

IMPORTANT! If the unit you have removed from the vehicle has "locked up" or is noisy, especially if the problem seems to come from the pulley end of the alternator, **CHECK THE BELT TENSIONER!** Defective belt tensioning devices have caused numerous pulleys and bearing failures on CS system alternators.

Be aware of the fact that the rear mounting brackets are a critical part of the "CS" systems structural support. Failure to reinstall a bracket during alternator replacement may result in drive end frame failure.

WIRING REQUIREMENTS FOR "CS" SERIES ALTERNATORS:

This alternator is capable of extremely high current output for its size. As a result, it is especially prone to damage by defective batteries

GM uses several wiring configurations for this alternator. This diagram explains the purpose of each regulator terminal. .

BAT terminal -- Current output.

The "BAT" post on this alternator must receive at least twelve volts before the regulator will allow the alternator to charge. If there is less than twelve volts at this post check the battery, BAT wire, and fusible links.

P terminal -- Phase connection.

This terminal is used to send a signal to a relay or frequency sensing tachometer. There may not be a wire leading to this terminal. This condition is normal.

L terminal -- Indicator lamp.

This terminal is connected to the vehicle's indicator lamp. A 300 to 500 ohm resistor is connected across the lamp to provide a "start charging" signal if the lamp burns out. Note that terminal L activates the alternator. The alternator will not charge without voltage present at L.

F terminal -- Field resistor.

The F terminal is used for communication between the alternator and Central Processing Unit. It is not possible to full field the alternator using the F terminal.

S terminal -- Sense battery voltage.

When used, this terminal provides the alternator with a precise battery voltage reading. If this terminal is not used, CS series alternators use the battery terminal as a voltage reference

