Foreword

This manual describes dismantling operations and **important safety** related warnings and cautions for this vehicle.

This vehicle is equipped with a high voltage Lithium-ion (Li-ion) battery pack. **Failure to follow recommended practices during dismantling will cause death or serious personal injury.**

Please read this manual in advance of any dismantling activities in order to understand the features of this vehicle and to help you deal with dismantling operations involving this vehicle. Follow the procedures in order to help assure a safe and successful dismantling operation.

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- 1-800-662-6200 (US) or 1-800-361-4792 (Canada)
- Hours of operation are 8am-5pm (Monday-Friday) Eastern, Central and Pacific time zones

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THIS MANUAL**

You may see various symbols in this manual. They have the following meanings:

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**DANGER**

This symbol is used to inform you of an operation which will result in death or serious personal injury if instructions are not followed.

Example: Touching high voltage components without using the appropriate protective equipment will result in electrocution. PPE must always be worn when touching or working on high voltage components.

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**WARNING**

This symbol is used to inform you of an operation which may cause death or serious personal injury if instructions are not followed.

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**CAUTION**

This symbol is used to inform you of an operation which may cause personal injury or component damage if instructions are not followed.

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Please note that there may be differences between this manual and the vehicle specification due to specification changes.
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1. About the Q50 HYBRID

This hybrid electric vehicle (HEV) uses two types of batteries. One is a 12V battery that is the same as the battery in vehicles powered by internal combustion engines. The 12V battery is located in the rear of the vehicle with battery cable access through the trunk area. The other is the Lithium-ion (Li-ion) battery (high voltage) for the traction motor which propels the vehicle. The Li-ion battery is located behind the rear seat back with service plug access through the trunk area.

The high voltage Li-ion battery is recharged with an on-board DC/DC converter and generator powered by the engine. Additionally, the vehicle system can recharge the Li-ion battery by converting driving force into electricity while the vehicle is decelerating or being driven downhill. This is called regenerative charging.
1-1 Q50 HYBRID IDENTIFICATION

1-1.1 Exterior and Engine Compartment
1-1.2 Interior

Interior components referenced in this manual are as follows:

A. Assist charge gauge
B. Energy flow display *1
C. READY indicator (green)
D. Energy flow display *1
E. Trunk lid release switch
F. Hood release handle
G. START/STOP switch and ON indicator lamp (orange)
H. Trunk release power cancel switch

*1: This screen may not be displayed due to customer settings.
In exterior appearance the Q50 HYBRID is nearly identical to the conventional Infiniti Q50 series vehicles.

The vehicle identification number can be located as follows:

Example VIN: JN1 AV7AP4EM690008

The Q50 HYBRID is identified by the 4th alphanumeric character: A

A = Q50 HYBRID

1. VIN plate (visible through windshield)  
2. Vehicle certification plate (lower center pillar)
### 1. Warning and Indicator Lamp Information

1. **Master Warning Lamp (Orange or Red)**
   - This lamp is on when another warning lamp or message is displayed in the instrument cluster.

2. **Hybrid System Overheated Stop Vehicle Warning**
   - (Vehicle Information Display)

3. **Hybrid System Warning Lamp (Orange)**
   - This lamp is on or blinking when:
     - Malfunction has occurred in the high voltage system and/or
     - High voltage leak to vehicle chassis and/or
     - Emergency shut-off system has been activated. The shut-off system activates in the following conditions:
       - Front and side collisions in which the air bags are deployed.
       - Certain rear collisions.
       - Certain high voltage system malfunctions.

4. **READY Indicator (Green)**
   - This lamp is on when the high voltage system is powered up and the vehicle is ready to drive.

### Lamp Name | Icon | Description
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READY Indicator (Green) | ![Icon](icon1.png) | This lamp is on when the high voltage system is powered up and the vehicle is ready to drive.
Master Warning Lamp (Orange or Red) | ![Icon](icon2.png) | This lamp is on when another warning lamp or message is displayed in the instrument cluster.
Hybrid System Warning Lamp *1 (Orange) | ![Icon](icon3.png) | This lamp is on or blinking when:
   - Malfunction has occurred in the high voltage system and/or
   - High voltage leak to vehicle chassis and/or
   - Emergency shut-off system has been activated. The shut-off system activates in the following conditions:
     - Front and side collisions in which the air bags are deployed.
     - Certain rear collisions.
     - Certain high voltage system malfunctions.

*1: When this lamp is ON, the READY Indicator will turn OFF.
2. Basic High Voltage Information

2-1 Battery Information

The Q50 HYBRID utilizes two batteries in order to supply both high and low voltage.

2-1.1 12V Battery

- The Q50 HYBRID contains a conventional lead-acid 12V battery.
- The 12V battery is located in the trunk, on the left side, concealed by a trim cover.
- The 12V battery is charged by the Li-ion battery through the DC/DC converter.

2-1.2 Li-ion Battery

- The Q50 HYBRID contains a Li-ion high voltage battery.
- The high voltage battery is mounted in the trunk area behind the rear seat, enclosed in a metal case and concealed by trim cover.
- The high voltage battery stores energy at approximately 346 - 400 volts DC.
- A vent hose is provided to exhaust gasses outside the vehicle if necessary.

- An air vent (A) is located on the rear left hand lower C-pillar trim for battery cooling.

