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## Subject: Grease Cap Upgrade

Dexter is pleased to introduce an updated grease cap design for both E-Z LUBE<sup>®</sup> and standard grease caps on product rated through 8,000 lbs. capacity. Addressing an age old problem, the new caps are designed to stay in and be more difficult to knock out. On average, the new caps have 40% more holding power than previous caps when installed into hubs.

While adding strength, the new "dome" shape of the retooled cap lessens its chances of being dislodged due to impact. The perimeter is also shaped with reliefs meant to make removal easier; lessening damage and increased chance of reuse.

The design of the new cap utilizes existing grease cap part numbers for both E-Z LUBE<sup>®</sup> and standard grease hubs. This is a running change effective on Dexter axles and kits beginning in early 2019. The new caps are compatible with both new and old Dexter hubs.

See below for a list of affected part numbers.

PART NUMBERS	DESCRIPTION		
021-003-00	GREASE CAP, 1.99 OD; 1.20 HIGH FOR STANDARD GREASE		
021-001-00	GREASE CAP, 2.45 OD; 1.34 HIGH FOR STANDARD GREASE		
021-039-00	GREASE CAP, 2.72 OD; 1.51 HIGH FOR STANDARD GREASE		
021-041-01	GREASE CAP, 1.99 OD, 1.39 HIGH FOR E-Z LUBE GALVANIZED		
021-042-01	GREASE CAP, 2.45 OD, 1.53 HIGH FOR E-Z LUBE GALVANIZED		
021-043-01	GREASE CAP, 2.72 OD, 1.53 HIGH FOR E-Z LUBE GALVANIZED		
K71-315-00*	E-Z LUBE® GREASE CAP & PLUG GALVANIZED - 1.99 OD KIT		
K71-317-00*	E-Z LUBE® GREASE CAP & PLUG GALVANIZED - 2.45 OD KIT		
K71-319-00*	E-Z LUBE® GREASE CAP & PLUG GALVANIZED - 2.72 OD KIT		

\*Chrome caps offered in kits will be replaced by galvanized.



NOTE: Dexter E-Z LUBE® plug 085-001-00 remains unchanged and will work in both new and old caps.



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Chrome E-Z LUBE<sup>®</sup> grease caps will no longer be offered in kits or axles and will be replaced with galvanized equivalent. This is a running change that will be effective as inventory is depleted.

OBSOLETE PART NUMBER	REPLACEMENT PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
021-041-02	021-041-01	GREASE CAP, 1.99 OD, 1.39 HIGH FOR E-Z LUBE
021-042-02	021-042-01	GREASE CAP, 2.45 OD, 1.53 HIGH FOR E-Z LUBE
021-043-02	021-043-01	GREASE CAP, 2.72 OD, 1.53 HIGH FOR E-Z LUBE

Although the new cap installs the same as prior versions, Dexter does recommend using a cap driver or similar tool that can apply pressure to the perimeter rather than hammering from the top during installation.

Please contact your Dexter Account Manager for any additional questions or further assistance.

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