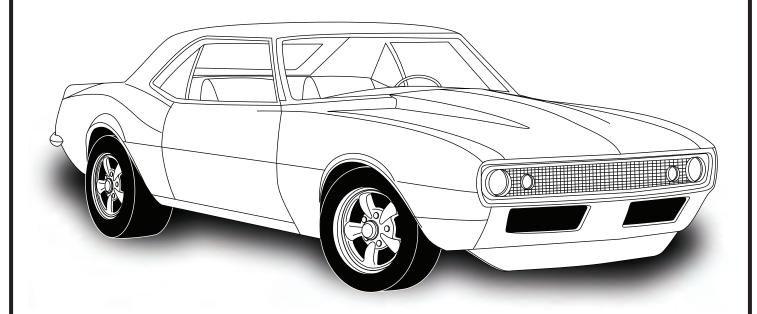


# 1967-68 Chevrolet Camaro/ Pontiac Firebird

with Factory Air Gen 5 Evaporator Kit (564244)



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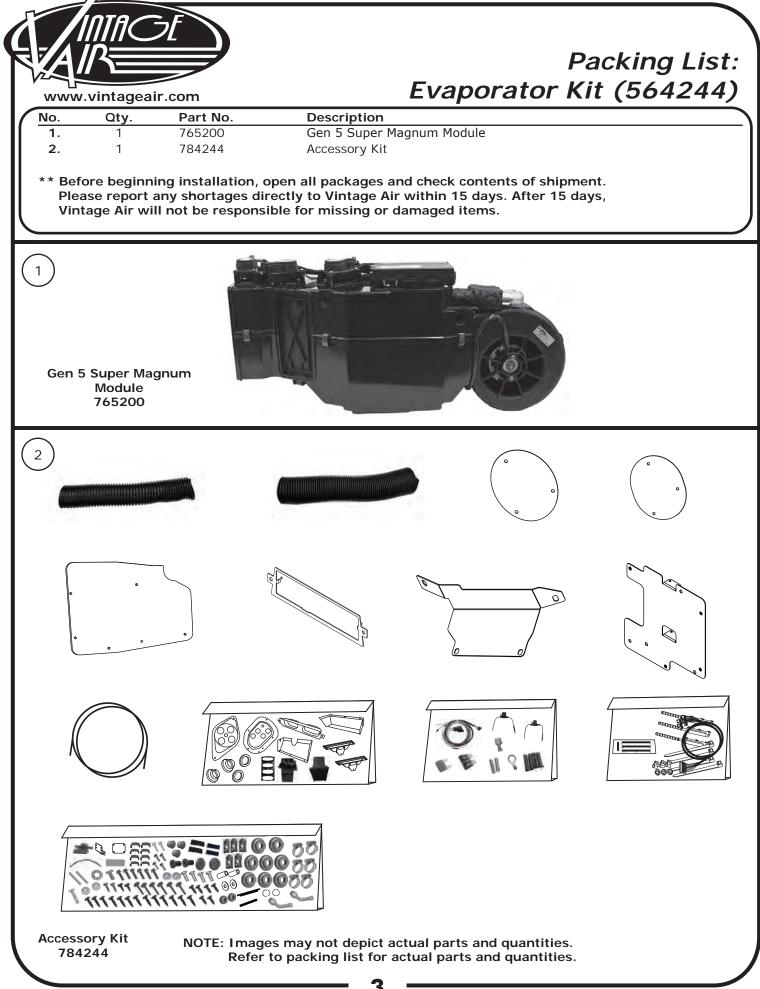
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A detailed tech video outlining the installation process of a Gen IV unit is available on Vintage Air's YouTube channel at <u>http://bit.ly/2GWAxWY</u>.

Installation processes of Gen IV and Gen 5 units are similar. Viewing the tech video along with the written instructions will provide the installer the most detailed installation procedure.





# Important Notice—Please Read

For Maximum System Performance, Vintage Air Recommends the Following:

NOTE: Vintage Air systems are designed to operate with R134a refrigerant only. Use of any other refrigerant could damage your A/C system and/or vehicle, and possibly cause a fire, in addition to potentially voiding the warranties of the A/C system and its components.

### Refrigerant Capacities:

Vintage Air System: 1.8 lbs. (28.8 oz.) or 816 grams of **R134a**, charged by weight with a quality charging station or scale. **NOTE: Use of the proper type and amount of refrigerant is critical to system operation and performance.** 

Other Systems: Consult manufacturer's guidelines.

### Lubricant Capacities:

**New Vintage Air-Supplied Sanden Compressor:** No additional oil needed (Compressor is shipped with proper oil charge).

All Other Compressors: Consult manufacturer (Some compressors are shipped dry and will need oil added).

### Safety Switches

Your Vintage Air system is equipped with a binary pressure safety switch. A binary switch disengages the compressor clutch in cases of extreme low pressure conditions (refrigerant loss) or excessively high head pressure (406 PSI) to prevent compressor damage or hose rupture. A trinary switch combines Hi/Lo pressure protection with an electric fan operation signal at 254 PSI, and should be substituted for use with electric fans. Compressor safety switches are extremely important since an A/C system relies on refrigerant to circulate lubricant.

### Service Info:

**Protect Your Investment:** Prior to assembly, it is critical that the compressor, evaporator, A/C hoses and fittings, hardlines, condenser and receiver/drier remain capped. Removing caps prior to assembly will allow moisture, insects and debris into the components, possibly leading to reduced performance and/or premature failure of your A/C system. This is especially important with the receiver/drier.

Additionally, when caps are removed for assembly, **BE CAREFUL!** Some components are shipped under pressure with dry nitrogen.

**Evacuate the System for 35-45 Minutes:** Ensure that system components (Drier, compressor, evaporator and condenser) are at a temperature of at least 85°F. On a cool day, the components can be heated with a heat gun *or* by running the engine with the heater on before evacuating. Leak check and charge to specifications.

### Bolts Passing Through Cowl and/or Firewall:

To ensure a watertight seal between the passenger compartment and the vehicle exterior, for all bolts passing through the cowl and/or firewall, Vintage Air recommends coating the threads with silicone prior to installation.

### Heater Hose (not included with this kit):

Heater hose may be purchased from Vintage Air (Part#31800-VUD) or your local parts retailer. Routing and required length will vary based on installer preference.



# **Important Wiring Notice—Please Read**

Some vehicles may have had some or all of their radio interference capacitors removed. There should be a capacitor found at each of the following locations:

- 1. On the positive terminal of the ignition coil.
- 2. If there is a generator, on the armature terminal of the generator.
- 3. If there is a generator, on the battery terminal of the voltage regulator.

Most alternators have a capacitor installed internally to eliminate what is called "whining" as the engine is revved. If whining is heard in the radio, or just to be extra cautious, a radio interference capacitor can be added to the battery terminal of the alternator.

It is also important that the battery lead is in good shape and that the ground leads are not compromised. There should be a heavy ground from the battery to the engine block, and additional grounds to the body and chassis.

If these precautions are not observed, it is possible for voltage spikes to be present on the battery leads. These spikes come from ignition systems and charging systems, and from switching some of the vehicle's other systems on and off. Modern computer-operated equipment can be sensitive to voltage spikes on the power leads, which can cause unexpected resets, strange behavior and/or permanent damage.

Vintage Air strives to harden our products against these types of electrical noise, but there is a point where a vehicle's electrical system can be degraded so much that nothing can help.

Radio interference capacitors should be available at most auto and truck parts suppliers. They typically are cylindrical in shape, a little over an inch long and a little over a half-inch in diameter, and they have a single lead coming from one end of the cylinder with a terminal on the end of the wire, as well as a mounting clip which is screwed into a good ground on the vehicle. The specific value of the capacitance is not too significant in comparison to ignition capacitors that are matched with the coil to reduce pitting of the points.

- Care must be taken, when installing the compressor lead, not to short it to ground. The compressor lead must not be connected to a condenser fan or to any other auxiliary device. Shorting to ground or connecting to a condenser fan or any other auxiliary device may damage wiring or the compressor relay, and/or cause a malfunction.
- When installing ground leads on Gen 5 systems, the blower control ground and ECU ground must be connected directly to the negative battery post.
- For proper system operation, the heater control valve must be connected to the ECU.

