

TRW Automotive Commercial Steering Systems

HFB Steering Gear Service Manual

HFB64 SERIES



HFB64 Integral Hydraulic Power Steering Gear

This steering gear was specifically designed for motor trucks; new design features and our design experience with previous models of integral hydraulic power steering gears have been combined into this new product.

Design Features



- 1. **Rotary Valve** This device provides responsive steering control
- 2. ***DU bushing and or Roller Bearings** Allow the steering gear to operate with high efficiency and reversibility
- Unloading Valves Furnish power steering pump protection and reduce pressure to unload steering linkage at the ends of steering gear travel (optional)
- 4. **Recirculating Balls** Combines high mechanical efficiency with smooth operation
- 5. **Dirt and Water Seals** Lip type seals on both input and output shafts
- 6. **Torsion Bar** Provides positive valve centering with definitive "feel of the road"
- * DU is a registered trademark of Glacier Metal Co. Ltd.

- 7. **Relief Valves** Furnish pump protection by limiting maximum pressure (optional)
- Balanced Area Cylinder Back pressures cannot affect steering stability
- High Temperature Seals These specially developed seals may be operated intermittently at 300° F (148.9° C)
- Manual Steering Capability Provides for steering control in the event of hydraulic failure
- Compactness Lowest weight to output torque ratio in the industry
- Auxiliary Porting Available For auxiliary cylinder control
- Seal Protectors Provide protection from harsh environment

Definitions

- NOTE: A NOTE gives key information to make a procedure easier or quicker to follow.
- CAUTION: A CAUTION refers to those procedures that must be followed to avoid damage to a steering component or the gear.
- WARNING: A WARNING REFERS TO THOSE PROCEDURES THAT MUST BE FOLLOWED FOR THE SAFETY OF THE DRIVER AND THE PERSON INSPECTING OR REPAIRING THE GEAR.

Disclaimer

This Service Manual has been prepared by TRW Ross Gear Division for reference and use by mechanics who have been trained to repair and service steering components and systems on heavy commercial vehicles. TRW Ross Gear Division has exercised reasonable care and diligence to present accurate, clear and complete information and instructions regarding the techniques and tools required for maintaining, repairing and servicing the complete line of TRW Ross Gear HFB64 Integral Power Steering Gears. However, despite the care and effort taken in preparing this general Service Manual, TRW makes no warranties that (a) the Service Manual or any explanations, illustrations, information, techniques or tools described herein are either accurate, complete or correct as applied to a specific HFB64 steering gear, or (b) any repairs or service of a particular HFB64 steering gear will result in a properly functioning steering gear.

If inspection or testing reveals evidence of abnormal wear or damage to the HFB64 steering gear or if you encounter circumstances not covered in the Manual, STOP - CONSULT THE VEHICLE MANUFACTURER'S SERVICE MANUAL AND WARRANTY. DO NOT TRY TO REPAIR OR SERVICE A HFB64 STEERING GEAR WHICH HAS BEEN DAMAGED OR INCLUDES ANY PART THAT SHOWS EXCESSIVE WEAR UNLESS THE DAMAGED AND WORN PARTS ARE REPLACED WITH ORIGINAL TRW REPLACEMENT AND SERVICE PARTS AND THE UNIT IS RESTORED TO TRW'S SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE HFB64 STEERING GEAR.

It is the responsibility of the mechanic performing the maintenance, repairs or service on a particular HFB64 steering gear to (a) inspect the steering gear for abnormal wear and damage, (b) choose a repair procedure which will not endanger his/her safety, the safety of others, the vehicle, or the safe operation of the vehicle, and (c) fully inspect and test the steering gear and the vehicle steering system to insure that the repair or service of the steering gear has been properly performed and that the steering gear and system will function properly.

Patents

This TRW Ross Gear Division vehicle power steering gear is covered by one or more of the following United States patent numbers: 3,896,702; 3,606,819; 3,741,074; 3,773,081; 3,955,473; 3,935,790; and 3,921,669. Other United States patent applications are pending, and corresponding foreign patents are pending or issued.

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Inspection

- Check to make sure that all sealing surfaces and seal cavities are free from nicks and corrosion. If any part is nicked or corroded where sealing occurs, you must replace the part to insure proper sealing.
- J Wash all parts in clean petroleum-based solvent. Blow them dry only.

WARNING WARNING: SINCE THEY ARE FLAMMABLE, BE EXTREMELY CAREFUL WHEN USING ANY SOLVENT. EVEN A SMALL EXPLOSION OR FIRE COULD CAUSE INJURY OR DEATH.

