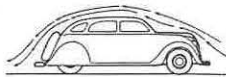


## Tricks & Tips



### HEAD GASKETS -

All 8 cylinder Chrysler Airflow engines with cast iron heads can use a modern copper-asbestos head gasket still manufactured by "VICTOR". The catalogue number is 1027-C. This gasket can be ordered through any NAPA dealer or any auto parts house that handles "VICTOR" products. Unfortunately, this gasket is not compatible for use with aluminum heads

because of electrolysis problems. This gasket was intended for use on 1939-1950 Chrysler auto and marine engine applications, but it will work with older engines as long as the head is of cast iron.

### MASTER CYLINDERS -

A master brake cylinder of recent manufacture that will fit any DeSoto or Chrysler Airflow, 1934-37, may still be ordered through a NAPA dealer. It is NAPA master cylinder #544. In some dealers' listings it may be listed in a separate section of "soon to be discontinued parts", so

insist the parts man look thoroughly in his catalogue. The same cylinder was also made, until recently, by "EIS". The catalogue number is EIS #544. There very well may be cartons containing this vital restoration item lurking on a dusty shelf still unsold. Check with your "EIS" brake parts dealer or watch the swap meets for this item. Be certain not to ask for this part by its' Airflow application; the item is no longer listed that way. It was used more recently on some 1950's Ford and Dodge trucks as well as a surge brake cylinder on some trailers...

They make 70 wt. oil for turbo-charged engines now, cost \$1.80 a quart. I had to buy the case as there isn't that much call for it. Order part #527-7137 as Dave Askey suggested.

OIL FILTERS - Wix WF $\frac{1}{2}$  is a replacement for Fram PB $\frac{1}{2}$  and Purolator PER $\frac{1}{2}$  which fit our cars. Wix STILL MAKES their filter! Call (704) 864-6711 and ask who your local distributor is. Order # 51035, should cost \$13.84 each.

ROOF MATERIALS - The fine short grain pattern that runs the length of the car is available from LeBaron Bonney at \$12.95 the yard. Write them at 6 Chestnut St., Amesbury, MA or call (617) 388-3811.

AUTOMATIC CHOKES had an asbestos and wire gasket under them, if you can find one to put there.

SPOT LIGHTS are an appropriate dealer installed item.

FUEL PUMPS - Several people who drive their cars long distances have a backup electric fuel pump (AC makes a 6 volt pump). It also helps fight vapor lock that these cars are prone to. The preferred location for the pump is on the crossmember near the gas tank. You can get percolation without a pressure regulator (something else these cars are already prone to) but some run them without it.

IMPROVED CARBERATOR: A Stromberg 1938 AAV2 will solve the percolation problems and give you better carburation in general. You will need to make a leveling plate.

UNIVERSAL JOINTS - are available from NAPA and have a grease fitting. Order Precision #344 or a u-joint that fits a Triumph TR3, 1953-58.

MASTER BRAKE CYLINDERS for a 1936 Chrysler are the same as NAPA #544 for a 1952 Dodge truck.

INSTRUMENT GAGES on the Chrysler C1 are the same as the C6 or CZ (C Zed if you are Canadian!).

AIRFLOW TOYS AVAILABLE; Bricklin toy of a 1934 Airflow Chrysler from Model Expo of Fairfield, N J (800) 526-2598 at \$49.95 + \$5.00 shipping.

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