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## 5-0 IGNITE 36-2+1 HALL EFFECT CRANK TRIGGER INSTALLATION GUIDE

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This installation guide is applicable to the following engine;

- Nissan RB DOHC (Twin Cam)

**Please read this installation guide carefully prior to installing the product.**

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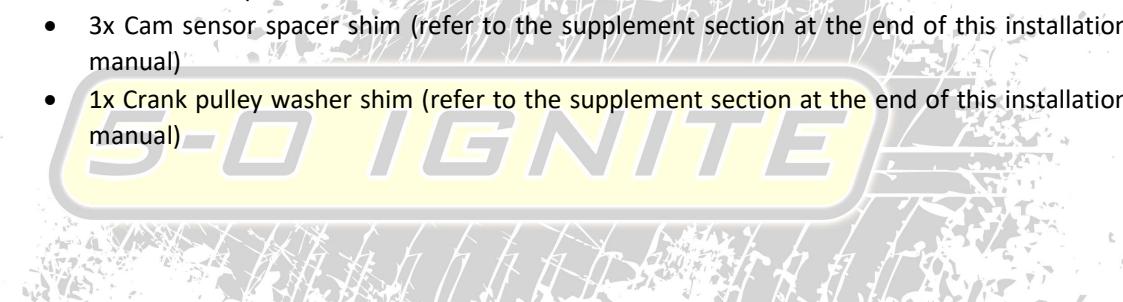
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## PREFACE

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Thank you for purchasing 5-0 Ignite crank trigger kit. We have done all the hard work to ensure that your installation is a breeze and clean. Your kit should include the following items;

- 1x Crank sprocket with machined 36-2 tooth trigger wheel
- 1x Cam angle sensor housing
- 1x Cam 'home' key
- 1x Crank angle sensor mount
- 1x Cam angle sensor (hall effect)
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- 4x M7x1 grade 8.8 bolt for cam key
- 4x M6x1 socket head cap 'short' bolts for cam angle sensor housing (one installed)
- 3x M6 dress up washers for cam angle sensor housing
- 2x M6x1 socket head cap 'long' bolts for crank angle sensor mount
- 1x Replacement OEM CAS female connector with terminals and seals
- 1x 4 pin male connector with terminals and seals
- 1x 3 pin female connector for cam sensor with terminals and seals
- 4x Barrel crimps
- 3x Cam sensor spacer shim (refer to the supplement section at the end of this installation manual)
- 1x Crank pulley washer shim (refer to the supplement section at the end of this installation manual)



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## INFORMATION AND LIMITATIONS

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Installation of this kit requires moderate to advance level of mechanical skills and experience due to the requirement of timing belt removal/installation and calibration of the vehicle's ECU.

This kit will require a modern/capable ECU (Haltech, Link, Motec, Emtron, AEM) that allows you to set the trigger type (missing tooth + home), trigger edge and trigger angle.

This kit will require a sound knowledge of automotive electrical wiring systems (sheathing, splicing, crimping and terminations).

Fastening of bolts (i.e timing belt tensioner, cam pulley bolt, crank pulley etc.) shall follow manufacturer's recommended specifications.

## PROCEDURE

1. Drain coolant.
2. Set the engine to TDC.
3. Disconnect/remove;
  - a. Radiator and fan
  - b. Ancillary belts
  - c. OEM crank angle sensor
  - d. Upper timing belt cover
  - e. Crank pulley. **The cup washer behind the pulley no longer required.**
  - f. Lower timing belt cover
4. Ensure the engine is on TDC by aligning the mark of the crank timing sprocket to the oil pump.
5. Remove timing belt.
6. Remove crank timing sprocket.
7. Remove the crank timing sprocket backing plate (the one between the sprocket and front main seal). Caution, prying against the oil pump may crack the casting!
8. Ensure that the both half-moon key and key slot on the crank snout is in good condition.

**At this stage, replacing the timing belt along with front and cam seals are recommended. We also recommend inspecting your crank pulley (balancer) from deterioration. Replace if necessary when visible cracks/chips/splits or other defects are present.**

9. Remove the two oil pump bolts indicated.



Figure 1 - Remove Bolts on Oil Pump

10. Mark the slot to be cut with a die grinder on the oil pump cover by installing the crank angle sensor mount (with the sensor on it). Due to OEM casting variations, if your bolt does not fasten fully onto the mount, grind a small amount on the end of the bolt to shorten the bolt. Screw the sensor in until it touches the oil pump housing and mark the outline with a sharpie. This slot is for the crank sensor to go through. Place a tape over the crank snout to prevent damage prior to grinding.



