



CHALLENGE

Treating all exhaust clamps as interchangeable can lead to safety concerns and other issues. Exhaust clamps come in a variety of styles designed to be used in conjunction with different types of pipe connections. Two decades ago, automotive service shops could often settle on a single, standard-duty exhaust clamp as a one-size-fits-all solution, but newer exhaust systems have rendered this practice dated and ineffective. Using the wrong style of clamp on modern vehicles can impact things like sealability, durability, and serviceability.



SEALABILITY

DURABILITY

SERVICEABILITY

The wrong clamp can create a loose exhaust seal, resulting in poor fuel economy, high emissions and - in some cases - the release of dangerous exhaust fumes into the cabin.

Some clamps provide longer service life than others and using the wrong one can easily turn a muffler into a road hazard.

Clamps designed to be removable allow vehicle components near the muffler to be serviced without damaging the vehicle's exhaust system.



SOLUTION

Walker® offers a variety of exhaust clamps for different applications to suit all the needs of today's vehicles. Manufactured from premium steel, these clamps are available in multiple varieties of saddle, band and wire ring clamps. Selecting the correct clamp style is critical for achieving desired levels of sealability, durability and serviceability.

CLAMPS WALKER MASTER **SAMPLE CLAMP TYPE** CLAMP PICTURE CONNECTION TYPE **PROS** CONS NOTES CONNECTION PICTURE INSTALLED PART NO. **CLAMP TYPE** Creates seal and prevents component separation by partially deforming pipe. To create a ID-OD slip fit Traditional Saddle Clamp 32219 Cost Effective Poor Serviceability 360 degree Saddle Clamp connection mechanical seal. use two traditional saddle clamps at opposing directions on the connection. Creates a 360 degree seal and Guillotine ID-OD slip fit Cost Effective Saddle Clamp 35786 Poor Serviceability prevents component Saddle Clamp connection Improved Sealing separation by deforming pipe. Commonly used on slip fit connections where little to no Improved Sealing Wire Ring Wire Ring ID-OD slip fit 35510 Poor Serviceability leakage is required, Durability Clamp Clamp connection for example near O2 sensors or converters. Commonly used on ID-OD slip fit Prone to Leakage chrome or stainless Flat Strap connection Saddle Clamp 35444 Serviceability Requires Special steel slotted connec-Saddle Clamp with straight Connection tions, for example compression slit(s) stack pipes. Commonly used ID-OD slip fit Requires Special on stainless steel Narrow Band connection with Serviceability Connection Band Clamp 36439 connections where Clamp either straight or "Z" Durability High Cost disassembly for compression slit(s) service is likely Commonly used Serviceability on stainless steel OD-OD butt Band Clamp Durability High Cost Coupler Clamp 36532 connections where connections Improved Sealing disassembly for service is likely. Commonly used on commercial vehicles Butt Joint OD-OD butt Prone to Leakage Serviceability Band Clamp 33278 where service is like-Band Clamp connections High Cost ly or to connect flex to standard pipe. Commonly used on ID-OD slip fit concommercial vehicles Prone to Leakage Lap Joint Band nection, preferably Band Clamp 33272 Serviceability where service is Clamp with compression High Cost likely to join standard slit(s) pipe with flex pipe.



Band Clamp

V-Band Clamp

35495



Improved Sealing

Serviceability Durability

Flared flanges

connection

High Cost

Commonly used on

turbo downpipes.