WARNING WARNING: WEAR EYE PROTECTION AND BE SURE TO COMPLY WITH OSHA OR OTHER MAXIMUM AIR PRESSURE REQUIREMENTS.

inspect rack 1. Inspec piston teeth detect

1. Inspect the rack piston (31) teeth for cracks and wear. If you can detect a step by running your fingernail horizontally across the teeth surface, you must replace both the rack piston and sector shaft (50) and set of 27 balls (42). SEE FIGURE 84.

 inspect rack
 piston internal
 grooves
 2. Inspect the rack piston internal ball-track grooves for brinelling (dents) or spalling (flaking) SEE FIGURE 85. If either condition exists, you must replace the following parts: the rack piston (31), the worm shaft/input shaft (17), the valve sleeve (15), and set of 27 balls (42)

inspect worm
shaft/input shaft
3. Inspect the worm shaft/input shaft assembly (17) ball track grooves for brinelling or spalling. SEE FIGURE 86. If either condition exists, you must replace all of the following parts: the worm shaft/input shaft assembly (17), the rack piston (31), the valve sleeve (15), the set of 27 balls (42). Visually inspect the upper shaft seal area near the input shaft serrations for nicks, and run your fingernail edge across the sealing surface to detect steps. SEE FIGURE 87. Visually inspect the sleeve contact area of the worm shaft/input shaft for discoloration from excess heat. If either of these conditions exist you must replace the worm shaft/input shaft assembly (17) and valve sleeve (15) as a matched set and the set of 27 balls (42).

NOTE NOTE: The input shaft is pinned to the worm shaft by the torsion bar pin, and the assembly is flexible and may appear slightly bent at this joint. This slight bend is normal. SEE FIGURE 88.



Figure 84



Figure 85



Figure 86



Figure 87



Figure 88

inspect housing cylinder bore	4.	Inspect the housing cylinder bore. SEE FIGURE 89. You will probably notice normal scoring marks running lengthwise through the bore. Since this scoring is normal, you should not compare it to the scoring considered detrimental in the cylinder bores of an internal combustion engine. Replace the housing only if you've tested it for internal leakage (as described in the troubleshooting section on page 7) and you've determined that the scoring, and not damaged seals, is responsible for the excessive internal leakage, greater than 1.5 gpm (5.7 liters/min).
NOTE		NOTE: In running the internal leakage test after reassembly of the unit, make sure that internal leak age exceeding 1.0 gpm (3.8 liters/min.) can only be attributed to the housing and not to the improper assembly of the new seals in the worm shaft, rack piston, and valve assembly, before you replace the housing.
inspect housing faces	5.	Inspect the housing (20) faces for nicks that would prevent proper sealing. Replace the gear housing if these nicks are present and cannot be easily removed with a fine-toothed flat file without changing the dimensional characteristics. SEE FIGURE 90.
inspect housing	6.	Inspect the housing roller bearing (21) and the side cover bearing

bearings or

bushing

Inspect the housing roller bearing (21) and the side cover bearing 6. and side cover for brinelling or spalling. SEE FIGURES 91, 92. If either condition exists, replace the damaged housing bearing (21). For the housing bearing, follow disassembly step 41 and assembly step 2, pages 29 and 33. If the side cover roller bearing or "DU" bushing is damaged, replace side cover assembly.

> A side cover and bushing assembly must be discarded if sector shaft (50) to side cover bushing clearance exceeds .008 inch (0.20 mm). SEE FIGURE 92A.

WARNING WARNING: FOR BEARING TYPE WITH UNCAGED (LOOSE) ROLLS DO NOT MIX THE ROLLS FROM THE SIDE COVER BEARING WITH THE ROLLS FROM THE HOUSING BEARING. THE BEARING RACE AND **ROLLERS ARE A MATCHED SET, INTERCHANGING** THE ROLLS COULD RESULT IN PREMATURE BEARING **OR SEAL FAILURE, WHICH COULD CAUSE A LOSS OF POWER STEERING.**

NOTE NOTE: The latest service side cover assembly will include a caged roller bearing assembly, backup washer (56), two-piece seal (54/55), retaining ring (53) and vent plug (60).



Figure 89



Figure 90



Figure 91



Figure 92



Figure 92A

inspect sector shaft assembly 7. Inspect the sector shaft (50) bearing and sealing areas and sector teeth contact surfaces for brinelling or spalling. SEE FIGURE 93. Run your fingernail edge across these areas to detect steps. Inspect also for cracks. Remove any masking tape from the shaft serrations and inspect for twisted or otherwise damaged serrations. If any of these conditions exist, replace the sector shaft.

NOTE: A service shaft assembly will have the adjusting screw (51) and retainer (52) assembled into it. The screw (51) and retainer (52) can be serviced separately if required.



Figure 93

inspect adjusting screw and retainer

NOTE

 Inspect the sector shaft assembly for damaged adjusting screw (51) threads. The staked retainer (52) must be locked in place, and have no cracks. The adjusting screw must rotate by hand with no perceptible end play (lash). Replace adjusting screw, if damaged. Replace the retainer, if damaged, or if the adjusting screw requires replacement or adjustment.

inspect thrust washers and bearing

 Inspect the thrust bearing rollers (12) for any deterioration. Inspect the two thrust washers (11) for brinelling, spalling, or cracks. SEE FIGURE 94. Replace the part if you detect these conditions.

This completes inspection of the HFB64 steering gear.



Figure 94