Figure 2 - Grind Slot on Oil Pump Housing

11. Install the crank angle sensor mount (with the sensor on it) back in, this time, apply medium strength 'blue' Loctite to the threads and torque the bolts to 10Nm.
12. Screw the sensor in and check the clearance on the oil pump housing. 1mm clearance around the sensor where you have ground is sufficient.
13. Screw the sensor back (retract).
14. Clean the oil pump housing free of dirt/dust/swarf.
15. Ensure the half-moon key is installed on the crank for the sprocket. Apply light amount of anti-seize onto the crank snout.
16. With the OEM backing plate installed (removed on step 7, refer to figure 3), mount your timing belt onto the supplied crank sprocket with the trigger wheel then slide it into position onto the crank snout. Trigger teeth towards the front of the car.



Figure 3 - Sliding your Sprocket In (photo shown with 12 tooth version)

17. Install your timing belt back onto the cam pulley as per manufacturer's recommendation. Tighten your tensioner pulley as per manufacturer's recommendation.
18. Using feeler gauge, screw the crank sensor in until the gap between the sensor face to the crank trigger teeth is 0.8mm.



Figure 4 - Setting Sensor Gap

19. Turn the crank around and ensure that the gap between all teeth are at about 0.8mm.
20. Apply medium strength 'blue' Loctite and tighten the sensor nut and the grub screw to lock the sensor into place.

