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Installation Manual
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Welcome from the Team at Classic Instruments!

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Mount Adapter Ring

1) Remove the original speedometer from the center gauge pod.
2) Install the new adapter ring in the center gauge pod. Secure the adapter using the three supplied mounting brackets. See Fig. 3

Mount New 4-5/8” Gauge in Center Gauge Pod

1) Insert the new gauge, from the front, into the center gauge pod. Secure the new gauge using the “U” shaped mounting bracket. See Fig. 3
Mount New 2-1/8” Gauges in Side Gauge Pods

1) Remove the original gauges from the two side gauge pods.
2) Insert the new gauges, from the front, into the two side gauge pods. Secure the new gauges using the “U” shaped mounting brackets.

Partially Assembled Side Gauge Pod

4 5/8” Speedometer Wiring [no included tachometer]

1) Always disconnect the vehicle battery before wiring any gauge.
2) Connect a switched +12VDC power source to the 1 terminal on the back of the speedometer. We recommend using a dedicated power source for the speedometer to avoid possible problems caused by bad “noisy” power.
3) Connect a good chassis ground to the 2 terminal on the back of the speedometer. We recommend using a dedicated chassis ground (not stacked with other ground wires) to avoid possible problems caused by a bad ground.
4) Connect a speed signal to the 3 terminal on the back of the speedometer:
   a. White signal wire from a pulse signal generator [SN16]
      i. See “Pulse Signal Generator Wiring” section for complete SN16 wiring instructions.
   OR
      b. Output from a [SN74] speedometer signal interface module.
      i. See “Speedometer Signal Interface Wiring” section for complete SN74 wiring instructions.
5) Connect dash light power to the 8 terminal on the back of the speedometer.
6) Connect the #24AWG red wire labeled “Right Turn” to right turn indicator power.
7) Connect the #24AWG red wire labeled “Left Turn” to left turn indicator power.
8) Connect the #24AWG red wire labeled “High Beam” to high beam indicator power.
4 5/8” Speedometer Wiring Diagram

Pulse Signal Generator [SN16] Wiring

Attach the signal generator to the transmission speedometer gear housing (where the speedometer cable originally connected). Do not use excessive force to tighten. These signal generators produce approximately 16,000 pulses per mile (PPM).

Red: ---------- +12VDC
Black: ------- Ground
White:------- Signal
Speedometer Calibration Using a SN16 Signal

1) Set the 12 dip switches on the back of the speedometer to their default position of (5, 6, 7, 8 OPEN). **Power to the speedometer must be OFF when making adjustments to the dip switches.**

2) Check the current speedometer calibration at a known 60mph by pacing a vehicle with a calibrated speedometer or by using a GPS.

3) Note the speedometer reading at a known 60mph.

4) Stop the vehicle and turn power OFF to the speedometer.

5) Look up the speedometer reading on the 16,000 PPM calibration chart and set the speedometer dip switches according to the chart. The dip switches shown on the chart should be the ONLY switches set to OPEN. All other dip switches should be set to CLOSED.

6) The speedometer is now calibrated. The dip switches must be set back to the default position in order to use the calibration chart on future calibrations.
Set speedometer switches **5 6 7 8 OPEN**, all others closed (**code for 16,000 PPM**). Drive vehicle at 60mph. If the speedometer reads other than 60, turn off power & set switches per chart below.

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Speedometer Signal Interface [SN74] Wiring

1) Connect switched +12VDC to “POWER”

2) Connect chassis ground to “GROUND”

3) Connect the red wire from a SN16 pulse signal generator to “SENSOR PWR”. (If not using the SN16, do not use this connection)

4) Connect the black wire from a SN16 pulse signal generator OR one wire from the built-in transmission VSS (2-wire) to “SENSOR GND”. (If using an ECM speed signal, do not use this connection)

5) Connect the white wire from a SN16 pulse signal generator OR one wire from the built-in transmission VSS (2-wire) OR the ECM speed signal to “INPUT”

6) Connect “OUTPUT” to the signal connection of the speedometer.

7) Connect “CRUISE” to the signal input for a cruise control module (If needed). The cruise control signal is 8,000 pulses per mile (PPM).

8) Connect one lead from the momentary pushbutton to each of the two “PUSHBUTTON” connections.