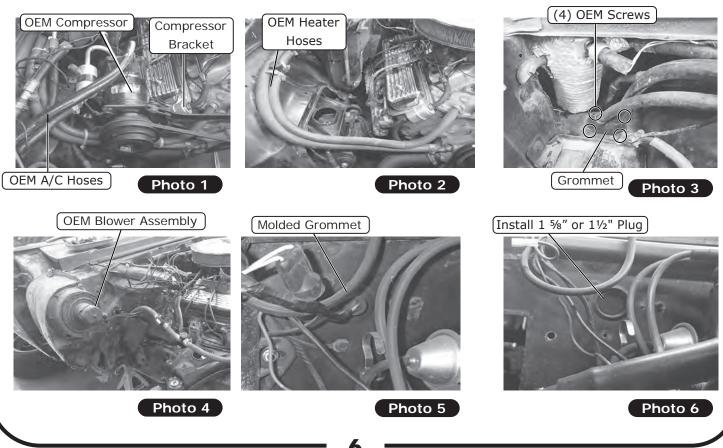


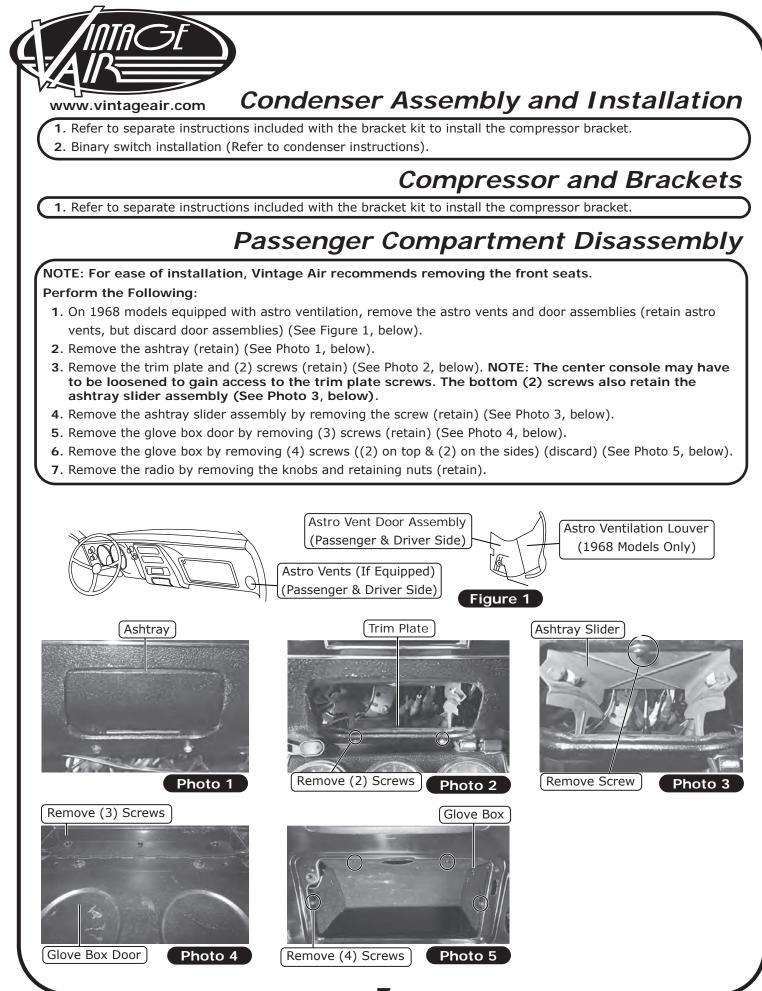
# **Engine Compartment Disassembly**

NOTE: Before starting the installation, check the function of the vehicle (horn, lights, etc.) for proper operation, and study the instructions, illustrations, & diagrams.

### Perform the Following:

- 1. Disconnect and remove the battery.
- **2**. Remove the battery tray by removing (4) mounting bolts ((2) bolts on the core support and (2) bolts under the inner fender) (retain).
- 3. Drain the radiator.
- 4. Evacuate the A/C system (if necessary).
- 5. Remove the OEM compressor and compressor bracket (See Photo 1, below).
- 6. Remove the OEM heater hoses, A/C hoses and hardlines (discard) (See Photos 1 and 2, below).
- Remove the A/C hoses from the inner fender. Remove the (4) OEM screws and the grommet (See Photo 3, below).
- 8. Remove the OEM evaporator/blower motor assembly (See Figure 1, below). NOTE: To remove the evaporator and blower assembly (under hood) and the air distribution system (under dash), the factory manual recommends the following: Remove the right lower rocker molding. Remove the fender attaching bolts. Remove the skirt-to-fender and skirt-to-reinforcement screws. Pull out on the lower portion of the fender, moving the skirt away from the fender flange and firewall. Block the skirt with a 2" x 4" block of wood. To avoid damage to the paint and sheet metal, and for ease of removal and replacement of components, Vintage Air recommends that the right fender be removed, and the inner panel lowered. Removing the right front tire will provide easier access to the inner fender bolts.
- 9. Remove the OEM evaporator/blower motor assembly (discard) (See Photo 4, below).
- **10**. Remove the OEM A/C & heater wiring/vacuum harness molded grommet (discard) (See Photo 5, below).
- 11. Install a 1 <sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" plug into the firewall to cover the OEM firewall hole (See Photo 6, below). NOTE: A 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" plug is also provided. Use the plug that best fits the vehicle.

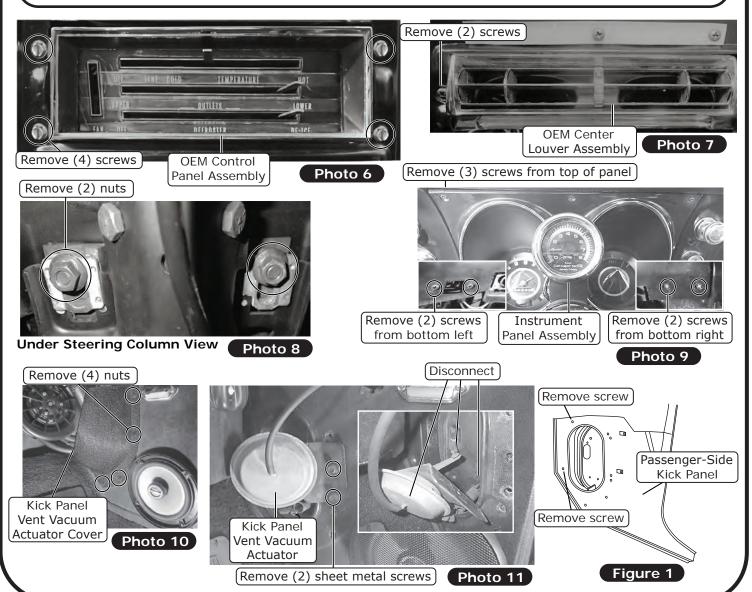




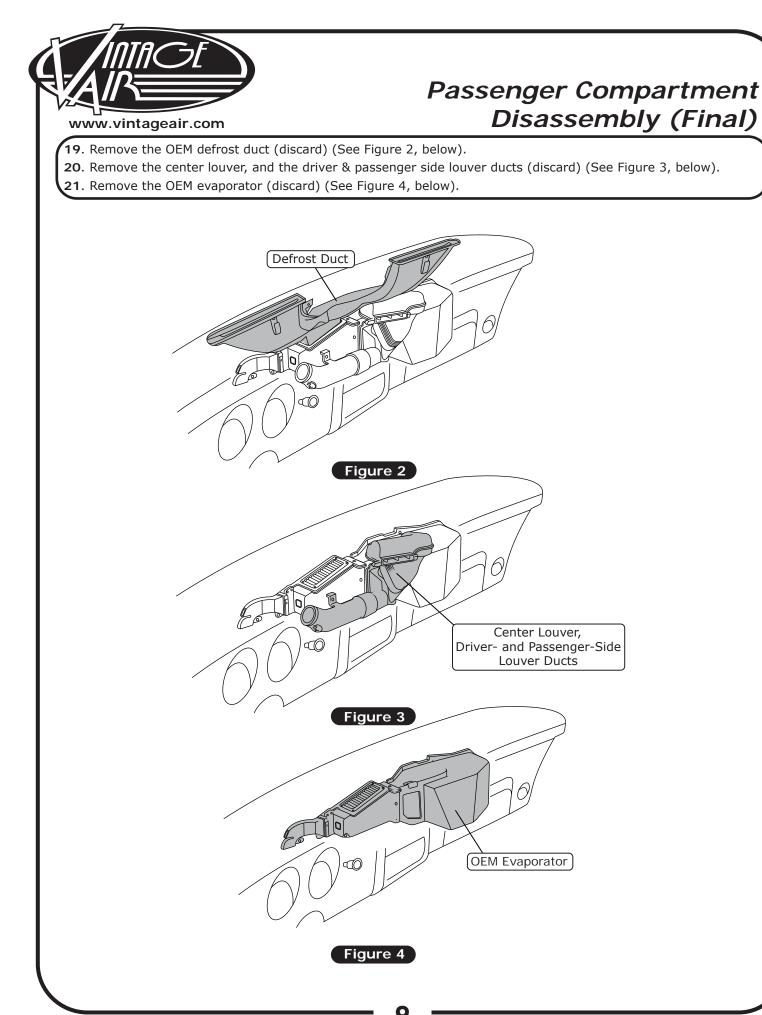


# Passenger Compartment Disassembly (Cont.)

- 8. Remove the radio by removing the knobs and retaining nuts (retain).
- **9**. Disconnect the wiring and antenna cable from the radio (retain).
- **10.** Remove the OEM control panel assembly by removing (4) screws from the dash (retain) and disconnecting the light socket (retain) and cables (discard) (See Photo 6, below).
- **11.** Remove the OEM center louver assembly by removing (2) screws from the dash and disconnecting the hose from the back of the louver housing (retain) (See Photo 7, below).
- Loosen and lower the steering column by removing the (2) nuts from under the column (retain) (See Photo 8, below).
- **13.** Remove (3) screws from the top of the instrument panel and (4) screws from the bottom of the panel ((2) from the left side and (2) from the right side) (retain) (See Photo 9, below).
- 14. Disconnect the speedometer cable and wiring plug.
- **15**. Remove the instrument panel (retain).
- 16. Remove the kick panel vent vacuum actuator cover (retain) by removing (4) screws (See Photo 10, below).
- **17**. Remove the kick panel vent vacuum actuator by removing (2) sheet metal screws. Disconnect the vacuum hose, cable and spring from the vent door (See Photo 11, below).
- **18.** Remove the passenger side kick panel by removing (2) screws (retain) (See Figure 1, below).



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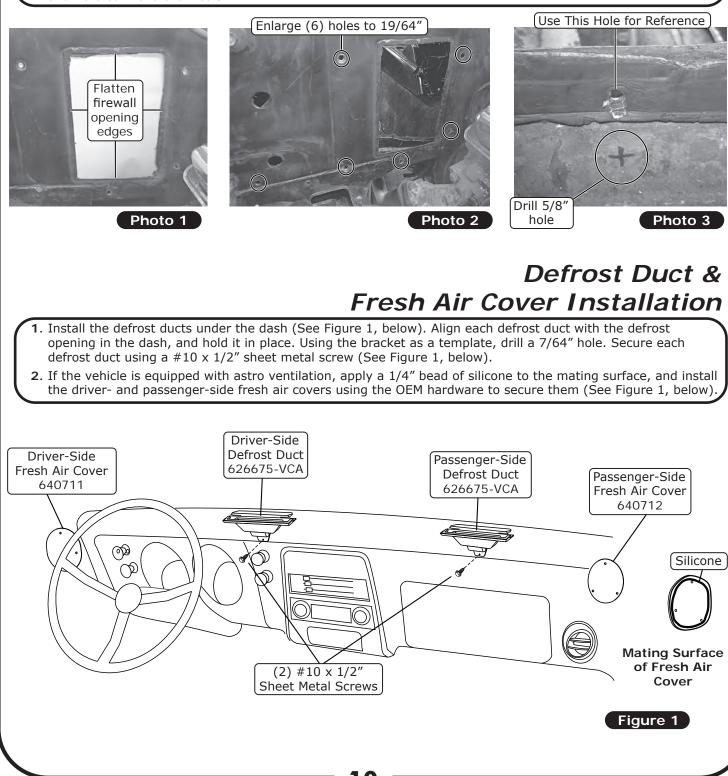




# **Firewall Modification**

### NOTE: Firewall modification is required for firewall cover and drain hose installation.

- 1. Flatten the edges of the firewall opening (See Photo 1, below).
- 2. Enlarge (6) holes on the firewall to 19/64" as shown in Photo 2, below.
- **3.** From inside the passenger compartment, directly below the lowest OEM hole under the firewall opening, mark and drill a 5/8" hole for the drain hose (See Photo 3, below). **NOTE: To ensure a tight fit, do not enlarge the hole to more than 5/8**".

