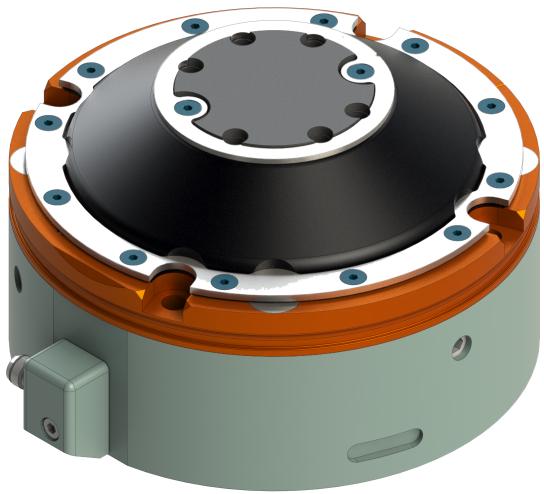


# Robotic Collision Sensor SR-81, SR-101, SR-131, SR-176, SR-221 C1 Boot and C2 Weld Shield Manual

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Term	Definition	
Body	Cylindrical aluminum housing and air pressure chamber. An interface plate to the user's robot is usually attached here.	
Cam	A hardened steel ring mounted inside the cover on which the hardened steel ball segments mounted to the stem are nested.	
Collision	The accidental impact between the end of arm tooling and some obstruction in its path.	
Collision Sensing Switch	A mechanical switch that changes state to an open circuit when a crash is detected. It is mounted in the center of the body.	
Cover Plate	Disk-shaped aluminum cover for Collision Sensor body.	
Crash	The result of a disturbance that displaces the Collision Sensor components from their standard, working position.	
Interface Plate	Optional component used to adapt the Collision Sensor body or stem to the user's robot or tooling.	
8 mm Connector	8 mm electrical connector mounted in block attached to the side of the body.	
Piston	The component which, together with the body, creates a pressure chamber. Varying the pressure in this chamber varies the load required to move the piston.	
Reset	The ability of the Collision Sensor to return to its working position when a disturbing force or displacement is removed.	
Stem	Round tapered post containing tapped holes and a dowel pin hole. An interface plate to the user's tooling is usually attached here.	
Switch Target	A steel block mounted on top of the piston, the position of which is sensed by the collision sensing switch.	

# Glossary

# 1. Safety

The safety section describes general safety guidelines to be followed with this product, explanation of the notifications found in this manual, and safety precautions that apply to the product. More specific notifications are imbedded within the sections of the manual where they apply.

## **1.1 Explanation of Notifications**

The notifications included here are specific to the product(s) covered by this manual. It is expected that the user heed all notifications from the robot manufacturer and/or the manufacturers of other components used in the installation.

**DANGER:** Notification of information or instructions that if not followed will result in death or serious injury. The notification provides information about the nature of the hazardous situation, the consequences of not avoiding the hazard, and the method for avoiding the situation.

**WARNING:** Notification of information or instructions that if not followed could result in death or serious injury. The notification provides information about the nature of the hazardous situation, the consequences of not avoiding the hazard, and the method for avoiding the situation.



**CAUTION:** Notification of information or instructions that if not followed could result in moderate injury or will cause damage to equipment. The notification provides information about the nature of the hazardous situation, the consequences of not avoiding the hazard, and the method for avoiding the situation.

**NOTICE:** Notification of specific information or instructions about maintenance, operation, installation, or setup of the product that if not followed could result in damage to equipment. The notification can emphasize specific grease types, good operating practices, or maintenance tips.

# 1.2 General Safety Guidelines

The Collision Sensor is not designed for, nor should it be used in, situations involving the safety of humans or animals. The Collision Sensor is designed as a safety device to protect industrial components and machinery from damage resulting from collisions and impacts. In all situations the user is responsible for insuring that applicable safety practices are followed as outlined by the manufacturer of the equipment on which the Collision Sensor is used.

