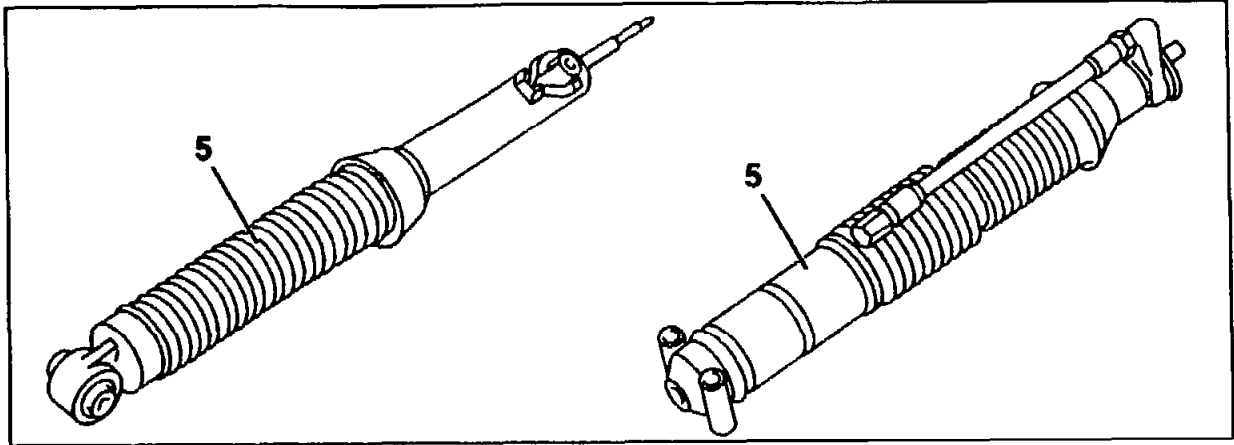


## 32-0510 Testing rear axle spring struts

Preceding work:  
Removing and installing rear axle spring struts (32-0610).



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### Visual inspection

Piston rod .....

Inspect for surface damage by pulling up the sleeve. At the same time, check the sleeve for damage.

### Note

A film of oil has been provided on the piston rod to lubricate the guide bushing located outside the piston rod seal.

The oil film, and therefore the oil outlet provided, is slightly larger than on shock absorbers. An oil deposit inside the sleeve is therefore normal.

An indication of excessive leakage is if several drops of oil appear below the spring strut and if the level in the oil reservoir drops when the vehicle is parked.

### Rumbling and knocking noises

Upper mounting .....

Check that it is installed correctly.

Lower mounting .....

Check for secureness.

- Check sleeve of ball joint for damage.
- Check that joint moves easily (vise test).

### Note

When scrapping the spring struts, first pump out the oil by compressing the piston rod several times.