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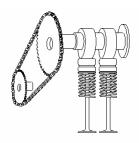
Camshaft Timing

Objectives

- Identify the designs of Ford engines as they relate to camshaft timing
- Describe camshaft timing methods
- Describe timing procedures for engines with timing chains and reference links
- Describe timing procedures for engines with timing chains and no reference links
- Describe timing procedures for engines with timing belts



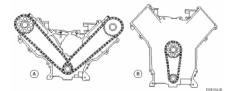
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- Camshaft timing is controlled by the relationship between the sprockets and chain/belt on the cam and crankshaft.
- Correct timing is critical to maintain

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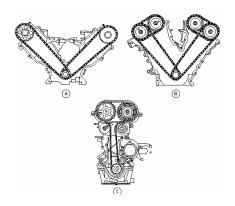
OHV and **OHC**



- Inline and "V" blocks can be either OHC or OHV
- OHC (a) blocks have the camshafts located above the cylinder heads.
- OHV (b) blocks have one camshaft located in the engine block



OHC



- Inline or "V" blocks can be either SOHC ((a)Single OverHead Cam) or ((a)Dual OverHead Cam)
- Camshafts can be driven by either a chain (a,b) or belt (c)



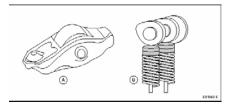
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OHC Design

- OHC designs have benefits over the use of OHV engines:
 - Fewer moving components
 - More precise and direct valve operation
 - Reduced frictional losses in the valve train.
- · SOHC:
 - Engine normally have two valves per cylinder
 - Will use RFF (roller finger followers) designed camshaft followers.
- DOHC:
 - Divides the job of valve opening between two camshafts (intake/exhaust)
 - DOHC engines normally use four valves per cylinder
 - Will use either RFF or DAMB/DAHB (Direct Acting Mechanical Buckets/ Direct Acting Hydraulic Buckets)



RFF, DAMB, and DAHB

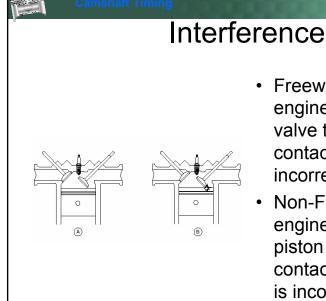


RFF:

- Similar to rocker arms without a center pivot.
- One end rests on the hydraulic lash adjuster and the other actuates the valve.

DAMB/HB

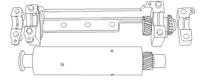
- Directly acts on valve
- Prevents side loading of valve from camshaft.
- DAMB do not automatically adjust for valve lash.
- DAHB controls valve lash



- Freewheeling (A)
 engine will not have
 valve to piston
 contact during
 incorrect valve timing
- Non-Freewheeling (B) engines will have piston to valve contact if valve timing is incorrect.



Balance Shaft



- Balance shafts are used in some engine applications to reduce characteristic engine vibrations.
- Balance shafts are turned at crankshaft speed.
- Applications:
 - 4.0: 4x4 explorer, mounted in oil pan.
 - 6.8: mounted on LH cylinder head.
 - 3.8 located in lifter valley



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Servicing Camshaft Timing

- When to set camshaft timing:
 - Engine reassembly
 - Servicing valve train components (cylinder heads, camshafts, ect.)
 - When diagnosis of a symptom leads to camshaft timing as the cause.



Cam Timing Symptoms

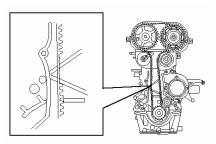
- Some symptoms caused by incorrect cam timing:
 - Backfire
 - Intermittent miss-fire
 - Hard start/No start
 - No power/Low power
 - Rough idle
 - Black smoke

- Improper installation of cam timing components can cause premature failure of:
 - Valves and pistons
 - Timing belt/chains



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Belt/Chain Inspection



- · Belt:
 - Damaged tensioner
 - Belt cogs
 - Contaminated belt
 - Stretched
- Chain:
 - Chain tensioner
 - Guides



Camshaft Timing Methods

- Sprocket to sprocket alignment, dots on camshaft and crankshaft sprockets
- Sprocket to block alignment, dot on sprocket aligned with area on engine
- Chain system with reference links on the sprockets and chain.
- Belt/Chain systems with no reference links on either sprockets, chains, or block. Requires special tools.

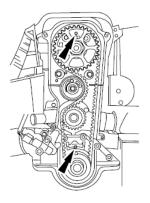
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Sprocket-to-Sprocket

- OHV engines
- Alignment of keyways, dots, or lines on each of the sprockets with each other.



Sprocket to Block

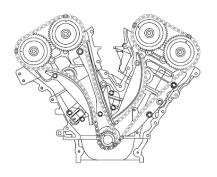


- SOHC 2.0 SPI engine
- Uses pointer on cam sprocket that lines with dot on cylinder head and pointer on crank sprocket that lines up with marker on oil pump.



