

SERVICE INFORMATION

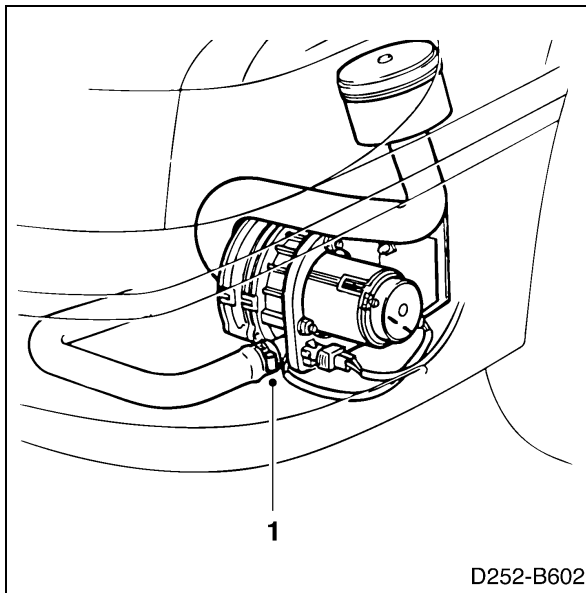
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Flexible gaiter joint in exhaust system



A Heat-dissipating wall B Gastight wall (gaiter) C Protective wire mesh

Cars concerned

All Saab 900 M1994- and Saab 9000.

Background

The service life of the flexible gaiter joint is directly affected by how much and how often it is flexed in connection with service work requiring the exhaust system to be taken apart. Excessive flexing will deform the heat-dissipating wall (A), causing it to lose some of its heat-dissipating ability. The gastight wall (gaiter) (B) will also be deformed. This deformation will lead to material fatigue in the gastight wall with cracks and consequent leakage as a result.

Procedure

If the front exhaust pipe section is left hanging after being disconnected from the rest of the exhaust system in the course of repair or service work, it must on no account be bent further down. The maximum permissible deflection at the flexible gaiter joint is that caused by the exhaust pipe's own weight.