The high voltage battery supplies power to the following:

- High voltage harnesses
- DC/DC converter
- Traction motor inverter
- Traction motor
- Electric air conditioner compressor
2-2 High Voltage-Related and 12V-Related Component Locations and Descriptions

NOTE:

Components with white number in black background are high voltage components.
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<th>Component</th>
<th>Location</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<td>1</td>
<td>Traction Motor Inverter</td>
<td>Engine compartment (rear passenger side)</td>
<td>Converts the DC power stored in the Li-ion battery to three-phase AC power and controls motor torque (revolution) by regulating the motor current. The inverter has a built in high voltage capacitor.</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Traction Motor</td>
<td>Built-into the transmission</td>
<td>Converts three-phase alternating current (AC) power to drive power (torque) which propels the vehicle.</td>
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<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>Lithium-ion (Li-ion) Battery</td>
<td>Trunk area (behind rear seat back)</td>
<td>The Li-ion battery stores and outputs DC power (Maximum voltage 400V) needed to propel the vehicle.</td>
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<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>DC/DC Converter</td>
<td>Trunk area (mounted to top of Li-ion battery)</td>
<td>The DC/DC converter reduces the voltage of the Li-ion battery to provide power to the 12V battery in order to operate the vehicle’s electric components (headlights, audio system, etc.).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>Service Plug</td>
<td>Trunk area (below parcel shelf; behind access door in trim panel)</td>
<td>This is used to disable the high voltage system.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>12V Battery</td>
<td>Trunk area (left side behind trim panel)</td>
<td>A lead-acid battery that supplies power to the low voltage devices.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>High Voltage Harnesses</td>
<td>Trunk area (on Li-ion battery), under floor pan, engine compartment</td>
<td>Orange-colored power cables carry high DC voltage between each of the high voltage components.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>Electric Air Conditioner Compressor</td>
<td>Engine compartment (front driver side)</td>
<td>Air conditioner compressor</td>
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### 2-3 Li-ion Battery Pack Specifications

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<td>Li-ion battery voltage</td>
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<td>Number of Li-ion battery modules in the pack</td>
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<td>Li-ion battery module voltage</td>
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<td>Li-ion battery dimensions</td>
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<td>Li-ion battery weight</td>
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## 2-4 High Voltage Safety Measures

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<th>Circuit insulation</th>
<th>The high voltage positive (+) and negative (-) circuits are insulated from the metal chassis.</th>
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<td>Reducing the risk of electrocution</td>
<td>The high voltage components and harnesses have insulated cases or orange-colored coverings which provide insulation and easy identification. The high voltage battery case is electrically connected to the vehicle ground. This connection helps protect the vehicle occupants and vehicle dismantlers from high voltage electrical shock.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Identification</td>
<td>The high voltage components are labeled “WARNING” similar to label shown below. All high voltage harnesses are coated in orange.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 2-4.1 Warning Label

![WARNING/AVERTISSEMENT](image)

**HIGH VOLTAGE INSIDE**

**DO NOT ATTEMPT TO DISASSEMBLE OR REPAIR. ELECTRIC SHOCK MAY OCCUR.**

- Avoid contacting the batteries and fluid with eyes, skin or clothes. In the event of a spill, flush with water and seek medical help immediately.
- Keep children away from this unit.
- To avoid explosions or fire which can result in serious injury or death:
  - Do NOT immerse in water or allow condensation to occur within the unit.
  - Do NOT touch with wet hands.
  - Do NOT expose to fire or open flame.
  - Do NOT strike or puncture the battery or its housing.

For Qualified High Voltage Technicians:

- Read the Service Manual before repairing or replacing the battery.
- Do not allow metal objects to contact or fall inside the battery.

**HAUTE TENSION À L’INTÉRIEUR**

**NE TENTEZ PAS DE DÉASSEMBLER OU DE REPÆRER; RISQUE DE CHOC ÉLECTRIQUE.**

- Évitez tout contact des batteries et du fluide avec les yeux, la peau ou les vêtements. En cas de renversement, rincez avec de l’eau et consultez un médecin immédiatement.

- Tenez les enfants éloignés de cet équipement.
- Pour éviter une explosion ou un incendie pouvant entraîner des blessures graves, voire mortelles :
  - Ne PAS immerger dans l’eau ou permettre la formation de condensation à l’intérieur.
  - Ne PAS toucher avec les mains mouillées.
  - Ne PAS exposer à une source d’inflammation ou des flammes nues.
  - Ne PAS frapper ou percé la batterie ou son boîtier.

Pour les techniciens qualifiés pour les circuits haute tension :

- Lisez le manuel d’entretien avant de réparer ou de remplacer la batterie.
- Ne permettez à aucun objet métallique d’entrer en contact avec la batterie ou de tomber à l’intérieur. Une augmentation soudaine de la pression interne peut entraîner des brûlures, des chocs ou des étincelles, ou causer une explosion ou un incendie.

**RENSEIGNEMENTS RELATIFS AU RECYCLAGE DES BATTERIES HAUTE TENSION:**

**TRANSPORTER CETTE BATTERIE CONFORMEMENT À TOUTES LES LOIS APPLICABLES.**

**POUR DE PLUS AMPLES RENSEIGNEMENTS SUR LE REMPLACEMENT ET LA MISE AU REBUT, S’ASSURER DE COMMUNICER AVEC VOTRE CONCESSIONNAIRE NISSAN OU AVEC NISSAN CANADA INC. 5290 ORBITOR DRIVE MISSISSAUGA ON LAW 425 (905) 887-6122**
2-5 High Voltage Safety System

The high voltage safety system is intended to help keep vehicle occupants and emergency responders safe from high voltage electricity.

- A high voltage fuse provides short circuit protection inside the high voltage battery.
- The high voltage safety system is insulated from the metal chassis.
- Positive and negative high voltage power cables are connected to the high voltage battery and are controlled by normally open system main relays (SMR1 and SMR2). When the vehicle is shut off, the relays stop electrical flow from leaving the high voltage battery. However, it can take approximately (10) minutes for the high voltage capacitor to fully discharge.

