RUBBER SHEAR SPRING

REPLACEMENT CRITERIA

Rubber Shear Spring Inspection

Rubber shear springs should be periodically inspected for any tears or cracks. It is recommended to inspect them during each oil change. If a rubber spring exhibits a 3" long and 34" deep crack or tear, the rubber shear spring should be replaced. This can be checked by using a flat tool such as a putty knife. The putty knife can be used to probe the rubber shear spring in the affected area. If the knife can be inserted 34" deep, by at least 3" long, the spring rate of the spring is affected and should be replaced.

THINGS TO CONSIDER:

- It is normal to see rubber spring weather-checking, which
 is small surface cracks in the rubber. Weather-checking
 or spider-webbing does not require a rubber spring to
 be replaced.
- Every unit has specific axle weight rating specifications.
 Overloading your unit past its axle weight rating can cause premature wear on your rubber shear springs.
- Shear springs do not need to be replaced until a tear goes all of the way across the body of the shear spring and works its way into the shear spring a minimum of 3/4". Please refer to the images to the right for replacement criteria. If your rubber shear springs are showing signs of significant wear, please contact the MORryde Parts Department at (574) 293-1581.



No signs of tearing. Springs SHOULD NOT be replaced



Initial signs of wearing.
Springs SHOULD NOT be replaced.



1/4" deep tear. Inspect springs periodically for deeper tearing.



Tears exceed 3" long and 3/4" deep, springs SHOULD be replaced.



Above. Beyond. Always.