

# AEROMOTIVE Part # 18688 & 18689 Phantom Fuel Pump / Baffle System For Tank Depths 6"-11" INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

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# **WARNING!**



Always be aware of flammable situations. Drilling and grinding can be potential ignition sources. Extinguish all open flames, prohibit smoking and eliminate all sources of ignition in the area of the vehicle and workspace before proceeding with the installation. Ensure you are working in a well ventilated area with an approved fire extinguisher nearby.

# **WARNING!**



Installation of this product requires modification to <u>a fuel tank</u>, failure to satisfy all safety considerations will result in fire, explosion, injury and/or loss of life to yourself and/or others.

# **WARNING!**



Mechanical and hydraulic lifting devices can tip over or lower accidentally due to incorrect maneuvering or technical errors. A falling object can cause injury and/or loss of life to yourself and/or others. When working under the vehicle always use stands and ensure that the ground or floor is stable and level. Never crawl under a vehicle which is only supported by a jack.

# **WARNING!**



The fuel system is under pressure. Do not open the fuel system until the pressure has been relieved. Refer to the appropriate vehicle service manual for the procedure and precautions for relieving the fuel system pressure.

# **CAUTION!**



When installing this product always wear safety glasses and other appropriate safety appeal. A drilling operation will cause flying metal chips. Flying metal chips can cause eye injury.

# **CAUTION:**



Installation of this product requires detailed knowledge of automotive systems and repair procedures. We recommend that this installation be carried out by a qualified automotive technician. Careless installation of this product can result in damge to the product, injury or loss of life to yourself and/or others.

# Parts Included:

1ea Fuel Pump (11142 for 18688 or 11137 for 18689)

1ea Fuel Pump Strainer

1ea Fuel Pump Hanger Assembly

1ea Fuel Pump Foam Baffle Assembly

1ea Gasket, 1/2" Thick

1ea Retainer C-Ring with studs

1ea Installation Ring

1ea #2 Drill (.221 dia.)

2ea Ring Terminal

2ea Ring Terminal Cap

1ea Hose Clamp

2ea Pump Clamp

10ea 10-24 Nylon Locking Stainless Steel Nut

10ea #10 Nylon Washer

2ea 10-24 x 2-1/2" Machine Screw

30in 1" Wide x 1/2" thick Foam Spacer

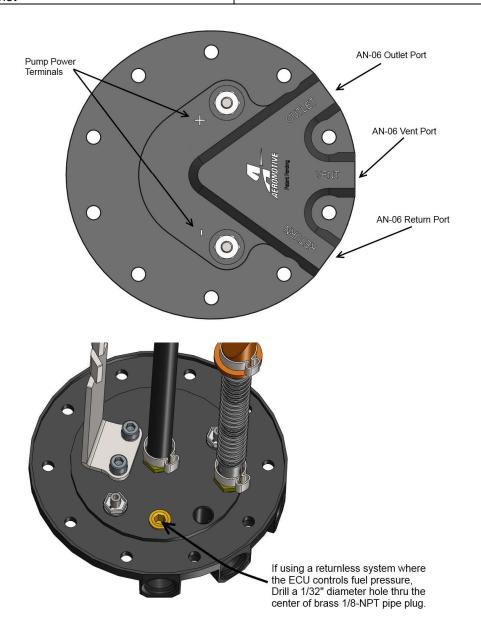
### **Tools Needed:**

3-1/4" Metal Cutting Hole Saw Drill

Straight Slot (flat-blade) Screwdriver

3/8" Socket and Ratchet

Tape Measure Bread Knife or Hacksaw blade



The enclosed Aeromotive fuel pump assembly utilizes an o-ring sealed AN-06 style feed, return and vent ports. These ports seal with o-rings; these ports are **NOT PIPE THREAD** and utilize **NO THREAD SEALANT**.

