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Ford Escort with 1.3 HCS CFI or 1.4 PTE SEFI engine Built between 08/94 – 06/98

Engine dies out or rough idling.

If there are complaints with these vehicles that the engine dies out or it has rough idling, one possible cause is corrosion on the plug contacts caused by humidity penetration. The humidity penetrates near the battery at the cable harness branch. This affects the plug connections on the engine control unit, diagnosis plug and the heated oxygen sensor. To eliminate the fault proceed as follows:

- Note the radio code and disconnect the battery.
- Separate the plug-type connections from the ٠ components affected and check for corrosion.
- Clean corroded plug contacts and check correct contact. Dry any moisture in the plugs.
- Seal the cable harness branch near the battery using insulating tape.
- Reinstall the components in reverse order.
- Carry out a test drive.



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