metric	US measure	Imp measure
Fuel			80 ℓ	21 1/8 gal	17 5/8 gal
Engine oil Drain and refill	With oil filter change	VQ40DE	5.1 ℓ	5 3/8 qt	4 1/2 qt
		VK56DE	6.2 ℓ	6 1/2 qt	5 1/2 qt
	Without oil filter change	VQ40DE	4.8 ℓ	5 1/8 qt	4 1/4 qt
		VK56DE	5.9 ℓ	6 1/4 qt	5 1/4 qt
Dry engine (engine overhaul)		VQ40DE	6.3 ℓ	6 5/8 qt	5 1/2 qt
		VK56DE	7.6 ℓ	8 qt	6 3/4 qt
Cooling system (with reservoir at "MAX" level)		Without rear A/C	10.2 ℓ	2 3/4 gal	2 1/4 gal
		With rear A/C	13.4 ℓ	3 1/2 gal	3 gal
Automatic transmission fluid (ATF)			10.3 ℓ	10 7/8 qt	9 1/8 qt
Rear final drive oil		VQ40DE	1.4 ℓ	3 pt	2 1/2 pt
		VK56DE	1.75 ℓ	3 3/4 pt	3 1/8 pt
Transfer fluid		ATX14B	3.0 ℓ	3 1/8 qt	2 5/8 qt
		TX15B	2.0 ℓ	2 1/8 qt	1 3/4 qt
Front final drive oil		VQ40DE	0.85 ℓ	1 3/4 pt	1 1/2 pt
		VK56DE	1.6 ℓ	3 3/8 pt	2 7/8 pt
Power steering fluid (PSF)			1.0 ℓ	2 1/8 pt	1 3/4 pt
Brake fluid			—	—	—
Multi-purpose grease			—	—	—
Windshield washer fluid			4.5 ℓ	1 1/4 gal	1 gal
A/C system refrigerant		Without rear A/C	0.70 ± 0.05 kg	1.54 ± 0.11 lb	1.54 ± 0.11 lb
		With rear A/C	0.85 ± 0.05 kg	1.87 ± 0.11 lb	1.87 ± 0.11 lb
A/C system oil		Without rear A/C	180 m ℓ	6.1 fl oz	6.3 fl oz
		With rear A/C	210 m ℓ	7.1 fl oz	7.4 fl oz