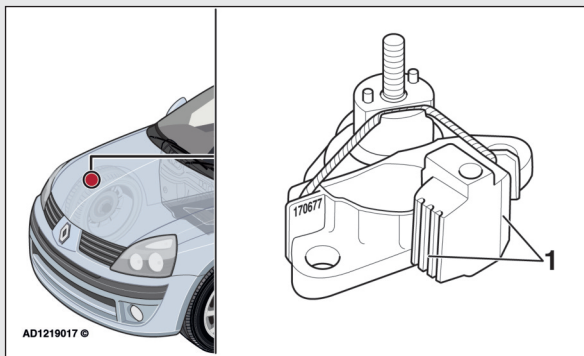


Renault Clio: Clonking noise when moving off

Question: We have a 2010 Renault Clio 1.5 dCi in the workshop with a clonking noise from the front of vehicle when moving off or changing from forward direction to reverse direction. We have heard the clonking noise on road test, but we have been unable to find the source of the clonking

noise in the workshop. We have checked the steering and suspension components, which all seem to be OK. We have checked all of the major bolts within the engine bay are to the correct torque. Can you help?

Answer: We are aware of this clonking noise you describe, and it is due to hardening of the engine mounting rubber and/or misalignment of the RH engine mounting. This fault affects Clio II models with K9K/F9Q engine codes. First of all, check the engine mounting for grooves (see fig1.1). Renew the engine mounting if no grooves are present. If renewing the engine mounting, do not refit



the plastic cover (if originally fitted). If retaining the existing engine mounting, remove and discard the plastic cover (if fitted). With the new or existing engine mounting in place, apply grease (Molykote) to the engine mounting grooves (see fig1.1). Move the engine backwards and forwards to align the engine mounting. Ensure engine mounting retaining nut/bolts are tightened to the correct torque setting. Carry out road test to ensure clonking noise has been eliminated.