

Method Of Removing Pipe Threaded Galley Plugs From An Engine Block

Removal of galley plugs traditionally required considerable time, strength and occasionally skinned knuckles. The following procedure has been successful even on aluminum heads with cast iron plugs:

- 1. Hold a torch for about 15 seconds heating the plug only, being careful because excess heat can cause problems.
- 2. Take a bar of paraffin wax and touch the ID of the plug cooling it.
- 3. Remove the plug with a suitable wrench. You will be surprised how little torque will be required.

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