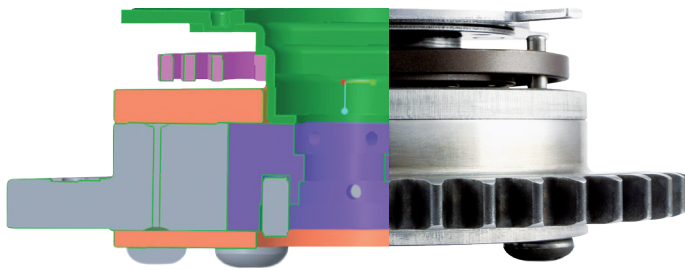


Blue Streak® VVT Sprocket Comparison Analysis

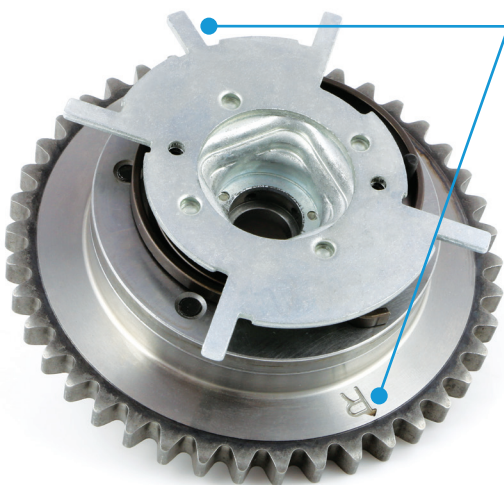
✓ Superior Quality

SMP engineers have designed numerous improvements into our most popular VVT Sprocket for enhanced performance and long lasting durability.

- Larger contact area – no friction between sprocket and rotor
- Design improvements virtually eliminate component wear – less oil loss
- Advanced coil spring and locking pin
- Better performance in timing phase response
- Overall a better performing and longer lasting VVT Sprocket



i Trigger Wheel Angle Comparison



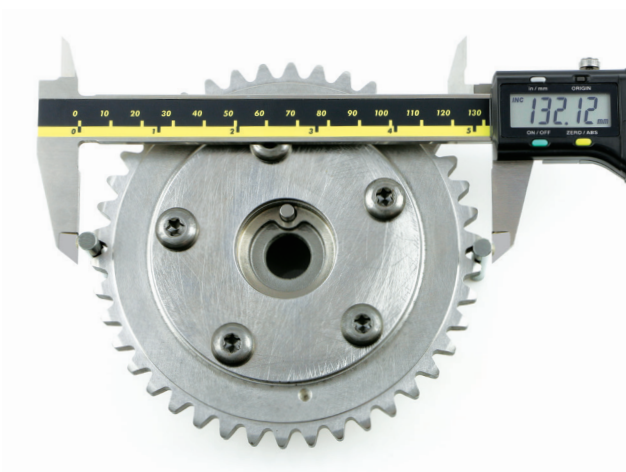
The angle between timing mark and trigger wheel

Manufacturer	Angle	Difference
OE (Ford) 3R2Z6A257DA	2.16°	–
Blue Streak® VVT500	2.08°	0.08°
Competitor D “Improved”	1.97°	0.19°

Source: SMP Testing Lab, 2020

Analysis: The Blue Streak® VVT sprocket trigger wheel angle is a close match to the OE, ensuring proper alignment and operation. Competitor D’s “improved” sprocket is significantly smaller than the OEM which may cause improper alignment and signal deviation leading to faulty operation.

Sprocket Over Pin Diameter Comparison



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Manufacturer	OPD (mm)	Difference (mm)
OE (Ford) 3R2Z6A257DA	132.12	–
Blue Streak® VVT500	132.14	0.02
Competitor D “Improved”	132.35	0.23

Source: SMP Testing Lab, 2020

Analysis: The Blue Streak® VVT sprocket’s Over Pin Diameter (OPD) is virtually identical to the original, ensuring proper fit and performance. Competitor D’s “improved” sprocket has a significantly larger OPD than the OEM which may create multiple issues including the stretching of the timing chain that will result in potential cylinder and engine damage.