9) Determine the default pulse setting for the speedometer (Classic Instruments speedometer with 8 dip switches is 8,000ppm, Classic Instruments speedometer with 12 dip switches is 16,000ppm)

10) If speedometer dip switches are not in the default position, set them at this time (8,000ppm speedometer 2 6 7 8 OPEN, 16,000ppm speedometer 5 6 7 8 OPEN)

11) Set switches on the module according to the chart below based on the speed signal you will be using.

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Switch 1 – OFF = Vehicle Speed Sensor signal, ON = Computer or SN16 signal
Switch 2 – OFF = high sensitivity, ON = low sensitivity
Switch 3 – OFF = 16,000ppm signal output, ON = 8,000ppm signal output
Switch 4 – Not Used
**Speedometer Signal Interface [SN74] Wiring Diagrams**

![Diagram of Speedometer Signal Interface SN74](image)

**SN74 Connected to a SN16 Pulse Signal Generator**

- **SN16 - Pulse Signal Generator**
  - +12VDC switched
  - Good Chassis Ground
  - Red, Black, White

- **SN74 - Speedometer Signal Interface**
  - Input Type: LED
  - Sensitivity: #1 ADJ
  - Output Type: #2 AUTO
  - #4 not used

- **Speed Signal for Cruise Control (optional)**
  - 8,000 Pulses Per Mile

- **Calibration Pushbutton**

**SN74 Connected to Vehicle Speed Sensor (VSS)**

- **Built-In Vehicle Speed Sensor (VSS)**
  - +12VDC switched
  - Good Chassis Ground

- **Speed Signal for Cruise Control (optional)**
  - 8,000 Pulses Per Mile

- **Calibration Pushbutton**

*Revised: April 1, 2014*
Good Chassis
+12VDC switched

ECM Computer

Computer Speed Signal

Good Chassis Ground

Speed Signal for Cruise Control (optional)
8,000 Pulses Per Mile

Speedometer Signal
Post 3 on Speedometer

SN74 Connected to ECM Speed Signal


**Speedometer Calibration Using SN74**

**Marked Mile Calibration Mode**
*(Use When Calibrating for the First Time)*

1) Start with the vehicle power / engine off. Push and hold the pushbutton while starting the engine.
2) When the engine is running, release the pushbutton.
3) The red LED labeled “1” on the module will be lit (indicating real-time calibration mode).
4) Tap the pushbutton. The red LED labeled “1” will turn off and the red LED labeled “2” will turn on (indicating marked mile calibration mode).
5) Push and hold the pushbutton with red LED “2” lit until LED “2” starts blinking *(approximately 5 seconds)*
6) Begin driving a known mile. *(The green LED between the red LEDs should blink once you start moving indicating that the module is getting a signal.)*
7) When driving the known mile, the speedometer will not indicate any speed. This is normal.
8) At the end of the known mile, press and hold the pushbutton until the red LED “2” turns off. *(approximately 5 seconds)*

**Real-Time Calibration Mode**
*(For Fine Tuning the Speedometer Calibration)*

1) Start with the vehicle power / engine off. Push and hold the pushbutton while starting the engine.
2) When the engine is running, release the pushbutton.
3) The red LED labeled “1” on the module will be lit (indicating real-time calibration mode).
4) Push and hold the pushbutton with red LED “1” lit until LED “1” starts blinking. *(approximately 5 seconds)*
5) Drive a known speed using a GPS or by pacing another car. *(The green LED between the red LEDs should blink once you start moving indicating that the module is getting a signal.)*
6) Press and hold the pushbutton to change the speed show on the speedometer. The first time the pushbutton is pressed and held, the speed shown on the speedometer will increase. The second time the pushbutton is pressed and held, the speed shown on the speedometer will decrease. *Note: Changes in speed will happen slowly. The button will need to be held longer if a large change of speed is required.*
7) The pushbutton will alternate between increasing or decreasing the speed shown on the speedometer each time it is pressed. Press and hold the pushbutton to fine tune the speed shown on the speedometer.
8) Once the correct speed on the speedometer has been achieved, wait at least 8 seconds without pushing the pushbutton, then turn power to the module off in order to save the calibration.
4 5/8” Speed-Tachular Wiring

1) Always disconnect the vehicle battery before wiring any gauge.

