2015-2020 Chevrolet Tahoe | Easy | 15-30 minutes | $25 DIY

TOOLS

OBD-II scanner compatible with the vehicle Flashlight Notebook or phone for recording codes Safety glasses

PARTS

OBD2 scanner $25.00

STEPS

1. **Check the gauges before anything else - When the light appears, check the oil pressure** gauge immediately. A steady light with normal readings means a stored fault to investigate calmly; a flashing light, a gauge at zero or pegged high, a low-oil-pressure message, or any knocking...
2. **Plug into the OBD2 port under the dash - The 16-pin OBD2 port is under the driver's-side** dashboard, left of the steering column near the pedals. Seat the scan tool firmly and turn the ignition to ON with the engine off so all modules wake up. Any generic OBD2 reader works here, a...
3. **Log codes and their freeze-frame context - Record every stored, pending, and permanent** code with its full number before clearing anything. The signature fault here is P0521 - engine oil pressure sensor performance - extremely common on GM's V8 SUVs, usually a misreporting senso...
4. **Start with oil, then the known sensor failure - For P0521, check the oil level and** condition on the dipstick first - low or badly degraded oil can set this code alone, so top up or change the oil before condemning parts. If the oil is fine and the gauge still reads erratically, suspec...
5. **Clear, confirm, and respect real pressure loss - After an oil top-up or repair, clear the** codes and drive a normal mixed cycle so the monitors run. Light stays off and the gauge reads sanely? Done. But a returning P0521 with a zero or swinging gauge, any knocking, or any low-oil-pressure...

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