

## **System Performance Test**

## **Climate Conditions**

Ambient Temperature	Relative Humidity:	□ 30%	<b>G</b> 60%	<b>9</b> 0%
Refer to the Temperature Pressure Relationship chart, and record the maximum results you should expect from this system if it's working properly at the above temperature.				
Duct Temperature	High	Side Pressure		

Low-Side Pressure \_\_\_\_\_

Auxiliary Pressure \_\_\_\_\_

## System Tests

- Install pressure gauges to the service ports if there's a second low-side port; install an auxiliary gauge to that port as well.
- Start the engine, set the parking brake, and raise the idle to 2,000 RPM.
- Place a thermometer in the air conditioner center vent.
- Set the air conditioner for maximum cooling and high blower speed.
- Place a large fan in front of the condenser to force additional air past the condenser, in order to simulate road test conditions.
- Close the doors and set the blower speed to low.
- Allow the system to operate for another five minutes before recording your readings.

Check the sight glass (if the system has one) $\Box$  Clear $\Box$  Bubbles $\Box$  Foam

Check the A/C lines for frosting: Low-Side Lines:  $\Box$  OK  $\Box$  Frosted — indicates low refrigerant level correct this problem before continuing the test.

High-Side Lines:  $\Box$  OK  $\Box$  Frosted — indicates a restriction where the frost begins; correct this problem before continuing the test.

## **System Test Results**

 Duct Temperature \_\_\_\_\_
 High Side Pressure \_\_\_\_\_

Low-Side Pressure \_\_\_\_\_ Auxiliary Pressure \_\_\_\_\_

- If temperatures and pressures are within specs, and the sight glass is clear, the system's working normally.
- If pressures are okay and the sight glass is clear, but duct temperature is high, check for a blend door or heater control valve problem, or look for a possible system oil overcharge.
- If pressures vary from specs, perform the temperature test to locate the problem.

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