



**HIGH TORQUE GEAR REDUCTION STARTER
INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS**

**Part Nos. 66256, 66258,
66259, 66266, & 66267**

Contents:

- 1 Starter motor**
- 2 Mounting Bolts**
- 2 Engine block shims**
- 1 Solderless terminal**
- 1 Round-nose shim**
- 1 Housing shim**

This starter is intended for use on GM corporate engines: small and big block V-8, and 90° V-6, with either 12-3/4 inch (153-tooth) or 14 inch (168-tooth) flywheels.

The armature housing may be rotated in relation to the mounting block. This allows for adjustment, if necessary, for clearance problems when used with large wet oil sumps and/or header exhaust systems.

This starter motor is designed for 12 volt - negative ground electrical systems.

NOTICE: NEVER OPERATE THIS STARTER MOTOR MORE THAN 30 SECONDS AT A TIME WITHOUT ALLOWING IT TO COOL FOR AT LEAST TWO MINUTES. OVERHEATING CAUSED BY CRANKING FOR TOO LONG A PERIOD WILL DAMAGE THE STARTER MOTOR.

CAUTION: Disconnect battery leads prior to starter installation.

INSTRUCTIONS

Hold starter motor in position at engine block. Install (2) supplied mounting bolts. Tighten to: 38 lbs. ft.

NOTE: Before operating starter, gear clearance must be checked.

(A) Starter pinion to ring gear clearance. This should be (.100 inch = .040 inch)
(See Fig. 1). If not enough clearance exists, install the supplied shims as follows:

- 1. Remove two 10mm gold housing bolts from the aluminum intermediate housing, and one 1/4" Allen head bolt from the front of the starter.
- 2. Fully remove aluminum mounting plate and gasket for re-use.

3. Insert round shim into mounting plate.
4. Align gasket and housing shim in proper position.
5. Insert housing into starter mounting plate.
6. Reinstall the three bolts,(3) bolts and tighten to 9 ft/lbs.

(B) Check starter pinion backlash. This should be (.040 = .015 inch). Measure and adjust as follows:

- 1) Pull out and engage pinion gear into flywheel.
- 2) Measure clearance between meshing gears. (See Fig. 2.)
- 3) Remove starter mounting bolts and install supplied shims as required.
- 4) Tighten starter mounting bolts: 38 ft./lbs.

Wiring:

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NOTE: (3) terminals at end of solenoid (See Fig. 3)

- a) Upper terminal
- b) Lower terminal (NOTE: Black lead is already attached.)
- c) Spade terminal

- 1) Attach positive battery wire to upper terminal
- 2) Connect a 12 or 14 gauge wire from starter switch to the spade terminal. Use the supplied mating connector if required.