2) Connect a switched +12VDC power source to the Pink wire of the wire harness. *We recommend using a dedicated power source for the speedometer to avoid possible problems caused by bad “noisy” power.*

3) Connect a good chassis ground to the Black wire of the wire harness. *We recommend using a dedicated chassis ground (not stacked with other ground wires) to avoid possible problems caused by a bad ground.*

4) Connect a speed signal to the Purple wire of the wire harness:
   a. White signal wire from a pulse signal generator [SN16]
      i. Connect the RED wire of the wire harness harness to the RED power wire of the SN16.
      ii. Connect the BLACK ground wire of the SN16 to a good chassis ground.
   [OR]
   b. One (either) wire of an electronic transmission 2-wire vehicle speed sensor [VSS].
      i. Connect the other wire of the VSS to the same point as the wire harness Black ground wire.
   [OR]
   c. Speedometer Signal wire of the vehicle computer [PCM].

5) Connect dash light power to the Grey wire of the wire harness.

6) Connect a tachometer signal to the White wire of the wire harness.
   a. STANDARD POINTS & CONDENSER SYSTEM
      i. Connect to the negative side of the coil (usually marked as “-“).
   b. GMC – HEI (High Energy Ignition System)
      i. Connect to the “TACH” terminal on coil side of distributor cap.
   c. MSD (Multiple Spark Discharge System)
      i. Connect to the TACH signal from the MSD box.
   d. VERTEX MAGNETO SYSTEM
      i. Connect to the “KILL” terminal on the side of a Vertex magneto body. An external adapter such as an MSD “Pro Mag Tach Converter” #8132 may be required.
   e. ACCEL IGNITION COILS
      i. Connect to the negative side of the coil. CAUTION! Some Accel ignition coils require the tach signal wire to be connected to the “+” terminal on the coil! PLEASE carefully read Accel’s instructions before connecting ignition coil.
   f. MALLORY IGNITION
      i. Connect to the negative terminal side of coil (usually marked as “-“).
   g. PCM TACHOMETER SIGNAL
      i. Connect to the signal from the computer. The tachometer typically needs to be set on 4 cylinder setting.
   h. MULTIPLE COIL IGNITION SYSTEMS
      i. A tach adapter may be required for these ignition systems. A tach signal driver such as the MSD #8913, which produces a 12V square wave signal, is recommended. Please check with manufacturer for your specific application.
      i. NOTICE! For all other ignition systems please look at the owner’s manual for that system.

7) Connect the Brown wire of the wire harness to one wire of the momentary pushbutton.
   a. Connect the other wire of the momentary pushbutton to ground.

8) Optional connections: (if equipped)
   a. Connect the Green wire of the wire harness to high beam indicator power.
   b. Connect the Purple / White wire of the wire harness to right turn indicator power.
   c. Connect the Blue / White wire of the wire harness to left turn indicator power.

9) The Blue and Yellow wires of the wire harness are NOT USED.
4 5/8” Speed-Tachular Wiring Diagram

- High Beam Indicator (if equipped) [GREEN]
- Good Chassis Ground [BLACK]
- Left Turn Indicator (if equipped) [BLUE / WHITE]
- Speedometer Signal [PURPLE]
- Dash Light Power [GREY]
- Filtered Power Output to SN16 (if equipped) [RED]
- Not Used [YELLOW]
- +12VDC Switched Power [PINK]
- Not Used [BLUE]
- Tachometer Signal [WHITE]
- Setup Button Connection [BROWN]
- Right Turn Indicator (if equipped) [PURPLE / WHITE]
Speed-Tachular Calibration

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Entering Calibration Mode:

1. Start with power to the gauge OFF.
2. Press and HOLD the calibration pushbutton.
4. Release the pushbutton after the engine is started. The gauge will indicate 70MPH and 1000RPM. *The tenths position of the odometer will be also be lit red to indicate that the gauge is in calibration mode.*

Tachometer Cylinder Setup: *(steps 1-4 may be skipped if the gauge is already in calibration mode)*