**WARNING**

- **The high voltage system and high voltage capacitor may remain powered for up to approximately 10 minutes after the vehicle is shut off. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) must always be worn when touching or working on high voltage components to avoid risk of electrical shock and severe personal injury or death.**

- **The high voltage battery retains high voltage at all times. PPE must always be worn when touching or working on high voltage components to avoid risk of electrical shock and severe personal injury or death.**

- A ground fault monitor continuously monitors for high voltage leakage to the metal chassis while the vehicle is running. If a malfunction is detected, the HPCM (hybrid powertrain control module) will illuminate the hybrid system warning lamp in the instrument cluster.
- The high voltage battery relays (SMR1 and SMR2) will automatically open to stop the electrical flow in a frontal collision that is sufficient enough to activate the supplemental restraint system (SRS).
2-6 High Voltage Circuit Shut-Off System

This vehicle is equipped with a system to shut off the current from the Li-ion battery by the following methods:

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<th><strong>Service plug</strong></th>
<th>Positioned in the center area of the Li-ion battery, this plug shuts off the output of high voltage when manually removed.</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>System main relays</strong> (located in the high voltage battery)</td>
<td>Controlled by the ignition switch, these relays are powered by the 12V system and shut off high voltage from the Li-ion battery.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Emergency shut-off system</strong></td>
<td>In the case of a collision (front and side collisions in which the air bags are deployed, certain rear collisions) or certain system malfunctions this system is designed to shut off the high voltage from the Li-ion battery.</td>
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2-7 Preventing Electrical Shock

1. If it is necessary to touch any of the high voltage harnesses or components, always wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) (refer to 3-1 Preparation Items (DG–17)). Shut off the high voltage system by referring to 3-3.1 High Voltage System Shut-Down Procedure (DG–20).
2. To avoid the risk of electrocution, NEVER touch the inside of the Li-ion battery with bare hands after shutting off the high voltage system. The Li-ion battery maintains charge even though the high voltage system is shut down. PPE must always be worn when touching or working on high voltage components.
3. Cover damaged high voltage components with insulated tape.
3. Preparation for Dismantling

**DANGER**

- Failure to properly shut down the high voltage electrical system before the Dismantling Procedures are performed will result in serious injury or death from electrical shock. To prevent serious injury or death, NEVER touch high voltage harnesses or components without always wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). PPE must always be worn when touching or working on high voltage components.
- If it is necessary to touch any of the high voltage harnesses or components you must always wear appropriate PPE to avoid electrical shock. PPE must always be worn when touching or working on high voltage components. Shut down the high voltage system by following the steps outlined in 3-3.1 High Voltage System Shut-Down Procedure. (DG–20) Wait approximately ten (10) minutes for complete discharge of the high voltage capacitor after the high voltage system has been shut down.

**WARNING**

- NEVER assume the Q50 HYBRID is shut OFF simply because it is quiet.
- If it becomes necessary for the dismantler to leave the vehicle, place a “DANGER” sign (for example, refer to 5. Storing the Vehicle (DG–39)) on the vehicle to alert other people that the vehicle contains a high voltage battery.
- If the READY indicator is ON the high voltage system is active.
- If possible, be sure to check the READY indicator on the instrument cluster and verify that the READY indicator is OFF and the high voltage system is stopped.
### 3-1 Preparation Items

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<th>Purpose</th>
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<tr>
<td>PPE (personal protective equipment):</td>
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<tr>
<td>Insulated gloves</td>
<td>Up to 1,000V</td>
<td>For protection from high voltage electrical shock</td>
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<tr>
<td>Insulated shoes</td>
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<tr>
<td>Safety shield</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wrenches</td>
<td>Size: 10mm</td>
<td>To remove the 12V battery terminal bolt.</td>
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<td>Solvent resistant protection gloves</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Solvent resistant protection shoes</td>
<td></td>
<td>To utilize in the event of a Li-ion battery electrolytic solution leak.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Absorbent pad</td>
<td>The same pad used for internal combustion engine fluids can be used.</td>
<td>To absorb any Li-ion battery electrolytic solution leakage.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Standard fire fighting equipment</td>
<td>Standard fire fighting equipment. Depending on type of fire (vehicle or battery) use standard fire fighting equipment (water or extinguisher).</td>
<td>To extinguish a fire.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Insulated tape</td>
<td>Insulating</td>
<td>To cover any damaged harnesses to protect from and prevent electrical shock. Tape should cover all bare or damaged wire.</td>
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3-2 Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Insulated Tools

3-2.1 Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Protective Wear Control
Perform an inspection of the Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) items before beginning work. Do not use any damaged PPE items.

3-2.2 Daily Inspection
This inspection is performed before and after use. The worker who will be using the items should perform the inspection and check for deterioration and damage.

- Insulated rubber gloves should be inspected for scratches, holes and tears. (Visual check and air leakage test)
- Insulated safety boots should be inspected for holes, damage, nails, metal pieces, wear or other problems on the soles. (Visual check)
- Insulated rubber sheet should be inspected for tears. (Visual check)

3-2.3 Insulated Tools
When performing work at locations where high voltage is applied (such as terminals), use insulated tools meeting 1,000V/300A specifications.

3-2.4 Discharge Procedures

⚠️ DANGER

Do not perform this procedure if the high voltage battery is damaged. If you are unsure of battery damage, use extreme caution and always wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) when working on high voltage components.

Li-ion battery discharging must take place before dismantling. Sufficient discharging can be achieved by following these steps.