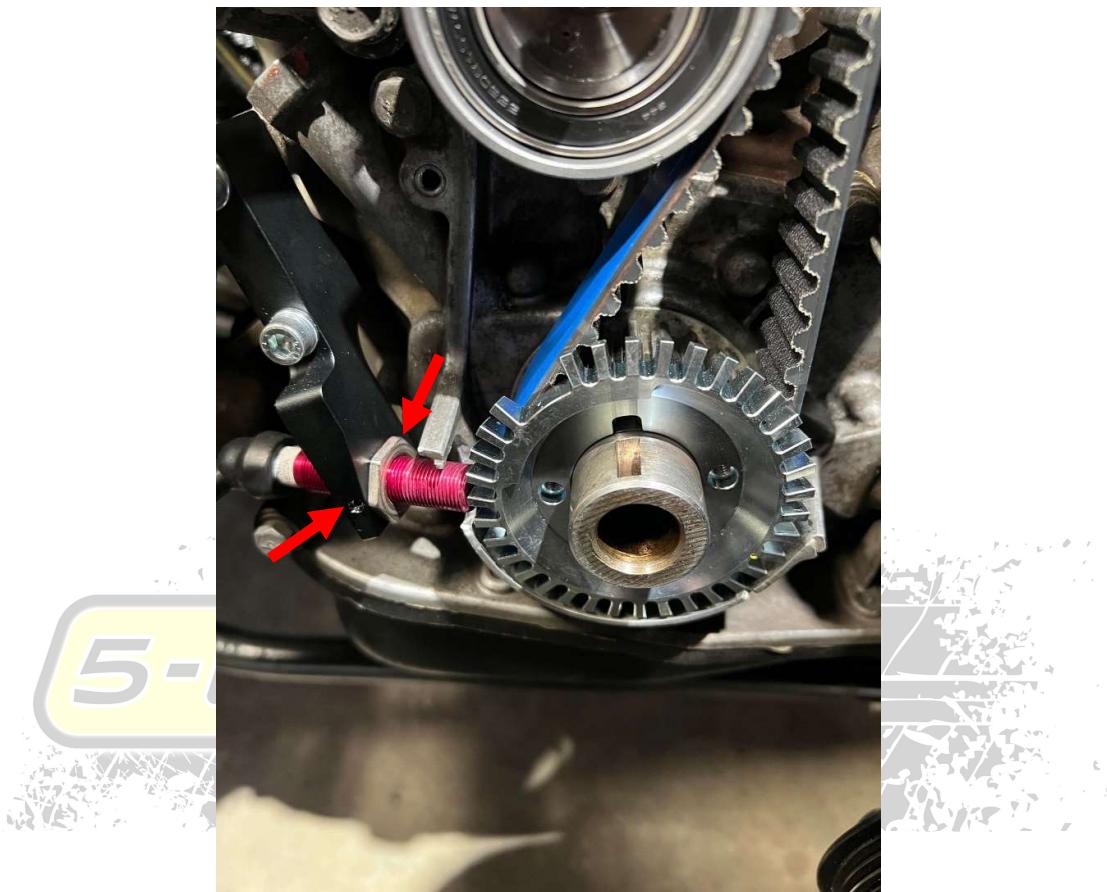


Figure 5 - Locking the Sensor into Place

21. Set the engine back to TDC.
22. Remove the 4 bolts on the exhaust cam pulley. **The square plate washer and OEM exhaust cam pulley bolts are no longer required.**
23. Apply medium strength 'blue' Loctite onto the supplied M7 bolt threads, install the supplied cam key onto the exhaust cam pulley. **For this 36-2 version (missing tooth on crank at 10 o'clock position shown in figure 5), the cam key shall be pointing at approximately 5 o'clock position at TDC.** Torque the 4 bolts to 16Nm.



Figure 6 - Position of Cam Key when Engine at TDC

24. Perform the wiring work for the sensors (refer to wiring diagram section of this guide).

**WARNING**



It is essential to run a new, dedicated shielded wiring loom (including power, signal, and ground) directly to your ECU. The sensor must be powered by a regulated voltage source—such as the ECU's 5V or 8V output (and NOT from the ECU's 12V input supplied via the main relay). The warranty does not cover damaged sensor(s) from incorrect wiring, physical damage or powering the sensor(s) with an unregulated voltage source.

All sensors have undergone bench testing prior to dispatch to ensure full functionality. It is the installer's responsibility to check and verify wiring before powering up the sensors.

25. Install, in reverse order;

- a. Lower timing belt cover
- b. Crank pulley
- c. Upper timing belt cover
- d. Ancillary belts
- e. Radiator and fan

26. Install the cam sensor housing. At TDC, prior to bolting in, rotate the cam sensor housing to ensure that the sensor shall not make contact with the cam key.

Shall the cam key touch the sensor, install the supplied shim(s) between the cam sensor housing and the sensor for clearance. Each shim adds 0.2mm clearance, use only the necessary amount. **Ideal sensor gap is 0.6mm – 0.8mm. No gap or too large of a gap will cause home signal trigger error.**

The hole/dimple marker on the cam sensor housing shall point to the CAS bracket hole position at 2 o'clock. Using the 3 'short' socket head cap bolts and the aluminium dress up washers supplied, bolt the housing and torque the bolts to 9.8Nm.



Figure 7 - Cam Sensor Housing Position (cam sensor housing old version shown)

27. Plug the wiring in.

**At this stage, you are now ready to configure your ECU.**

28. Connect the ECU to your laptop and configure these settings;

- Trigger edge: Rising for crank sensor. Falling for cam sensor.
- Pull up resistor: Enabled
- Tooth on crank: 36
- Missing tooth on crank: 2
- Tooth on cam: 1
- Crank sensor type: Hall Effect
- Cam sensor type: Hall Effect
- Filtering: 0 or 1