The routing of electrical and pneumatic lines must minimize the possibility of stress, pullout, kinking, rupture, etc. Failure of critical electrical and/or pneumatic lines to function properly may result in injury to personnel and damage to equipment.



**CAUTION:** The customer should lock out and discharge all energy to the work cell prior to working on any Collision Sensor system. Failure to do so may result in damage to equipment or injury to personnel.

### **1.3 Safety Precautions**

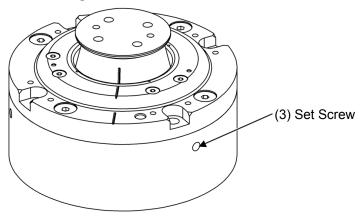
**WARNING:** Do not perform maintenance or repair on the Collision Sensor with air pressure applied, current supplied to the sensor, or the robot not in a safe condition. Injury or equipment damage can occur if this is not observed. Always ensure that air pressure has been vented from the unit, that electrical current is not supplied to the Collision Sensor's signal circuit, and that the robot is in a safe, locked-out condition consistent with local and national safety standards before performing maintance or repair on the Collision Sensor.



**WARNING:** The Collision Sensor is only to be used for intended applications and applications approved by the manufacturer. Using the Collision Sensor in applications other than intended will result in damage to Collision Sensor or end-of-arm tooling and could cause injury to personnel.



**CAUTION:** Do not adjust or remove either of the (3) set screws installed in the wall of the body. Doing so may result in damage to the unit or failure of the switch to operate. See *Figure 1.1*.



#### Figure 1.1—Location of Set Screws

# 2. Product Overview

The Collision Sensor is a pneumatically-pressurized device offering protection to industrial robots and tooling in the event of accidental impacts and unanticipated loads. The Collision Sensor works by "breaking away" from its working geometry in the event of excessive torsional, moment, or compressive axial forces, or any combination of these. The Collision Sensor cannot respond to pure axial tension, which is an unlikely mode of loading. Removal of the upsetting force or moment allows the Collision Sensor to return to its normal working position.

As a collision occurs, internal motion of the Collision Sensor components cause a switch to change state to an open circuit. The switch circuit may be monitored by robotic controllers to stop operations before damage to the robot or tooling occurs. The load threshold at which the Collision Sensor breaks away is adjustable by controlling the air pressure supplied to the unit.

All Collision Sensor devices provide axial (compression only), torsional, and moment compliance.

#### 2.1 Product Description

The Collision Sensor consists of a piston housing (body) closed with a cover plate assembly. A stem assembly protrudes through the cover plate assembly. The cover plate assembly incorporates a cam to accurately and repeatably position the stem assembly. The stem assembly is forced into position against the cam by a piston. The piston is supported by user supplied compressed air and an optional assist spring. The stem provides a mounting surface for customized interface plates. Tapped and through holes on the back surface of the body allow mounting of the Collision Sensor. All load-bearing components and those with wear surfaces are made of hard-coat anodized aluminum, hardened bearing steel, or hardened tool steel.

A collision sensing switch is inside the body. A connector block assembly containing a 8 mm connector is mounted on the side of the Collision Sensor body. The user connects to the switch using the connector for which a variety of cables are available, refer to Section 8.1—Cable Replacement. The user must supply the Collision Sensor with dry, regulated, compressed air through a port on the side of the Collision Sensor body.

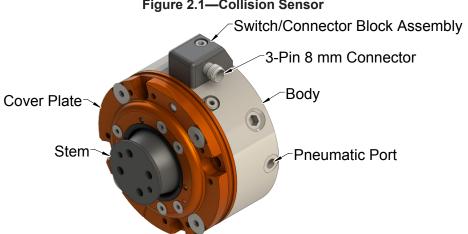


Figure 2.1—Collision Sensor

# 3. C1 Boot Installation

Steps 1 and 2 are only necessary when adding kit to units built prior to 2008. If unit contains a serial number label with a bar code and the first (2) digits are 08 or higher the unit was built with the joint sealed between the cover and body.