1. Place the shift selector into the Park (P) position
2. Apply the parking brake.
3. Set wheel chocks to ensure the vehicle is completely immobilized.
4. Fasten the driver seat belt and close the driver door.
5. Apply foot brake and press the ignition switch to turn the system ON. Confirm READY indicator in instrument cluster turns ON.
   a. If the engine starts, leave the engine on until the idling stops.
   b. If the engine does NOT start, move on to next step.
6. Remove the shift lock cover (A) using a suitable tool.
7. Push down the shift lock (B) using mechanical key as shown in the illustration.
8. Push the shift selector button (C) and move the shift selector to the Neutral (N) position (D) while holding down the shift lock.

**NOTE:**
DO NOT press accelerator or foot brake after moving the shift selector to the Neutral (N) position. Otherwise Li-ion battery will start to be charged.

**NOTE:**
The engine must not be running at this time. If the engine has restarted, repeat the previous steps.

9. Release the parking brake.
10. Unbuckle the seat belt and open the driver door. The READY indicator should remain ON and the engine should not be running.
11. Turn ON electric devices such as headlamps, A/C (set to the coldest temperature) and rear window defogger to discharge the high voltage battery. Discharge is complete when the READY indicator (B) (green) turns OFF, and the hybrid system warning indicator (C) (orange) turns ON.

12. Move shift selector into the Park (P) position and press the ignition switch (A) to turn the system OFF.

Please contact following number if the vehicle could not be discharged.
- 1-800-662-6200 (US) or 1-800-361-4792 (Canada)
- Hours of operation are 8am - 5pm (Monday-Friday) Eastern, Central and Pacific time zones.
3-3 How to Handle a Damaged Vehicle

3-3.1 High Voltage System Shut-Down Procedure

Any of the following procedures can shut down the high voltage system. The dismantling operation can only begin after shutting down the high voltage system. If the vehicle is heavily damaged, for example the Li-ion battery is deformed, broken or cracked, appropriate PPE must always be used and the Li-ion battery and high voltage components must not be touched.

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**DANGER**

- Failure to properly shut down the high voltage system before the dismantling procedures are performed will result in serious injury or death from electrical shock. To prevent serious injury or death, NEVER touch high voltage harnesses or components without always wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). PPE must always be worn when touching or working on high voltage components.
- When contact with high voltage components or high voltage harnesses is unavoidable, or when there is risk of such contact, you must always wear appropriate PPE. PPE must always be worn when touching or working on high voltage components.

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**WARNING**

- The vehicle contains parts that contain powerful magnets. If a person who is wearing a pacemaker or other medical device is close to these parts, the medical device may be affected by the magnets. Such persons must not perform work on the vehicle.
- Be sure to verify that the READY indicator is off (if possible), and the high voltage system is stopped.
- After the high voltage system is shut down, please wait approximately ten (10) minutes for complete discharge of the high voltage capacitor. While waiting, do not operate any vehicle functions.
- After shutting down the high voltage system and removing the 12V battery negative (-) terminal, wait at least three (3) minutes to discharge the air bag capacitor. Even though the 12V battery negative (-) is disconnected, the Supplemental Restraint System (SRS) air bag maintains voltage at least three (3) minutes. During this time, there is a possibility of sudden SRS air bag inflation due to harness short circuit or damage and it may cause serious injuries.
- The 12V system will remain active even after the 12V battery negative (-) terminal is removed while the high voltage system is active. This is because the charging system will not shut down and power will be supplied to the 12V system and high voltage system continuously.

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Before disconnecting the 12V battery terminal, if necessary, lower the windows, adjust the steering column, adjust the seats, unlock the doors, open the trunk, etc. as required. Once the 12V battery is disconnected, power controls will not operate.
Powering Down the High Voltage System

The high voltage system can be shut down with any 1 of the following procedures:

- Turn OFF the power switch and disconnect the 12V battery. Refer to Primary Procedure (DG–21).
- Disconnect the underhood fuse panel terminal connector for the high voltage control system and disconnect the 12V battery. Refer to Alternate Procedure 1 (Disconnect Underhood Fuse Panel) (DG–24).
- Remove the service plug and disconnect the 12V battery. Refer to Alternate Procedure 2 (Remove Service Plug) (DG–27).

Primary Procedure

NOTE:

Before disconnecting the 12V battery terminal, if necessary, lower the windows, adjust the steering column, adjust the seats, unlock the doors, etc. Once 12V battery is disconnected, power controls will not operate.

1. If possible, check the READY \( \leftrightarrow \) indicator status in the instrument cluster. If it is on, the high voltage system is active.
2. Place the shift selector in the Park (P) position.

3. Push the ignition switch once to turn OFF the high voltage system. Verify that the READY indicator is off and then continue to the next steps to open the trunk for 12V battery negative cable access.

If the READY indicator does not turn off, refer to Alternate Procedure 1 (Disconnect Underhood Fuse Panel). (DG–24)

4. If possible, keep the Infiniti Intelligent Key at least 5 meters (16 feet) away from the vehicle (except to open the trunk as noted below).
5. Open the trunk using any of the following:

**NOTE:**
The trunk release power cancel switch must be in the ON position in order for the trunk to be opened using any of the methods below.

- **a.** push-button switch on the lower LH side of the instrument panel (ensure that the trunk release power cancel switch is in the ON position).

- **b.** trunk button on the Infiniti Intelligent Key [press for longer than one (1) second].

- **c.** trunk open request switch (located above license plate)*.

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* You must have the Infiniti Intelligent Key within approximately 1 meter (3 feet) range of trunk request switch to use the trunk open request switch function.
NOTE:
If the electrical release does not work, the trunk will have to be forced open.

6. Open the 12V battery service access cover.

7. Disconnect negative (-) battery cable and cover it with insulated tape.

8. **Wait approximately ten (10) minutes for complete discharge** of the high voltage capacitor after the battery cable has been disconnected.