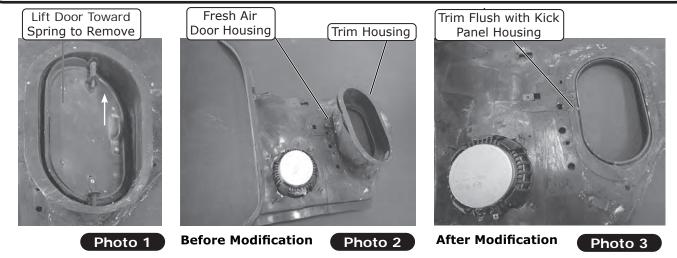






# **Kick Panel Modification**

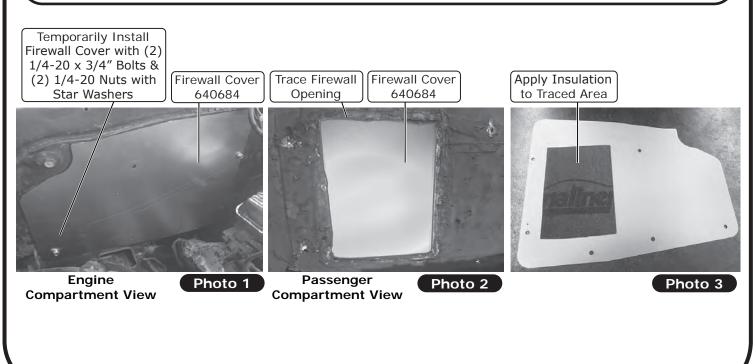
- 1. Remove the fresh air door assembly from the OEM kick panel by lifting up on the door toward the spring and sliding it out of the hinge housing (See Photo 1, below).
- 2. Trim the fresh air door housing to make it flush with the back of the kick panel (See Photos 2 & 3, below).

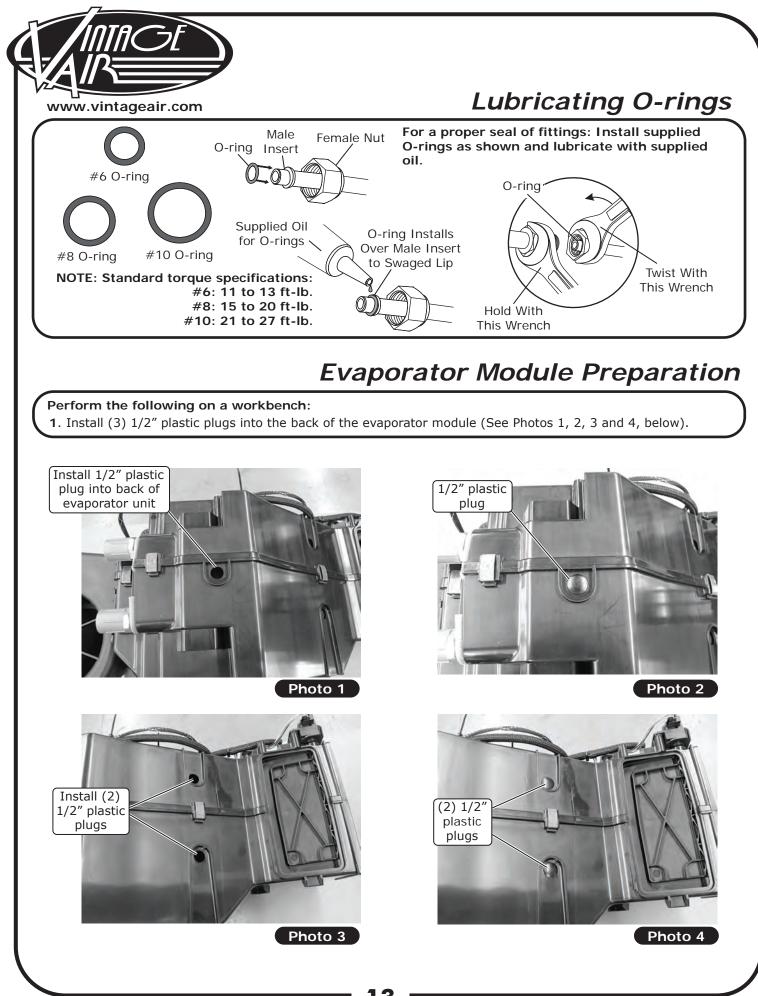


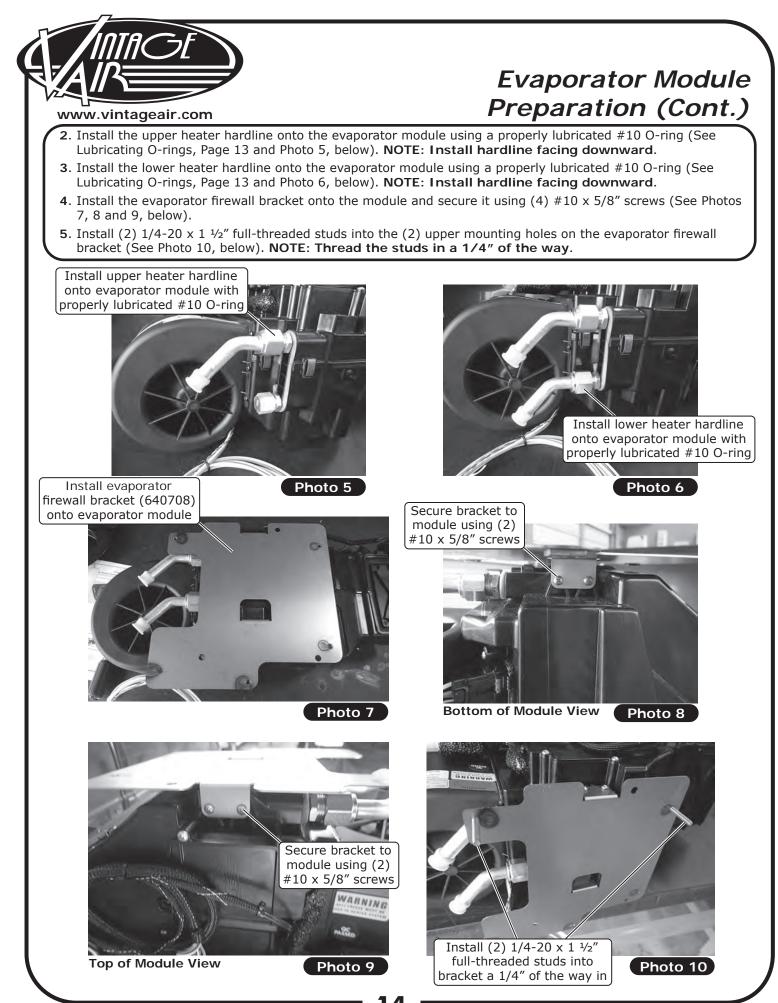
# **Firewall Cover Insulation**

NOTE: For proper system operation, Vintage Air recommends using heat blocking insulation in the area around the evaporator unit (firewall, kick panel, inner cowl, firewall covers). Due to tight clearance for the evaporator unit between the firewall and dash, Vintage Air recommends an insulation thickness of no more than 1/4".

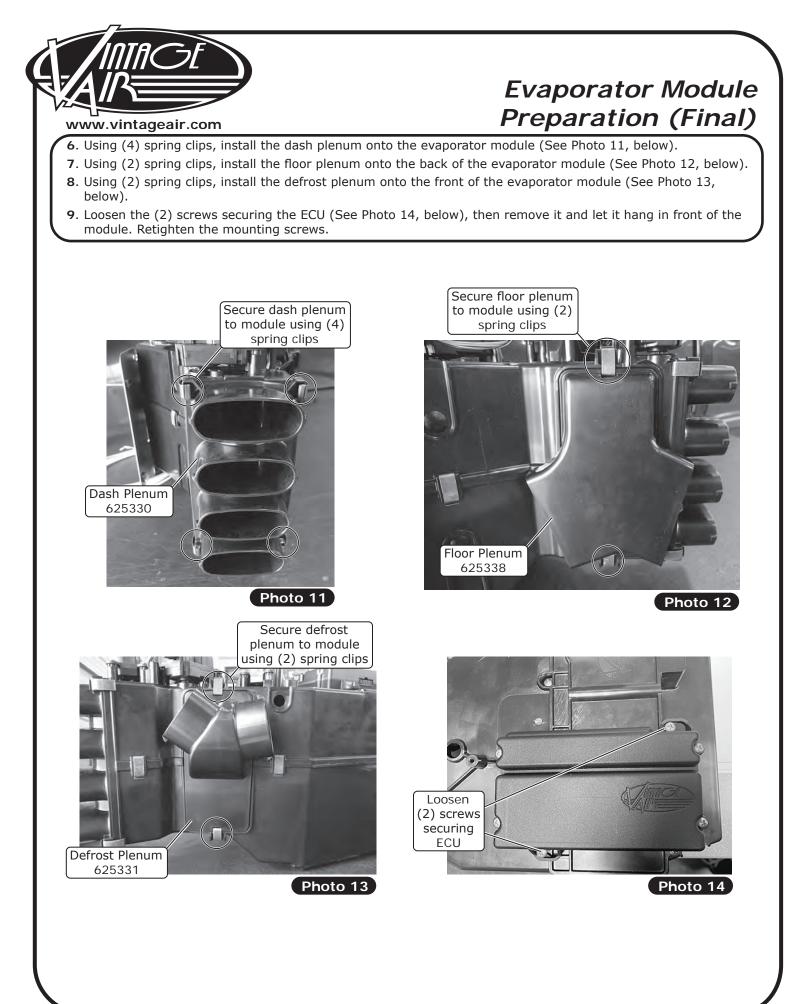
- To apply insulation to the firewall cover, temporarily install the firewall cover onto the firewall using (2) 1/4-20 x 3/4" bolts and (2) 1/4-20 nuts with star washers (See Photo 1, below).
- 2. From the passenger compartment, trace the firewall opening onto the firewall cover (See Photo 2, below).
- 3. Remove the firewall cover, and apply insulation to the traced area (See Photo 3, below).

