



## Squeeling Clutch Bearing Problem Addressed

I have a clutch release bearing that is squealing and it cannot be lubricated. It needs to be replaced. It is a sealed bearing. Am I correct in this statement? Does anyone know of a good source for a replacement bearing?

*Thanks, Ray Corder, Brookville, OH*

The clutch release bearing came as a fully sealed thrust bearing from new and under normal circumstances it could not be relubricated. The grease tube that you refer to only supplies grease to the surfaces between the clutch release bearing carrier

and the spigot that it slides on.

The lubricant required is absolutely minimal in quantity and normally a smear of grease during a clutch replacement will suffice for thousands of miles.

I am of the opinion that to provide a grease point in the area of the clutch is an absolute receipt for disaster as too much will surely find its way onto the clutch lining faces.

The grease tube was originally a rubber tube that was encased in a braided wire similar to the oil gauge pressure flexible line adaptor under the hood and it wandered out of the clutch cover to an anchor point accessible for greasing.

The new sealed bearings have been available from several sources, Parts Cellar, Roberts, Bernbaum, etc. or match up at your local bearing vendor.

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