# TECHNICAL TIP

### TT-116-6TB

Many starter failures are caused by defective or discharged batteries, corroded cables, and secondary ignition problems. Check all of these items when the starter is replaced to prevent a recurring problem.

### TO CHECK FOR PROPER STARTER VOLTAGE:

- Install starter and fasten all electrical connections securely.
- Connect a voltmeter to the starter in this manner. Black lead to starter case; red lead to "S" terminal. Attempt to crank engine.

#### **NO CRANK - VOLTAGE LESS THAN 12 VOLTS:**

If the engine does not crank and voltage is less than 12.0 volts check for defective neutral safety switch, bad ignition switch, weak battery, or poor ground.



If the engine does not crank and voltage is MORE than 12.0 volts. Proceed to step 3.

- 3. Move red wire of voltmeter to starter BAT post.
- 4. Turn the ignition key to the crank position.
- 5. Observe the voltmeter:

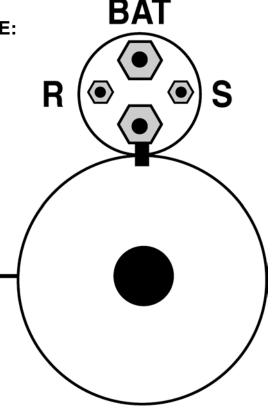
#### **NO CRANK - VOLTAGE LESS THAN 12 VOLTS:**

Check for weak battery, loose or corroded cables

#### **CRANKS - VOLTAGE LESS THAN 9 VOLTS:**

Cranking at less than 9 volts will damage the starter. This condition must be corrected to prevent a repeat failure. Check for weak battery, loose or corroded cables

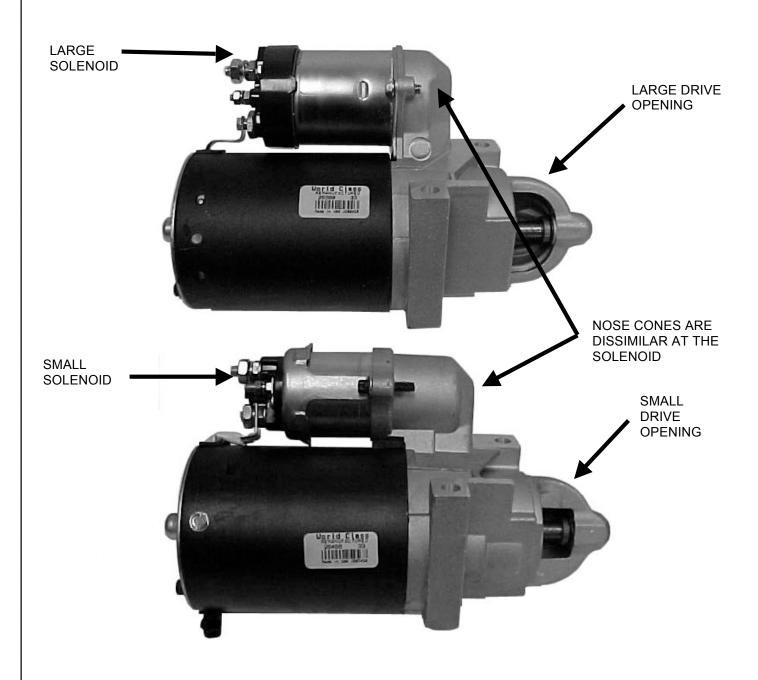
In many cases the "R" terminal will not be used. This is normal.



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This part meets or exceeds the original manufactures specifications for correct vehicle application. Despite the differences in apperance, the units pictured below are interchangeable.



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### 1999-2000 Cadillac Escalade 1995-2000 Chevrolet and GMC SIT models 1996-2000 Chevrolet and GMC CIK, MIL, G, P models 1996-2000 Oldsmobile Brayada

- No start
- Slow start
- Grinding noise while cranking Kickback during crank/starting
- Broken starter drive housing
- Broken ring gear
- Cracked or broken engine block at the starter boss
- Any combination of the above

If your vehicle has shown one or more of the symptoms above General Motors says; these conditions may be due to an improper crankshaft position sensor that commands up to 50 extra degrees of spark advance during cranking only. This results in much higher than normal cylinder pressures that can affect the starter, ring gear and engine block.

### **CORRECTION:**

Have your vehicle inspected for a stored Powertrain DTC code P0: DTC code will NOT illuminate the "Service Engine Soon" light. If the is stored, the Crankshaft Position Sensor must be replaced with p number #10456607, and the following checked for damage.

- Engine block at starter bolt holes
- Starter drive housing
- Flywheel ring gear