Oil Loss Comparison

Manufacturer	Oil Loss	Difference
OE (Ford) 3R2Z6A257DA	0.10L/min	–
Blue Streak® VVT500	0.10L/min	0.00
Competitor D “Improved”	0.21L/min	0.11L/min

Source: SMP Testing Lab, 2020

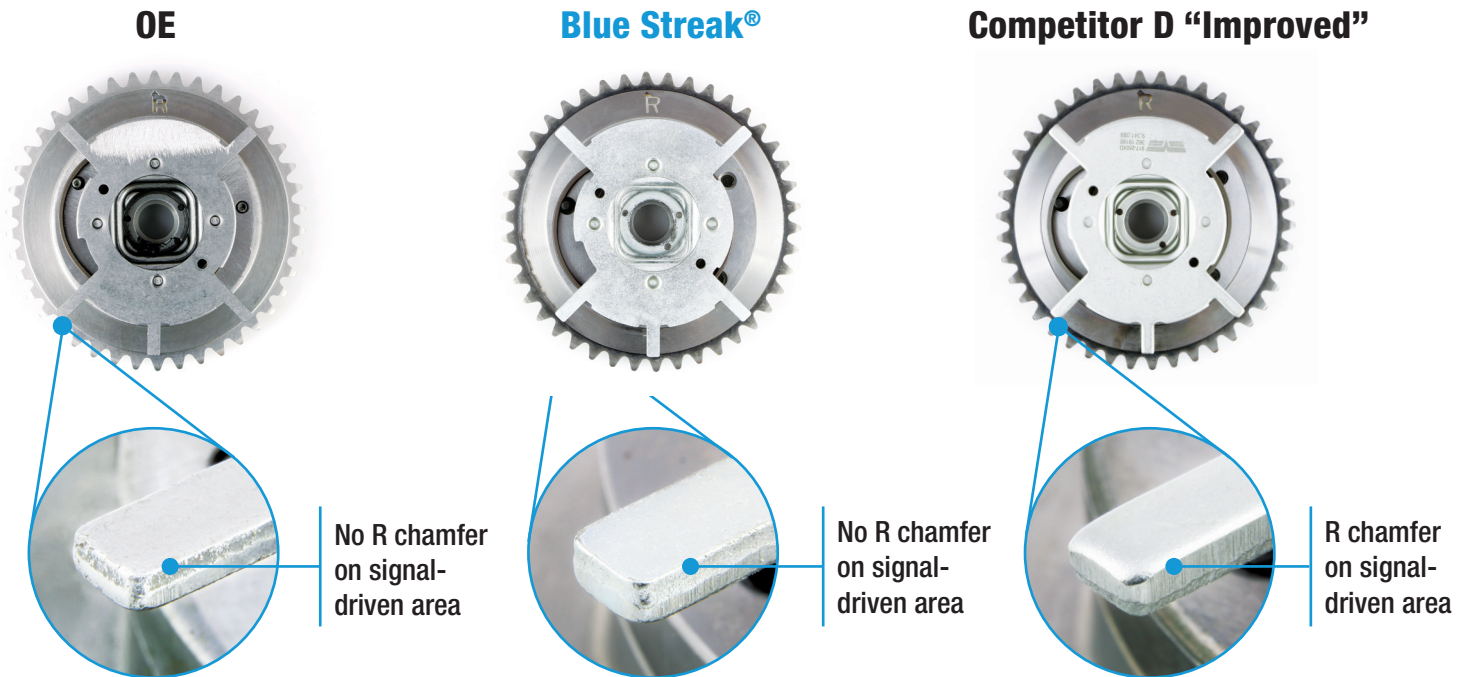
Analysis: Blue Streak® matches the original for oil loss tolerance. Competitor D’s clearance is greater than the original which may result in oil seepage, a drop in pressure, excessive wear and premature failure.



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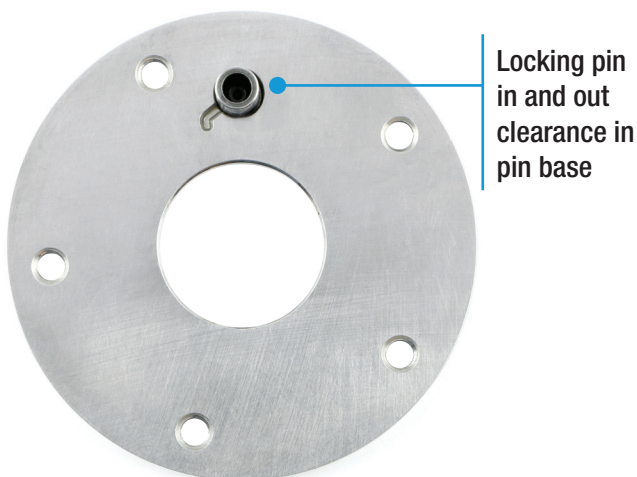
i Signal-Driven Area of Trigger Wheel Comparison