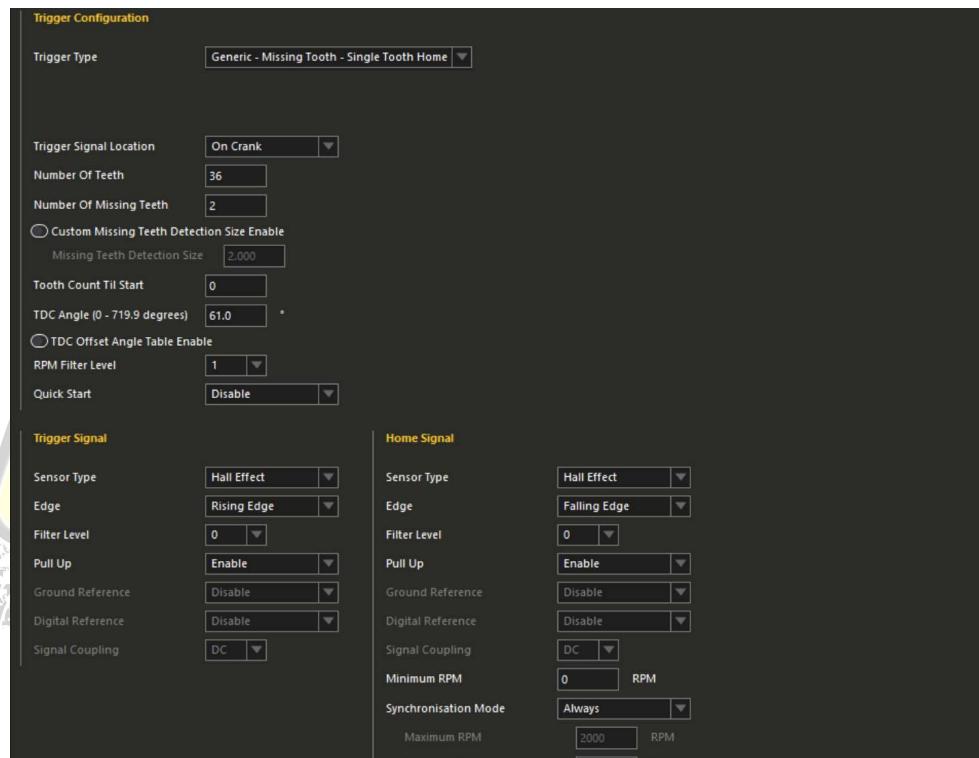


Figure 8 - Haltech Elite/Nexus Trigger Configuration Example (NSP Software)

The trigger angle above (for Haltech) is for starting point only as it may be affected by head or block machining, head gasket thickness, camshafts or any other variable that may alter base timing. On certain ECUs (such as Haltech Platinum Sport), **the TDC angle must also be set higher than the maximum ignition timing that you intend to run, this can be achieved by altering the trigger tooth offset.**

- Enable timing lock (i.e. at 10°) and disable the injectors.
- With a timing light and coil on plug extension lead installed to mount your timing light inductive clamp onto (visible in figure 7), crank the engine and adjust the trigger angle until the timing on the crank pulley matches the timing lock figure on the ECU.
- Once all parameters are satisfactorily configured, enable the injectors, fill coolant and start the engine.

32. With the engine idling and timing lock still enabled, double check that the timing is still synchronised with the timing lock. Slight re-adjustment is normal, where the TDC angle is previously set, was set at lower cranking speed.
33. Using a digital oscilloscope or the scope function in your ECU software, analyse the crank and cam home signal simultaneously when the engine is running at operating temperature. **If the instruction for the cam home key alignment and trigger edge settings has been followed, the cam home signal event should not be near where the missing tooth on crank is.** For Haltech Elite/Nexus, the 'home%travel' channel would read approximately between 40% - 60%.

**Note: Every white line marker on the cam sensor housing represents 1 camshaft degrees. Every red line marker on the cam sensor housing represents 5 camshaft degrees.**

34. For future timing belt removal, use the two provided M6x1 tapped holes on the crank timing sprocket with a puller.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

| PROBLEM   | APPROACH   |
|---|--|
| <b>No signal output from the sensors.</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check if wiring is correct.</li> <li>• Check power and ground connection.</li> <li>• Make sure pull up resistor is enabled.</li> <li>• Check the crank/cam sensor gap.</li> </ul>                     |
| <b>Sensors are outputting signal but engine does not start. Continuous miss counts. *</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Analyse the signal output using oscilloscope</li> <li>• Swap the 120° and the 1° sensor wiring on the <b>4 PIN GREY CAS connector</b> (refer to the wiring diagram section of this guide).</li> </ul> |
| <b>Engine misfires at operating temperature or under load.</b>                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Analyse the signal output using oscilloscope</li> <li>• Adjust/verify cam sensor gap</li> <li>• Adjust/verify crank sensor gap</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Engine misfires when clutch is pressed in.</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Your engine has a worn thrust bearing causing excessive crankshaft axial movement, placing trigger teeth outside the sensor's range.</li> </ul>   |

\*Generally, Crank sensor -> Trigger 1 / G1

Cam sensor -> Trigger 2 / NE.

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## CONCLUSION

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Installation is now complete. Crank trigger kit on RBs eliminates ignition timing drift in comparison to the inferior OEM CAS or any systems reliant on the camshaft based only. Benefits includes tuner's confidence in maximising ignition timing whilst keeping consistent safety margin.



