



# INTERSTATE-McBEE



## Technical Parts Gram #62:

### Connecting Rod Bearings for ISX Fracture-Split Rod Applications

Part number 2882087 fracture-split connecting rod bearings have a small tab at the corner, which may serve only for identification purposes. However, aftermarket manufacturers like Interstate-McBee may produce bearings without this tab. Extra caution should be taken during installation to ensure the correct orientation and fitment of the bearings. Installing rod bearings incorrectly can lead to oil starvation, excessive wear, and potential engine failure. Extra care ensures proper function and longevity.

**INTERSTATE-McBEE BEARINGS**  
(No corner tangs, straight edges)



**OEM BEARINGS**  
(Corner tangs present)



#### Tips to Avoid Installation Mistakes:

- **Verify Orientation:** Even without the tab, ensure the bearing shells align properly with rod and cap.
- **Check Part Numbers:** Confirm the bearings match the engine specifications before installation.
- **Inspect for Oil Holes & Notches:** Some bearings may have specific features for oiling that must align properly.
- **Follow Torque Specs:** Always use the recommended torque values and procedures to prevent premature failure.
- **Lubricate Properly:** Use correct assembly lube/ engine oil to avoid dry starts.



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