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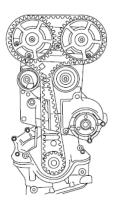
Chains w/ Reference Links



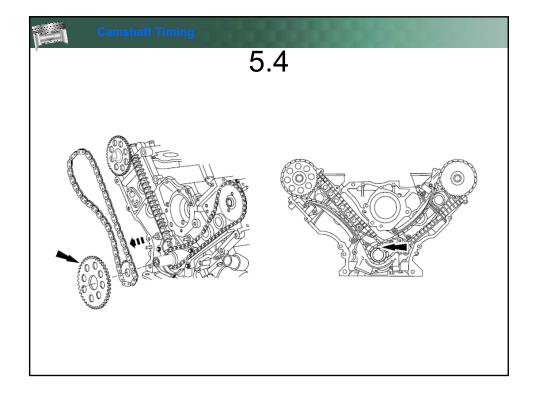
- 2.5, 3.0 4V, 3.0, 4.6
 2/4V, 5.4 2/4V, and
 6.8.
- Usually employs colored timing chain links (copper).
- Uses markings on cam and crank sprockets.

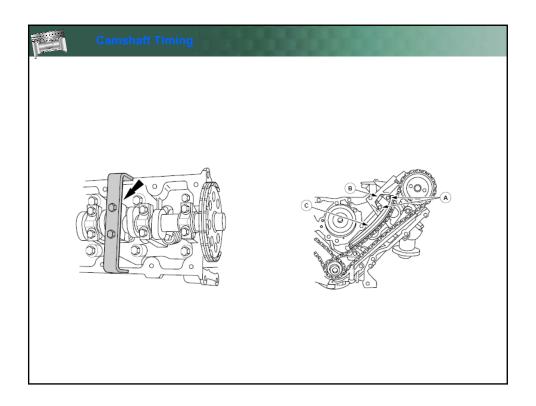


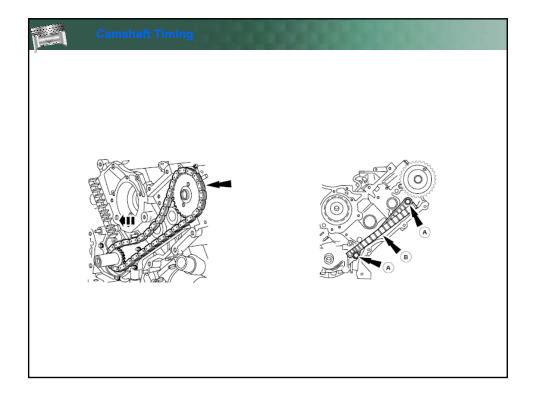
No Timing Marks

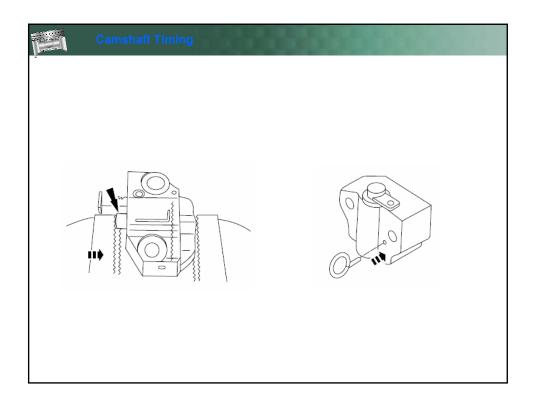


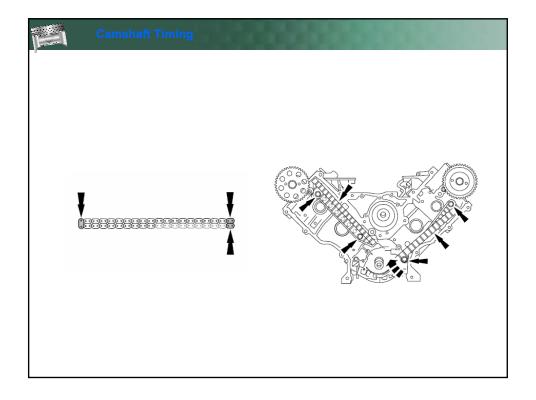
- 3.9 4v, 2.0 Zetec and 4.0 SOHC.
- Requires the use of specialized tools to align cam and crankshafts.