1. Start with power to the gauge OFF.
2. Press and HOLD the calibration pushbutton.
4. Release the pushbutton after the engine is started. The gauge will indicate 70MPH and 1000RPM. *The tenths position of the odometer will be also be lit red to indicate that the gauge is in calibration mode.*
5. If necessary, tap the calibration pushbutton to index the tachometer pointer until the tachometer indicates 1000RPM.
6. With the tachometer indicating 1000RPM, press and hold the calibration pushbutton for 6 seconds. The speedometer pointer will move to indicate the current cylinder setting. *(10MPH=1cylinder, 20MPH=2cylinder, 30MPH=3cylinder, 40MPH=4cylinder, 50MPH=5cylinder, 60MPH=6cylinder, 80MPH=8cylinder, 100MPH=10cylinder and 120MPH=12cylinder)*
7. Tap the pushbutton to change the cylinder setting. The speedometer will cycle through the available settings each time the pushbutton is tapped.
8. With the speedometer indicating the desired cylinder setting, press and hold the pushbutton for 6 seconds. The gauge will indicate 70MPH and 8000RPM. *The tenths position of the odometer will be lit green to indicate that the cylinder setting has been programmed.*
9. If you are finished calibrating the gauge, press and hold the pushbutton while the tachometer is indicating 8000RPM for 6 seconds. This will exit the calibration mode. If you want to calibrate another function of the gauge, tap the pushbutton to index the tachometer to the desired calibration mode.
Tachometer Signal Type Setup: (steps 1-4 may be skipped if the gauge is already in calibration mode)
1) Start with power to the gauge OFF.
2) Press and HOLD the calibration pushbutton.
3) Start engine.
4) Release the pushbutton after the engine is started. The gauge will indicate 70MPH and 1000RPM. The tenths position of the odometer will be also be lit red to indicate that the gauge is in calibration mode.
5) Tap the calibration pushbutton to index the tachometer pointer until the tachometer indicates 2000RPM.
6) With the tachometer indicating 2000RPM, press and hold the calibration pushbutton for 6 seconds. The speedometer pointer will move to indicate the current signal type setting. The tenths position of the odometer will flash green and red.
7) Tap the pushbutton to change the signal type setting. The speedometer will cycle between the two options each time the pushbutton is tapped. (50MPH=5V Signal, 120MPH=12V Signal)
8) Set the signal type to 5V if using a computer generated tachometer signal. Set the signal type to 12V for all other tachometer signals.
9) With the speedometer indicating the desired signal type setting, press and hold the pushbutton for 6 seconds. The gauge will indicate 70MPH and 8000RPM. The tenths position of the odometer will be lit green to indicate that the signal type has been programmed.
10) If you are finished calibrating the gauge, press and hold the pushbutton while the tachometer is indicating 8000RPM for 6 seconds. This will exit the calibration mode. If you want to calibrate another function of the gauge, tap the pushbutton to index the tachometer to the desired calibration mode.

Speedometer “Instant” Calibration: (steps 1-4 may be skipped if the gauge is already in calibration mode)
1) Start with power to the gauge OFF.
2) Press and HOLD the calibration pushbutton.
3) Start engine.
4) Release the pushbutton after the engine is started. The gauge will indicate 70MPH and 1000RPM. The tenths position of the odometer will be also be lit red to indicate that the gauge is in calibration mode.
5) Tap the calibration pushbutton to index the tachometer pointer until the tachometer indicates 3000RPM.
6) With the tachometer indicating 3000RPM, press and hold the calibration pushbutton for 6 seconds. The speedometer pointer will move to 0MPH. The tenths position of the odometer will be flash green and red when a speed signal is detected. If no signal is detected, it will remain red.
7) Drive the vehicle at exactly 30MPH. Press and hold the pushbutton while traveling 30MPH. The tenths position of the odometer will be lit solid red or solid green while the button is pressed. When the calibration is completed, the speedometer will move to indicate 30MPH at which point the pushbutton may be released. The tenths position will also be lit green to indicate a successful calibration.
8) If you are satisfied with the speedometer calibration, tap the pushbutton once to get back into the main gauge calibration mode. The gauge will indicate 70MPH and 8000RPM. If you would like to re-do the calibration, simply press and hold the pushbutton while traveling 30MPH and hold the pushbutton until the speedometer indicates 30MPH at which point the pushbutton may be released.
9) When you are finished calibrating the gauge, tap the pushbutton and the gauge will indicate 70MPH and 8000RPM. Then, Press and old the pushbutton for 6 seconds. This will exit the calibration mode. If you want to calibrate another function of the gauge, tap the pushbutton to index the tachometer to the desired calibration mode.
Speedometer “Real-Time” Calibration:  (steps 1-4 may be skipped if the gauge is already in calibration mode)

