



**Mr. Gasket Cast Aluminum Valve Covers  
Application Specific Fitment (See Chart)**

Thank you for making MR. GASKET your choice for high-performance valve covers. Extensive dyno, street, and track testing has enabled MR. GASKET to offer affordable and lightweight valve covers for your application.

**CAUTION!** If your engine has non-standard valve train components, such as a high-lift camshaft, roller-tip rocker arm, higher lift ratio rocker arms, stud girdles, etc., there may be insufficient clearance when using the Mr. Gasket fabricated aluminum valve cover. You must check all internal clearances according to installation steps 9-12 below.

**WARNING! INSUFFICIENT CLEARANCE TO MOVING VALVE TRAIN COMPONENTS COULD LEAD TO PART BREAKAGE AND RESULT IN SERIOUS ENGINE DAMAGE.**

**Application Chart:**

P/N	Description
<b>6840G</b>	Cast aluminum tall valve cover pair, polished, 1962-85 Ford 260-351W small block w/hole
<b>6870G</b>	Cast aluminum valve cover pair, polished, 1987-97 Chevy 305-350 small block w/hole
<b>6858G</b>	Cast aluminum valve cover pair, polished, 1965-2000 Chevy 396-454 big block, w/ hole
<b>6855G</b>	Cast aluminum valve cover pair, finned, polished, 1958-86 Chevy 283-400 small block, w/ hole
<b>6856G</b>	Cast aluminum valve cover pair, finned, polished, 1987-97 Chevy 305-350 small block
<b>6854</b>	Cast aluminum valve cover pair, tall, polished, 1958-86 Chevy 283-400 small block
<b>6873G</b>	Cast aluminum valve cover pair, polished, 1968-97 Ford 429-460 big block, w/ hole
<b>6857G</b>	Cast aluminum valve cover pair, ball milled, polished, 1958-86 Chevy 283-400 small block
<b>6890G</b>	Cast aluminum valve cover tall pair, polished, 1971-82 Ford 351C/351M/400M
<b>6861G</b>	Cast aluminum valve cover pair, finned, polished, 1962-85 Ford 260-351W small block
<b>6859G</b>	Cast aluminum valve cover pair, finned, polished, 1965-2000 Chevy 396-454 big block

**Parts Included:**

- Mr. Gasket Cast Aluminum Valve Covers (pair)
- Mounting Hardware
- Installation Instructions

**Recommended Tools for Installation:**

Flat Head Screwdrivers	5/16" Hex Socket	Various 3/8" Drive Hex Sockets
Various 3/8" Drive Sockets	Gasket Scraper	Adhesive Gasket Sealant
6" Socket Extension	3/8" Drive Ratchet	Torque Wrench

**INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

**CAUTION! Never work on a hot engine. Open the hood and allow all components to cool before installing.**

1. Remove any oil fill caps, PCV components, or wires that are attached to the existing valve cover.
2. Remove the existing valve cover hardware and covers, then carefully clean any gasket material that adheres to the head surface. Do not allow any gasket debris to enter the engine.

3. Install the PCV valve rubber grommet and oil fill rubber grommet into the pre-baffled holes of the valve covers (if applicable).
  4. Install the new valve cover gaskets on the valve covers using an adhesive type gasket sealant (if applicable).
  5. If you are using 100% stock valve train components, then install the valve covers. **If any parts of the valve gear are aftermarket, see steps 9-12 to ensure proper clearances.**
  6. Torque the valve cover bolts to 5-6 ft./lbs., making sure the gaskets do not slip out of position. Proper torquing will help to ensure that your covers do not leak oil.
  7. Re-install any applicable items removed in Step 1.
  8. Start the engine and carefully check for any signs of oil leakage.
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9. Place small pieces of modeling clay on any protruding areas of the valve train (both moving and stationary). Include the following: both tips of the rocker arms, the pushrods (closest to the valve cover flange surface), on the rocker arm studs, or on the rocker shaft attachments. In general, check all the points that you are not sure about.
  10. Install the valve cover, using the correct gasket and tighten the valve cover hardware to 5-6 ft/lbs of torque. Turn the engine over by hand or with a SHORT lever, at least two full revolutions of the flywheel. Removing the spark plugs is advised.

**CAUTION!** Be alert for any signs of unusual binding as the engine is turned. If binding occurs; stop turning immediately, remove the valve cover, and check the clay pieces. DO NOT FORCE THE ENGINE TO TURN.

11. After two complete revolutions, remove the valve cover and check the clay thickness with a depth micrometer, or suitable instrument. Clay should compress to no thinner than .080" at any point for moving parts, and no thinner than .040" for stationary parts.

**NOTE:** If the clearance is not acceptable according to Step 11, Holley recommends that you install a spacer to increase clearance to the valve cover.

12. If the valve train clearance is acceptable, carefully remove all traces of the modeling clay from the engine. Return to step 6 and complete the installation.
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