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Cowl Bracket and Handles (3.0 Liter Outboards)

Models Affected

Models Covered	Serial Number
200 - 250 3.0 Liter EFI 200/225 3.0 Liter OptiMax 225 Pro XS 250 Pro XS	0T801000 through 1B490865 0T599000 through 1B490865 1B104549 through 1B490865 1B446999 through 1B490865

Situation

An improved top cowl bracket and lower cowl handle are being installed on current production 3.0 Liter outboards. The top cowl bracket now has a spring-loaded stainless steel ball and the lower cowl handle has a machined indentation which improves handle retention in the closed position. The new bracket and handle must be installed as a set.

Some top cowl assemblies that used the old bracket are being superseded to new cowl assemblies that use the new bracket. If these cowls are back-fitted to models in the above listed serial number range, the lower cowl handles will need to be replaced with P/N 852361T02. Lower cowl handles are not included with the top cowl assembly.

Shown below are cowls that supersede to (SST) cowls that use the new bracket.

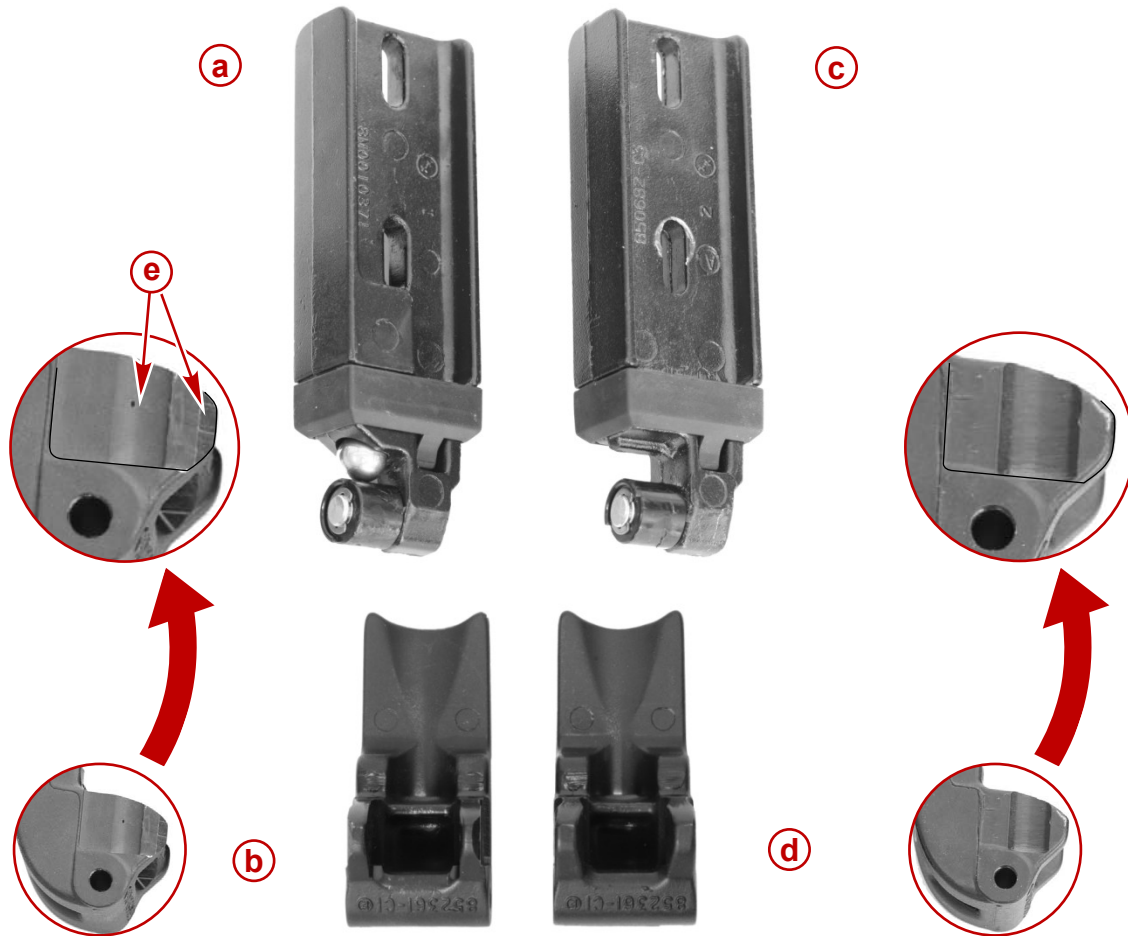
TOP COWL ASSEMBLIES SUPERSESSION

Cowls using old bracket 850682A5/T4	Cowls using new bracket 8M0010389	Description
881288T03 ----- SST	881288T62	OptiMax: Mercury black cowl with all decals except HP decal
881288T04 ----- SST	881288T65	OptiMax: Mariner silver cowl with all decals except HP decal
889246T29 ----- SST	889246T86	EFI: Mercury black cowl with all decals except HP decal
880012T 2 ----- SST	880012T36	EFI: Mariner silver cowl without decals
881288T58 ----- SST	881288T66	225/250 Pro XS: Mercury black cowl with all decals except HP decal

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NOTE: There may be additional cowl supersessions as inventory of older cowls are depleted.



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Ref.	Description	Part Number
a	Top cowl bracket assembly - New design	8M0010389
b	Lower cowl handle – New design	852361T02
c	Top cowl bracket assembly - Old design	850682A 5
d	Cowl handle – Old design	852361T 1
e	Machined surface is deeper and includes a beveled edge to raise bearing	—

NOTE: The old bracket and handle will become no longer available (NLA) and will be replaced with kit P/N 850682A06. The kit includes two new style brackets, handles, mounting hardware, and instruction sheet.

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