1) Start with power to the gauge OFF.
2) Press and HOLD the calibration pushbutton.
3) Start engine.
4) Release the pushbutton after the engine is started. The gauge will indicate 70MPH and 1000RPM. The tenths position of the odometer will be also be lit red to indicate that the gauge is in calibration mode.
5) Tap the calibration pushbutton to index the tachometer pointer until the tachometer indicates 4000RPM.
6) With the tachometer indicating 4000RPM, press and hold the calibration pushbutton for 6 seconds. The speedometer pointer will move to indicate the speed with the current calibration (which you will need to adjust to make correct).
7) Press and hold the pushbutton to increase the indicated speed. Release the pushbutton to stop increasing the speed. The tenths position of the odometer will flash green and red if a speed signal is detected. If no signal is detected, the tenths position of the odometer will be lit red.
8) If necessary, press and hold the pushbutton again to decrease the indicated speed. Release the pushbutton to stop decreasing.
9) Press and hold the pushbutton once more to increase the indicated speed. Etc…
10) Once the correct speed is dialed in on the speedometer, wait 10 seconds until the tenths position of the odometer turns green and then tap the pushbutton. The gauge will indicate 70MPH and 8000RPM.
11) If you are finished calibrating the gauge, press and hold the pushbutton while the tachometer is indicating 8000RPM for 6 seconds. This will exit the calibration mode. If you want to calibrate another function of the gauge, tap the pushbutton to index the tachometer to the desired calibration mode.

Speedometer “Measured Mile” Calibration:  (steps 1-4 may be skipped if the gauge is already in calibration mode)

1) Start with power to the gauge OFF.
2) Press and HOLD the calibration pushbutton.
3) Start engine.
4) Release the pushbutton after the engine is started. The gauge will indicate 70MPH and 1000RPM. The tenths position of the odometer will be also be lit red to indicate that the gauge is in calibration mode.
5) Tap the calibration pushbutton to index the tachometer pointer until the tachometer indicates 5000RPM.
6) With the tachometer indicating 5000RPM, press and hold the pushbutton for 6 seconds. The speedometer pointer will move to 30MPH.
7) Begin driving a measured mile. While driving, the tenths position of the odometer will be flashing green and red to indicate a good speed signal. If no speed signal is detected, the tenths position of the odometer will be lit red.
8) At the end of your measured mile, press and hold the pushbutton for another 6 seconds. The gauge will indicate 70MPH and 8000RPM and the tenths position of the odometer will be lit green to indicate a successful calibration.
9) If you are finished calibrating the gauge, press and hold the pushbutton while the tachometer is indicating 8000RPM for 6 seconds. This will exit the calibration mode. If you want to calibrate another function of the gauge, tap the pushbutton to index the tachometer to the desired calibration mode.
Optional Shift Indicator Setup: (steps 1-4 may be skipped if the gauge is already in calibration mode)

1) Start with power to the gauge OFF.
2) Press and HOLD the calibration pushbutton.
3) Start engine.
4) Release the pushbutton after the engine is started. The gauge will indicate 70MPH and 1000RPM. *The tenths position of the odometer will be also be lit red to indicate that the gauge is in calibration mode.*
5) Tap the calibration pushbutton to index the tachometer pointer until the tachometer indicates 6000RPM.
6) With the tachometer indicating 6000RPM, press and hold the pushbutton for 6 seconds. The tachometer pointer will move to 0RPM and *the tenths position of the odometer will flash green and red.* The shift light trigger RPM can now be set.
7) Press and hold the pushbutton to increase the tachometer reading. Release the pushbutton to stop increasing the tachometer reading.
8) If necessary, push and hold the pushbutton again to decrease the tachometer reading. Release the pushbutton to stop decreasing the tachometer reading.
9) Press and hold the pushbutton once more to increase the tachometer reading. Etc…
10) When the desired shift light trigger RPM is indicated on the tachometer, release the pushbutton and wait 10 seconds. After 10 seconds of no pushbutton activity, the trigger point will be stored; the tachometer will indicate 8000RPM and *the tenths position of the odometer will be lit green.*
11) If you are finished calibrating the gauge, press and hold the pushbutton while the tachometer is indicating 8000RPM for 6 seconds. This will exit the calibration mode. If you want to calibrate another function of the gauge, tap the pushbutton to index the tachometer to the desired calibration mode.

