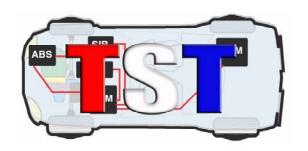
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J-2534 reflashing IS NOT easy stuff. Every manufacturer has different programs with their own little bugs to work out.

In *Ford Frustration* I reflashed a Ford and detailed step-by-step exactly how I did it. Why? So you can do it too.

Like Ford, the software for Chrysler and Fiat is relatively affordable. However, it is legitimately a 40 minute process that you need to charge accordingly for.

As compensation for our use of a proper battery maintainer, laptop, and all my trouble (like making sure no one trips over my wires) I charge at least two hours labor.

So, how do we get started on Chrysler?

1. Go to www.techauthority.com and click on "TA Online-Subscriptions" up top. Simply purchase the three day subscription, add to cart, and scroll to the bottom where it says "Place Order."

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Seems simple, but simply not knowing where to buy the license WILL trip you up...

2. Have your credit card handy and fill out all the information it asks for. See the PC reset screen to the right? Be careful when you are hooked up to the car if that screen comes up. Be sure to let the computer reset BEFORE you hook up or you can fry a module in the middle of a reflash.



3. Go back to "Home" to the top left and click "Tech Authority Online" to the right.



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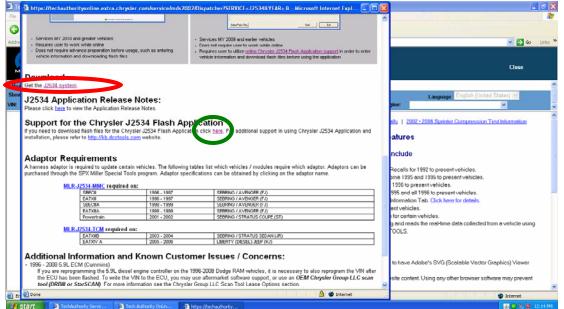
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4. This is the Tech Authority Online area. This is where the reflashing gets started. Chrysler does not automatically check the car to see if its software is up to date, so you have to look through a pdf file under "Flash Matrix." (Circled in Red).



- 5. After finding the correct "part number" for the updated reflash file, click on "flash." (Circled in Green)
- 6. To download the actual reflash program click "J2534 System." (Circled in Red—Circled in Green is where you download the program for the PCM. Remember to click this later after installing the J2534 program.) (Con't on page 9)









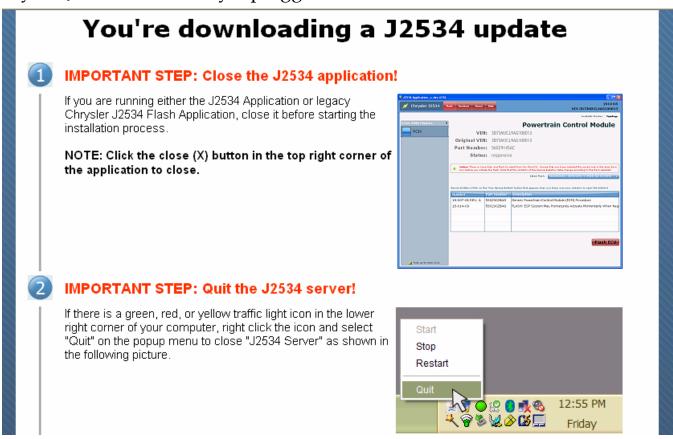


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7. Downloading the J-2534 program is a rather straight forward process. Just be sure your J-2534 tool is not yet plugged in.



8. You will need to download Adobe Air to use the program. Why? Chrysler

wants to make getting you reflashing as much of a clusterf#%* as possible. You can simply go to **Adobe.com/go/getair** to get it.