**NOTICE:** During factory assembly, Loctite is applied to the screws to prevent them from coming loose in operation. As a result, it may be necessary to use a hot air gun to individually heat the screws (and the immediate areas of the body) in order to soften the Loctite and allow the screws to be removed.

### 3.1 Removal of Cover Plate and stem

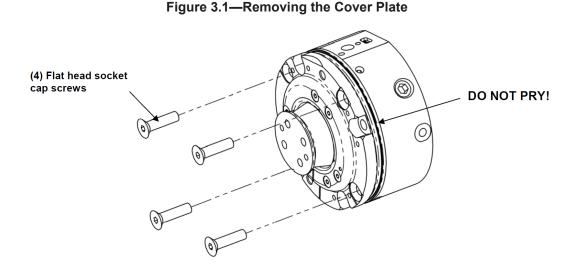
Tools required: Variety of Allen wrenches (hex keys)

Supplies required: Loctite 222

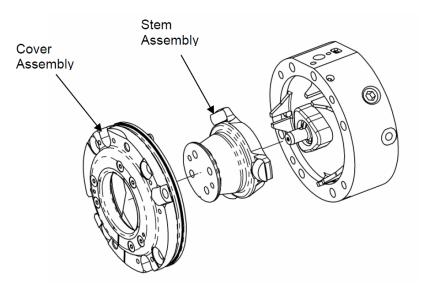
1. Remove the (4) flat head socket cap screws (socket head cap screws on SR-221) securing the cover plate assembly to the body.



**CAUTION:** Do not attempt to pry or wedge the cover plate assembly and body apart. Doing so can damage the mating surfaces and may render the parts unusable.



2. Remove the cover plate by carefully pulling it straight up and off of the body. This may be difficult due to the close fit of the dowel pins used to align the parts and the sealer used between the cover and body. It may be necessary to tap the cover with a rubber or plastic mallet.

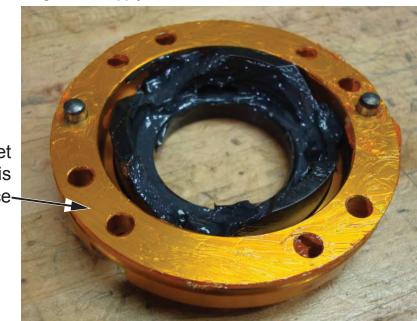


#### Figure 3.2— Removing the Cover and stem Assembly

### 3.2 Reassembly of stem and Cover Plate

1. On SR-081 and SR-101 size Collision Sensors, apply Loctite Quickstix<sup>™</sup> 548 Gasket Eliminator<sup>®</sup> Flange Sealant to the underside of the cover.

Figure 3.3—Apply Gasket Eliminator



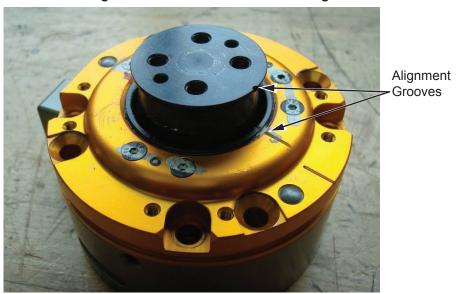
Apply Gasket Eliminator to this Surface-

2. On SR-131, SR-176, and SR-221 size Collision Sensors, apply grease to the O-ring cover seal and insert into the groove in the cover plate.



#### Figure 3.4—Assembling O-ring to Cover (SR-131, SR-176, and SR-221)

3. With the stem assembly upright, set the cover plate assembly onto it. Make certain that the alignment grooves are properly aligned.





4. Place the stem and cover plate together onto the body. Make certain that the dowel pins in the cover plate are aligned with the holes in the body and that the alignment grooves in the cover plate and the stem are still aligned.

