

## P/N 12608HKR

# SUPER COMPETITION ENGINE SWAP MOTOR MOUNT KIT 1975-80 Monza/Vega, 1976-79 Starfire, & 1975-79 Astre/Sunbird

Thank you for making HOOKER HEADERS your choice in a high-performance exhaust system. Extensive dyno/track testing has enabled HOOKER to offer the most advanced design in exhaust systems. The installation, while not complex, will take a certain amount of time. However, the additional horsepower and improved performance will more than justify your efforts. Proper installation and maintenance will ensure long life and maximum performance from your HOOKER HEADER exhaust system.

NOTE: Vehicles using manual transmissions will need to modify the clutch cable bracket.

WARNING! Breaking in an engine with ceramic-coated headers WILL result in damage to the coating and will VOID all warranties. Ceramic-coated headers require several heat cycles to fully cure before they will withstand extreme heat. HOOKER recommends using a cast-iron exhaust manifold or an old header to break in new engines to avoid coating damage.

#### **BEFORE STARTING**

Your vehicle must be raised a minimum of 36 inches. A floor hoist is ideal. If no hoist is available, we strongly urge the use of axle stands as a safety measure. CAUTION! YOUR CAR SHOULD NOT BE SUPPORTED ON A BUMPER JACK.

#### **INSTALLATION PROCEDURE - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

- 1. Remove the stock engine, transmission, and rear end.
- 2. Attach the front mount (left and right brackets) to the engine furnished with 3/8" x 3" bolts, using the original front mount holes (tap 3/8"-16 if necessary) and the top water pump holes. See **Figure A**.
- 3. Remove the oil pan from your engine and modify so that it will clear the steering. See Figure B.
- 4. Remove the idler am and install the right side mount (use the stock bolts and nuts to tighten). Weld along the rear gusset. See Figure C.
- Assemble the engine and transmission (do not include starter at this time).
- 6. Lower the engine and transmission into place. Mark the firewall and transmission tunnel for proper clearance around transmission. Remove the engine and transmission. Modify the firewall and transmission tunnel, as necessary.
- 7. Position the engine and transmission. Make sure the transmission is centered on the chassis. Now, install the transmission mount per instructions enclosed with the transmission mount kit. Make sure that the engine and transmission have adequate clearance. It should be a minimum of 1/2".
- 8. Remove the crossmember, engine, and transmission. Modify and install the starter. See Figure D.

NOTE: Be certain to use a short starter late model that bolts to the block or a start that bolts directly to an Ansen or Lakewood style bellhousing.

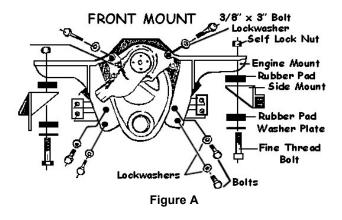
- 9. On some models, the heater core must be removed and turned around. Two new holes must be drilled in the heater core blower housing.
- 10. Lower the engine and transmission down into the vehicle. Make sure that everything is centered in the chassis.
- 11. Install the right side motor mount assembly. Do not tighten at this time. Use the rectangular washer plate to back up the lower rubber mount and insert the 9/16" bolt.
- 12. Again, check to make sure everything is centered. Install the left side motor mount. See Figure E.

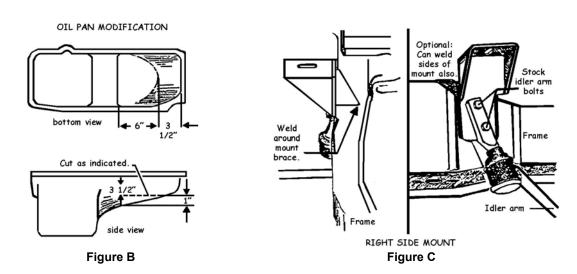
NOTE: Left side must be welded after the engine is installed. Right side mount can be welded, if desired.

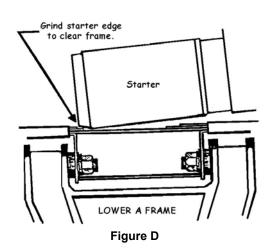
- 13. Reinstall transmission mount as per instructions.
- 14. Check that headers have sufficient clearance. Relocate engine slightly, if necessary. Tighten all bolts. Check to see if the threads on the 9/16" bolt are sufficiently into the crimp nut. If your car uses an automatic transmission, use a Hurst dual gate floor shift or a similar unit that uses a cable.
- 15. If your Vega uses a manual transmission, purchase a clutch cable bracket. Also, purchase a Chevy clutch cross-shaft from your Chevy dealer.
- 16. If the heater is to be used, a short water pump heater hose nipple will be required to clear the front engine mount properly.
- 17. We recommend these additional changes: (a) a narrowed late model rear end, (b) heavy duty springs or A/C spacers in the front to support the additional weight, (c) a larger fan (check fan blades/sway bar clearance, (d) heavy duty radiator, & (e) an early water pump (short shaft) and harmonic balancer pulley (single groove).

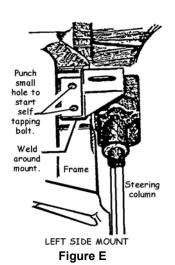
When finished, give your vehicle a test drive, checking carefully for any new noises. After several days of driving, retighten all the bolts.

Any questions? Please contact Technical Service: 1-866-GOHOLLEY or 270-781-9741. For online help, please refer to the website: www.holley.com.









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