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1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides comprehensive instructions for the proper installation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of the Dorman 65200 Universal Oil Drain Plug. This replacement engine oil drain plug is designed to match the fit and function of the original drain plug, ensuring a quality seal for your vehicle's engine oil pan.

Key Features:

- **Ideal Replacement:** Matches the fit and function of the original drain plug.
- **Durable Construction:** Made of corrosion-resistant materials for reliable service.
- **Cost-Effective Solution:** Offers original equipment performance at a competitive price.
- **Quality Tested:** Undergone try-on testing to ensure a quality seal.

2. PRODUCT OVERVIEW



Figure 2.1: Side view of the Dorman 65200 Universal Oil Drain Plug, showing the rubber stopper and metal wing nuts.



Figure 2.2: Bottom view of the Dorman 65200 Universal Oil Drain Plug, featuring a label that reads 'READ DIRECTIONS BEFORE INSTALLATION' and 'TIGHTEN'.



Figure 2.3: Top view of the Dorman 65200 Universal Oil Drain Plug, showing the head of the bolt.

3. INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Safety Precautions

- Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment, including safety glasses and gloves.
- Ensure the vehicle is parked on a level surface and properly supported with jack stands before working underneath.
- Allow the engine to cool down to prevent burns from hot oil.

3.2 Preparation

1. Locate the oil drain plug on the engine oil pan.
2. Place an oil drain pan directly beneath the existing drain plug to collect used oil.

3.3 Removing the Old Drain Plug

1. Using the correct wrench, carefully loosen and remove the old drain plug. Be prepared for oil to drain immediately.
2. Allow all the old oil to drain completely.
3. Clean the area around the drain hole on the oil pan to ensure a clean sealing surface.

3.4 Installing the Dorman 65200 Universal Oil Drain Plug

1. Insert the Dorman 65200 Universal Oil Drain Plug into the oil pan drain hole.
2. Hand-tighten the plug until it is snug.
3. Using a wrench, tighten the plug further until the rubber gasket expands and creates a secure, leak-free seal. **Do not overtighten**, as this can damage the oil pan threads or the plug itself. Refer to the vehicle's service manual for specific torque specifications if available, or tighten until firm resistance is felt and the plug is secure.
4. Refill the engine with the appropriate type and amount of new engine oil.
5. Start the engine and let it run for a few minutes. Check for any leaks around the newly installed drain plug.
6. Turn off the engine and recheck the oil level. Add more oil if necessary.

4. MAINTENANCE

- Periodically inspect the oil drain plug for any signs of leaks or damage, especially during routine oil changes.
- If any leaks are detected, re-tighten the plug carefully. If the leak persists, the plug may need to be replaced.
- It is recommended to replace the universal oil drain plug at each oil change to ensure optimal sealing, especially if the plug shows signs of wear or if the original drain plug was stripped.

5. TROUBLESHOOTING

5.1 Oil Leak After Installation

- **Cause:** Insufficient tightening, damaged plug, or damaged oil pan threads.
- **Solution:** Carefully tighten the plug further. If the leak persists, remove the plug and inspect it for damage. Inspect the oil pan drain hole for stripped threads. If the plug is damaged, replace it. If the oil pan threads are damaged, a different repair solution (e.g., thread repair kit or pan replacement) may be necessary.

5.2 Plug Does Not Fit

- **Cause:** Incorrect size or application for your vehicle.
- **Solution:** Verify the correct drain plug size and type for your specific vehicle make and model. The Dorman 65200 is a universal 1/2 inch plug; ensure this matches your vehicle's requirements.

6. SPECIFICATIONS

- **Model Number:** 65200
- **Material:** Brass, Plastic, Stainless Steel
- **Color:** Black
- **Item Weight:** 0.01 Ounces (approximately 0.28 grams)
- **UPC/GTIN:** 037495652001
- **Application:** Universal 1/2 inch oil drain plug replacement

7. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information or technical support regarding your Dorman 65200 Universal Oil Drain Plug, please contact Dorman Products directly through their official website or customer service channels. Keep your purchase receipt for any warranty claims.