Source: SMP Testing Lab, 2020

Analysis: The OE and Blue Streak® have no “R” chamfer on the signal-driven area of the trigger wheel, while Competitor D’s uses an “R” chamfer design. Competitor D’s rounded edge may affect the timing signal as the leading edge goes in slower and the trailing edge comes out faster making it more difficult for their sprocket to receive the proper vertical signal.

i Locking Pin In and Out Clearance Comparison



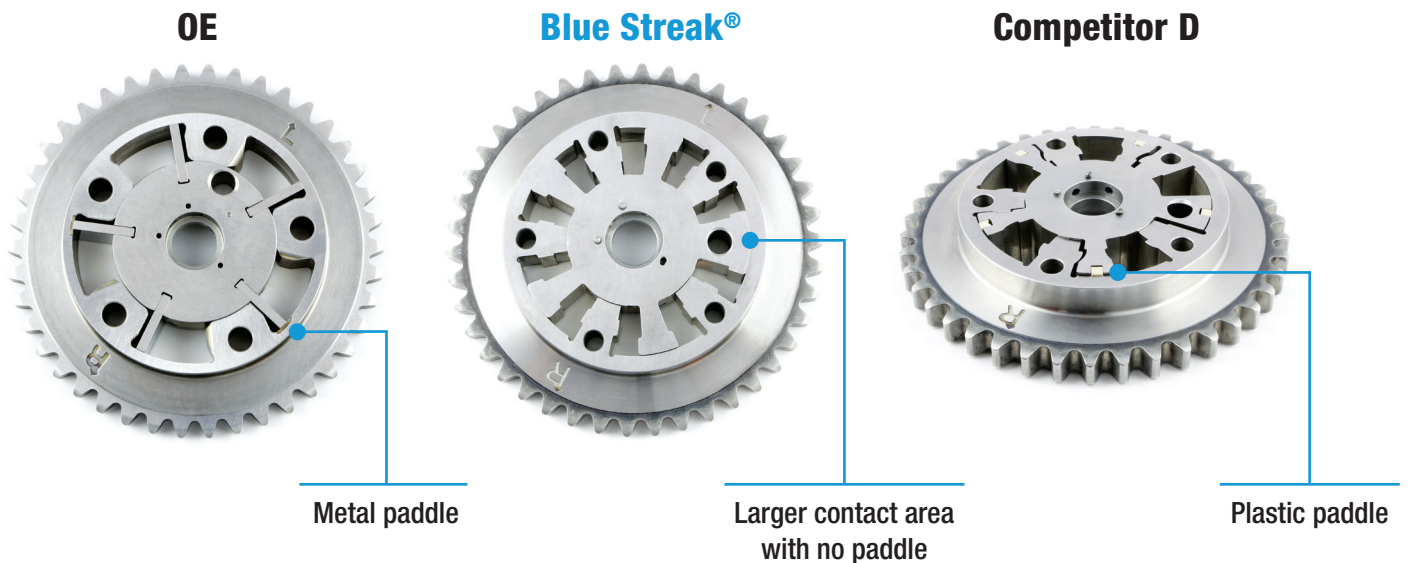
Manufacturer	Locking Pin In & Out Clearance	Difference
OE (Ford) 3R2Z6A257DA	0.55°	–
Blue Streak® VVT500	0.55°	0.00°
Competitor D “Improved”	1.04°	0.49°

Source: SMP Testing Lab, 2020

Analysis: Blue Streak® matches the original locking pin clearance. Competitor D’s clearance is significantly larger than the original, which may create an improper fit that results in their locking pin rattling and jiggling after installation.

i Blue Streak® Design Improvements Over the Original

Analysis: Blue Streak® has improved on the original using all-metal in an integrated machined design. The Blue Streak® sprocket does not use paddle inserts, and our integrated design provides a larger contact area – improving overall wear, as well as maintaining proper lubrication and gap. Less friction means our VVT sprocket responds fast at lower pressure delivering better performance in the timing phase, peak operation, and a long service life. The OE design, uses inserted metal paddles that may produce iron shavings during use eventually impeding performance and shortening sprocket wear. Competitor D’s “improved” design has a chamfered slot and uses plastic paddle inserts that wear easily and may not hold up under normal operation.



Source: SMP Testing Lab, 2020

✓ Conclusion

Blue Streak® matches the original in all key tolerances and improves on the OE unit with advanced engineering for an enhanced sprocket design. Competitor D’s “improved” part, which was developed to overcome their initial part’s flaws, still falls short in design, performance, and durability. The Blue Streak® sprocket is superior to the competition delivering a more durable, better performing, and longer lasting, VVT sprocket.