The fuel pump used in this tank is either the Aeromotive Stealth 340 (part # 11142) for kit 18688 or the Aeromotive Stealth 200 (part# 11137) for kit 11189. To insure proper pump function and life, we strongly recommend the following:

- Utilize AN-06 (EFI) or AN-08 (carb) size high pressure fuel lines, fittings and o-rings for all connections from the fuel tank to the engine, including the supply and return lines.
- Install a 10 micron post-filter (Aeromotive p/n 12301 or 12321).
- Install a remote-mount rollover valve. It must be mounted in a vertical position and mounted as high or higher than your filler tube.
- Fuel pump wiring should be 10 gauge wire and triggered with a relay rated for a minimum of 20 amps (Aeromotive standard fuel pump wiring kit P/N 16301 or the Deluxe HD wiring kit P/N 16307).
- A return style or bypass regulator must be used (Aeromotive p/n 13105, 13109 or 13129 for EFI, 13204 for carb).with the exception of applications running an ECU that supports a returnless systems where the ECU controls fuel pressure via PWM.

<u>Failure to follow the above recommendations may result in fuel leakage, bursting of the fuel lines, poor vehicle performance and/or decreased fuel pump life! Improper installation will void all warranties for this product!</u>

### Pump Specifications:

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	18688 Kit (Pump #11142)	18689 Kit (Pump #11137)
Outlet pressure/typical flow:	10 psi / 408 LPH @ 13.5 V	10 psi / 272 LPH @ 13.5 V
	40 psi / 340 LPH @ 13.5 V	40 psi / 215 LPH @ 13.5 V
	60 psi / 284 LPH @ 13.5 V	60 psi / 189 LPH @ 13.5 V
Continuous Operating Range:	5 psi – 65 psi @ 13.5 V	5 psi – 65 psi @ 13.5 V
Pump internal By-Pass Pressure:	105 psi	80 psi
Current Draw:	13 amps @ 40 psi	8.3 amps @ 40 psi

### Aeromotive Commonly Used Fittings

15606 AN-06 ORB to AN-06 Flare (Inlet/outlet/vent fitting)	For AN-06 fuel lines
15649 AN-06 ORB to AN-08 Flare (Inlet/outlet/vent fitting)	For AN-08 fuel lines
15609 AN-10 ORB to AN-06 Flare (fuel filter fitting)	For AN-06 fuel lines
15610 AN-10 ORB to AN-08 Flare (fuel filter fitting)	For AN-08 fuel lines

### Aeromotive AN-10 Fuel Filter P/N's

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12301 Red 10-micron Fuel Filter	12304 Red 100-micron Fuel Filter
12321 Black 10-micron Fuel Filter	12324 Black 100-Micron Fuel Filter
12351 Chrome 10-micron Fuel Filter	12354 Chrome-100 micron Fuel Filter
12335 Red 40-micron Fuel Filter	12331 Black-100 micron Fuel Filter w/ Shutoff Valve
12305 Fuel Filter Bracket	

### **Aeromotive Electrical Components**

16301 Standard Fuel Pump Wiring Kit 16307 Deluxe HD Fuel Pump Wiring Kit 16306 Fuel Pump Speed Controller

Aeromotive system components are not legal for sale or use on emission controlled motor vehicles.

### The following steps are typical of most installations:

- 1. Once the engine has been allowed to cool, disconnect the negative battery cable and relieve the fuel system pressure, referring to the appropriate vehicle service manual for the procedure and precautions for doing so.
- 2. Raise the vehicle on stable level ground and support it with jack stands.
- 3. Referring to the appropriate vehicle service manual for instructions, drain, disconnect any electrical and fuel system component connections and remove the OEM fuel tank. The removal of the vehicles exhaust system may be necessary for fuel tank removal.



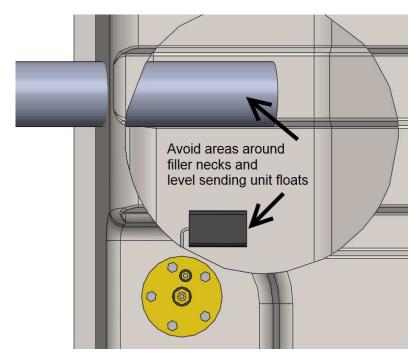
This Aeromotive Phantom Fuel Pump System is intended to be installed into a NEW fuel tank that does NOT, and has NEVER contained fuel. If you choose to install this product into a fuel tank that has had fuel introduced to it, proceed at your own risk.



