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Leaking Overdrive

If your Overdrive is leaking oil, check that the rear seal has been properly installed. Many leaking seals are replaced only to leak again due to improper installation.

There is no shoulder or "stop" in some overdrive housings and it is possible for the seal to be driven in flush with the housing. This allows the sealing lip of the seal to ride on the tapered end of the companion flange and permit leakage.

Proper installation allows 1/4 inch of the seal to protrude outside the housing. Some newer seals have a "stop" built in to avoid this mistake.

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