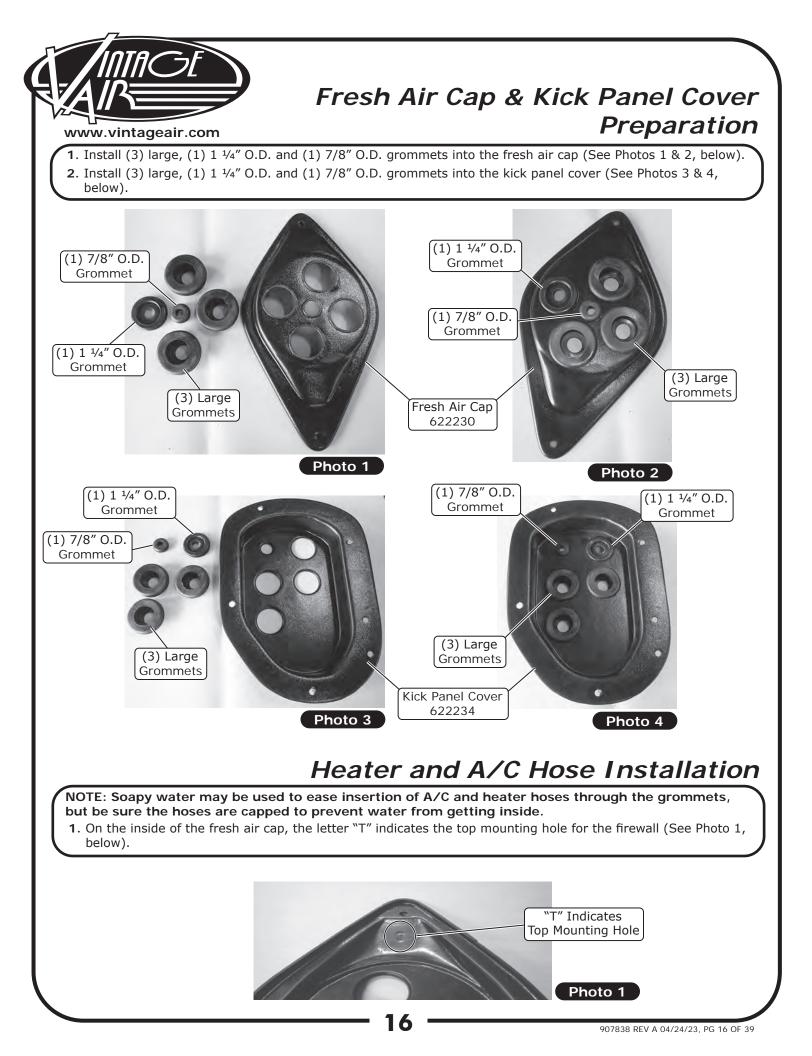






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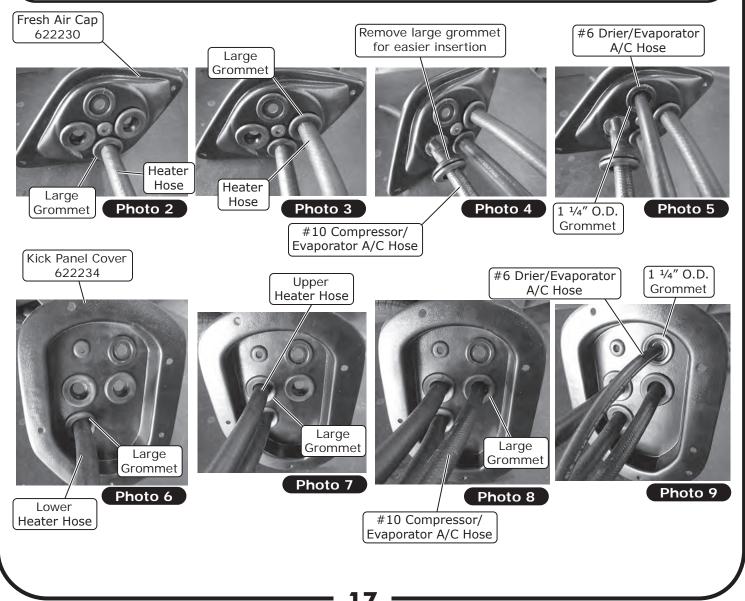


# Heater and A/C Hose Installation (Cont.)

Insert a length of heater hose through the bottom-right large grommet on the fresh air cap (See Photo 2, below).

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- **3.** Insert a length of heater hose through the top-right large grommet on the fresh air cap (See Photo 3, below).
- 4. Insert the 45° fitting on the #10 compressor/evaporator A/C hose through the bottom-left large grommet on the fresh air cap (See Photo 4, below). NOTE: Temporarily remove the large grommet from the fresh air cap to ease insertion of the #10 hose fitting.
- **5.** Insert the 45° fitting on the #6 drier/evaporator A/C hose through the top-left 1 ¼″ O.D. grommet on the fresh air cap (See Photo 5, below).
- **6**. From the passenger compartment, insert the lower heater hose through the bottom-left large grommet on the kick panel cover (See Photo 6, below).
- **7.** Insert the upper heater hose through the top-left large grommet on the kick panel cover (See Photo 7, below).
- Insert the #10 compressor/evaporator A/C hose through the bottom-right grommet on the kick panel cover (See Photo 8, below). NOTE: Temporarily remove the grommet from the kick panel cover for easier insertion.
- **9.** Insert the #6 drier/evaporator A/C hose through the top-right large grommet on the kick panel cover (See Photo 9, below).

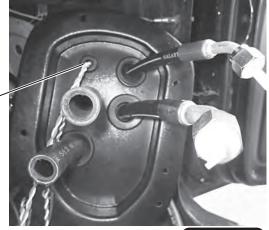




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# Wiring Installation

- From the passenger compartment, route the heater control valve connector and wiring (red, white and blue), and the red, white and blue wires from the main wiring harness through the 7/8" O.D. grommet on the kick panel cover and into the 7/8" O.D. grommet on the fresh air cap (See Photo 1, below). NOTE: Leave approximately 5" of wiring between the relay and the kick panel cover. This is to allow enough wiring to secure the relay to the mounting position.
- 2. Place the evaporator module on the passenger-side floorboard and route the orange and white wires through the 7/8" O.D. grommet on the kick panel cover, then through the 7/8" O.D. grommet on the fresh air cap.



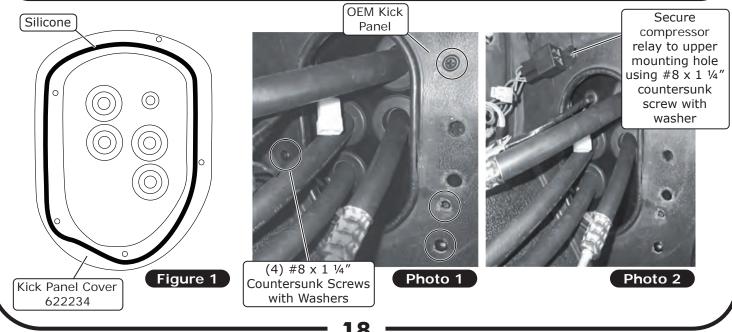
Route heater control valve connector and wiring (white, yellow and purple), and red, white and blue wires from main wiring harness through 7/8" O.D. grommet on kick panel cover and into 7/8" O.D. grommet on fresh air cap

NOTE: Leave approximately 5" of wiring between relay and kick panel cover to allow enough wiring to secure relay to mounting position.

### Photo 1

# Kick Panel Installation

- 1. Apply a bead of silicone around the mating surface of the kick panel cover (See Figure 1, below).
- **2.** Install the kick panel cover into place, lining up the mounting holes on the cover with the OEM mounting holes on the kick panel opening.
- **3.** Install the kick panel, routing the hoses and wiring through the opening. Secure the panel using (4) #8 x 1 ¼" countersunk screws with washers (See Photo 1, below). **NOTE: Use only the mounting holes shown in Photo 1, below, at this time.**
- **4.** Using a #8 x 1 ¼" countersunk screw, secure the relay to the upper OEM kick panel mounting hole as shown in Photo 2, below.





# **Evaporator Installation**

NOTE: A 10" block of wood may be used to support the evaporator unit while the following steps are completed. To ensure a watertight seal between the passenger compartment and the vehicle **exterior, for all bolts passing through the firewall, Vintage Air recommends coating the threads with** silicone prior to installation.

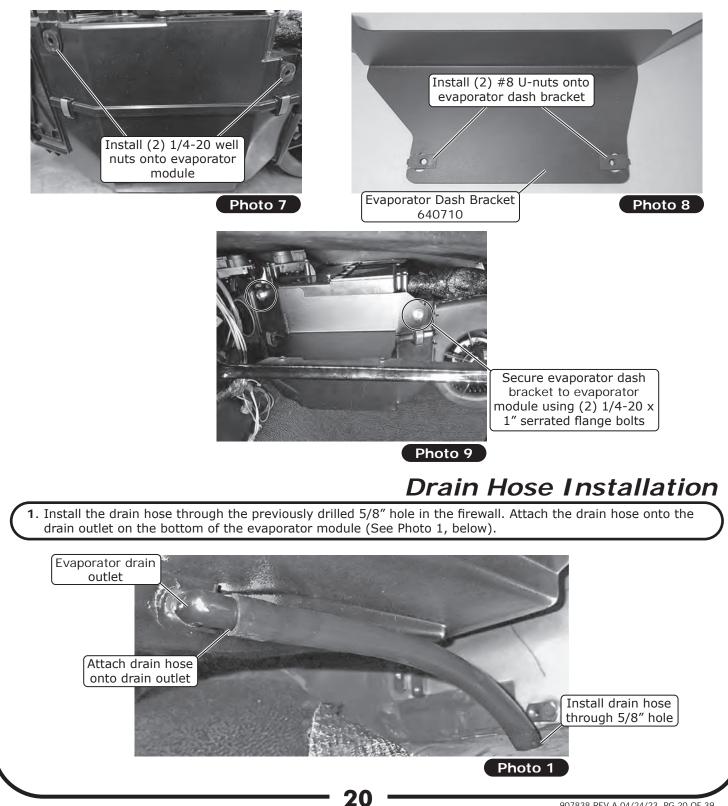
- 1. Install the upper heater hose and a hose clamp onto the upper heater hardline on the evaporator module (See Photo 1, below).
- 2. Install the lower heater hose and a hose clamp onto the lower heater hardline on the evaporator module (See Photo 2, below).
- **3.** Roll the evaporator into it's mounting position. Insert the (2)  $1/4-20 \times 1 \frac{1}{2}$ " full-threaded studs into the upper OEM mounting holes on the firewall (See Photo 3, below).
- **4**. Using a properly lubricated #6 O-ring (See Lubricating O-rings, Page 13), install the 45° fitting on the #6 drier/evaporator A/C hose onto the block-valve adapter on the evaporator module (See Photo 4, below).
- 5. Using a properly lubricated #10 O-ring (See Lubricating O-rings, Page 13), install the 45° fitting on the #10 compressor/evaporator A/C hose onto the #10 fitting on the block-valve adapter on the evaporator module (See Photo 5, below). NOTE: After installing the #10 compressor/evaporator A/C hose, wrap all exposed metal with the supplied press tape (See Photo 6, below).