The fuel tank must be professionally cleaned to remove all traces of any combustible fluids. Failure to properly clean and remove all combustible fluids from the fuel tank will result in injury or loss of life to yourself and/or others.

4. With the new cleaned fuel tank on your preferred work surface, start to determine the desired pump mounting location on top of the fuel tank by identify mounting areas to avoid. Avoid areas of the tank where fuel level sending unit, float arm or float are present. Also, avoid areas where the fuel filler neck may protrude inside the fuel tank.

Never mount the fuel pump on the side or bottom of the fuel tank.

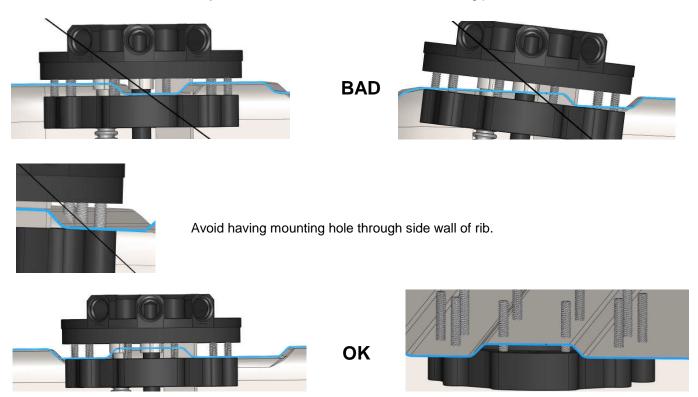


- 5. Secondly, locate and avoid areas of the top of the fuel tank that might contact the bottom of the vehicle frame rails, supports or floor pan.
- 6. Now that you have identified the areas on the fuel tank to avoid, you can narrow this down further by identifying the orientation of the fuel pump outlet cap how you would like to route the electrical and fuel lines.

Note: Ensure that you mount the fuel pump at the deepest possible area of the fuel tank.

- 7. If the top of the tank is corrugated or has ribs on the desired mounting surface, the included gasket will compress and form to the ribs up to 1/4" deep. For extreme cases where the ribs are deeper or oddly shaped the use of a fuel resistant sealant such as, Dow Corning 730 fluorosilicone RTV, or additional fabrication may be necessary.

  Do not use silicone gasket maker or sealant as it is not fuel resistant.
- 8. Using the fuel pump retainer ring (C-shaped part with 10 threaded studs) as a guide determine the fuel pump mounting location, avoiding the areas previously identified. If the top of the tank is corrugated or has ribs further positioning will be required. Noting the location of the tank ribs position the fuel pump retainer ring such that it will be balanced across the ribs. Note that the fuel pump retainer ring will be on the inside of the fuel tank so position it across the ribs that protrude into the tank. Next rotate the fuel pump retainer ring such that none of the studs fall on the side walls of the ribs. Once you have double check the selected mounting position mark the center.



9. With the center of the fuel pump location marked and everything double checked, use metal cutting hole saw to create a 3-1/4" hole in the top of the tank.



- 10. Place the included "installation ring" over the 3-1/4" hole so the raised register drops into it. Now rotate the ring until the bolt pattern is in the predetermined alignment. If the tank is corrugated or has ribs, rotate or clock the installation ring to ensure that none of the holes on the bolt pattern would have to be drilled into the side walls of the ribs.
- 11. With the installation ring correctly clocked in place, use the included #2 drill bit and drill one of the bolt pattern holes.



- 12. Place one of the included 10-24 x 2-1/2" screws in the above hole to help hold the index ring for further drilling.
- 13. With the installation ring still in place, drill a second hole, directly across (180-degrees) from the first.
- 14. Place the second 10-24 x 2-1/2" screw in the above second hole.
- 15. With the installation ring still held in place by the first two alignment screws, drill the remaining 8 holes.
- 16. Remove the installation ring and two alignment screws.
- 17. Using the fuel pump retainer ring, align the studs with the newly drilled holes and check for proper fit.
- 18. Remove any burrs that where created during the drilling operations above.
- 19. Carefully clean any debris from inside the fuel tank, a good shop-vac can be very helpful here.
- 20. Using a tape measure, determine the depth of the tank at the fuel pump location.



