8. Round off the calculated shim pack dimension to one decimal point.

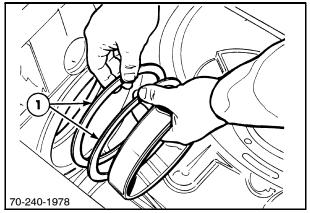
**EXAMPLE**:

1.338 mm = 1.3 mm

9. Select shims, 1, required to equal the rounded off shim pack dimension.

**NOTE:** Shims are available in the following thicknesses: 0.50 mm, 0.60 mm, 0.70 mm, 0.80 mm, 0.90 mm.

- 10. Measure shims with a micrometer to verify thickness.
- 11. Proceed to step 2 in the "Reassembly" portion of the "Pinion Assembly Overhaul" section in this chapter.



## PINION BEARING PRELOAD ADJUSTMENT - ALL MODELS

The preload adjustment procedure is the same for all models.

**NOTE:** Check preload anytime the pinion assembly is disassembled.

#### **Tools Required:**

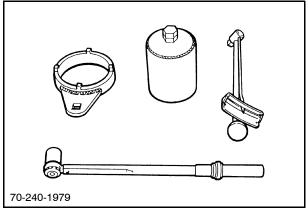
Assorted hand tools

Torque wrenches

- 135 N·m (100 ft lbs)
- 1 N·m (100 in. lbs.)

Rear axle pinion nut tool - FNH00547 Dealer-constructed tool (see "Special Tools" heading in this chapter for details.)

- Pinion rotating tool - #70S005



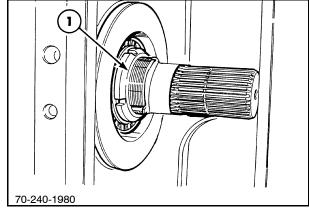
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#### PRELOAD ADJUSTMENT

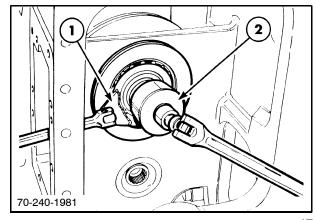
**IMPORTANT:** Check preload with pinion bearings lubricated with specified rear axle assembly oil.

**IMPORTANT:** Rotate pinion shaft 15 revolutions before rolling torque is measured. Measure rolling torque while pinion shaft is rotating. Correct preload is 1.1 N·m - 2.2 N·m (10 in. lbs. - 20 in. lbs.) of rolling torque.

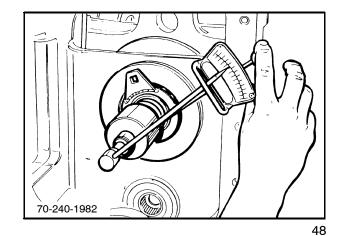
- 1. Check to make sure adjusting nut, 1, is installed with flat side contacting the bearing.
- 2. Install FNH00547 special tool, 1, on nut and #70S005 dealer-made pinion rotating tool, 2, on pinion shaft.
- 3. Tighten nut until slight rolling resistance is obtained.



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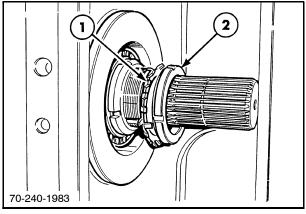


- 4. Measure rolling torque after rotating pinion shaft 15 revolutions.
- 5. Continue to adjust nut and measure rolling torque until the correct preload of 1.1 N·m 2.2 N·m (10 in. lbs. 20 in. lbs.) of rolling torque is obtained.



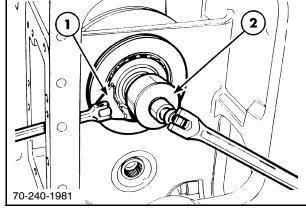
6. Install lock washer, 1, and jam nut, 2.

**NOTE:** Install jam nut with tapered side facing the adjusting nut.



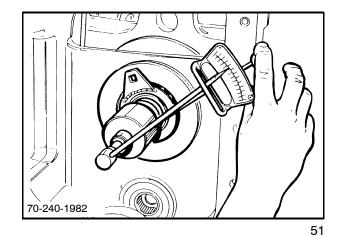
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- 7. Install FNH00547 special tool, 1, on nut and #70S005 dealer-made pinion rotating tool, 2, on pinion shaft.
- 8. Torque jam nut to 128 N·m (95 ft lbs).

