

Remove cylinder head and install new head gasket

When we remove the cylinder head from our T's and install a new head gasket, it is important to re-install the head properly by torqueing the head bolts in proper sequence. It is important to torque the head bolts gradually, rather than go to maximum torque on the first tightening sequence.

Use the torqueing sequence found in the diagram below and use 35 ft/ pounds of torque on the first go-around. The second time use 45-50 ft/ pounds of torque, and follow the same tightening sequence. Now run the car and let the engine warm up.

This will "set" the head gasket and bolts. Allow the engine to cool overnight, and then re-torque the head bolts at 45-50 ft/ pounds using the tightening sequence. Your head and head gasket are now properly set. This procedure should be utilized whenever you remove the head from your T.