- 21. Measure the foam baffle assembly from the bottom (black rubber part) up and mark the assembly 1" longer than the determined tank depth. (If the tank was 6" deep, mark the foam baffle assembly to be 7" long)
- 22. Using a bread knife or fine-tooth hacksaw blade, carefully cut the foam baffle to the desired length.



- 23. Install the fuel pump retainer ring into the fuel tank from the inside. The C-shape allows the ring to be inserted through the smaller hole, to the inside of the tank, and the studs pushed up through the holes drilled in steps 11-15.
- 24. Place the installation ring over the retaining ring studs that now protrude from the top of the tank. With the foam baffle fully inserted into the bladder/cup, Compress the baffle assembly, and insert it through the installation ring into the tank being careful not to cut the assembly or your hands on the tank edge. Once the baffle assembly is in the tank, manipulate it until it's centered within the opening.



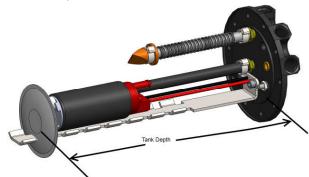
25. NOTE: COMPLETE THIS STEP ONLY IF YOU PLAN ON USING A RETURNLESS FUEL SYSTEM where the ECU uses PWM to control fuel pressure. In this case you must drill a 1/32" hole thru the pipe plug indicated below. If you are planning on using a traditional, return style fuel system please skip this step If you are unsure what your system requires, please contact your EFI system manufacturer or Aeromotive for assistance.



26. Install fuel pump strainer (pre-filter) on the fuel pump.



Position the fuel pump on the fuel pump hanger assembly such that from the bottom of the outlet cap to the bottom of the fuel pump strainer is equal to the fuel tank depth. Mark the bracket and the black outlet hose so they may be cut to the necessary lengths. Remember, take the time to measure twice and cut once!



Note: Failure to position the fuel pump strainer on the bottom of the basket assembly will potentially starve the pump for fuel when fuel tank level is low, yielding poor drivability and reduced pump performance.

- 27. Cut the black outlet hose to the desired length.
- 28. Using a metal cutting saw cut the bracket to the desired length, removing enough at the bottom to ensure that the end of the bracket will not contact the fuel pump strainer.
- 29. Using the small hose clamp attach the black outlet hose to the fuel pump and tighten.
- 30. Using the two larger hose clamps attach the pump to the pump bracket and tighten. The clamps should be positioned in the notches of the bracket.
- 31. Plug the electrical connector(s) into the pump and tuck the wire out of the way, for kit p/n 18689 the positive connector is the .250" wide terminal and the negative terminal is .188" wide.
- 32. Install the provided gasket onto the threaded studs on the fuel pump retaining ring.
- 33. If the top of the tank is corrugated or has ribs on the desired mounting surface, the included gasket will compress and form to the ribs up to 1/4" deep. In extreme cases where the ribs are deeper than ¼", or oddly shaped, the use of a fuel resistant sealant such as, Dow Corning 730 fluorosilicone RTV, or additional fabrication may be necessary. **Do not use silicone gasket maker or sealant as it is not fuel resistant.**
- 34. With the fuel pump hanger fully assembled and the gasket in place, ease the pump hanger assembly into the baffle assembly inside the fuel tank. Rotate the billet fuel pump hanger assembly to orient the fuel line and vent connections in the desired orientation and drop the hanger onto the retaining ring studs.

Caution: Take special care to ensure that the fuel pump wires are fully inside of the tank and will not be pinched in between the pump assembly and the fuel tank during assembly.



- 35. Press down firmly on the top of the pump assembly to compress the gasket. Start two of the 10-24 lock nuts on a pair of studs 180- degree apart. Tighten these two nuts until the remaining studs are approximately 1/4" exposed.
- 36. With the remaining 8 studs exposed approximately 1/4", place one of the #10 white nylon sealing washers on each of the studs followed by a 10-24 locking nut.
- 37. Remove the first two lock nuts used to help compress the gasket. Place one of the #10 white nylon sealing washers on each of these two studs, followed by reinstalling the 10-24 locking nut.
- 38. With all 10 studs now having a #10 white nylon sealing washer and a locking nut, slowly tighten using a crisscross pattern until the gasket forms to the tank surface.