## WIRING DIAGRAM

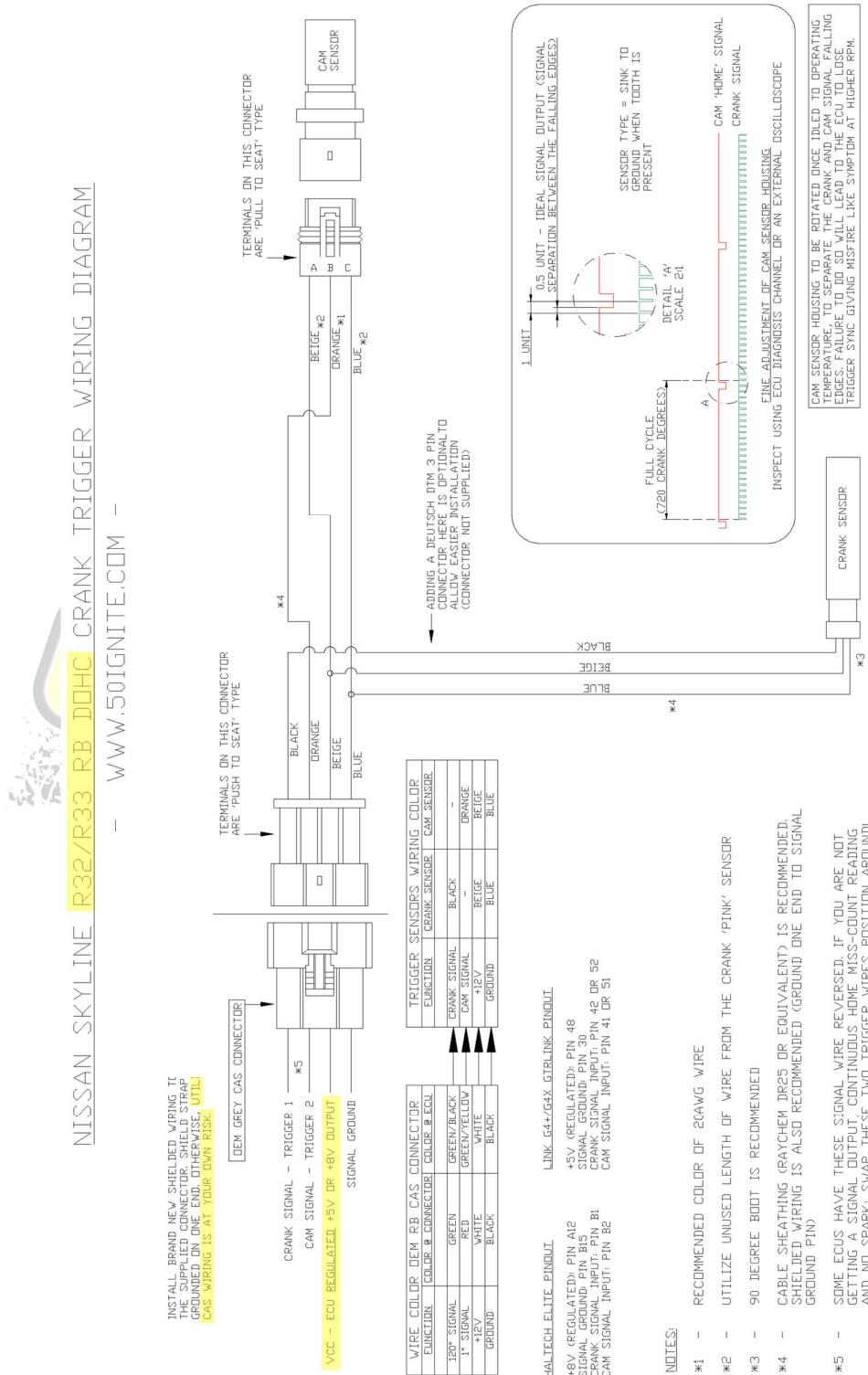


Figure 9 - R32/R33 Wiring Diagram

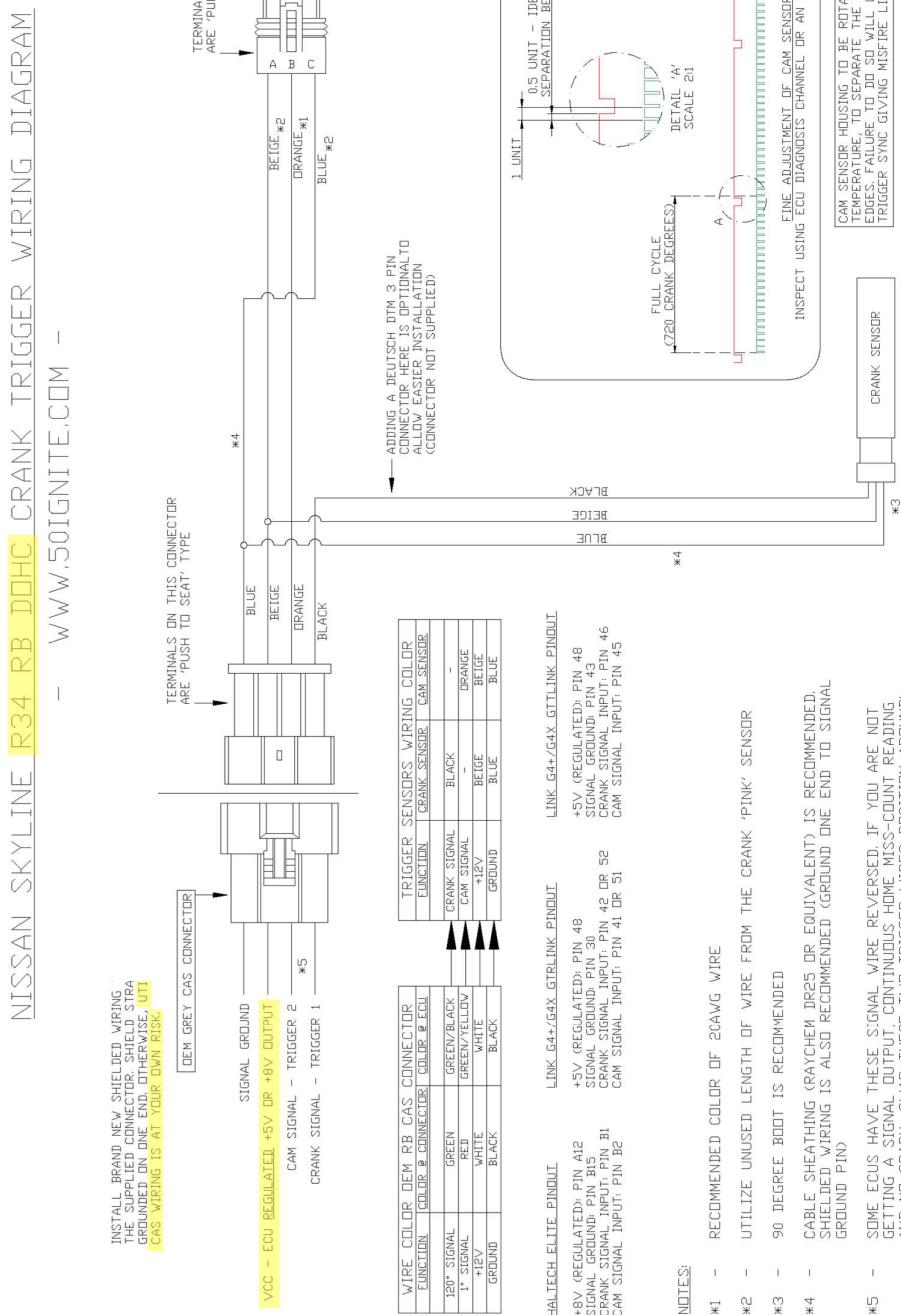


Figure 10 - R34 Wiring Diagram

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- Due to possible variance in OEM CAS bracket casting or when RB26 cam cover is used on RB25, it may be possible that the cam key touches the inside face of the sensor. As outlined in step 26 above, **shall the cam key touch the sensor, install the supplied shim(s) between the cam sensor housing and the sensor for clearance**. Each shim adds 0.2mm clearance, use only the necessary amount. Ideal sensor gap is 0.5mm – 0.8mm.