Alternate Procedure 1 (Disconnect Underhood Fuse Panel)

NOTE:

Before disconnecting the underhood fuse panel and the negative (-) battery cable, if necessary, lower the windows, adjust the steering column, adjust the seats, unlock the doors, etc. Once the underhood fuse panel and negative (-) battery cable are disconnected, power controls will not operate.

1. Pull release handle (1) and pull up release lever (2) to open the hood.

2. Remove clips (A) and RH hood ledge cover (1).

   NOTE:
   ← Arrow in illustration depicts vehicle front direction.

3. Remove clips (A) and RH cowl cover (1).
4. Disengage pawls (A) of underhood fuse panel cover and remove underhood fuse panel cover (1).

**NOTE:**

← : Arrow in illustration depicts vehicle front direction.

5. Pull underhood fuse panel (1) out by hand and disconnect terminal (black) connector (A).

**NOTE:**

← : Arrow in illustration depicts vehicle front direction.

6. If you cannot identify the connector, disconnect all connectors on the underhood fuse panel.

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**WARNING**

⚠️ To avoid unintended reinstallation and risk of electrical shock and severe personal injury or death, the dismantler should cover the fuse box and connectors with insulated tape or remove the fuse panel and carry on his/her person.

7. Open the trunk using any of the following:

**NOTE:**

The trunk release power cancel switch must be in the ON position in order for the trunk to be opened using any of the methods below.

a. push-button switch on the lower LH side of the instrument panel (ensure that the trunk release power cancel switch is in the ON position).
b. trunk button on the Infiniti Intelligent Key [press for longer than one (1) second].

c. trunk open request switch (located above license plate)*.

* You must have the Infiniti Intelligent Key within approximately 1 meter (3 feet) range of trunk request switch to use the trunk open request switch function.

**NOTE:**
If the electrical release does not work, the trunk will have to be forced open.

8. Open the 12V battery service access cover.

9. Disconnect negative (-) battery cable and cover it with insulated tape.

10. **Wait approximately ten (10) minutes for complete discharge** of the high voltage capacitor after the fuse panel and battery cable have been disconnected.

Alternate Procedure 2 (Remove Service Plug)

**DANGER**

- Do not remove the service plug without always wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to help protect the dismantler from serious injury or death by electrical shock.
- Immediately cover the service plug socket with insulated tape. The Li-ion battery retains high voltage power even when the service plug is removed. To avoid electric shock, NEVER touch the terminals inside the socket.

**WARNING**

To avoid unintended reinstallation and risk of electrical shock and severe personal injury or death, the dismantler should carry the service plug on his/her person while work is in progress.

**NOTE:**

Before disconnecting the 12V battery terminal, if necessary, lower the windows, adjust the steering column, adjust the seats, unlock the doors, etc. Once 12V battery is disconnected, power controls will not operate.

1. If possible, check the READY indicator status in the instrument cluster. If it is on, the high voltage system is active.
2. Place the shift selector in the Park (P) position.

3. Push the ignition switch once to turn OFF the high voltage system. Then verify whether the READY indicator is off.

If the READY indicator does not turn off, continue to the next steps to open the trunk for 12V battery negative cable access.
4. If possible, keep the Infiniti Intelligent Key at least 5 meters (16 feet) away from the vehicle (except to open the trunk as noted below).

5. Open the trunk using any of the following:

**NOTE:**

The trunk release power cancel switch must be in the ON position in order for the trunk to be opened using any of the methods below.

a. push-button switch on the lower LH side of the instrument panel.

b. trunk button on the Infiniti Intelligent Key [press for longer than one (1) second].
c. trunk open request switch (located above license plate)*.

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* You must have the Infiniti Intelligent Key within approximately 1 meter (3 feet) range of trunk request switch to use the trunk open request switch function.

**NOTE:**

If the electrical release does not work, the trunk will have to be forced open.

6. Open the 12V battery service access cover.

7. Disconnect negative (−) battery cable and cover it with insulated tape.
8. Open service plug access cover.

9. Remove the service plug (A) by pulling the locking lever (B), then pressing the locking tab (C) and rotating the handle (D) fully outward. Using the handle, pull the service plug (E) completely out of its socket.

10. Cover the service plug socket with insulated tape.

11. **Wait approximately ten (10) minutes for complete discharge** of the high voltage capacitor after the service plug has been removed.

3-3.2 Cutting the Vehicle Body

⚠️ DANGER

- Do not cut into high voltage related areas to avoid severe personal injury or death.
- Do not cut into the Li-ion battery to avoid severe personal injury or death.
- When removing parts, NEVER touch the high voltage parts or the insides of the exposed orange-colored high voltage cables to avoid severe personal injury or death.

PPE must always be worn when touching or working on high voltage components.

⚠️ WARNING

- To avoid unintended reinstallation and risk of electrical shock and severe personal injury or death, the dismantler should carry the fuses or service plug on his/her person while work is in progress.

⚠️ WARNING

Do not cut air bag parts to avoid unintended deployment of the air bags and the risk of severe personal injury or death.

If approximately (10) minutes have passed since the rescuer shut down the high voltage system (refer to 3-3.1 High Voltage System Shut-Down Procedure (DG–20)), then the dismantler can cut the vehicle except for the Li-ion battery.

DO NOT cut the Li-ion battery due to possible electrocution risk and electrolyte solution leakage.
SRS Air Bag System Components Location

The SRS air bag system must not be cut as there is a risk of short circuit and unintentional deployment of the SRS. However, the vehicle can be cut (except inflators) under the following conditions:

- The front, side and curtain air bags have deployed.
- At least three (3) minutes have passed after the 12V battery negative (-) cable has been disconnected and the high voltage system has been shut down.