Install upper heater hose onto upper heater hardline Install lower heater hose onto lower heater hardline Install 45° fitting on #6 Photo 2 Photo drier/evaporator A/C hose onto block-valve adapter Insert (2) 1/4-20 x 1 1/2" fullthreaded studs into upper OEM Photo 3 Photo 4 mounting holes on firewall Install 45° fitting on #10 compressor/evaporator Wrap all exposed metal A/C hose onto block-valve with supplied press tape adapter Photo 6 Photo 5



# **Evaporator Installation (Cont.)**

- 6. Install (2) 1/4-20 well nuts onto the evaporator module (See Photo 7, below).
- 7. Install (2) #8 U-nuts onto the evaporator dash bracket (See Photo 8, below).
- 8. Position the evaporator dash bracket under the glove box door mounting holes, then secure it onto the evaporator unit using (2)  $1/4-20 \times 1''$  serrated flange bolts (See Photo 9, below).

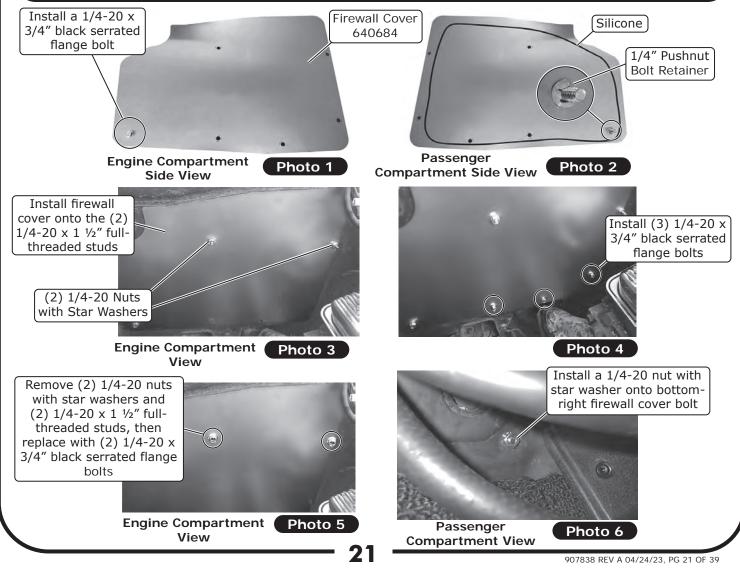




# Firewall Cover Installation

NOTE: To ensure a watertight seal between the passenger compartment and the exterior, for all **bolts passing through the firewall, Vintage Air recommends coating the threads with silicone prior** to installation.

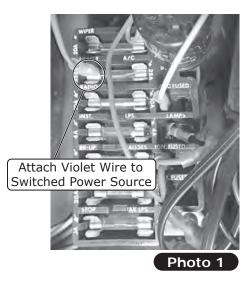
- Locate the bottom-left mounting hole on the firewall cover, and install a 1/4-20 x 3/4" bolt and a 1/4" pushnut retainer (See Photo 1, below).
- 2. Apply a bead of silicone around the mating surface of the firewall cover as shown in Photo 2, below.
- Install the firewall cover onto the (2) 1/4-20 x 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" full-threaded studs, then secure it using (2) 1/4-20 nuts with star washers (See Photo 3, below).
- **4.** Install (3) 1/4-20 x 3/4" black serrated flange bolts into the remaining open mounting holes on the firewall cover and into the evaporator firewall bracket (See Photo 4, below). **NOTE: Do not tighten at this time.**
- 5. Remove the (2) 1/4-20 nuts with star washers and (2) 1/4-20 x 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" full-threaded studs from the firewall cover, and replace them with (2) 1/4-20 x 3/4" black serrated flange bolts (See Photo 5, below).
- **6**. Install (1) of the previously removed 1/4-20 nuts with star washers onto the bottom-right firewall cover bolt in the passenger compartment (See Photo 6, below).
- 7. Verify the evaporator unit is level and square to the dash. NOTE: To ensure proper drainage, it is very important that the evaporator is level, both left-right and fore-aft. Check for level on the flat portions of the case around the drain.
- 8. Tighten all of the mounting bolts at this time. NOTE: Tighten the bolts on the firewall first. Adjust the evaporator dash bracket as needed, then tighten the bolts on the evaporator unit. Silicone or seam sealer may be applied around the outer edge of the firewall cover.

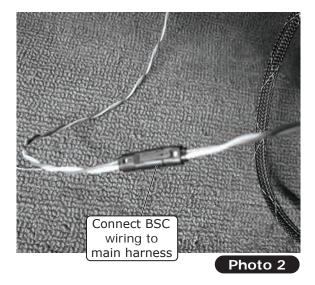




# Passenger Compartment Wiring

- 1. Select a suitable ground location for the white ground wire eyelet from the heater control valve harness, and secure it using a  $#10 \times 1/2''$  sheet metal screw.
- Route the violet power wire to a switched 12v power source on the fuse panel (See Photo 1, below).
   NOTE: This requires a male fuse extension (not supplied).
- 3. Connect the tan wire to the factory dash lights to enable control panel backlighting (if applicable).
- 4. Connect the BSC wiring to the main harness (See Photo 2, below).
- 5. Connect the main harness to the ECU (See Photo 3, below).





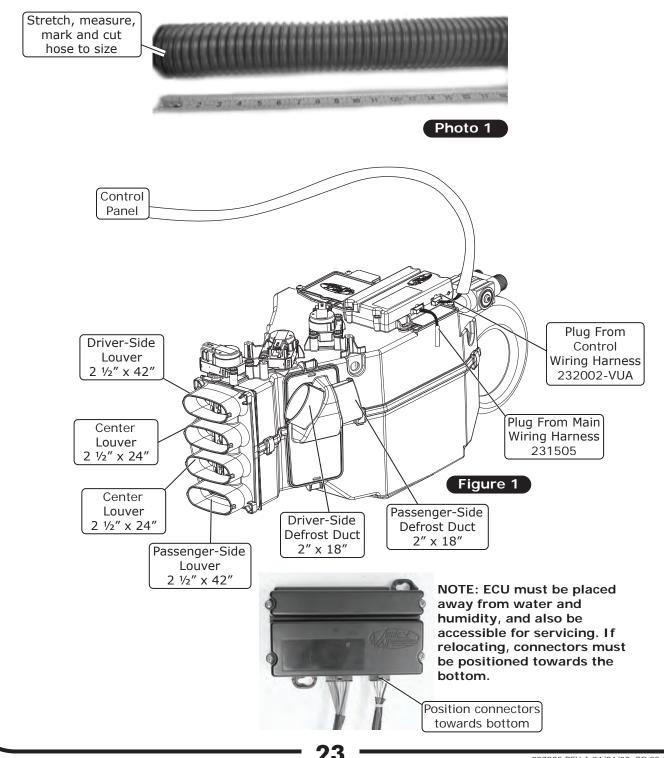




# ECU, Control Panel & Duct Hose Routing

NOTE: For the system to function optimally, the duct hoses must be routed as directly as possible, taking care to avoid kinks, sharp bends and unnecessary length. Vintage Air supplies duct hoses in continuous lengths that will need to be cut to size depending on application. Before cutting, familiarize yourself with the installation instructions and verify the routing will work with your application. For custom hose routing, additional hose may be needed and can be purchased from Vintage Air.

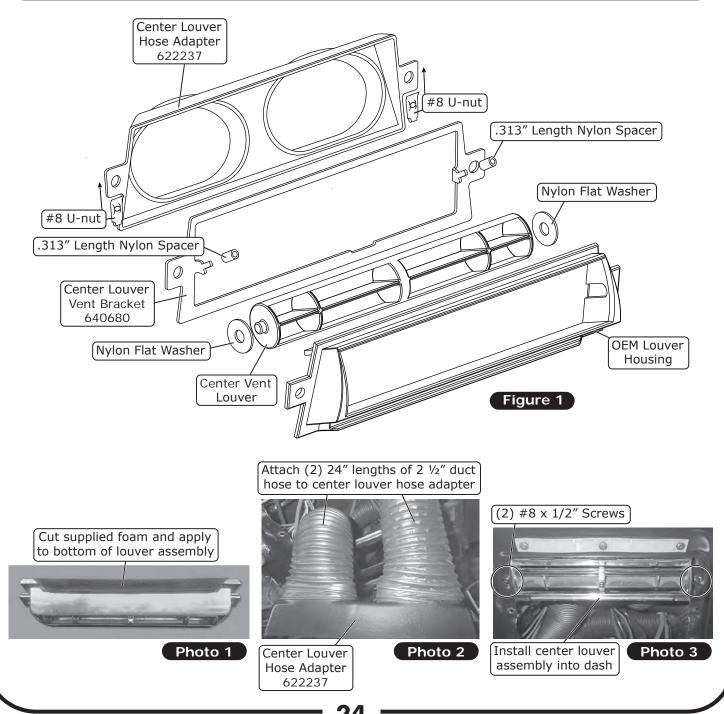
1. Stretch the duct hose until there is no slack, measure, mark and cut hose to size (See Photo 1, below).