5. Press the cover plate down onto the body. Apply Loctite 222MS thread locker to the (4) screws and thread them into the body.

cover plate down against the body. Fighten the screws per the following table.					
Table 3.1—Torque Values					
Model	Screw Size / Type	Recommended Torque			
SR-081	M5 X 20 Flat Head Socket Cap Screw	55 in-lbs (6.21 Nm)			
SR-101	M5 X 20 Flat Head Socket Cap Screw	55 in-lbs (6.21 Nm)			
SR-131	M6 X 25 Flat Head Socket Cap Screw	70 in-lbs (7.91 Nm)			
SR-176	M8 x 40 Flat Head Socket Cap Screw	175 in-lbs (19.77 Nm)			
SR-221	M10 x 30 Socket Head Cap Screw	420 in-lbs (47.45 Nm)			

Note: On units with the spring assist option, it is necessary to use (2) opposing screws to evenly pull the cover plate down against the body. Tighten the screws per the following table:

### 3.3 Boot Installation SR-081 and SR-101

- 1. Provide 20 psi to the air supply port (not required if equipped with preload springs) and insure that the Collision Sensor returns to its reset or working position with the stem fully-extended and the alignment mark on the stem in line with the alignment mark on the cover plate.
- 2. Apply a bead of Permatex<sup>®</sup> Form-A-Gasket<sup>®</sup> 2C to the stem at the top of the tapered diameter under the flange. Apply another bead of Permatex Form-A-Gasket 2C to the upper surface on the cover plate.

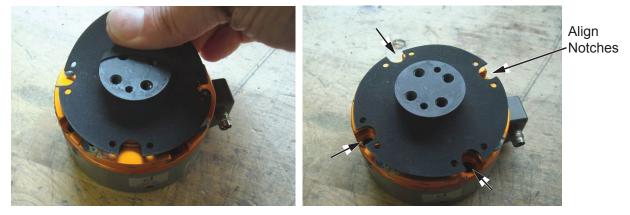
#### Figure 3.6—Application of Permatex Form-A-Gasket

Apply a bead of Form-A-Gasket to Surface-



Apply a bead of Form-A-Gasket to Surface

3. Install boot by stretching the center hole over the stem. Line up the screw holes and clearance slots with those in the cover plate.



#### Figure 3.7—Boot Installation and Alignment

4. Insert the flat head socket head cap screws with pre-applied thread locker through the boot retainers and into the installed boot. Screw them into the tapped holes in the cover plate. Tighten these screws to 32 in-oz (0.23 Nm). (Boot should be slightly compressed.)





# 3.4 Boot Installation SR-131, SR-176, and SR-221

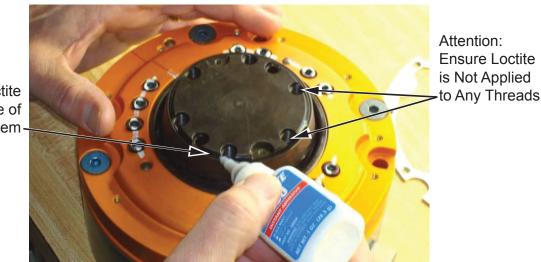
- 1. Provide 20 psi to the air supply port (not required if equipped with preload springs) and insure that the Collision Sensor returns to its reset or working position with the stem fully-extended and the alignment mark on the stem in line with the alignment mark on the cover plate.
- 2. Place the boot over the stem and orient in the manner shown in the image below. Make a mental note of the correct orientation and set the boot aside.



Figure 3.9—Determining Correct Orientation of Boot

Make a Mental Note of the Correct Boot Orientation

Apply Loctite BlackMax<sup>®</sup> 380<sup>™</sup> Instant Adhesive to one side of the stem surface indicated below.
Figure 3.10—Application of Loctite



Apply Loctite to this Side of Stem-

4. Affix the boot to the side of the stem that had the Loctite applied.

Figure 3.11—Affixing First Side of Boot



5. Apply the Loctite BlackMax 380 Instant Adhesive to the other side of the stem and then affix the boot to the other side of the stem.



