

The Problem

Valeo technical receive a number of calls regarding a clutch for the BMW Mini One and Cooper with a chassis code of RA32 or RC32 and the bearing in clutch kit 826234 being of a different design to the original one removed from the car.

The reason for the difference is due to a different manufacturer of the bearing in the Valeo kit who has made some changes to the design. The bearing in clutch kit 826234 has been checked and compared alongside the original bearing and will not make any differences to the operation of the clutch.

Valeo clutch kit 826234 can be fitted to the BMW Mini with chassis codes mentioned above.

Below is a picture of the bearing originally fitted on the Mini and a picture of the bearing in the Valeo kit with the differences shown.



Release bearing in Valeo clutch kit 826234



Release bearing in Mini original clutch kit

Note differences in shape and design of back of bearing and different design around the clips. Bearings are designed for same application

T.S.B. No.:
CL018/09

PRODUCT:
Clutch

MARQUE:
Mini chassis code
RA32, RC32

PART No.:
826234

SUBJECT:
826234 being of a
different design to
the original one
removed from the car

DATE:
September 2009