

Dodge 1B68-SDS

DODGE 1B68-SDS SHEAVE Instruction Manual

Model: 1B68-SDS (Part Number: 455563)

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the safe and effective installation, operation, and maintenance of the DODGE 1B68-SDS Sheave. The 1B68-SDS sheave is a critical component in power transmission systems, designed to transmit power efficiently between shafts using belts. Proper adherence to these instructions will ensure optimal performance and longevity of the sheave.



Figure 1: DODGE 1B68-SDS Sheave. This image displays the sheave, a circular component with a central bore and a flat face, designed for power transmission.

2. SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Always observe standard industrial safety practices when handling, installing, or maintaining power transmission components. Failure to follow these precautions can result in serious injury or equipment damage.

- **Lockout/Tagout:** Ensure all power to the machinery is disconnected and locked out before beginning any installation or maintenance work.
- **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):** Always wear appropriate PPE, including safety glasses, gloves, and safety footwear.
- **Lifting:** Use proper lifting techniques and equipment when handling heavy components. The 1B68-SDS sheave weighs approximately 7 pounds.
- **Clearance:** Maintain a clear work area free from obstructions.
- **Tools:** Use only the correct tools for the job and ensure they are in good condition.
- **Training:** Ensure all personnel involved are properly trained and qualified for the tasks.

3. PRODUCT OVERVIEW & COMPONENTS

The DODGE 1B68-SDS Sheave is a single-groove sheave designed for use with V-belts. It features a robust construction

suitable for industrial applications.

Key Components:

- **Sheave Body:** The main circular component with a groove for the belt.
- **Hub:** The central part of the sheave that mounts onto the shaft.
- **Bore:** The hole through the hub designed to fit the shaft.
- **Groove:** The channel on the sheave's circumference where the V-belt seats.
- **Keyway:** A slot in the bore designed to accommodate a key for positive torque transmission.

4. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

Proper installation is critical for the safe and efficient operation of the sheave and the entire power transmission system.

Installation Steps:

1. Shaft Preparation:

- a. Clean the shaft thoroughly, removing any burrs, rust, or debris.
- b. Ensure the shaft diameter matches the sheave's bore size.
- c. Check the shaft keyway for proper fit with the key.

2. Sheave Mounting:

- a. Slide the sheave onto the shaft, ensuring the key aligns with the keyway.
- b. If using a tapered bushing (SDS type), follow the specific instructions provided with the bushing for proper installation and tightening.
- c. Ensure the sheave is seated firmly against the shaft shoulder or retaining collar.

3. Alignment:

- a. **Angular Alignment:** Use a straightedge or laser alignment tool across the faces of both sheaves to ensure they are parallel.
- b. **Parallel Alignment:** Measure the distance between the shafts at multiple points to ensure they are parallel.
- c. Misalignment can lead to premature belt and bearing wear.

4. Belt Installation & Tensioning:

- a. Install the appropriate V-belt(s) into the sheave groove(s).
- b. Apply the correct belt tension as specified by the belt manufacturer or system design. Over-tensioning or under-tensioning can cause issues.
- c. Use a tension gauge for accurate measurement.

5. Securing:

- a. Tighten all set screws or bolts according to manufacturer's torque specifications.
- b. Double-check all connections before operation.

5. OPERATING CONSIDERATIONS

Once installed, the sheave operates as part of the larger power transmission system. While the sheave itself does not have "controls," proper operating conditions are essential.

Initial Run-in and Monitoring:

- **Pre-Start Checks:** Before initial startup, verify all components are securely fastened, belts are properly tensioned, and guards are in place.
- **First Operation:** Run the system at a reduced speed initially, if possible, to observe for any unusual noise, vibration, or heat.
- **Regular Monitoring:** During normal operation, periodically check for excessive heat, unusual noise, or vibration, which may indicate a problem.
- **Belt Slip:** Listen for squealing sounds, which indicate belt slip. Adjust tension if necessary.

6. MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance extends the life of the sheave and ensures reliable system performance.

- **Inspection Schedule:**
 - **Daily/Weekly:** Visual inspection for obvious damage, excessive dust/debris buildup, or signs of belt wear.
 - **Monthly/Quarterly:** Check belt tension, inspect sheave grooves for wear (e.g., shiny spots, uneven wear), and verify alignment.
 - **Annually:** Consider disassembling for thorough cleaning and inspection of bore and hub for corrosion or wear.
- **Cleaning:** Keep the sheave and belts free from dirt, oil, and other contaminants. Use a dry cloth or brush. Do not use solvents that may damage belts.
- **Wear Detection:**
 - Groove wear can be detected by a shiny bottom in the groove or if the belt rides too low. Worn grooves reduce belt life and efficiency.
 - Replace the sheave if significant groove wear is detected.
- **Re-tensioning:** Belts may stretch over time. Re-tension belts as needed, especially after the first 24-48 hours of operation.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

This section addresses common issues that may arise during the operation of the sheave and associated belt drive system.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Excessive Vibration	Misalignment, unbalanced sheave, worn bearings, loose mounting.	Check and correct alignment. Inspect sheave for damage. Tighten mounting bolts. Inspect and replace bearings if necessary.
Unusual Noise (Squealing, Chirping)	Belt slippage, worn belts, misalignment, foreign object in groove.	Adjust belt tension. Replace worn belts. Check and correct alignment. Clean sheave grooves.
Premature Belt Wear	Misalignment, incorrect belt tension, worn sheave grooves, incorrect belt type.	Correct alignment. Adjust belt tension. Inspect and replace sheave if grooves are worn. Ensure correct belt type is used.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Sheave Runs Hot	Over-tensioned belts, worn bearings, insufficient ventilation, excessive load.	Reduce belt tension to recommended levels. Inspect and replace bearings. Ensure proper airflow. Verify system load is within design limits.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Technical specifications for the DODGE 1B68-SDS Sheave.

- **Model:** 1B68-SDS
- **Part Number:** 455563
- **Brand:** Dodge
- **Type:** Single Groove V-Belt Sheave
- **Approximate Weight:** 7 pounds (3.17 kg)
- **Size:** One Size (refer to technical drawings for detailed dimensions)
- **Material:** Cast Iron (typical for industrial sheaves)
- **UPC:** 782475156344

Note: Specific bore diameter and outside diameter will depend on the exact configuration and accompanying bushing. Always refer to official Dodge technical documentation for precise dimensions.



9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT



For information regarding product warranty, technical support, or replacement parts, please contact Dodge customer service or your authorized distributor. You can also visit the official [Dodge Store on Amazon](#) for more product information and resources.



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