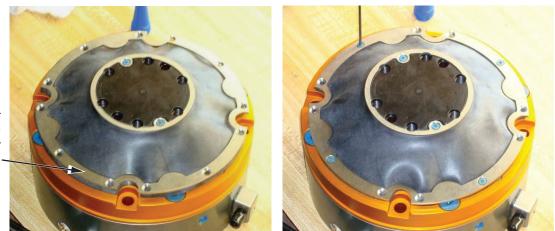


Apply Loctite to this Side of Stem6. Place the upper retainer onto the stem. Thread the flat head socket head cap screws into the tapped holes in the stem. Tighten screws to 96 in-oz (0.68 Nm).



#### Figure 3.13—Assembly of Upper Retainer

7. Place the lower retainer over the boot and cover plate. Thread the (12) flat head socket head cap screws into the tapped holes in the cover plate. Do this progressively to pull the boot down evenly. Tighten screws to 32 in-oz (0.23 Nm).



#### Figure 3.14—Assembly of Lower Retainer

Place the Lower Retainer over the Boot and Cover Plate~

### 3.5 Weld Shield Installation SR-081 and SR-101

- 1. Provide 20 psi to the air supply port (not required if equipped with preload springs) and insure that the Collision Sensor returns to its reset or working position with the stem fully-extended and the alignment mark on the stem in line with the alignment mark on the cover plate.
- 2. Install the EDPM rubber seal over the head of the stem and push down to the cover.

#### Figure 3.15—EDPM Rubber Seal Installation



3. Place the weld splatter shield over the top of the stem and EDPM rubber seal and push down to the cover. Line up the slots in the weld splatter shield with the screw holes in the cover.

#### Figure 3.16—Weld Shield Installation and Alignment



Line Up the Slots in the Weld Splatter Shield with the Screw Holes in the Cover 4. Insert the flat head socket head cap screws through the boot retainer and place the boot retainers onto the installed weld splatter shield. Screw them into the tapped holes in the cover plate.



Figure 3.17—Assembly of Retainers and Screws

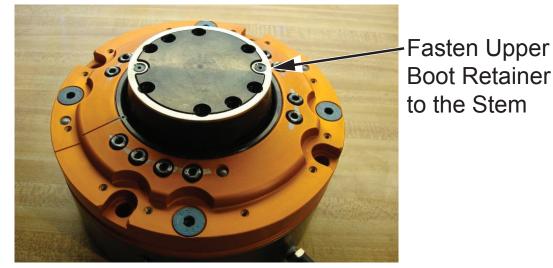
5. Tighten these screws to 32 in-oz (0.23 Nm).

Figure 3.18—Complete Assembly



## 3.6 Weld Installation SR-131, SR-176, and SR-221

- 1. Provide 20 psi to the air supply port (not required if equipped with preload springs) and insure that the Collision Sensor returns to its reset or working position with the stem fully-extended and the alignment mark on the stem in line with the alignment mark on the cover plate.
- 2. Place the upper boot retainer on top of the stem. Thread the flat head socket head cap screws into the tapped holes in the stem. Tighten these screws to 32 in-oz (0.23 Nm).



#### Figure 3.19—Assembly of Upper Boot Retainer

3. Install the EDPM rubber seal over the top of the stem and slide down to the cover.



Figure 3.20—Assembly of EPDM Rubber Seal

**EDPM Rubber Seal** 

4. Place the weld splatter shield and lower boot retainer over the top of the stem and EDPM rubber seal and push down to the cover. Line up the slots in the weld splatter shield with the screw holes in the cover.

#### Figure 3.21—Alignment of Shield and Lower Retainer

Line up the slots in the Weld Splatter Shield with the screw holes in the Cover



5. Thread the flat head socket head cap screws into the tapped holes in the cover plate and progressively thread them down. Tighten these screws to 32 in-oz (0.23 Nm).

#### Figure 3.22—Assembly of Lower Retainer



Completed assembly -should look like this

Thread the screws down evenly and progressively-

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The following Terms and Conditions are a supplement to and include a portion of ATI's Standard Terms and Conditions, which are on file at ATI and available upon request.

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