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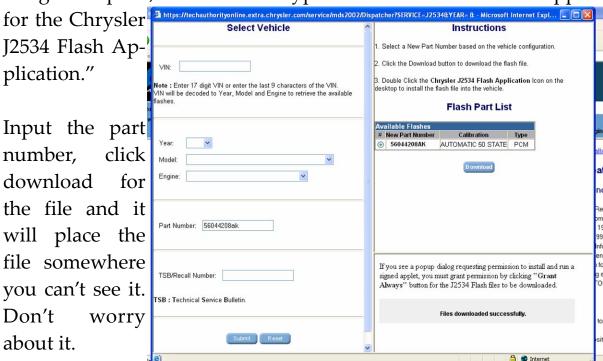
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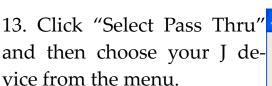
.9. Now you need to download the actual PCM file. Do the same thing as step six, but click the hyperlinked "here" under "Support

J2534 Flash Application."

Input the part number, click download for the file and it will place the file somewhere you can't see it. Don't worry about it.



- 10. CONNECT YOUR J-2534 DEVICE and make sure the PC recognizes your device.
- 11. Click on "J2534 Application" circled in Red to start up the application.
- 12. Choose the vehicle according what the menu asks for. Here w want to choose "Connect to 2009 of earlier vehicle" and then "Start."



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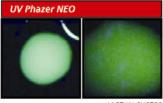
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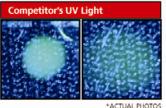
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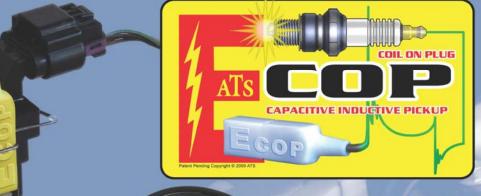
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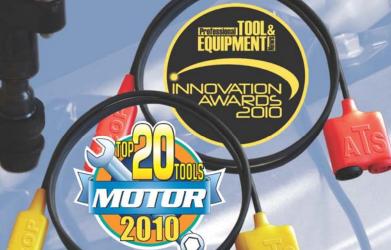
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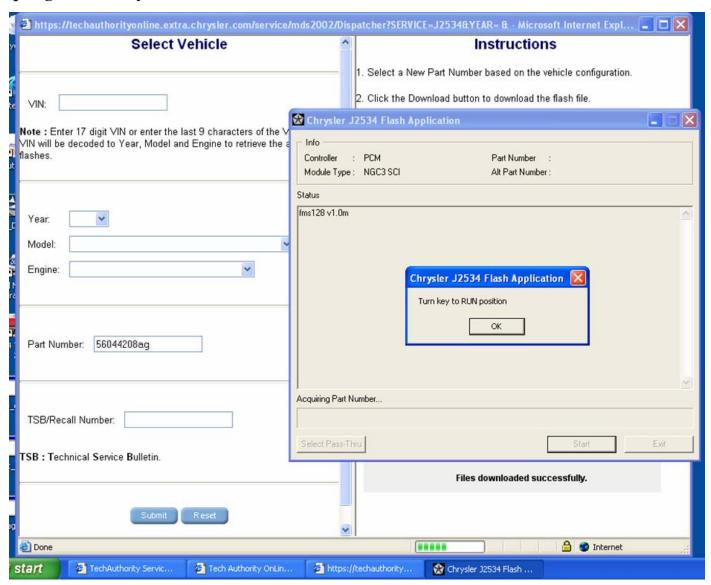
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14. Now the reflashing begins as long as you follow the prompts that the program tells you.



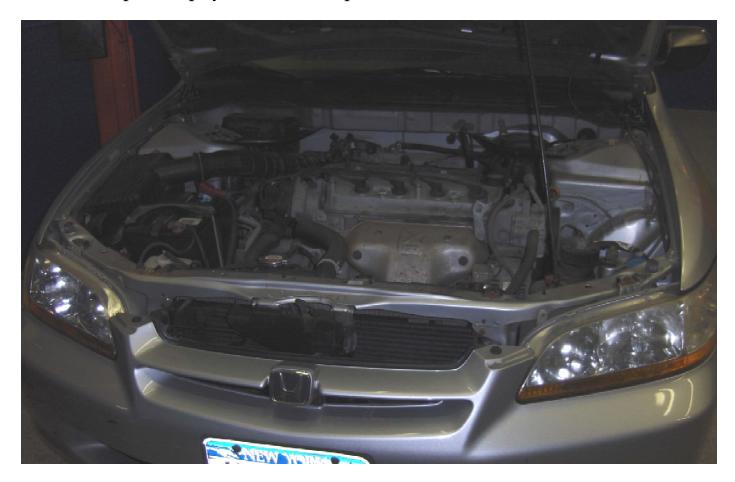
15. You will need to periodically check your reflash. In the middle, the program prompts you to turn the key and other tasks.

