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Snap-on's 1/4" Drive Metric Low Profile Ratchet/Socket Set Fits Into Those Hard-to-Reach Spaces

KENOSHA, Wis., May 21, 2010 – When backing off a fastener, do you ever wish you had a little more room? With Snap-on's new 10 Piece 1/4" Drive Metric Low Profile Ratchet/Socket Set (110RTSM), now you do.

"As cars continue to become more compact and with the engine area getting smaller to reduce weight for better fuel efficiency, such as with hybrid vehicles, it's getting harder to find a standard product that fits into those hard-to-reach spaces," said Scott Amundson, product manager for Snap-on. "Snap-on's Drive Metric Low Profile Ratchet/Socket Set works perfectly in under-dash cramped quarters, under cowls on late model pickup trucks, transmission bolts on transverse mounted engines and torque converter belts. Technicians will appreciate the accessibility and versatility of this set as an everyday tool in their shop."

Features of the 10 Piece 1/4" Drive Metric Low Profile Ratchet/Socket Set:

- Low profile sockets, combined with 0 degree offset mini ratcheting wrench, work great in the tightest of areas.
- 72 gear teeth require minimal movement in those hard-to-reach places.
- Low profile, easy-action reverse lever won't get in your way.
- Thin handle cross section allows for great accessibility.
- 1/4" ratchet and socket system is up to 43 percent shorter than a standard 1/4" ratchet with a 1/4" shallow socket.
- Sockets have a pass through hole for longer studs.
- Manufactured from special alloy steel, precision forged and heat treated for optimum strength and durability.
- Nickel/chrome plating helps protect against corrosion and makes it easy to wipe clean.

"There are competitors that offer low profile-type products, but the Snap-on 1/4" low profile sockets are very flexible as they are interchangeable with other standard 1/4" ratchets and 1/4" extensions that technicians already have," said Amundson. "This is an added bonus to the technician as the sockets are not just dedicated to the low profile ratchet only."

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