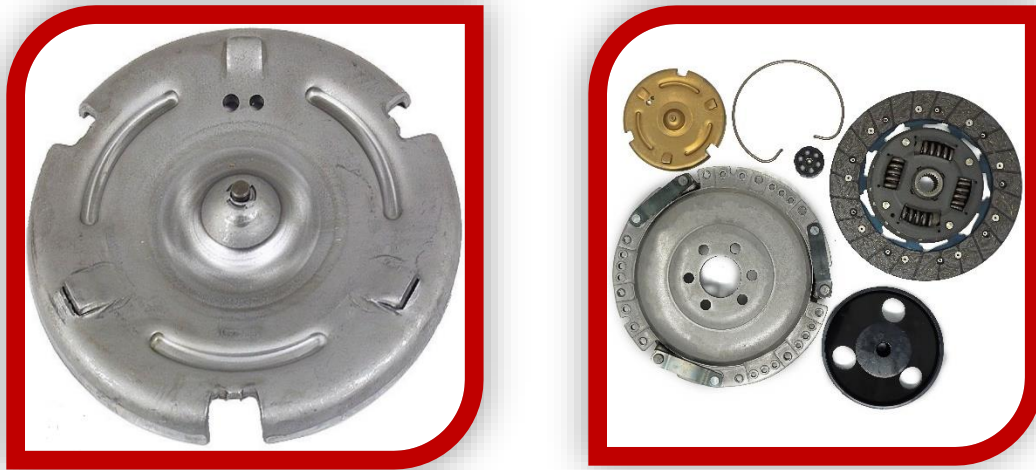




Technical Service Bulletin

When installing a Volkswagen pull-type clutch with a release plate and wire ring, cycle the clutch prior to start up to ensure the circlip is fully seated under the tabs of the diaphragm spring. If the clutch set contains a release bearing, you **must** install it.



The bearing fits inside the transmission. The clutch release arm presses against the bearing to move a long rod passing through the transmission. The rod pushes the release plate to push the diaphragm fingers and disengage the clutch.

A sheet metal cover must be pried out for access to the release bearing. This typically results in the destruction of the cover, which must be replaced to prevent transmission oil leaks.

Also inspect the release rod for wear or bending, the lever for cracks, and the shaft for spline damage.

Affected Items:

Item	Years	Make	Engine
17-003	1975-1984	Volkswagen	1.5L, 1.6L, 1.7L
17-004	1980-1990	Volkswagen	1.6L, 1.7L
17-012	1983-1994	Volkswagen	1.8L, 1.9L
17-027	1986-1994	Volkswagen	1.8L, 2.0L
17-038	1993-2003	Volkswagen	1.6L, 1.9L, 2.0L
17-041	1998-2006	Volkswagen	1.8L, 1.9L

*For more detailed application data, refer to the number below to inquire.