1. Crash zone sensor (located underhood near hood latch)
2. Supplemental front air bag modules (Infiniti Advanced Air Bags)
3. Front seat-mounted side-impact supplemental air bags
4. Roof-mounted curtain side-impact supplemental air bags
5. Roof-mounted curtain side-impact supplemental air bag inflators
6. C-pillar satellite sensors (LH shown, RH similar)
7. Seat belt buckle pretensioners
8. Seat belts with pretensioners
9. B-pillar satellite sensors
10. Air bag control unit (ACU)
11. Front door satellite sensors (LH shown, RH similar)
Infiniti Emergency Contact
1-800-662-6200 (US) or 1-800-361-4792 (Canada)
Hours of Operation: 8am-5pm (Monday-Friday)
Eastern, Central and Pacific Time Zones

Key
- High voltage component or harness (Can be cut only after the high voltage system shut-down procedure has been completed.)
- NEVER CUT-High voltage component
- 12V Battery

DANGER
Never cut high voltage components/batteries for any reason. Death or serious personal injury will result.

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3-3.3 Water Submersion

![DANGER]

Damage level of submerged vehicle may not be apparent. Handling a submerged vehicle without appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will result in serious injury or death from electrical shock.

![WARNING]

- ▶️ The ignition switch of the submerged vehicle must be turned OFF first, if possible. Then the vehicle must be completely out of the water and drained to avoid electrical shock.
- ▶️ Always wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and remove/drain water before removing the service plug when working on a vehicle after a fire or submersion to avoid electrical shock.
- ▶️ If the vehicle is in the water, to avoid electrical shock NEVER touch the high voltage components, harnesses or service plug. PPE must always be worn when touching or working on high voltage components.

3-3.4 Vehicle Fire

![WARNING]

- ▶️ Always utilize full Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and self-contained breathing apparatus during fire fighting operations. Smoke from a Q50 HYBRID vehicle fire is similar to smoke from a conventional vehicle fire.
- ▶️ In the case of extinguishing a fire with water, large amounts of water from a fire hydrant (if possible) must be used. DO NOT extinguish fire with a small amount of water.

![CAUTION]

In the event of a small fire, a Type ABC fire extinguisher may be used for an electrical fire caused by wiring harnesses, electrical components, etc. or oil fire.

In case of vehicle fire, contact fire department immediately and extinguish the fire if possible. If you must walk away from the vehicle, notify an appropriate responder or a rescue person of the fact that the vehicle is a hybrid vehicle that contains a high voltage system and warn all others.
3-3.5 Li-ion Battery Damage and Fluid Leaks

**WARNING**

The Li-ion battery contains electrolyte solution. To avoid exposure to electrolyte solution and serious personal injury, always wear appropriate solvent resistant Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and read the following precautions:

- Electrolyte solution is a skin irritant.
- Electrolyte solution is an eye irritant – If contact with eyes, rinse with plenty of water and see a doctor immediately.
- If electrolyte leak occurs, wear appropriate solvent resistant PPE and use a dry cloth to clean up the spilled electrolyte. Be sure to adequately ventilate the area.
- Electrolyte solution is highly flammable
- Electrolyte liquid or fumes that have come into contact with water vapors in the air will create an oxidized substance. This substance may irritate skin and eyes. In these cases, rinse with plenty of water and see a doctor immediately.
- Electrolyte fumes (when inhaled) can cause respiratory irritation and acute intoxication. Move to fresh air and wash mouth with water. See a doctor immediately.

In cases of battery case breach or electrolyte leakage, contact the fire department immediately. If you must walk away from the vehicle, notify an appropriate responder of the fact that the vehicle is a hybrid vehicle and contains a high voltage system and warn all others.

Li-ion Battery Electrolyte Solution Characteristics:

- Clear in color
- Sweet odor
- Similar viscosity to water
- Since the Li-ion battery is made up of many small sealed battery modules, electrolyte solution leakage should be minimal.

**NOTE:**

Other fluids in the vehicle (such as engine oil, washer fluid, brake fluid, coolant, etc.) are the same as those in a conventional vehicle.
4. Jump Starting

To start the hybrid system with a booster battery, the instructions and precautions below must be followed.

**WARNING**

*If done incorrectly, jump starting can lead to a 12V battery explosion, resulting in severe personal injury or death. It could also damage your vehicle.*

Jump starting provides power to the 12V system to allow the electrical systems to operate. The electrical systems must be operating to allow the Li-ion battery to be charged. Jump starting does not charge the Li-ion battery.

**Discharged 12V battery may cause the following issues:**

- The instrument cluster cannot be displayed while the ignition switch is turned ON. (The hybrid system cannot start.)
- Headlamps, horn, etc. are weak.

**WARNING**

- To avoid electrical shock, the high voltage Li-ion battery CANNOT be jump started.
- Explosive hydrogen gas is always present in the vicinity of the 12V battery. Keep all sparks and flames away from the 12V battery. Make sure the vent tube is mounted.
- Do not allow battery fluid to come into contact with eyes, skin, clothing or painted surfaces. Battery fluid is a corrosive sulfuric acid solution that can cause severe burns. If the fluid comes into contact with anything, immediately flush the contacted area with water.
- The booster battery must be rated at 12 volts. Use of an improperly rated battery can damage the vehicle.
- Whenever working on or near a 12V battery, always wear suitable eye protectors (for example, goggles or industrial safety spectacles) and remove rings, metal bands, or any other jewelry. Do not lean over the 12V battery when jump starting.
- Do not attempt to jump start a frozen battery. It could explode and cause serious injury.
- Q50 HYBRID is equipped with an automatic cooling fan. It could come on at any time. Keep hands and other objects away from it.
- Always follow the jump starting instructions below. Failure to do so could result in damage to the charging system and cause personal injury.
NOTE: Jumper cable connections under the hood of the Q50 HYBRID are not connected directly to a battery. They are connected to chassis ground and a fuse box terminal. Refer to the following instructions and the above illustration.