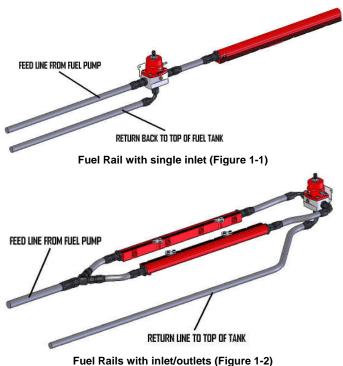
39. Prep the new tank by making all the necessary connection (feed, return, vent and electrical) before placing tank in vehicle. In most cases, once the tank is placed in the vehicle these connection will not be accessible. For electrical wiring refer to **Figure 2-1.** 

Note: Tank vent must be at least 6" above the top of the tank if a roll-over valve is used (highly recommended).

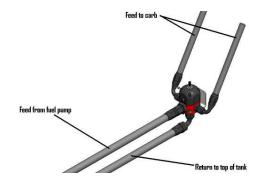
- 40. Reinstall the fuel tank in the vehicle. In some cases it may be necessary to space the fuel tank down to allow additional clearance for the new pump outlet, top plate and fittings. 1/2" thick foam material is provided and should be divided and installed at the top of the tank on either side, between the tank and the trunk floor, to help space the fuel tank down if necessary. Additional fabrication may be necessary to gain clearance in extreme cases.
- 41. Now route the feed and return line under the vehicle and secure them to the chassis. It's recommended to install a post-filter between the fuel pump and the engine (see Aeromotive part # 12301/12321). Place the filter in a location that is clear of suspension and exhaust system components and easy to get to for servicing.

Note: Be sure to route all fuel lines clear of any moving suspension or drivetrain components, and any exhaust components! Protect fuel lines from abrasion and road obstructions or debris.

42. The pictures below are typical regulator installations for EFI setups with Aeromotive Bypass Regulator P/N 13109. Figures 1-1 & 1-2



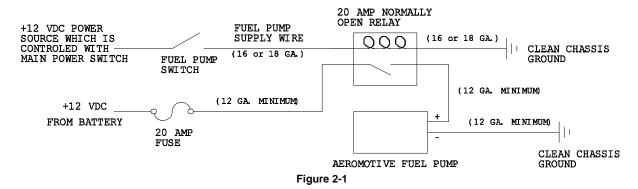
43. Use the figure below for a single carb installation with Aeromotive Bypass Regulator P/N 13204. (Figure 1-3)



Single carb setup (Figure 1-3)

Note: Be sure to route all electrical wires clear of any moving suspension or drivetrain components and any exhaust components! Protect wires from abrasion and road obstructions or debris.

44. Connect electrical power (12 VDC) to the pump. Make sure you use stranded, insulated copper wire, in the sizes shown, with matching crimp-type connectors for all connections. *CAUTION:* The pump must not be connected directly to the battery. Connect the Aeromotive fuel pump as shown in the following diagram:



CAUTION: While performing the following steps, if any fuel leaks are detected, immediately turn the fuel pump OFF, remove any spilled fuel and repair the leak(s) before proceeding!

- 45. Turn the fuel pump ON without starting the engine, allow the pump to run for several seconds and check the fuel pressure. If there is no pressure, turn the fuel pump OFF, wait one minute, then turn the fuel pump ON and recheck the pressure. Repeat this fuel pump OFF and ON procedure until the fuel pressure gauge registers pressure or you detect a fuel leak. It may be necessary to loosen the fuel line fitting at the pressure regulator to bleed off excessive air in the system. Tighten any fuel line fittings which where loosened and insure that any spilled fuel is cleaned up and removed from the vicinity of the vehicle. If no pressure is registered on the gauge after running the pump for several seconds and you have found no leaks, check all fuel and electrical connections to determine the cause.
- 46. Once the fuel pressure gauge registers pressure, start the engine. The gauge on the fuel pressure regulator should register between 3 and 12 psi for carb and 35-60 for EFI. Now adjust the fuel pressure regulator to the desired setting.

Test drive the vehicle to insure proper operation and re-check the fuel system for leaks. If any leaks are found, immediately discontinue use of the vehicle and repair the leak(s)!