Reset Gauge Calibration to Factory Defaults: (steps 1-4 may be skipped if the gauge is already in calibration mode)

1) Start with power to the gauge OFF.
2) Press and HOLD the calibration pushbutton.
3) Start engine.
4) Release the pushbutton after the engine is started. The gauge will indicate 70MPH and 1000RPM. *The tenths position of the odometer will be also be lit red to indicate that the gauge is in calibration mode.*
5) Tap the calibration pushbutton to index the tachometer pointer until the tachometer indicates 7000RPM.
6) With the tachometer indicating 7000RPM, press and hold the pushbutton for 6 seconds. The tachometer will move to 8000RPM and *the tenths position of the odometer will be lit green to indicate the gauge has been restored to the factory default settings.*
7) If you are finished calibrating the gauge, press and hold the pushbutton while the tachometer is indicating 8000RPM for 6 seconds. This will exit the calibration mode. If you want to calibrate another function of the gauge, tap the pushbutton to index the tachometer to the desired calibration mode.
2 1/8” Gauge Wiring

1) Always disconnect the ground lead from the vehicle battery before wiring any gauge.
2) Connect the sender to terminal “S” on the back of the gauge.
   a. Volt gauge: no sender is required. **DO NOT connect any wire to the “S” terminal of a volt gauge. The “S” terminal has been intentionally removed on most gauges to help prevent damage.**
   b. Water Temperature gauge: connect the top terminal of a Classic Instruments temperature sender to the “S” terminal on the back of the gauge.
   c. Oil Pressure gauge: connect the top terminal of a Classic Instruments oil pressure sender to the “S” terminal on the back of the gauge.
   d. Fuel gauge: connect the top terminal of a Classic Instruments fuel sender (or signal terminal of an OEM fuel sender if matching gauge was ordered) to the “S” terminal on the back of the gauge.
   e. Transmission Temperature gauge: connect the top terminal of a Classic Instruments temperature sender to the “S” terminal on the back of the gauge.
   f. Oil Temperature gauge: connect the top terminal of a Classic Instruments temperature sender to the “S” terminal on the back of the gauge.
3) Connect a good ground to terminal “G” on the back of the gauge.
4) Connect a switched +12VDC power source to terminal “I” on the back of the gauge.
5) Connect dash light power to the spade connector “L” on the back of the gauge.

2 1/8” Gauge Wiring Diagram
Oil Pressure Sender Installation

(Part No. SN52, SN53 & SN54)

1) Disconnect battery before installation.
2) Only install Classic Instruments sending units when the engine is COLD.
3) DO NOT use Teflon tape on the threads. These threads are slightly tapered and designed to be self-sealing. The sender uses the threads for its ground connection and sealant may cause a poor ground causing inaccurate readings

GM Installation: The correct location on most GM V8-engines to install the oil pressure sender is under the distributor housing at the rear of the block.

Use the 2 piece bushing kit provided to allow the sender to be mounted at a 45-degree angle pointing towards the driver’s knees. This allows the sender to clear the back of the intake manifold, the underside of the distributor housing and also the firewall.

GM Installation – Big Block Engines: We do NOT recommend installing Classic Instrument’s oil pressure sender in the opening located just above the oil filter on some big block GM engines. This location may not be a full-pressure passage but instead a “by-pass” oil passageway. Installing our pressure sender at this location may result in some strange low-pressure readings under certain driving conditions. This does not indicate a defective instrument or sender! It simply means you need to move the sender to the correct location.

GM Installation – LS Engines: Install the sender in the oil bypass housing located just above the oil filter. The housing will need to be drilled and tapped to 1/8”NPT.
Temperature Sender Installation
(Part No. SN22, SN23, SN24 & SN25)

1) Disconnect battery before making any connections.
2) Install the Classic Instrument’s temperature sending unit only when the engine is COLD!
3) DO NOT use Teflon tape on the threads. These threads are slightly tapered and designed to be self-sealing. The sender uses the threads for its ground connection and sealant may cause a poor ground causing inaccurate readings
4) Install the temperature sender into the intake manifold of your engine as possible. Installing the sender in the engine cylinder head may cause inaccurate temperature readings.
   a. On GM “LS” engines, the temperature sender mounts on the passenger side of the engine under the rear cylinder. A 12mm thread sender is available to fit this location.
5) Connect a wire from the top terminal of the temperature sender to the indicated signal/sensor post on the back of the temperature gauge.
6) Tighten until snug. DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN!

Notice: Avoid installing the temperature sender into the head of a late-model GMC engine. Even though the stock GMC sender may have been installed there, this opening is too close to the exhaust header and will most likely cause an improper reading.