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INSTALLATION MANUAL AEROFLOW PERFORMANCE ALUMINIUM CYLINDER HEADS

WARNING!

BEFORE PROCEEDING WITH INSTALLATION PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY. THIS PRODUCT REQUIRES DETAILED KNOWLEDGE OF AUTOMOTIVE SYSTEMS. WE RECOMMEND THAT THIS INSTALLATION BE CARRIED OUT BY A QUALIFIED AUTOMOTIVE TECHNICIAN.

PLEASE CHECK THE HEAD THOROUGHLY IN EVERY POSSIBLE WAY. IF YOU SUSPECT A DEFECT OR SHIPPING DAMAGE, CONTACT AEROFLOW PERFORMANCE OR THE DEALER IT WAS PURCHASED FROM BEFORE ANY WORK HAS BEGUN. AEROFLOW PERFORMANCE WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DEFECTS AFTER ANY WORK HAS BEEN STARTED.

INTRODUCTION

Congratulations on your purchase of Aeroflow Performance Cylinder Head. Aeroflow Performance products cannot and will not be responsible for any damage, or other conditions resulting from misapplication of the parts described herein. However, it is our intention to provide the best possible products for our customer, products that perform properly and satisfy your expectations. Should you have any questions? Please call technical support at +61 2 8825 1979 and have the product part number on hand when calling.

The Aeroflow Performance big block Chevy cylinder heads are designed for street / race performance engines to give the ultimate in flow at a competitive price. These heads flow 364cfm! Best suited for high revving 454, or 502ci up Big Blocks. Made from A356 aluminium castings these 320cc cylinder heads are ideal for operating in the idle to 6750 rpm range. The complete heads include larger then stock 1.625" diameter dual valve spring to handle up to .850". Suits solid roller camshafts.

Cylinder One Flow Testing on Flow Bench
NOTE: ALL FLOWBENCHES ARE NOT CREATED EQUAL!
Data from one bench to the next can be vastly different.
The data on this table is for reference only.

Port	Lift	L/D	Cylinder One Average CFM	Port	Lift	L/D	Cylinder One Average CFM
Intake	0.100	0.044	76.900	Exhaust	0.100	0.053	70.400
Intake	0.200	0.089	153.400	Exhaust	0.200	0.106	121.000
Intake	0.300	0.133	266.600	Exhaust	0.300	0.159	154.200
Intake	0.400	0.178	286.000	Exhaust	0.400	0.212	188.100
Intake	0.500	0.222	327.700	Exhaust	0.500	0.265	217.900
Intake	0.600	0.267	349.200	Exhaust	0.600	0.318	244.800
Intake	0.700	0.311	356.400	Exhaust	0.700	0.371	259.700
Intake	0.800	0.356	363.800	Exhaust	0.800	0.424	262.100

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SPECIFICATIONS				
Material	A356 Aluminum			
Combustion Chamber CC	120cc			
Intake Port Volume CC	320cc			
Intake Port Dimension	2.45" x 1.75"			
Exhaust Port Volume CC	125cc			
Exhaust Port Dimension	1.75"H x 2.00"W			
Spark Plug Location	Angled			
Intake Valve Diameter	2.25"			
Exhaust Valve Diameter	1.88"			
Valve Stem Diameter	11/32" (.343")			
Valve Spring Pocket I.D.	1.735"			
Valve Guide Material	Manganese Bronze			
Valve Guide O.D.	0.530" (.570" at base)			
Rocker Stud Thread Size	7/16"-14			
Valva Angla	23 Degree Intake			
Valve Angle	15 Degree Exhaust			
Deck Thickness	0.750"			

Hydraulic Roller Cam (up to .850" lift) (Check Cam Manufacturer Recommendation)						
Installed Components	Sizes	Part No				
Intake Valves	2 .25" x 5.49" x 11/32"	AF59-4271				
Exhaust Valves	1.88" x 5.42" x 11/32"	AF59-4272				
Valve Springs	1 .625" Dual spring	AF59-4273				
Valve Retainers	10 -Degree	AF59-4274				
Valve Locks	10 -Degree 11/32"	AF59-4275				
Valve Seals	11/32" x .530"					
Rocker Arm Studs	7/16"-14 x 7/16"-20	AF59-4276				
Push Rod Guide Plates	3/8" Raised (OE style)	AF59-4277				

Suggested Components					
Head Gasket	Fel-Pro 1017-01				
Intake Gasket (2.45 x 1.75 port size gasket)	Fel-Pro 1275				
Exhaust Gasket (1.75 x 2.00 port size gasket)	Fel-Pro 1411				
Head Bolts	ARP 135-3610				
Head Studs	ARP 235-4018				
Spark Plugs (14mm x 3/4" reach with flat gasket seat)	Champion RC9YC				



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Installation Guideline

For a complete installation of these Aeroflow Performance cylinder heads you will require some extra components other than the original parts that must be purchased separately.