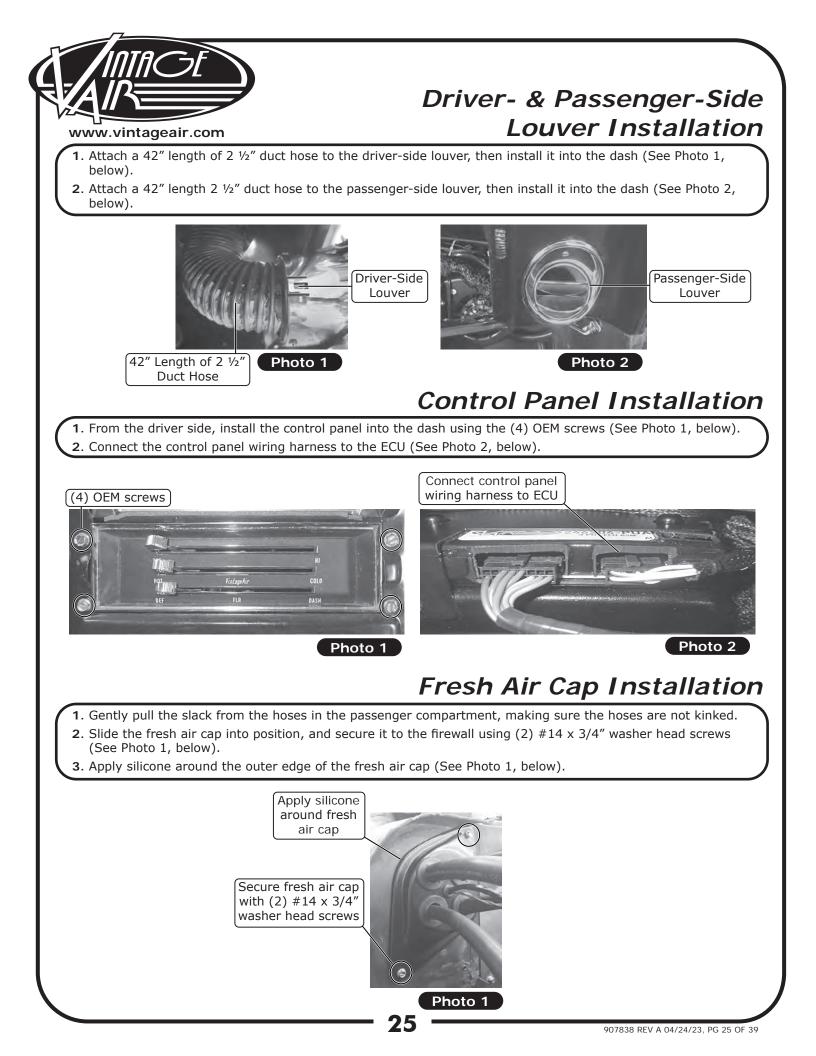


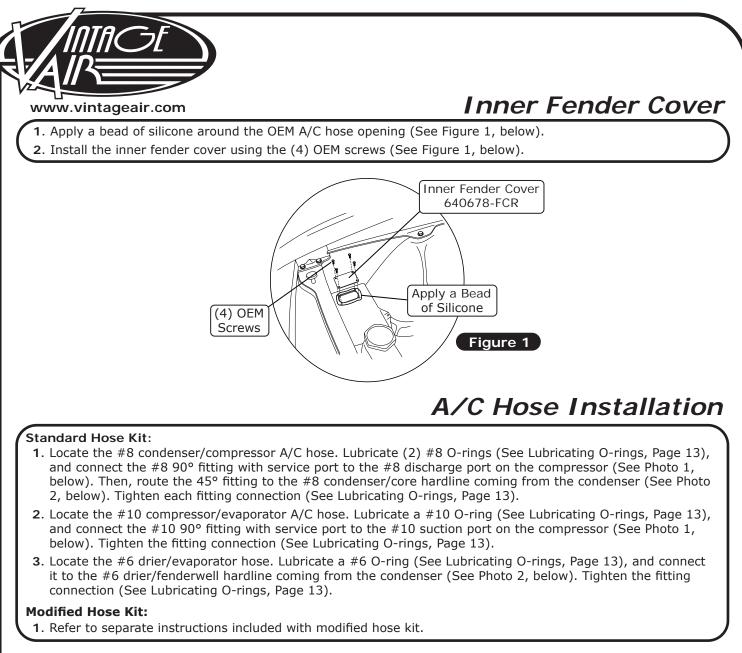


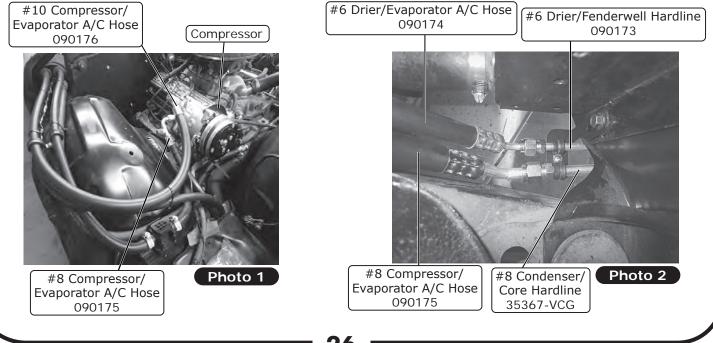
# **Center Louver Installation**

- 1. Install (2) #8 U-nuts onto the center louver hose adapter (See Figure 1, below).
- 2. Install (2) .313" length nylon spacers onto the tabs of the center louver vent bracket (Figure 1, below).
- 3. Install (2) nylon flat washers onto the center vent louver (See Figure 1, below).
- **4**. Insert the center vent louver into the OEM louver housing. Install the center louver vent bracket with (2) nylon spacers onto the housing (See Figure 1, below).
- 5. Cut a piece of supplied foam, and apply it to the bottom of the louver assembly (See Photo 1, below)
- 6. Attach (2) 24" lengths of 2 1/2" duct hose to the center louver hose adapter (See Photo 2, below).
- 7. While holding the center louver assembly and the center louver hose adapter together, align the assembly holes with the holes on the dash. Secure the assembly using (2)  $#8 \times 1/2''$  screws (See Photo 3, below).







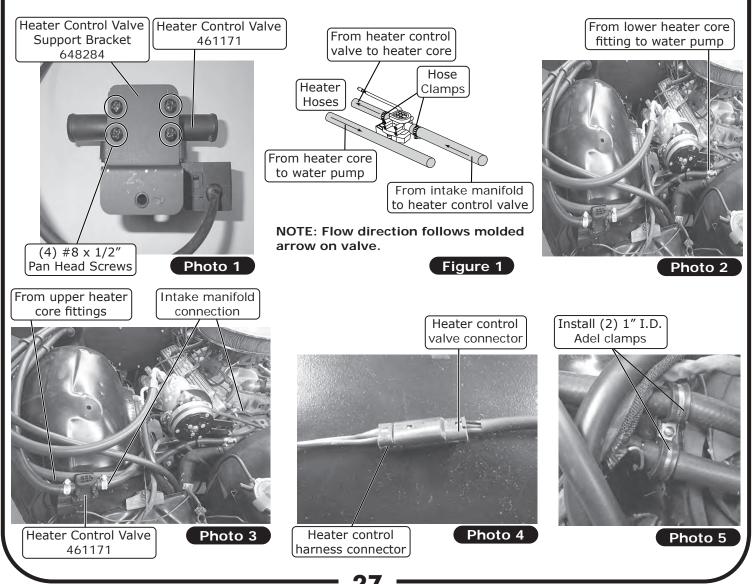


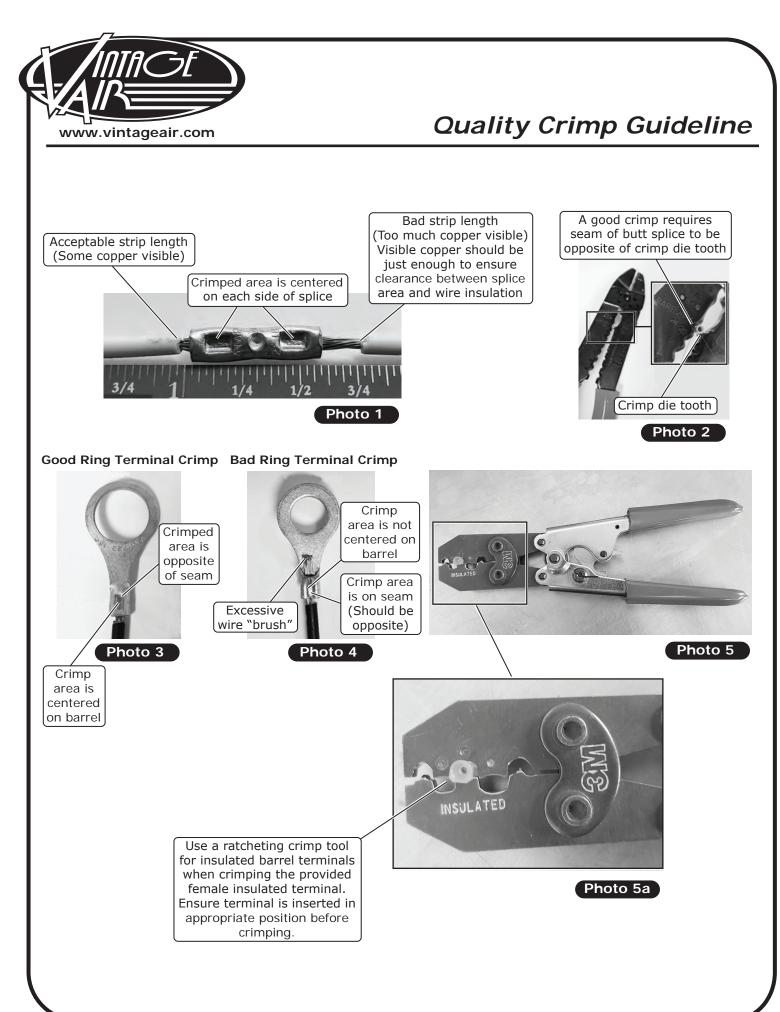


# Heater Control Valve Installation

NOTE: Vintage Air Systems use 5/8" heater connections. On engines equipped with 3/4" hose nipples, these will need to be removed and replaced with 5/8" nipples (not supplied). For water pumps with a cast-in 3/4" heater outlet, a 3/4" x 5/8" reducer fitting (not supplied) or molded hose (Vintage Air Part # 099010) will need to be installed in the heater hose.

