ENGINE VIN STAMPING CHANGE

In an effort to increase manufacturing efficiency, Harley-Davidson has changed its engine VIN stamping procedure. Two changes are associated with the new procedure; the location of the VIN is changed slightly and the VIN is now pin stamped by a machine. The VIN will be stamped in a noticeable dot pattern.

See Figure 1. The abbreviated engine VIN is now being stamped horizontally, centered ABOVE the timing hole on the left side engine half of all 1340 cc engines.

See Figure 2. On 883 and 1200 cc engines it is also being stamped horizontally on the left side crankcase, but it is slightly off center, toward the front cylinder.

This change went into effect for 1340 cc engines in March of 1993. For 883 and 1200 cc engines it went into effect in April of 1993.

Replacement engines will have the old-style hand stamped VIN's, but they will be stamped in the new area.