



Equipped with AEM® *Dryflow Filter*

**No Oil Required!**

# **INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS**

**PART NUMBER: 22-406**

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1997-2001

HONDA Prelude L4-2.2L

C.A.R.B. E.O. # D-670

## PARTS LIST

Description	Qty.	Part Number
Air Filter Assy. 2.75 X 5" Dry Ele.	1	21-202DK
Short Pipe	1	2-4061
Hose, Silicone 2.75x3" Blk.	1	5-275
Mount, Rubber 1" X 6mm	1	1228599
Vacuum Cap, 1/8"	1	8-105
Grommet, 3/8"	1	784633
Grommet, 1/2"	1	784634
Hose; 3/8"ID X 2"L	1	5-1002
Washer, 6mm Soft Mount	1	559999
Nut, M6 Hex Serrated	1	444.460.04
1/2" Bnd. Hose Clamp, 2.31-3.25"	2	9444
Hose Clamp, 3/4"	2	4093-5
1/2" Bnd. Hose Clamp, 2.56"-3.50"	1	9448

**Read and understand these instructions BEFORE attempting to install this product. Failure to follow installation instructions and not using the provided hardware may damage the intake tube, throttle body and engine.**

## **1. Preparing Vehicle**

- a. Make sure vehicle is parked on level surface.
- b. Set parking brake.
- c. If engine has run in the past two hours, let it cool down.
- d. Disconnect negative battery terminal.
- e. Do not discard stock components after removal of the factory system.

## **2. Removal of stock system**

- a. Disconnect breather hose and any vacuum lines (if they are present) from the air inlet tube.
- b. **CAUTION: Ensure the engine is completely cool before removing the coolant hose, or hot coolant will escape from the cooling system and cause injury or damage. Be sure to capture any lost coolant in a clean container.**

Disconnect the water bypass hose from throttle body or the fast idle thermo valve, if equipped; located at the lower portion of the throttle body. Disconnect the opposite side of the water bypass hose, which runs to either the intake manifold or the water outlet neck. Remove the entire water bypass hose and breather hose assembly from the vehicle. Disconnect the intake air bypass control valve hose where applicable.

- c. Loosen and remove the air inlet tube from the throttle body.
- d. Loosen and remove the stock air box from the vehicle.

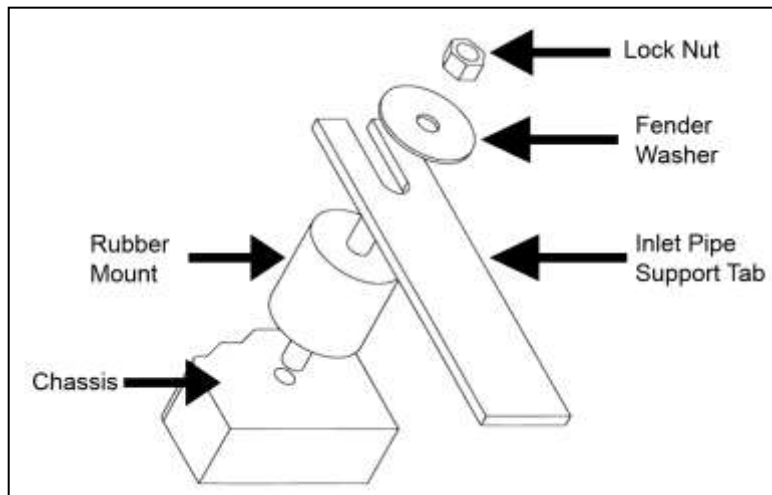
**NOTE: It is not necessary to remove the stock resonator from inside the fender well.**

## **3. Installation of AEM<sup>®</sup> intake system.**

- a. When installing the intake system, do not completely tighten the hose clamps or mounting hardware until instructed to do so.
- b. Some applications retain the O.E. PCV breather pipe. If the O.E. PCV pipe lines up with a hole then install the 3/8" I.D. grommet into the hole. If the O.E. PCV pipe lines up with a nipple then move to the next step.
- c. Install one black connector hose on the throttle body end of the inlet pipe. That is the end closer to the breather nipple.
- d. Install two hose clamps on the connector hose and just snug them down on the hose.
- e. Slide the throttle body end of the inlet pipe onto the throttle body.
- f. Gently tighten the hose clamps so that the pipe can still be rotated.
- g. **NOTE: If your application does not have a support tab then skip to step 3h.**  
Some applications have a support tab that is welded onto the inlet pipe.

- i. The support tab on the inlet pipe will line up with a threaded hole on the inner fender well. Install the rubber isolator mount and attach the air inlet tube onto the rubber mount. Install the large fender washer and the lock nut onto the isolator mount stud and snug it down.

**NOTE: Failure to install the rubber mount will void all warranties of the AEM<sup>®</sup> intake system. There is a diagram of how the rubber mount should be installed on the next page.**



h. Install the air filter.

- i. Install the AEM<sup>®</sup> air filter onto the end of the inlet tube. Push the filter on around 2 inches over the inlet pipe and install one hose clamp to secure the filter on to the inlet pipe. Once fitment is checked, you can either push the filter on to the inlet pipe more or less depending on clearances. Tighten the hose clamp after this is done. Be sure to leave ample clearance between the filter and any surrounding components.
- i. Connect the breather hose between the valve cover and the inlet pipe using the breather hose and two clamps supplied with the kit. Connect the new supplied water bypass hose and clamps to the throttle body or the fast idle thermo valve, where equipped, and either the intake manifold or the water outlet neck disconnected earlier.

**NOTE: Replace any coolant recovered during hose removal by replenishing the recovery tank.**

- j. If your O.E. PCV breather pipe lines up with a grommet then slide the pipe into the grommet. If your O.E. PCV breather pipe lines up with a nipple then install the 2" long breather hose included in the kit, and secure it with the hose clamps supplied in the kit.

**NOTE: Some 1992-2001 Honda Preludes have an intake air resonator valve located within the O.E. resonator box. Since this part of the O.E. air intake system is not being reused upon the installation of the AEM<sup>®</sup> intake system, the vacuum line running from it to the intake manifold must be removed and plugged using the vacuum cap included. Simply follow the vacuum line from the resonator box to the intake manifold. Disconnect the vacuum line from the intake manifold and then install the rubber plug.**

#### 4. Reassemble Vehicle

- a. Position the inlet pipes for the best fitment. Be sure that the pipes or any other components do not contact any part of the vehicle. Tighten the rubber mount, all bolts, and hose clamps.
  - i. Be sure that the rubber mount is not stressed in any way that may lead to premature failure.
- b. Check for proper hood clearance. Re-adjust pipes if necessary and re-tighten them.
- c. Inspect the engine bay for any loose tools and check that all fasteners that were moved or removed are properly tightened.
- d. Reconnect negative battery terminals and start engine. Let the vehicle idle for 3 minutes. Perform a final inspection before driving the vehicle.

#### 5. CARB Sticker Placement

- a. The C.A.R.B. exemption sticker, (attached), must be visible under the hood so that an emissions inspector can see it when the vehicle is required to be tested for emissions. California requires testing every two years, other states may vary.

## 6. Service and Maintenance

- a. It is recommended that you service your AEM<sup>®</sup> Dryflow™ filter every 20,000 miles for optimum performance. Use AEM Dryflow cleaning kit part # 21-110.
- b. Use aluminum polish to clean your polished AEM<sup>®</sup> intake tube.
- c. Use window cleaner to clean your powder coated AEM intake tube. **(NOTE: DO NOT USE aluminum polish on powder coated AEM<sup>®</sup> intake tubes).**