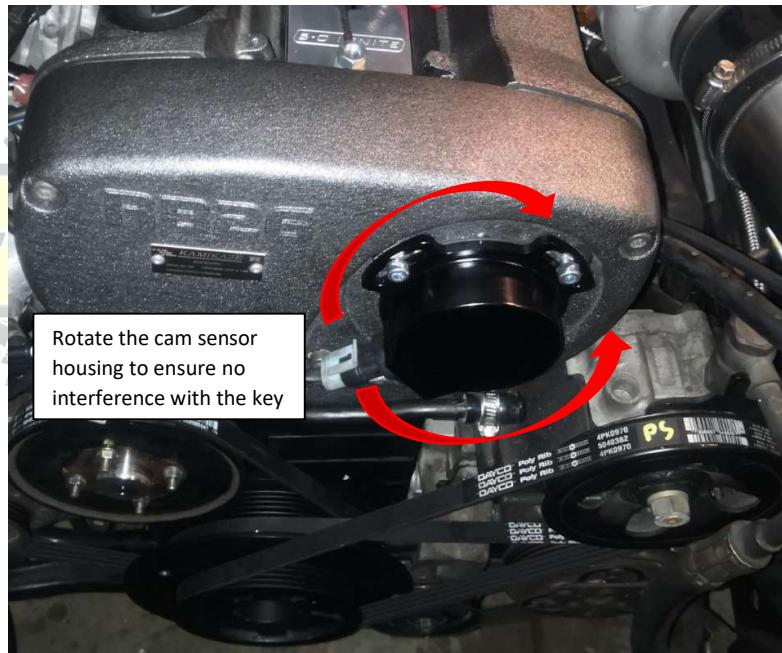


Figure 11 - Cam Sensor Clearance Check



Figure 12 – Supplied Cam Sensor Shim

- Due to possible variance in machining of the OEM crank pulley hub, **some RB crank pulley hub seating face (mainly found in R32s)** has insufficient chamfer on the outer edge diameter. Insufficient chamfer leads to incorrect seating of the crank pulley when mated to the supplied crank trigger sprocket. **This is also applicable to some aftermarket brand crank pulleys for all RB.** Use the supplied washer shim only if necessary.



Figure 13 - R32 GTR OEM Crank Pulley 'A' (Insufficient Chamfer)

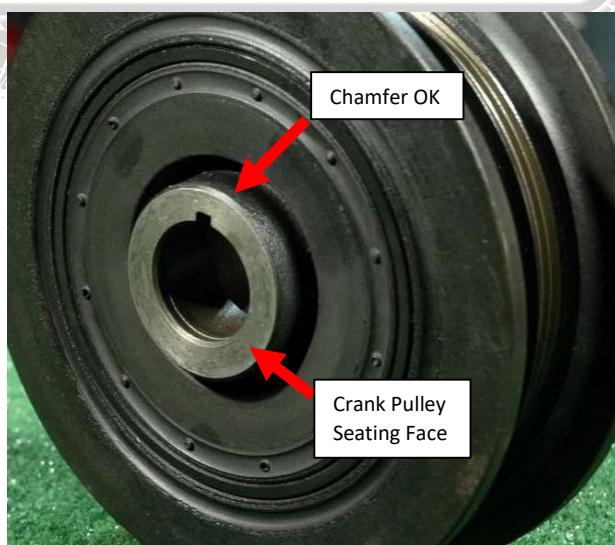


Figure 14 - R32 GTR OEM Crank Pulley 'B' (Chamfer OK)

The installer must verify whether the seating face of the crank pulley hub sits flush with the supplied crank sprocket's trigger face (refer to figure 15) by trial placement prior to installation. **If a gap is present, install the supplied washer shim between the crank sprocket and the crank pulley (refer to figure 16) or chamfer the edge of the pulley hub where it makes contact.** Installation of this washer moves the crank pulley forward by negligible amount (~0.6mm). Alternatively, chamfer the edge of the hub.