1. If the booster battery is in another vehicle (A), position the two vehicles (A and B) to bring the 12V battery and fuse box into close proximity to each other.

   **DO NOT allow the two vehicles to touch.**

2. Apply the parking brake. Move the selector lever to the P (Park) position. Switch off all unnecessary electrical systems (headlights, heater, air conditioner, etc.).

3. Remove fuse box cover on the Q50 HYBRID and connect jumper cables in the sequence as illustrated (1→2→3→4).

   - Always connect positive (+) to positive (+) and negative (-) to body ground (for example, as illustrated), not to the 12V battery.
   - Make sure the jumper cables do not touch moving parts in the engine compartment and that the cable clamps do not contact any other metal.
   - If the hybrid system does not start right away, push the ignition switch to the OFF position and wait approximately ten (10) seconds before trying again.

4. Start the engine of the booster vehicle (A) and let it run for a few minutes.

5. Start the hybrid system of the vehicle being jump started (B).

6. After starting the hybrid system, carefully disconnect the negative cable and then the positive cable (4→3→2→1).

7. Reinstall the fuse box cover.

**NOTE:**

If it is not possible to turn the hybrid system ON by following this procedure, contact an INFINITI retailer immediately.
4-2 Shift Selector Lever Lock Release

If the 12V battery is low or discharged, the selector lever cannot be moved from the Park (P) position. If a booster battery is not available, the selector lever lock can be manually released. To manually release the selector lever lock, perform the following procedure:

1. Push the ignition switch to the LOCK or OFF position.
2. Apply the parking brake.
3. Remove the shift lock cover (A) using a suitable tool.
4. Push down the shift lock (B) using mechanical key as shown in the illustration.
5. Push the selector lever button (C) and move the selector lever to the Neutral (N) position (D) while holding down the shift lock.
5. Storing the Vehicle

**WARNING**

The service plug must be removed to shut down the high voltage system for storage. Do not store a vehicle inside a structure. Keep the vehicle away from other vehicles if the li-ion battery is severely damaged. There is possibility of delayed fire from a severely damaged li-ion battery.

If the Q50 HYBRID needs to be stored or left unattended, the high voltage system must be shut down by removing the service plug [refer to Alternate Procedure 2 (Remove Service Plug) (DG–27)] and a sign put on the vehicle indicating it is a hybrid vehicle with high voltage dangers. For example:

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Person in charge: __________

DO NOT TOUCH!
IN PROGRESS.
HIGH VOLTAGE REPAIR
DANGER:

DANGER: HIGH VOLTAGE REPAIR IN PROGRESS. DO NOT TOUCH!

Person in charge: __________
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Copy this page and put it after folding on the roof of the vehicle in service.
6. Dismantling Information

Removal or repair of the high voltage battery requires special tools and specific training. Infiniti strongly recommends that only certified INFINITI retailer technicians perform these operations.

6-1 Precautions for Handling High Voltage Lithium-ion (Li-ion) Battery

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**WARNING**

- The colors of the high voltage harnesses and connectors are all orange. Orange “High Voltage” labels are applied to the Li-ion battery and other high voltage devices. Do not touch the Li-ion battery or other high voltage devices without always wearing appropriate PPE.
- Clearly identify the persons responsible for high voltage work and ensure that other persons do not touch the vehicle. When not working, cover high voltage parts with an insulating cover sheet and sign or similar item to prevent other persons from contacting them.
- Be sure to put the removed service plug in your pocket and carry it with you so another person does not accidentally reinstall it while work is in progress.
- The high voltage battery retains high voltage at all times. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) must always be worn when touching or working on high voltage components to avoid risk of electrical shock and severe personal injury or death.
- Immediately insulate disconnected high voltage connectors and terminals with insulated tape.
- The vehicle contains parts that contain powerful magnets. If a person who is wearing a pacemaker or other medical device is close to these parts, the medical device may be affected by the magnets. Such persons must not perform work on the vehicle.
- Because this vehicle uses components that contain high voltage and powerful magnetism, do not carry any metal products which may cause short circuits, or any magnetic media (cash cards, credit cards, etc.) which may be damaged when working on the vehicle.
- Keep removed Li-ion battery packs away from rain to avoid electric shock.
- Do not heat removed battery packs higher than 158° F (70° C).

**CAUTION**

There is the possibility of a hybrid system malfunction occurring if the vehicle is changed to READY status while the service plug is removed.
6-2 Lithium-ion (Li-ion) Battery Pack Removal

6-2.1 Exploded Views

Li-ion Battery Exploded View

←: Vehicle front

1. Li-ion battery assembly
2. Bracket (RH)
3. Bracket (LH)

A. View A
B. View B

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○ : Clip
△ : Pawl
⇐ : Vehicle front

● ▲ △ □ ▼ ◆ : Indicates that the part is connected at points with same symbol in actual vehicle

1. Rear seatback center finisher
2. Trunk front finisher
3. Trunk side finisher LH
4. Trunk center box
5. Thinsulate
6. Trunk rear plate
7. Trunk net hook
8. Trunk floor carpet
9. Trunk side finisher RH
10. Trunk side finisher lid
Li-ion Battery Cooling System Exploded View

1. Battery outlet duct C  
2. Battery outlet duct B  
3. Battery cooling fan  
4. Battery outlet duct A  
5. Battery inlet duct B  
6. Battery inlet duct A  
7. Battery front duct  
8. DC/DC inlet duct  
9. DC/DC outlet duct

● ▲ □ : Indicates that the part is connected at points with same symbol in actual vehicle
6-2.2 Removal Procedure

1. Discharge high voltage battery. Refer to 3-2.4 Discharge Procedures (DG–18).
2. Remove the service plug. Refer to Alternate Procedure 2 (Remove Service Plug) (DG–27).
3. Lift up seat cushion while pulling the seat cushion hook levers, and then disengage seat cushion hook.

