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CABIN AIR
PARTICULATE VS. CHARCOAL
FILTERS

Particulate cabin air filters were the first type of cabin air filter and still are the most common, especially for the more economically priced applications. Particulate cabin air filters are good at stopping dust, pollen, and large particles from entering your vehicle's air system and cabin. Charcoal filters have made their way into the market and are seen as the "premium" cabin air filter. These filters are more common in premium applications and are quickly starting to become the standard for cabin air filters. A charcoal filter functions the same as a particulate cabin air filter but they absorb odors and harmful gases, unlike the particulate filters.



Highlights

- Both filters cover the same vehicle applications.
- The particulate filter stops dust, pollen, and large particles from entering your cabin's air system.
- The charcoal filter has the same ability as the particulate but also absorbs odors and gases.
- Charcoal is seen as a "premium" cabin air filter option.
- Beck/Arnley has multiple applications where one can choose a particulate or charcoal filter.

P.E.T. AIR FILTER PATENT

PET filter contains zero plastic or foam. A PET filter is nothing but a sheet of fiber media that is compressed to permanently hold pleats and a general shape.

This type of filter has caused issues for the aftermarket. Manufacturers have patents, making it difficult for the filter's design to be duplicated.

To solve any patent infringement issues, most aftermarket air filter companies supply a filter that still completes the task of filtering air entering the engine's intake manifold but looks slightly different from the PET filter.



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