Installation is the same as for original equipment cylinder heads. Consult the factory service manual for specific procedures, if necessary.

Once the heads have been installed and torqued to specs, install your pushrods, rocker arms, and rocker arm adjusting nuts.

The following list is a guideline of suggested parts that may or may not need to be purchased;

- Head gaskets
- ➤ Intake manifold gaskets
- Exhaust gaskets
- ➤ Valve Cover gaskets
- > Head bolt or Head Stud kit
- > 14mm x 3/4" reach x 5/8" hex, gasket spark plugs (heat range to be determined by specific application)
- Guide Plates
- Rocker Arm Studs
- > Adjustable rocker arm assembly
- > Pushrods (length to be determined by specific application once all rocker assembly is installed)

Although these cylinder heads will accept OEM components (rocker arms, valve covers, intake manifold, head bolts, etc.), we highly recommend that premium quality hardware be replaced with your new heads.

- The complete cylinder heads are assembled with valve springs that are compatible with stock flat tappet and hydraulic camshafts. If any other camshaft is used, check with the camshaft manufacturer for recommended spring pressures and maximum valve lift. The valve springs supplied will accommodate valve lifts up to .850". If valve springs are changed to achieve more spring pressures it will be necessary to also change rocker studs, rocker arms and pushrods. It is very possible that the supplied valve springs are not correct for your camshaft. All valve springs should be checked for compatibility to your camshaft. Severe wear of valve train components and severe engine damage could result from failure to do this. Check spring requirements before heads are installed on the engine.
- o High quality head studs or head bolts with hardened washers must be used to prevent galling of the aluminium bolt bosses. Bolt threads, underside of bolt heads, and washers should be lubricated with an oil/moly mix prior to installation and torquing.
- o These cylinder heads accept 14mm x 3/4" reach gasket seat spark plugs. Heat range may vary by application. Use anti-seize on the plug threads to prevent galling in the cylinder head, and torque to 13Nm.

It is highly recommended that valve-to-piston clearances are checked and corrected to minimum specs, if necessary. Minimum intake valve clearance should be .100". Minimum exhaust valve clearance should be .110".

It is highly recommended that piston-to-head clearances are checked and corrected to minimum specs. Especially when using a dome piston. Recommended minimum piston-to-head clearance is .050".

Rocker geometry should be checked, making sure that the contact point of the roller (or pad on a stock rocker arm) remains properly on the valve tip and does not roll off the edge. Visual inspection of the rockers, valve springs, retainers, and pushrods should be made to ensure that none of these components come into improper contact with each other. If problems with valve train geometry occur, changes such as pushrod length may have to be made.

Complete Aeroflow Performance BBC cylinder heads are sold **without** the pushrod guide plates and rocker studs. These must be purchased separately. They will require checking for proper valve train alignment and pushrod clearance before operating the engine. The pushrod guide plates (sold separately) are attached to the cylinder heads with two (each) rocker studs. The stud holes have enough clearance to adjust the guide plates for optimum alignment of your valve train components. Once the cylinder heads have been installed ensure to the check the pushrod-to-cylinder head clearance. The clearance between the pushrods and the cylinder heads must be 005" min. If adequate clearance exists between pushrod and head, slowly turn the engine over through at least two full revolutions while inspecting pushrods and rocker arm components. Make sure that pushrod and/or rocker arm components do not rub on the head either at full lift or when the valve is seated closed. If any pushrod rubs on the cylinder head, remove rocker arms, loosen the rocker studs and move the guide plates as needed to provide clearance. After checking all pushrods for proper clearance, ensure that the tip of the rocker arm is making adequate contact with the top of the valve stem. Carefully re-torque to 60Nm any rocker studs that were loosened. Check alignment again to be sure that the guide plates did not move while torquing the studs.

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