- 1. Install the heater control valve support bracket onto the heater control valve using (4) #8 x 1/2" pan head screws (See Photo 1, below). NOTE: Before mounting the heater control valve in the vehicle, ensure the wiring from the main harness and the heater control valve can be connected easily without tension or strain on the connection, or excessive pressure on the metal surfaces.
- Route a piece of heater hose (not provided) from the lower heater core fitting to the water pump. Secure using hose clamps (See Photo 2, below).
- Route a piece of heater hose (not provided) from the intake manifold to the heater control valve. Connect the heater hose from the upper heater core fitting to the heater control valve. Secure using hose clamps (See Figure 1 and Photo 3, below). NOTE: Ensure proper flow direction through the heater control valve (the flow direction follows the molded arrow on the valve).
- 4. Plug the heater control valve connector into the connector on the main wiring harness (See Photo 4, below).
- 5. Install (2) 1" I.D. Adel clamps to secure the heater hoses (See Photo 5, below). NOTE: Use an OEM hole to mount the Adel clamps. If an OEM hole is not available, a new hole will need to be drilled. Be sure all hoses are routed away from the fan, belts and pulleys.

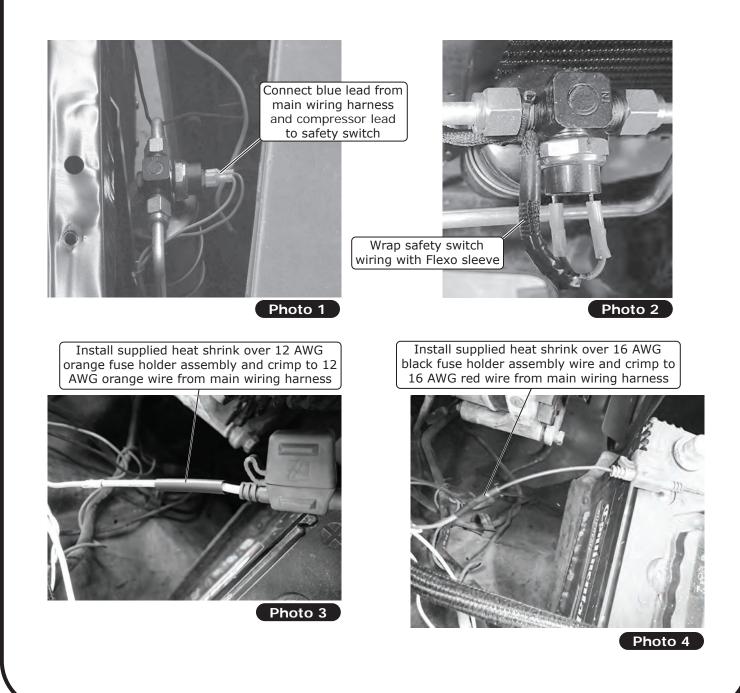






# Engine Compartment Wiring

- **1**. Route the blue lead from the main wiring harness to the safety switch (See Photo 1, below).
- 2. Connect the compressor lead wire to the safety switch (See Photo 1, below).
- **3.** Wrap the safety switch wiring with flexo sleeve, and secure it with the supplied tie wraps (See Photo 2, below).
- **4**. Route power and ground wires toward the battery.
- Install the supplied heat shrink over the 12 AWG orange fuse holder assembly wire, and crimp it to the 12 AWG orange wire from the main wiring harness (See Photo 3, below and Quality Crimp Guidelines, Page 28).
- **6**. Install the supplied heat shrink over the 16 AWG black fuse holder assembly wire, and crimp it to the 16 AWG red wire from the main wiring harness (See Photo 4, below and Quality Crimp Guidelines, Page 28).





# Engine Compartment Wiring (Cont.)

**7**. Install fuses into the holders (See Photo 5, below).

- Install the supplied heat shrink over the white ground wires, then crimp on the supplied eyelets (See Photos 6 and 7, below and Quality Crimp Guidelines, Page 28)
- 9. Connect the ground wiring eyelets to the negative battery terminal connector (See Photo 8, below).
- **10.** Connect the positive wiring eyelets to the positive battery terminal connector (See Photo 9, below). **NOTE: Do not connect power until installation is completed.**



Photo 5

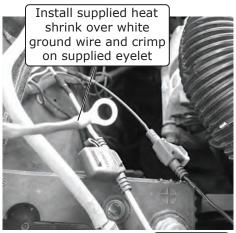
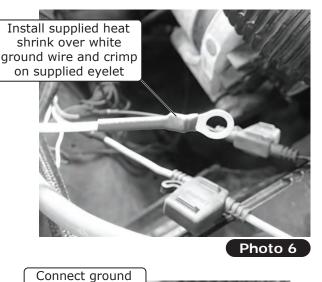


Photo 7



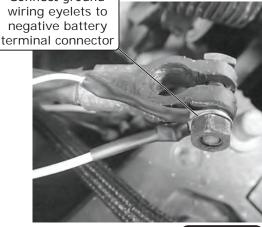


Photo 8

NOTE: Do not connect power until installation is completed.

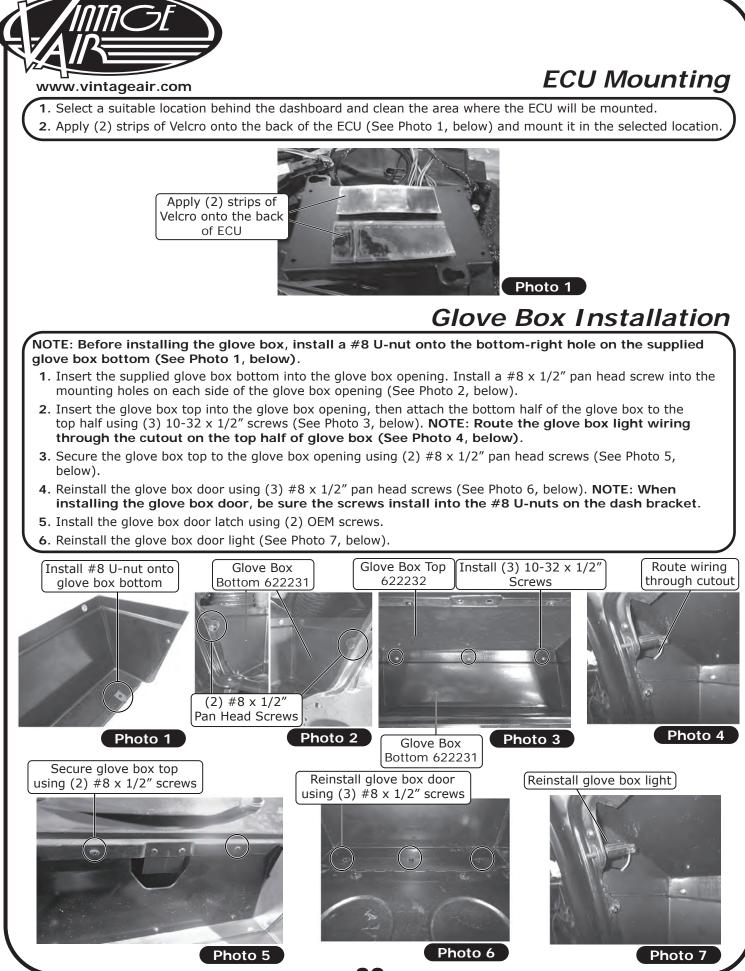
Connect positive wiring eyelets to positive battery terminal connector





# Final Steps: Installation Check

		Installation Check
IΤΕ	ITEM TO CHECK	Procedure
	ECU	If no blinking is observed after 1 minute of turning the ignition on, go to the next check.
		If repetetive blinking is observed, go to the Advanced Diagnostics section to diagnose.
		Set the blower speed control to $OFF$ , <i>confirm that the blower is off</i> .
	Blower speed control	Blower speed control Position the blower speed control to LOW then MEDIUM and then HIGH. <i>At each setting confirm that the blower</i> <u>speed increases</u> , do this by feeling for the amount of air coming from the unit and hearing the blower speed increase.
	Mode control	Set the MODE control to the DASH position. <u>Confirm that air is being blown at the dash vents.</u> Set the MODE control to the FLOOR position. <u>Confirm that air is being blown at the floor vents.</u> Set the MODE control to the DEFROST position. Confirm that all air is being blown from the defrost vents
		<u>If heater lines are installed:</u> Set the MODE control to the DASH position. Set the TEMP control to the MAX HEAT position. <u>Confirm that HOT</u> air is coming from the dash vents.
	Temperature control	<u>If system is charged:</u> Set the TEMP control to the MAX COOL position. <i>Confirm that <u>COLD</u> air is coming from the dash vents.</i>
		Also <u>confirm that the compressor "clicks" on</u> when adjusting the <b>TEMP</b> control from the <b>MAX HEAT</b> position to the <b>MAX COOL</b> position.
	AC Indicator (If applicable)	While the <b>MODE</b> control is set to the <b>DASH</b> position, and the <b>TEMP</b> control is set to the <b>MAX COOL/MIN HEAT</b> position, <i>confirm that the blue AC Indicator light is on</i> .
	Backlight (If applicable)	lf your control panel has backlight capabilities and has been wired, turn the dash lamp on and <u>confirm that the AC</u> panel's legend is lit .
	Fittings	Verify AC and Heater fittings are all tight.



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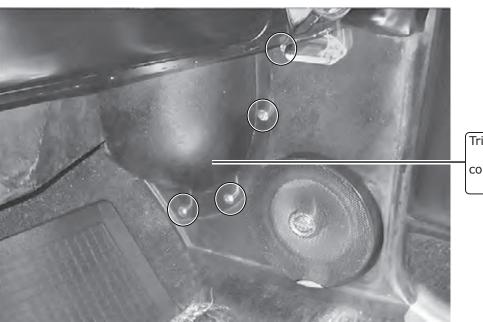
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# Kick Panel Vent Actuator Cover Installation

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1. Trim to fit, then reinstall the kick panel vent actuator cover using (4) #8 x 1 ¼" countersunk screws with washers (See Photo 1, below).