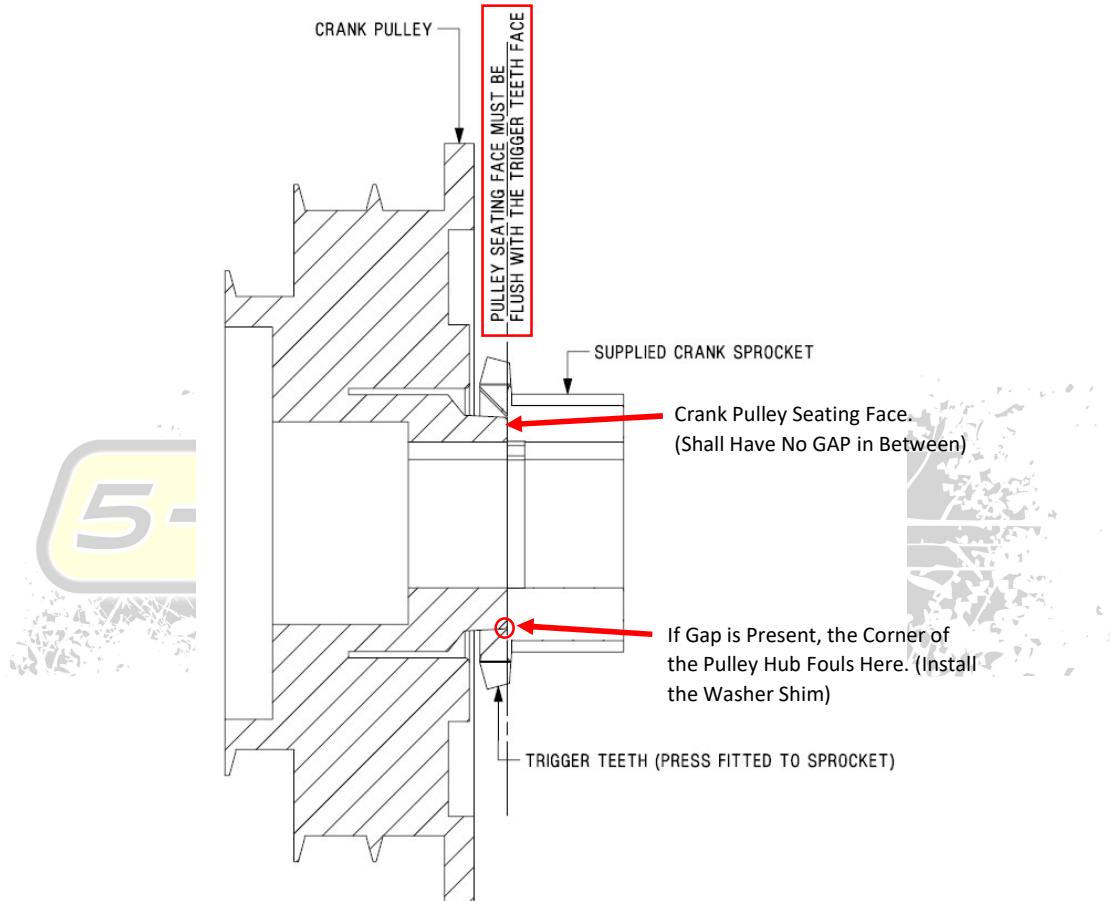


Figure 15 - Pulley Hub Seating Face Shall be Flush with Trigger Teeth Face

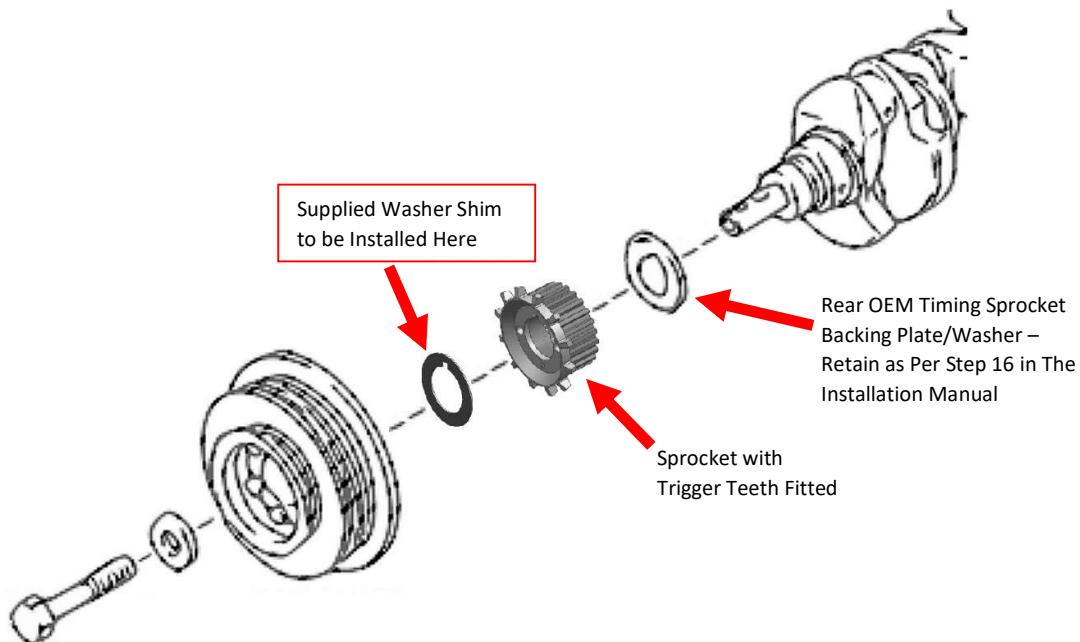


Figure 16 - Supplied Washer Shim Location

