



Applies To: 2004 TSX – ALL

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Rattle From the A-Pillar

SYMPTOM

A rattle from the A-pillar area when driving on an uneven road in cold weather

PROBABLE CAUSE

The mounting clips for the windshield portion of the roof molding are loose.

REQUIRED MATERIALS

3M Weather Strip Adhesive: 3M P/N 08712-0004
(One tube will do 40 sides)

WARRANTY CLAIM INFORMATION

In warranty: The normal warranty applies.

OP#	Description	FRT
824092	Test-drive the vehicle	0.3
824005	Repair the exterior side drip molding clips on one side	0.2
824006	Repair the exterior side drip molding clips on both sides	0.4

Failed Part: P/N 73158-SEA-003

Defect Code: 06201

Symptom Code: 04201

Skill Level: Repair Technician

Out of warranty: Any repair performed after warranty expiration may be eligible for goodwill consideration by the District Parts and Service Manager or your Zone Office. You must request consideration, and get a decision, before starting work.

DIAGNOSIS

1. Test-drive the vehicle over a rough road surface to verify where the rattle is coming from (left side, right side, or both sides).

NOTE: An outside air temperature of 50°F or lower is usually required to reproduce the noise.

2. Stop the vehicle. Using hand pressure, press down firmly on the windshield portion of the roof molding area where the four clips are located. Tape the molding down to help stabilize it.

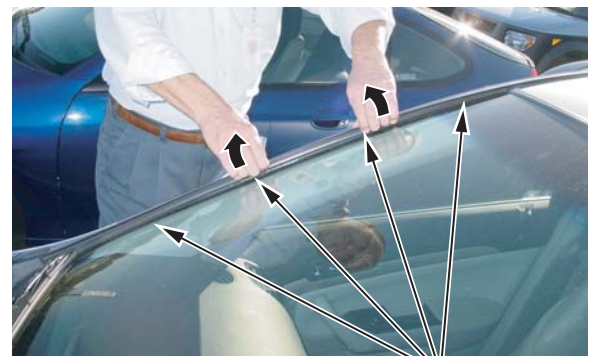
3. Test-drive the vehicle again under the same conditions.

- If the noise is reduced or eliminated, go to REPAIR PROCEDURE.
- If the noise is still present, continue with normal troubleshooting.

REPAIR PROCEDURE

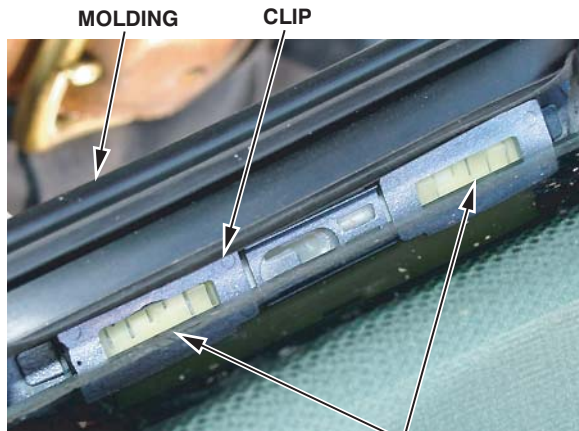
1. Using a flat-tip screwdriver, gently pull the molding away from the windshield, and locate the four retaining clips.

NOTE: Mark the windshield with a tire crayon at the clip locations.



CLIPS
(Mark the
windshield here.)

2. Starting with either the top or bottom clip, apply the adhesive to each of the four molding clips so that when the molding is in the proper position, the adhesive secures the clip in the retainer.



3. Using hand pressure, press the molding back into position. Apply tape over the molding and onto the windshield to prevent movement while the adhesive dries (about 2 hours).
4. If necessary, repeat steps 1 thru 3 on the other side.
5. Once the adhesive has cured, remove the tape, and test-drive the vehicle to make sure the rattle is gone.