Trim to fit, then reinstall with (4) #8 x 1 ¼" countersunk screws with washers

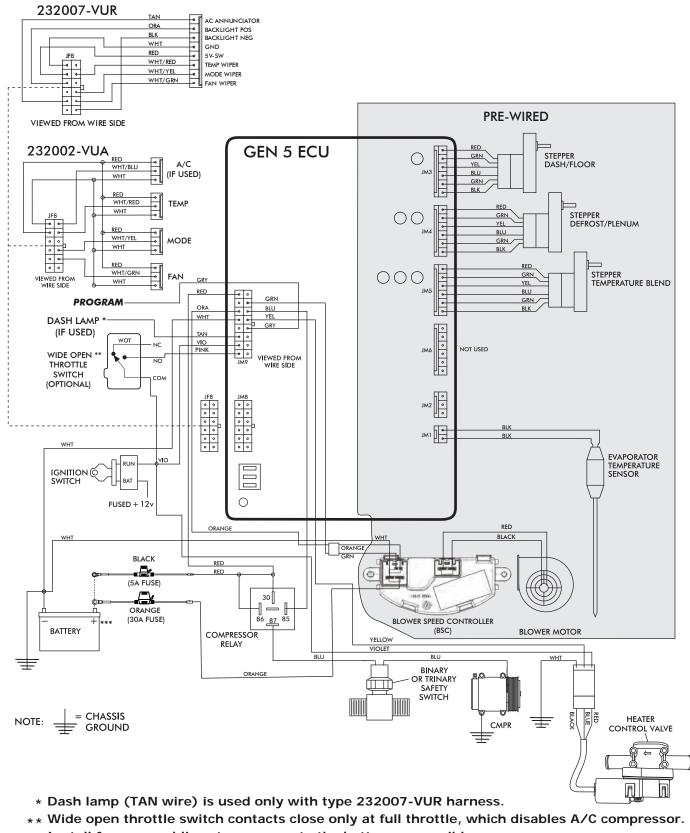
# Final Steps: Completing the Install

1. Reinstall all previously removed items.

- 2. Fill radiator with at least a 50/50 mixture of approved antifreeze and distilled water. It is the owner's responsibility to keep the freeze protection at the proper level for the climate in which the vehicle is operated. Failure to follow antifreeze recommendations will cause heater core to corrode prematurely and possibly burst in A/C mode and/or freezing weather, voiding your warranty.
- 3. Double check all fittings, brackets and belts for tightness.
- 4. Vintage Air recommends that all A/C systems be serviced by a licensed automotive A/C technician.
- **5.** Evacuate the system for a minimum of 45 minutes prior to charging, and perform a leak check prior to servicing.
- 6. Charge the system to the capacities stated on Page 4 of this instruction manual.
- 7. See Operation of Controls procedures on Page 36.

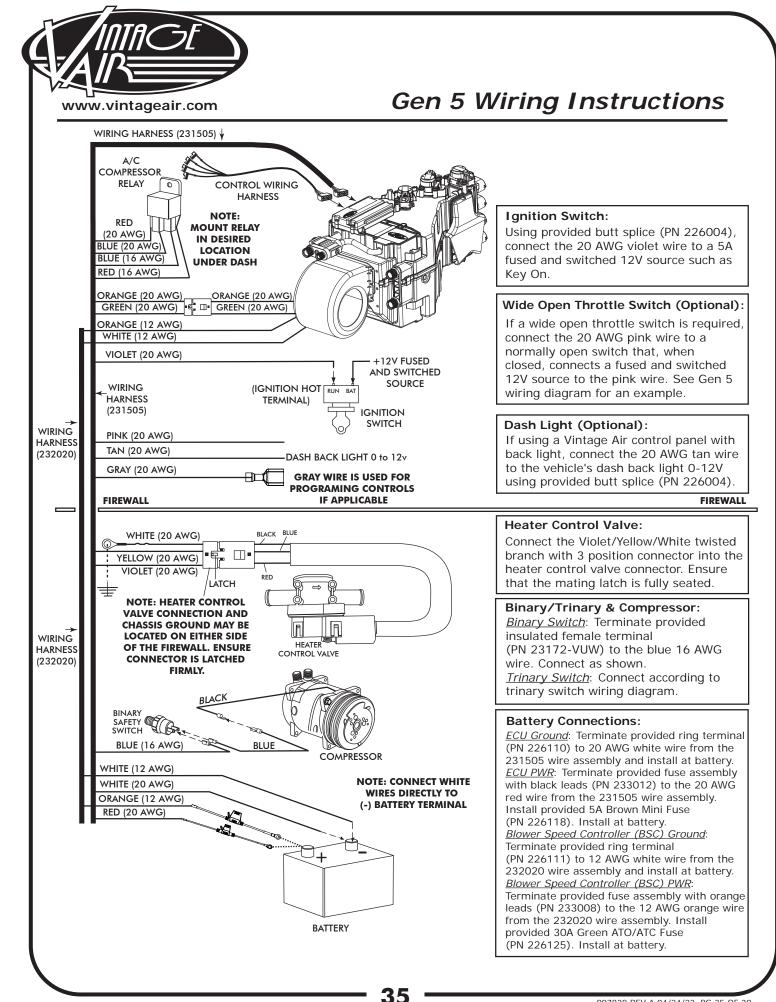


# Gen 5 Wiring Diagram



\*\*\* Install fuse assemblies at or as near to the battery as possible.

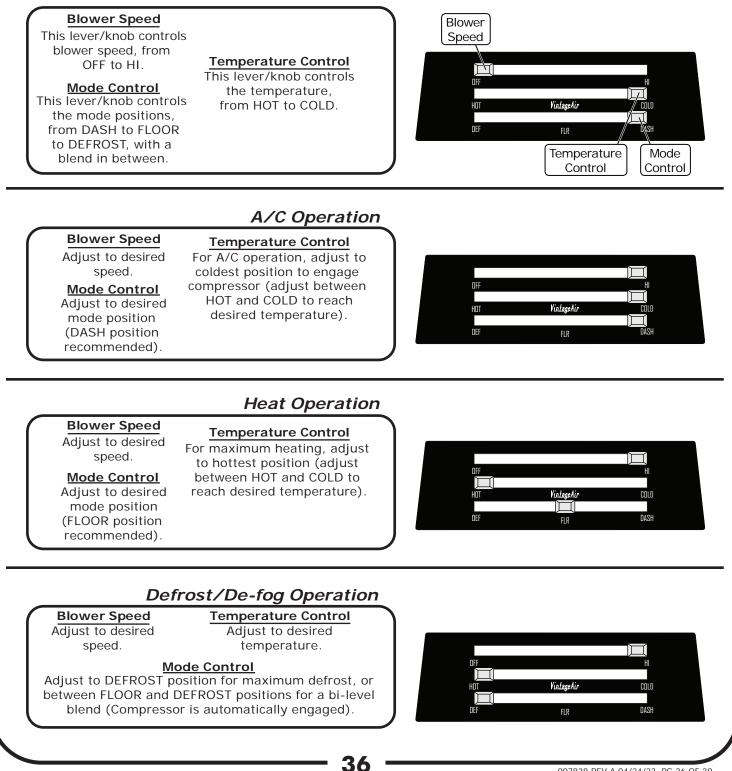
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# **Operation of Controls**

On Gen IV or Gen 5 systems with three lever/knob controls, the temperature control toggles between heat and A/C operations. To activate A/C, move the temperature lever/knob all the way to cold and then back it off to the desired vent temperature. For heat operation, move the temperature lever/knob all the way to hot and then adjust to the desired vent temperature. The blower will momentarily change speed, each time you toggle in and out of heat and A/C operations, to indicate the change. NOTE: For proper control panel function, refer to the control panel instructions for calibration procedure.



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**Troubleshooting Guide** 

This printed troubleshooting guide is our basic guide that covers common installation problems. To see our advanced diagnostics and troubleshooting guide, please refer to the following page for instructions on how to download the complete guide.

Condition	Checks	Actions	Notes
No other functions work.	Check for damaged pins or wires in the control panel wire assembly and mating header at ECU.	▲If found damaged, replace wire assembly or ECU.	
All other functions work.	Check for a bad ECU GND. Check for damaged pins or wires in the control panel wire assembly and mating header	If found damaged, replace wire assembly or ECU.	If fuse continues to blow,
	Check if Blower power fuse is → Replace fuse. blown. Check for a bad ECU GND. → Repair connection.		there is a serious problem in the wiring. Check all wiring and ensure the wire is not damaged and shorting out
System is not charged.	System must be charged for Charge system.		Danger: Never bypass safety switch with engine running. Serious iniurv can result.
•	Check for faulty A/C potentiometer or associated wiring (not applicable to 3-pot controls).	Check continuity to ground on white control head wire. Check for 5V on red control head wire.	To check for proper pot function, check voltage at white/red wire. Voltage should be between 0V and 5V, and will vary with pot
▶System is charged.	Check for disconnected or Check 2-pin corfaulty thermistor.	Check 2-pin connector at ECU housing.	■ lever position. → Disconnected or faulty thermistor will cause compressor to be disabled.
	<ul> <li>→ Check for faulty A/C</li> <li>→ Potentiometer or associated wiring.</li> </ul>	→ Repair or replace pot/control wiring.	Red wire at A/C pot should have approximately 5V with ignition on. White wire will have continuity to chassis around. White/
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4.	Works when engine is not running; shuts off when engine is started	Noise interference from either ignition or alternator.	Install capacitors on ignition coil and alternator. Ensure good ground at all points. Relocate coil and associated wiring away from ECU and ECU wiring. Check for burned or loose plug wires.	
System will not turn on, or runs intermittently.	Will not turn on under	Verify connections on power lead, ignition lead, and both white ground wires.	Check for power at ECU, and confirm ignition is being applied to ECU properly.	quality oscilloscope. Spikes greater than 16V will shut down the ECU. Install a radio capacitor at the positive post of the ignition
	any conditions.		Verify proper meter function by checking the condition of a known good battery.	finite auton burierin). A faulty alternator or worn out battery can also result in this condition.
5. Loss of mode door function.	▲No mode change at all.	Check for damaged mode switch or potentiometer and associated wiring.		
<b>6.</b> Blower turns on and off rapidly.	Battery voltage is at least 12V. Battery voltage is less than 12V.	Check for at least 12V at circuit breaker. Check for faulty battery or alternator.	Ensure all system grounds and power connections are clean and tight.	System shuts off blower at 10V. Poor connections or weak battery can cause shutdown at up to 11V.
7. Erratic functions of blower, mode, temp, etc.	is of	Check for damaged switch or pot and associated wiring.	or → Repair or replace.	
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