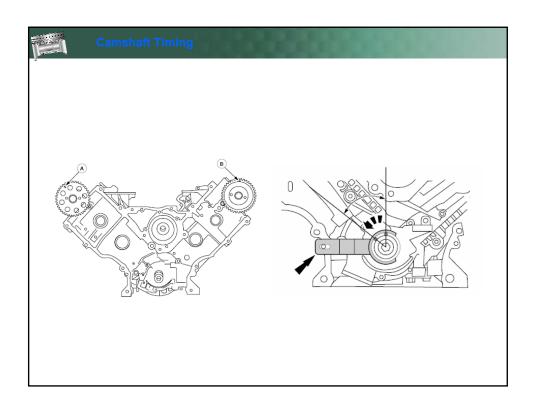


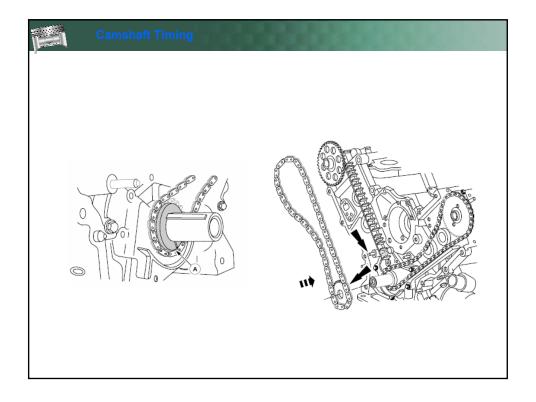


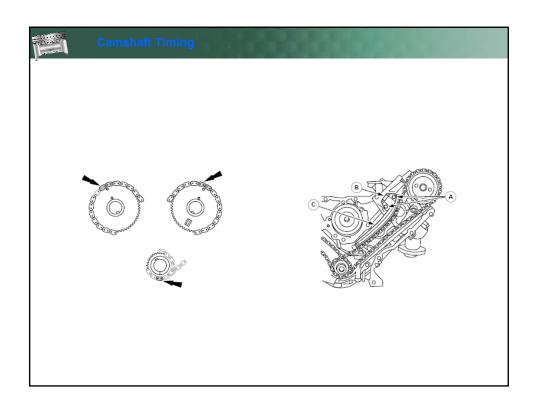


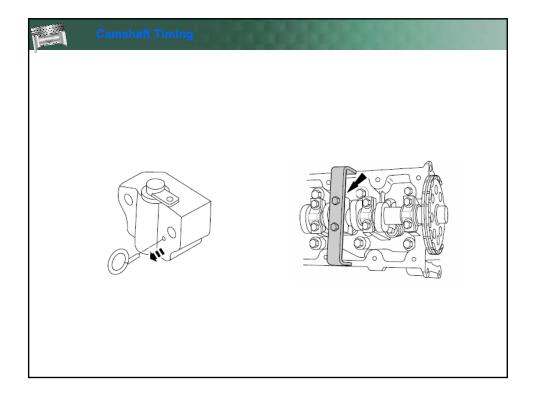


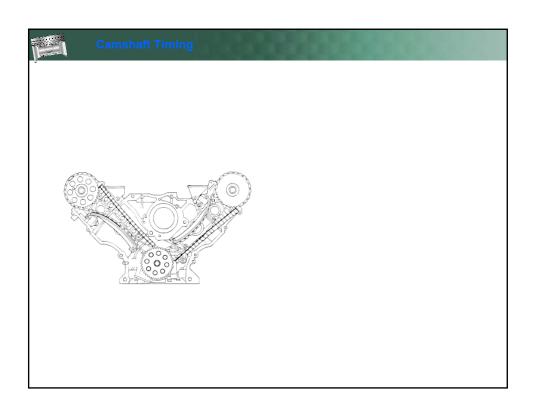


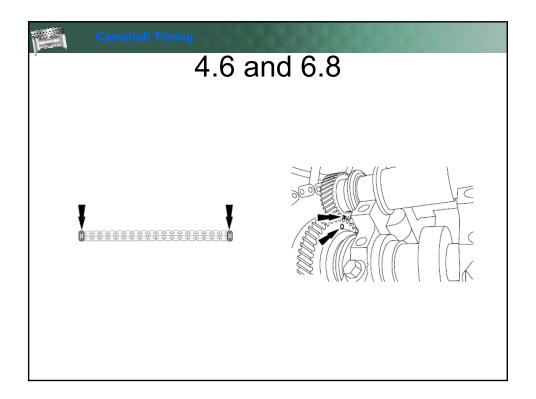


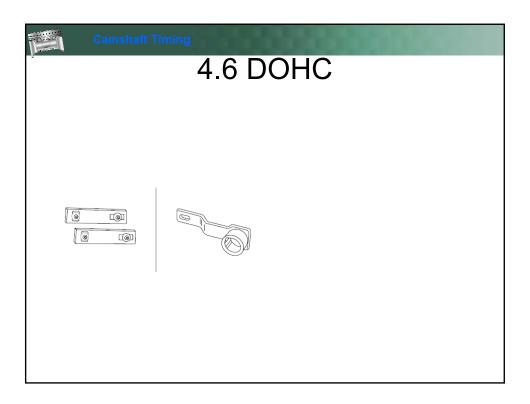












2.5 3.0 DOHC Three identifying links on the chain. The crankshaft excitor wheel has two keyways:

- Orange- Taurus
- Blue- Cougar Contour Escape, and Mystique