That's pretty much it. Reflashing Chryslers is an easy process once you have the kinks worked out.

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Comeback Prevention Philosophy

First we are going to start with a story about a 1999 Honda. It's an introduction to our philosophy of comeback prevention.



A customer came to us after spending \$1300 on an EVAP problem. We looked at the previous repairs and noticed that it was a classic parts-changing routine. Running out of ideas, they were throwing a bunch of parts at the problem and charging no labor out of desperation. Bernie Thompson of ATS once told me, "When you start changing parts before you diagnose the problem, you can't pick out the tree from the forest." That's what happened in this case.

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An O-Ring at the charcoal canister was installed improperly, stretched by a small screwdriver.

What must have happened is that when the entire EVAP system was replaced, somewhere along the way the repair was botched. There is no way this car could have been diagnosed without a smoke machine. Otherwise, you're changing more parts than the tool is worth.



Now for the comeback prevention part...

Auto repair is a very demanding business. We have to do work very long hours, deal with a lot of personalities, have many really tough vehicles, and yet despite all of this turn a profit.

For many shops a bay has to generate a \$1,000 a day to make a decent profit. So what do we do? We rush, pushing cars out as soon as possible.

There are three things not to rush in order to prevent a comeback.

- 1. **The** Diagnosis. The EVAP issue on the 99 Honda could have been solved from a little less reading on Identifix, and a little more real-world testing. Often times we need to read the manual (on Mitchell and AllData) and figure out how a system works and attack the problem in an intelligent way.
- 2. The Search for Parts. It might seem appetizing to call up Billy at the parts store down the street and throw on the first set of pads and rotors you get. Quick \$400, right? However, for \$400 or \$500, you are now on the hook for anything those brakes do: squeak, shake, etctera... Choosing the right part, often OEM, is the key essential ingredient in comeback prevention.
- 3. The Work. That 99 Honda would have been fine if the technician was not rushed in installing that EVAP canister. Work done right often takes a little extra time.

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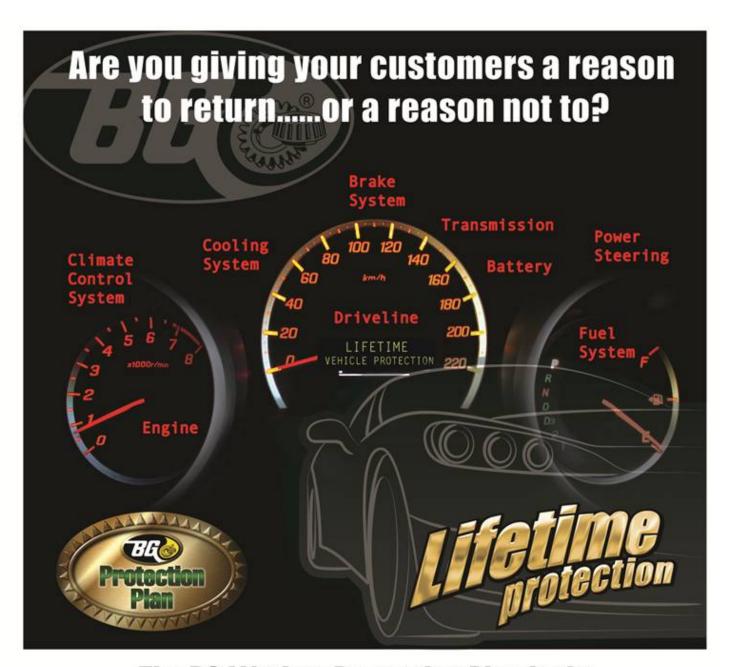
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