



FEL-PRO INSTALLATION TIPS

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

CLEAN MATING SURFACES. Use a degreaser.

CLEAN THREADS of bolts/studs; for nuts/threaded holes use a bottoming tap.

BOLT PREPARATION: Those **entering** coolant passages require a pliable non-hardening sealer on threads and underside of bolt heads. Those **not entering** coolant passages require oil on threads and underside of bolt heads. **Exhaust Assembly:** Apply a high temperature anti-seize lubricant to threadings.

CHECK ALL CASTINGS for flatness. Straighten, resurface or replace if needed. **CYLINDER HEAD AND BLOCK:** Refer to OEM manual to determine flatness tolerances and resurfacing limitations.

FINAL ASSEMBLY: Torque all fasteners to OEM specifications unless noted. CYLINDER HEAD torquing is critical; we recommend that you confirm with OEM.

HEAD GASKET

Follow any directional markings shown on gasket(s). If no markings exist, install gasket(s). **Fiber Faced Gasket(s):** Install dry. **Metal Faced Gasket(s):** Requires a thin even coat of sealer applied to the metal side(s) of gasket.

VALVE STEM SEALS

Use the valve stem seals included in this set for the applications indicated. Identify "Intake" seals by "IN" molded in top of seal; "Exhaust" seals have "EX" molded in top of seal.

POSITIVE GUIDE SEAL: Use the plastic installation sleeve(s), included in this set, to prevent damage to the lip of the seal. Trim the plastic sleeve so it extends 1/16" below the keeper groove. Place the sleeve on the stem.

Carefully start valve stem seal over sleeve.

Remove plastic installation sleeve and reuse for installing remaining seals.

FOR RUBBER JACKET SEALS: Push seal down over valve guide until it bottoms.

FOR SOLID OR METAL JACKET SEALS: The use of an OEM service tool is recommended. If tool is unavailable, use a deep socket or rigid tube of appropriate diameter. Center tool (or socket) over the shoulder of the seal and tap the seal down over the guide until it bottoms.

VALVE COVER/PUSH ROD COVER

ATTACH AND ALIGN GASKET(S): Use a quick drying adhesive, applied sparingly. If gasket has installation tabs, adhesive is not required. **IMPORTANT:** If gasket is rubber, install dry.

INTAKE MANIFOLD GASKET

V-TYPE ENGINES - FIBER SIDE GASKET(S) ALONG WITH FRONT AND REAR END SEAL(S): Attach and align gasket(s) and end seals using a quick-drying adhesive sparingly. **PRIOR TO INSTALLING INTAKE MANIFOLD** apply a dab of silicone sealer where all gaskets and seals meet.

INLINE ENGINES: Attach and align gaskets to cylinder heads.

IMPORTANT: WHEN INSTALLING STEEL SHIM GASKETS(S):

Apply sealer around intake ports on both sides. If gasket(s) have water ports on both sides, apply a 1/8" continuous bead of silicone sealer around each water port on both sides. While sealer is wet, install intake manifold.

EXHAUST MANIFOLD GASKET

ATTACH AND ALIGN GASKET(S). If gasket has only one steel faced side, install steel side towards manifold.

WATER OUTLET GASKET

TO ASSIST IN ALIGNMENT AND SEALING DURING ASSEMBLY, apply a thin coat of gasket sealer to both sides of gasket(s).