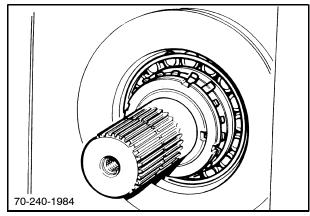


9. Check for proper rolling torque.

IMPORTANT: Adjust preload if not to specification.



10. Seat lock washer tabs in a slot on each nut.



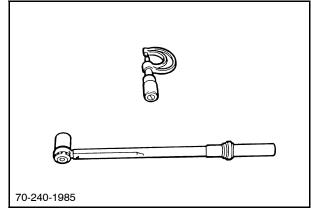
# DIFFERENTIAL SUPPORT BEARINGS PRELOAD ADJUSTMENT - ALL MODELS

The preload adjustment procedure is the same for all models.

**NOTE:** Check preload anytime the differential assembly is removed or end caps are removed. Preload must be within specifications before pinion backlash is checked or adjusted.

### **Tools Required:**

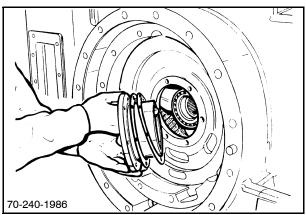
Assorted hand tools
Torque wrench - 135 N·m (100 ft lbs)
Micrometer - 0 to 25 mm (0 to 1")
Feeler gauge



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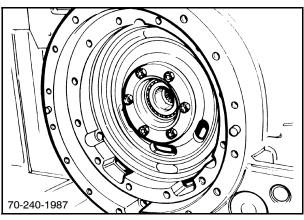
## PRELOAD ADJUSTMENT

1. Install the left-hand support using the original shims removed,or new shims of the same thickness.

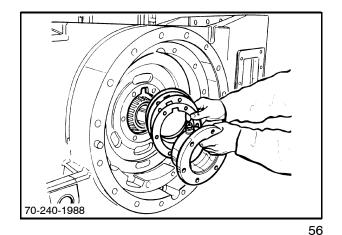


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2. Tighten six retaining bolts to 108 N·m (80 ft lbs).

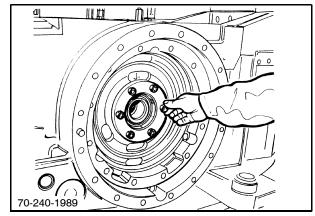


3. Install the right-hand support using the original shims removed, or new shims of the same thickness.



4. Tighten right-hand retaining bolts hand tight.

**IMPORTANT:** Ensure there is backlash between the ring and pinion gears before proceeding. Remove shims from left support and add shims to right support to increase backlash.

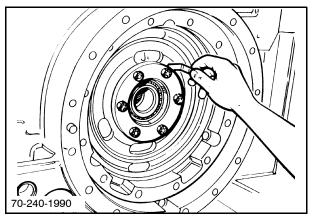


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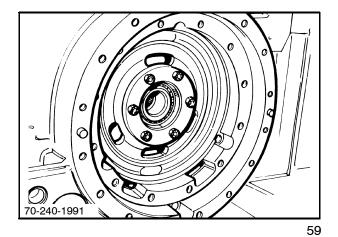
5. Use a feeler gauge to measure the gap between the right-hand shims and center housing. Measure at four different locations 90° apart.

Proceed to the indicated step based on measurement results:

- Feeler gauge measurement is 0.025 mm -0.152 mm (0.001" - 0.006"). Bearing preload is correct, proceed to step 8.
- Feeler gauge measurement is below 0.025 mm (0.001"), proceed to step 6.
- Feeler gauge measurement is over 0.152 mm (0.006"), proceed to step 7.
- 6. If measurement is below 0.025 mm (0.001"), remove shims from the right-hand side and repeat step 5.
- 7. If measurement is over 0.152 mm (0.006"), add shims to the right-hand side and repeat step 5.



8. Torque the right side hardware to 108 N·m (80 ft lbs).



9. Check "Pinion Backlash," as described in the "Adjustment" heading of this chapter, before proceeding to reassemble the rear axle.

