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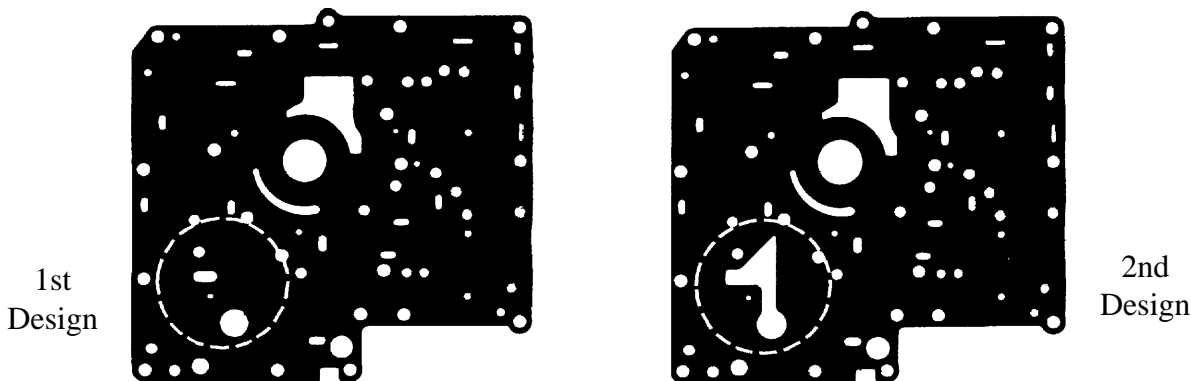
Application: Ford AX4N 1998-Up
Subject: Pump Plate Gaskets

The pump plate gaskets for the 1998-up AX4N transaxle have received several revisions. The upper and lower gaskets were both released with “F8” design levels, and they will NOT retro-fit to previous models.

Late in the model year, Ford revised the pump plate-to-valve body gasket in response to warranty concerns involving stuck control valves. An obvious assumption is that this was due to gasket material being washed away by line pressure, and lodging in the valve bores. To cure this, an irregular shaped hole has replaced the previous “bath tub” hole, and has been connected to the .700” hole already in the gasket (see illustration).

For 1999, Ford again released new part numbers for the upper and lower pump plate gaskets. They now use the new “XF” numbering system. The 1999 gaskets are different only in the size of the pump shaft bearing hole. The hole I.D. was enlarged by approximately .060”. The 1999-up XF level parts will retro-fit to 1998 ONLY.

TransTec overhaul kits with a date code of C99 and later contain the XF level gaskets, identified by orange ink stripes.



1998-UP AX4N PUMP PLATE GASKETS	
O.E.#	TRANSTEC #
F8DZ-7A136-AA (1ST DESIGN) N/A FOR SERVICE	12961
F8DZ-7A136-AA (2ND design)	12961
XF1Z-7A136-AA (LARGE HOLE)	12961
F8DZ-7G331-AA (SMALL HOLE)	12988
XF1Z-7G331-AA (LARGE HOLE)	12988

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