4. Remove seat cushion from vehicle.
5. Remove seat belt from seat belt hook.
6. Remove seatback fixing nuts (A).

7. Lift up seatback, disengage seatback frame (B) from engaging portion (C), and then remove seatback.

8. Remove battery inlet duct A and battery front duct. Refer to the Li-ion Battery Cooling System Exploded View in 6-2.1 Exploded Views (DG–42).
9. Remove the rear seat back finisher (1), and rear seat back plate (2).

10. Remove the trunk room finisher, trunk side finisher LH, and trunk side finisher RH. Refer to the Trunk Room Trim Exploded View in 6-2.1 Exploded Views (DG–42).

11. Remove fuse and fusible link box from Li-ion battery according to the following steps.
   a. Remove the fuse and fusible link box cover to remove harness mounting nuts (A) and (B).
   b. Remove the relay (1) from fuse and fusible link box.
   c. Remove the fuse and fusible link box from Li-ion battery, and move to side.

12. Remove the cover of 12V battery positive terminal.
13. Remove the DC/DC harness (1) from 12V battery.
14. Disconnect sub oil pump inverter harness connectors (A)

15. Disconnect positive terminal from 12V battery, and disconnect fusible link harness connector (12V battery side) (A).
16. Remove the ground cable (1).

![Warning: Touching high voltage components without wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will cause electrocution.]

17. Remove the hybrid control unit (1) and Vehicle Sound for Pedestrians (VSP) control assembly (2) from Li-ion battery.

![Warning: Touching high voltage components without wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will cause electrocution.]

18. Remove the terminal covers (1) and (2).

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19. Remove the terminal cover (1).

![Warning: Touching high voltage components without wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will cause electrocution.]

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20. Disconnect A/C high voltage harness (1).

**DANGER**
Immediately protect the terminals of the disconnected high voltage harness connector socket using insulated tape so that they are not exposed.

21. Remove the high voltage cover (1).

**DANGER**
Touching high voltage components without wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will cause electrocution.

22. Remove the high voltage harness bracket mounting nut (A) and high voltage harness mounting nuts (B).

**DANGER**
Immediately protect the terminals of the disconnected high voltage harness connector socket using insulated tape so that they are not exposed.

**DANGER**
Touching high voltage components without wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will cause electrocution.
23. Disconnect DC/DC harness clamps (A).

24. Disconnect battery controller harness connector (A) to remove clamps (B), (C), and (D) from bracket (LH).

⚠️ **DANGER**
Touching high voltage components without wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will cause electrocution.

25. Remove battery outlet duct (1).

← : Vehicle front

⚠️ **DANGER**
Touching high voltage components without wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will cause electrocution.

26. Remove the bracket (LH) from Li-ion battery.

27. Remove the DC/DC outlet duct (1) and DC/DC inlet duct (2).

← : Vehicle front

⚠️ **DANGER**
Touching high voltage components without wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will cause electrocution.
28. Remove battery outlet duct (1).

29. Remove the battery inlet duct B (1) and battery inlet duct A (2).

   : Vehicle front

**DANGER**

Touching high voltage components without wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will cause electrocution.

30. Remove the gas discharge tube (1) from Li-ion battery.

31. Remove the mounting bolts (A) of Li-ion battery.

   : Vehicle front

**DANGER**

Touching high voltage components without wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will cause electrocution.
32. Remove the mounting bolts (A) of bracket (RH) on vehicle side.

⚠️ DANGER

Touching high voltage components without wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will cause electrocution.

33. Place a piece of plywood (A) in the trunk room as shown in the figure. Lift the battery pack in the direction (1) shown by arrow and slide (2) the cardboard (B) to location (C) to position it under the battery pack.

⚠️ DANGER

Touching high voltage components without wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will cause electrocution.

34. Pull out battery pack (1) together with the cardboard (A) in the rear of vehicle.

⚠️ DANGER

Touching high voltage components without wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will cause electrocution.

⚠️ CAUTION

Battery pack is in unstable condition. Never allow it to fall.
35. Follow the procedure below to remove the battery pack from inside the trunk room.
   a. Attach carabiners (A) of sufficient capacity to hold battery weight, in the positions as shown in the figure, then connect a belt slinger (B) to it.

   ![Diagram of carabiners and belt slinger]

   **DANGER**
   Touching high voltage components without wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will cause electrocution.

   b. Slightly lift battery pack by using an engine crane (A).

   ![Diagram of engine crane lifting battery pack]

   **DANGER**
   Touching high voltage components without wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will cause electrocution.

   c. Remove the bracket RH (1).

   ![Diagram of removing bracket RH (1)]

   **DANGER**
   Touching high voltage components without wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will cause electrocution.
d. Lift up the battery pack and remove it from the trunk room.

**CAUTION**
- Be careful that the engine crane does not contact the trunk lid.
- Apply protection so that no scratches or other damage occurs on the vehicle body or trunk lid.

36. Move battery pack to the workbench and place it with the upper battery cover up.

**CAUTION**
To avoid battery pack damage, gently lower battery pack when setting it on its side.

6-3 Li-ion Battery Recycling
The high voltage battery is recyclable. For information regarding recycling of the high voltage battery, contact the nearest INFINITI retailer or Infiniti Consumer Affairs at: United States: 1-800-662-6200 or in Canada: 1-800-361-4792.