UNIVERSAL SENDER KIT INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS
Temperature and/or Pressure Senders for use with Electrical Temperature and/or Pressure Gauges

VDO®

PARTS LIST – TEMPERATURE SENDER KIT

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Tools/Items Needed to Complete Installation:
9/16" (14mm) Wrench
Wire Cutter/Stripper
Pliers or other crimping tool
a length of 16 – Gauge insulated wire

I. Installing the VDO Universal Temperature Sender

There are three bushings included in this kit – one is 1/4-18 NPT; another is 3/8"-18NPT; and the third is 1/2"-NPT. The fitting on the sender itself is 1/8-18NPT. Decide which bushing, if any, you will need to adapt the sender to the opening in your engine block. Discard the rest, or save them for use later in another project. But be aware that you will have left-over bushings after you complete your installation.

1. Select a location for mounting the temperature sender. The location must be in the engine block – note in the cylinder head, where exhaust heat would cause faulty readings.
2. Take the correct bushing, if needed, and screw it tightly onto the sender with your fingers.

II. Wiring the VDO Universal Temperature Sender

1. Either run a new wire to the temperature gauge or find the existing wire if a gauge is already installed.
2. Crimp the supplied 1/4 female spade terminal onto the sender end of the wire. (Replace any old connectors on an existing wire with the new spade terminal.)
3. Push the spade connector onto the "thumb tack" terminal at the end of the send as show in Diagram A.
4. Make sure the other end of the signal wire is properly connected to the gauge (see Diagram B).
5. Power up the gauge, and make sure it is working. If it isn’t, recheck your wiring end and refer to the troubleshooting guide on the other side of this instruction sheet.

---IMPORTANT---
For best results, install your sender in the order described in these instructions. DO NOT USE TEFILON TAPE. Tape keeps the sender from grounding itself properly. For the same reason, do not use Lok-Tite of any sort. Finally, if you are installing a temperature sender, make absolutely sure 3-5mm of the sender is immersed in fluid. Mount only in the engine block; mounting in the cylinder head will result in faulty readings.
Do not use Teflon tape on the threads. It will interfere with the sender ground. Sender threads are tapered pipe threads and are self-sealing.

Temperature senders are most accurate when installed in the aftermarket intake manifold. It is also acceptable to use the OEM engine manufacturing specified location. Installing in the cylinder head can cause high readings due to the exhaust manifold heat. Do not use tee adapters, reducing, or angle adapters for temperature sender since the sender tip or bulb will not be immersed in the water flow.

Senders can be tested with an ohmmeter that measures from 10 to 2,000 ohms. Connect the positive lead from the tester to the sender terminal and the negative lead to a good ground. The following readings will occur if the sender is operating properly.

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<th>Temperature</th>
<th>Cold</th>
<th>700 ohms</th>
<th>Hot (250 degrees)</th>
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<td>Pressure Sender</td>
<td>Engine Off</td>
<td>10 ohms</td>
<td>Engine running 40 psi</td>
<td>105 ohms; 60 psi = 152 ohms</td>
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Tools/Items Needed to Complete Installation:
- 3/4" (18mm) wrench
- Pliers or other crimping tool (optional)
- Wire cutters/stripper
- A length of 16-gauge insulated wire
- 1/4" ring terminal (optional)

I. Installation the VDO Universal Pressure Sender

There are three bushings included in this kit – one is 1/4” – 18 NPT, another is 3/8” – 18 NPT, and third is 1/2"-14 NPT. The fitting on the sender itself is 1/8” – 18 NPT. Decide which bushing if any, you will need to adapt the sender to the opening in the engine block. Discard the rest, or save them for use later in another project. But be aware that you will have left over bushing after you complete your installation.

1. Select a location for mounting the pressure sender.
2. Take the correct bushing, if needed, and screw it tightly onto the sender with your finders.
3. Clean the opening in the engine block where the sender unit will be inserted. Clean threads are absolutely necessary if a good ground and reliable operation are to be obtained.
4. Screw the sender unit finger-tight into the engine block.
5. Use a 3/4” (18mm) wrench to crank the sender into the block. As you crank, you will tighten the bushing into the block and the sender into the bushing. Keep tightening until the sender assembly is snug. Do not over tighten. The sender is self-sealing, and will not leak.

Diagram C
Proper Wiring Between Gauge and Pressure Sender

II. Wiring the VDO Universal Pressure Sender

1. Either rerun a new wire to the pressure gauge or find the existing wire if a pressure gauge is ready to be installed.
2. Crimp a ring terminal onto the sender end of wire.
3. Attach the ring terminal to the terminal on the sender.
4. Make sure the other end of the signal wire is properly connected to the pressure gauge (see diagram C).
5. Turn on the power, and make sure the gauge is working, if it isn't recheck your wiring. (See “Troubleshooting” below.)

--- TROUBLESHOOTING --

TEMPERATURE – PRESSURE SENDERS

Do not use Teflon tape on the threads. It will interfere with the sender ground. Sender threads are tapered pipe threads and are self-sealing. Temperature senders are most accurate when installed in the aftermarket intake manifold. It is also acceptable to use the OEM engine manufacturing specified location. Installing in the cylinder head can cause high readings due to the exhaust manifold heat. Do not use tee adapters, reducing, or angle adapters for temperature sender since the sender tip or bulb will not be immersed in the water flow.

SENDER TESTING

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