

Operate the door lock cylinder with the key.

Does the door lock and unlock using the door lock cylinder?

Yes	The concern was caused by an insufficiently lubricated lock cylinder. SPRAY a multi-purpose grease (such as Motorcraft ® XL-5) into the lock cylinder for a couple seconds to provide long term lubrication.
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No	GO to G5
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G5 CHECK THE DOOR LOCK CYLINDER FOR BINDING

Remove the door lock cylinder. REFER to: Door Lock Cylinder .

Operate the door lock cylinder with the key.

Does the door lock cylinder rotate freely?

Yes	GO to G6
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No	INSTALL a new door lock cylinder. REFER to: Door Lock Cylinder .
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G6 CHECK THE DOOR LOCK CYLINDER LINKAGE

Operate the door lock using the door lock cylinder linkage.

Operate the door lock cylinder with the key.

Is the door lock cylinder rod and lever binding, damaged or disconnected?

Yes	REPAIR as necessary
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No	INSTALL a new door latch. REFER to: Front Door Latch .
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Normal Operations and Fault Conditions

The ignition lock cylinder mechanically rotates the ignition switch within the ignition lock cylinder housing. Insertion and extraction of the key and rotation of the lock cylinder using a correctly cut key should be smooth and require minimal effort.

Possible Causes

- Key
- Ignition switch
- Ignition lock cylinder