

P3815

Fault code description

Exhaust gas temperature after SCR catalyst - Data valid but too high, most severe

Fault code information

Possible cause

1. Exhaust temperature after SCR catalyst sensor failed in-range.
2. A damaged fuel dosing module causing fuel to enter the exhaust system unintentionally.
3. A damaged engine fuel injector causing unburned fuel to enter the exhaust system.
4. Excessive engine oil being introduced into the exhaust system from the engine.
5. Fuel, oil or another liquid added to the DEF tank that could generate increased exhaust temperatures during DEF injection.
6. Malfunctioning SCR catalyst.

Additional information

The fault code indicates that a secondary fuel source is entering the exhaust system and is creating a temperature increase across the DOC or DPF.

DEF injection into the SCR system is disabled.

This fault may result in engine shutdown.

Set condition of fault code

This diagnostic runs continuously when the key switch is in the ON position and when the engine is running.

The EAS-3 ECU detects that the exhaust temperature after SCR catalyst sensor reading has reached a temperature reading above 1472°F (800°C) for more than 20 seconds. The

diagnostic is still running when the temperature drops to 1427°F (775°C) to 1472°F (800°C) during this 20 seconds.

Reset condition of fault code

This fault code will stay active until the next key cycle, even if the temperature drops below the warning limit.

This fault code will change to inactive immediately after the next key cycle.

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P3815, Diagnostic information

Technical data

["Sensor, exhaust temperature after catalyst \(F842\)"](#)

Location of component(s)

["Location information, EAS-3"](#)

Electrical diagram(s)

Refer to the OEM service manual for more information.

Description of component(s)

["Sensor, exhaust temperature after catalyst \(F842\)"](#)

Block diagram

["Block diagram EAS-3"](#)

Step by step troubleshooting



Please perform the troubleshooting steps below using the breakout harness if necessary to check electrical components such as sensors, electrical control units or harnesses. Back probing is not recommended as it could damage the harness. The ignition should always be in the OFF position when connecting or disconnecting electrical components to reduce the likelihood of damage to electrical components.



- Disconnecting the EAS connectors during the troubleshooting process will result in multiple errors.
- For specific electrical component information and pin out locations, always refer to the technical data.
- It is necessary to exit the fault code menu in DAVIE and run the diagnostic test again to identify a

change in errors.

- Remember that the truck's operational or mechanical issues may be the root cause of both active and inactive fault codes. Refer to the 'possible causes' section.

Step by step 1: Check fault codes

Step 1A: Check for fault codes

Troubleshooting steps

1. Turn the key switch ON.
2. Use DAVIE to check for fault codes related to the aftertreatment temperature sensors.

Are fault codes P3796, P3797, P3798, P3967, P3799, P3800, P3801 or P3802 active?

- **Yes** – Proceed with the appropriate fault code
- **No** – Proceed to step 2A

Step by step 2: Check the aftertreatment exhaust gas temperature sensors

Step 2A: Monitor the exhaust gas temperature sensors

Troubleshooting steps

1. Turn the key switch ON.
2. Engine idling greater than ten minutes.
3. Monitor the exhaust gas temperature sensors with DAVIE.
 - Idle the engine for ten minutes to stabilise the exhaust gas temperatures.
 - If any fault occurs, go to the appropriate fault code.
 - If no fault occurs, record the value of the SCR exhaust gas temperature

sensors.

Does the value of the sensors vary by more than 75°F (24°C)?

- **Yes** – Proceed to step 6A after completing the following checks.
 - Check for a short circuit from the signal pin of the relevant temperature sensor to all other pins in the harness.
 - Check for a short circuit in the SCR temperature sensor interface.
 - If no short circuit is found, replace the temperature sensor that reads higher or lower than the other sensors.
- **No** – Proceed to step 3A

Step by step 3: Check the DEF quality

Step 3A: Inspect the DEF quality

Troubleshooting steps

1. Turn the key switch OFF.
2. Check the DEF quality:
 - Visually inspect the DEF in the tank for signs of debris or contamination.
 - Use a DEF refractometer to measure the urea concentration.
 - Use the oil test paper to test for diesel fuel or oil contamination in the DEF tank.

Is the DEF free of contamination and within the specifications?

- **Yes** – Proceed to step 4A
- **No** – The fluid in the tank is not pure DEF. Drain the tank, clean the system and fill the tank with DEF. Proceed to step 6A

Step by step 4: Check the fuel dosing module

Step 4A: Inspect the fuel dosing module

Troubleshooting steps

1. Turn the key switch OFF.
2. Remove the fuel dosing module.
3. Place the fuel dosing module in a measuring container and cover the measuring container.
4. Perform the 'fuel dosing module leak test'. For more information, go to 'Explanatory notes to DAVIE'.

Does the fuel dosing module meet the specifications?

- **Yes** – Proceed to step 5A
- **No** – Replace the fuel dosing module - Proceed to step 6A

Step by step 5: Inspect the DOC

Step 5A: Check the DOC for soot accumulation

Troubleshooting steps

1. Remove the DOC.
2. Inspect the DOC.
3. Check the inlet side of the DOC for soot accumulation.

Are more than 50 percent of the cells on the inlet side blocked by soot?

- **Yes** – Clean the DOC - Proceed to step 5B
- **No** – Proceed to step 5B

Step 5B: Check the DOC for cracks in the cell wall

Troubleshooting steps

1. Remove the DOC.
2. Inspect the DOC.
3. Check for cracks in the DOC cell walls.

Are any cracks found in the cell walls?

- **Yes** – Replace the DOC - Proceed to step 6A

- **No** – This fault code can also be caused by an engine failure. Proceed to step 6A

Step by step 6: Clear the fault code

Step 6A: Disable the fault code

Troubleshooting steps

1. Connect all components.
2. Operate the system within the 'reset condition of the fault code' found in the fault code information.
3. Use DAVIE to verify if the fault codes are inactive.

Is fault code P3815 inactive?

- **Yes** – Proceed to step 6B
- **No** – Return to the troubleshooting steps - Proceed to step 1A

If all the steps have been completed and checked again, contact the Engine Support Center for further instructions.

Step 6B: Clear the inactive fault codes

Troubleshooting steps

1. Connect all components
2. Turn the key switch ON.
3. Use DAVIE to clear the inactive fault codes.

Have all the fault codes been cleared?

- **Yes** – Repair complete
- **No** – Troubleshoot any remaining active fault codes

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