



Installation Instructions and Warranty Information

Part # 6618S

1966-1977 Bronco 260-302



This product is Legal for use on 1974 and older non catalyst equipped vehicles and is considered a “replacement part” per California Air Resources Board regulations, as long as ALL emissions sensitive components are retained, including A.I.R., EGR, Heat Risers etc. Failure to retain any of these components, or use on any 1975 or newer catalytic converter equipped car would render this product Illegal for Street or Off Highway Use in California, or in states that have adopted California Emissions regulations and may only be used for Close Course Competition.

Read all instructions carefully before attempting installation.

 **WARNING:**

This product can expose you to chemicals including Lead, Nickel, Cadmium and Chromium which are known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm.

PerTronix© thanks you for choosing JBA HEADERS, the best fitting, highest quality header on the market. In order to realize the full potential of our good fit, please read and understand these instructions completely prior to starting work.

Check to make sure you received the proper parts for your application. The header number will be stamped on the engine flange. If you are unsure you have received the proper parts call before you start work.

Be sure to work safe! Whenever you work under the vehicle be sure that it is located on level, solid ground and is supported by adequate safety stands! Remember: Hot asphalt will not support most jack stands!

Many factors affect the installation of headers, some of which are broken or aftermarket motor mounts, accidents that impact the configuration of the frame, and/or the installation of different engines or aftermarket cylinder heads.

Attention Customers breaking in new engines: Due to the extreme heat generated during the break-in process, the appearance of the ceramic coating may be altered in certain areas. The protection characteristics and thermal barrier properties of the coating is never compromised. It is recommended that a cast iron manifold or old set of headers be used for this process.

Notice: The coating of these headers can be marred or scratched during installation. If the header needs to be returned and is damaged, you will be charged for a re-coat.

JBA uses sealing beads on all its headers. We have found that when installed correctly, the raised bead around each port increases the pressure exerted on the gasket directly adjacent to the port and effectively prevents leaking gaskets. It is normal for the flange to be raised off the cylinder head the thickness of the sealing bead. It is important when installing the header, to install all bolts loosely, then tighten evenly to ensure the flat installation of the flange. The torque sequence from one flange to another will vary, but generally every bolt on a header should be first fit snug, starting from the inside of the flange working out, alternating from top to bottom so that the bolt connects the flange to the manifold to the point where they barely touch. Second, using the same inside-out pattern, tighten each bolt until finished. This method will help prevent leakage and will give the user the best possible performance out of their pair of headers.

Installation of these headers requires an adequate work space, general mechanic's tools, general mechanical "know-how" and a reasonable degree of experience. Most auto enthusiasts with these resources will have little difficulty installing these headers. However, you should carefully read these instructions before attempting to install these headers. If in doubt, consult a professional mechanic. (Better to do it now than to get stuck half-way through the installation.)

1. Place vehicle in a location where the floor is solid and flat, with adequate lighting. Do not attempt to work on a hot engine. Heat causes metal to expand and makes removal of fasteners difficult at best. Disconnect the battery cables from the battery. Use large-base jack stands to support the vehicle. Do not rely on the jack! Block the tires to prevent the vehicle from rolling off the jack stands.
2. Disconnect the spark plug wires by grasping and gently twisting the spark plug wire boots. Do not pull on the wires! Brush or blow any debris, which may have collected around the manifolds or spark plugs. This will help prevent foreign matter from entering the combustion chamber when the manifolds are removed. Spray WD-40 or some type of penetrating oil on all accessible fasteners and fittings before attempting to remove them. Remove Spark Plugs.
3. Raise the truck frame approx. 36" from the ground.
4. Disconnect and remove the stock exhaust from the manifolds. Remove the oil dip stick and tube.
5. Unbolt both exhaust manifolds and remove. Move exhaust pipes out of the way. Using a small wire brush or similar instrument, clean any carbon deposits left on the head taking care not to let deposits fall into the ports.
6. Remove the clutch linkage on stick shift trucks. Remove the front driveshaft from the axle and push it to the side. Drill a new hole for the clutch return spring approx 1" towards the drivers side to keep it from vibrating on the header.
7. Support the engine with a block of wood and a jack under the oil pan and remove the driver's side engine mount. Lift the left side of the motor approx. 2". From underneath, slip the Driver's side header up into position. Put a small dab of anti seize on the supplied header bolts, install the gasket, and bolt the header to the cylinder head. Tighten the bolts evenly to a torque of 35 ft lbs on Iron heads or 18 ft lbs on Aluminum heads.
8. Lower the motor and reinstall the motor mount. Re install the dip stick tube and dip stick.
7. Remove the air cleaner and the carb heat choke tube. From either top or bottom, slide the passenger side header in place. Put a small dab of anti seize on the supplied header bolts, install the gasket, and bolt the header to the cylinder head. Tighten the bolts evenly working from the center out.
8. Check for clearance of Fuel Lines, Brake Lines and wiring - modify as necessary. CHECK CAREFULLY!
9. Using the collector reducers supplied hook up the remainder of you exhaust. 1975-77 models need the stock Y Pipe modified to retain the Catalytic converter to remain emissions legal. For 1966-74 models JBA offers a complete bolt on exhaust part # 40-2543.
10. Replace the Spark plugs, air cleaner, and wires. Reinstall the clutch linkage and front drive shaft.
11. Recheck all wires and hoses are clear of the headers before stating the car.
12. After 100 miles re tighten the header bolts and check them periodically.

Parts List

- (1) Driver's Side Header Assembly
- (1) Passenger's Side Header Assembly
- (16) 3/8 "x 1 "header bolts & lock washers
- (2) Header gaskets (Header to Head flange)
- (2) V Band Reducers
- (2) V Band Clamps

