F-6 Allison Automatic Transmissions

Reference Materials: Note: This exam may contain some "accepted practice" type questions not found in the reference material NFPA 1910: Standard for the Inspection, Maintenance, Refurbishment, Testing and Retirement of In-Service Emergency Vehicles and Marine Firefighting Vessels (NFPA 1911 section) 2024 edition (800) 344-3555 or www.nfpa.org

Allison Publications:

Mechanics Tips and Operators Manuals <u>https://ati.gilmoreglobal.com/</u> Under Technical Publications- each publication is \$18.75 and available to order print book or members can order ebook

1000/2000 EVS Products	
OM8471 -5 th & 6 th Gen Controls	
MT7325EN - 5 th & 6 th Gen. Mech. Tip	s

3000/4000 EVS Products MT4015EN - Mechanics Tips MT7151EN - 5th & 6th Gen Mech Tips OM8491 - 5th & 6th Gen Op Man $\frac{Shift\ Selector}{SA7497EN} - 5^{th}\ \&\ 6^{th}\ Gen$

Drivelines

TS2714EN - Driveline Troubleshooting Man.

Service Tips-available for no charge https://allisontransmission.com/parts-service/faq-service-tips ST1099 Rev BB Fluid/Filter Change Recommendation ST5580 Rev C Towing

- ST4516 Allison DOC® V2017.1.0
- ST1898 REV B Water & Ethylene Glycol
- ST1321 Allison DOC for 6th Gen Controls Release

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

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d. Model Numbers

Water Pump Operations

Shift sequence

Shift selectors

Oil life monitor

5th Gen Shift Inhibits

External Component Identification

Prognostics enabled

3000/4000 series lockup mode

3000/4000 series shift selector function

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1. Operating Principles: Understand basic operating principles of Allison On-Highway transmissions as found in emergency vehicles to include:

- a. Hydraulic systems
 - (1) Clutch applications
 - (2) Clutch apply sequence
- b. Torque Converters
 - (1) Components of a torque converter
 - (2) Function of a torque converter
 - (3) Lock up clutch operation
- c. Driving Tips
 - (1) Downhill braking/using engine to slow the vehicle
 - (2) Proper towing techniques
 - (3) Coasting
 - (4) Cold weather starts
 - (5) Using hydraulic retarder
 - (6) Rocking out
 - (7) Normal PTO operation
- 2. Preventive Maintenance Support: Understand preventive maintenance support of the Allison Transmission as found in emergency vehicles to include:
 - a. PTO Installation
 - (1) Gaskets / sealing material
 - (2) Sealing compounds
 - b. Dipstick Calibrations & Fluid Levels
 - (1) Fluid level checks
 - (2) Hot check
 - (3) Approved "TES" fluid types & compatibility
 - (4) Filter and fluid change intervals/mixtures
 - (5) Level check using shift selector
 - (6) Sump screen
 - (7) Dipstick Calibration
 - (8) Electronic fluid check procedure
 - (9) Filter recommendations
 - (10) Oil filter change procedures
 - (11) Oil life calculation
 - (12) Fluid Importance

- c. Identification of shift selector control
 - (1) Identification
 - (2) External linkage adjustments
 - (a) Driveline and Output flanges

Location of number on transmission

- (3) Phasing and angularity
- (4) Output flange and seal
- (5) Driveline inspections
- d. NFPA 1911 PM inspections
- e. NFPA 1911 Out-of-Service criteria
- f. NFPA 1911 service recommendations
- g. Periodic inspection and care
 - (1) vehicle cooling system check
 - (2) fluid leak repair
 - (3) Unusual sounds
 - (4) Exterior inspection
- h. Preparing vehicle for transmission installation (1) Torgue converter
- i. 1000/2000 Transmission Removal

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3. Troubleshooting Procedures: Understand basic troubleshooting procedures. Identify problems that can be corrected in chassis requiring seeking outside assistance to include:

a.Driveline

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- (1) Driveline test (coast)
- (2) Power train test (road speed)
- (3) Engine test (RPM)

b.Shift complaints

- (1) Diagnosis
- (2) Pump mode
- (3) Shift inhibits
- PTO installations/operation
- (1) Backlash adjustments
- (2) External identifications
- (3) Pressure port locations
- (4) Signal port locations
- (5) PTO pressure installation
- d. Fluid checks
 - (1) Impact of aerated fluid
 - (2) Fluid levels
 - (3) Noise occurring
 - (4) Fluid leak diagnostics
 - (5) Contaminations
 - (6) Breather maintenance
 - (7) NFPA 1911 leakage classes
 - (8) High fluid temperature

4. Electronic Controls: Basic understanding of Allison electronic controls to include:

- a. Electronic control systems
 - (1) Electronic software series
 - (2) Power and ground connections
 - (3) Continuity checks
 - (4) TPS adjustments
 - (5) VIM fused circuits
 - (6) Welding caution
 - (7) Identification of WTEC 2 controls
 - (8) Identification of WTEC 3 controls
 - (9) Identification of 4th generation controls
 - (10) Identification of MY 09 4th generation controls
 - (11) Prognostics
 - (a) Oil life
 - (b) Wrench icon
 - (c) Trans Health driving requirements
 - (12) Shifts/Convergence
 - (a) Unadaptive
 - (b) Adaptive

- e. Diagnostic reference material
 - (1) Code descriptions
 - (2) Power and ground
 - (3) Opens, shorts, short to ground
 - (4) Understanding schematics
 - (5) Welding precautions
 - (6) Range selection/ shift inhibit
 - (7) Mode indicator LED
 - (8) Troubleshooting "no codes present"
- f. Checks and Adjustments
 - (1) Road test

b. 3000/4000 series trouble codes

- (1) Number of stored trouble codes
- (2) Checking logged diagnostic codes
- (3) Main codes and sub codes
- (4) "Check trans" light action
- (a) Service Indicator
- (5) Mobile radio installation locations (RFI)
- (6) Intermittent Faults
- (7) "Do Not Shift" light
- (8) 4th & 5th generation codes
- (9) 5^{th} gen speed sensor codes
- (10) Datalink
- (11) 6th gen
 - (a) hardware level
- (b) cybersecurity
- c. 1000/2000 series
 - (1) Accessing diagnostic trouble codes (DTC)
 - (2) "Check transmission" light action
- 5. Output Retarder: Understanding of Allison Transmissions output retarders to include:
 - a. Components
 - (1) Accumulator/Air System
 - (2) Accumulator locations
 - (3) Retarder locations
 - b. Retarder operating parameters
 - (1) Fluid temperature
 - (a) 5th Gen controls
 - (2) Activation signal
 - (3) Oil cooler
 - (4) Safety feature
 - (5) Fluid level
- 6. Reference Materials: Understanding of Allison Transmission reference material to include:
 - a. Understanding Allison Reference Material
 - (1) Owner assistance
 - (2) Stall test procedures
 - (3) Adjustment procedures for TPS and mechanical modulator
 - (4) Engine to transmission adaptation requirements
 - (5) Oil change intervals
 - (6) Speed sensors
 - (7) Allison website