

JBA[®] performance exhaust

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Installation Instructions and Warranty Information

For JBA Headers '64 1/2 to '73 289/302/5.0L EFI
Ford Mustang & Mercury Cougar



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Part# 1650S and 1650S-2

The product accompanying this document has been granted a California Air Resources Board (CARB) exemption, an "E.O." number, or is a direct or consolidated replacement part. It is 50-state legal, per the manufacturer's application guide.

These headers retain all O.E.M. emissions equipment and are covered under the C.A.R.B. E.O. #D-216-29. Included in this kit you will find a label that is required to aid in passing the California smog check program.

Read all instructions carefully before attempting installation.

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PerTronix© thanks you for choosing JBA HEADERS, the best fitting, highest quality header on the market. In order to realize the full potential of our good fit, please read and understand these instructions completely prior to starting work.

Check to make sure you received the proper parts for your application. The header number will be stamped on the engine flange. If you are unsure you have received the proper parts call before you start work.

Be sure to work safe! Whenever you work under the vehicle be sure that it is located on level, solid ground and is supported by adequate safety stands! Remember: Hot asphalt will not support most jack stands!

Many factors affect the installation of headers, some of which are broken or aftermarket motor mounts, accidents that impact the configuration of the frame, and/or the installation of different engines or aftermarket cylinder heads.

Attention Customers breaking in new engines: Due to the extreme heat generated during the break-in process, the appearance of the ceramic coating may be altered in certain areas. The protection characteristics and thermal barrier properties of the coating is never compromised. It is recommended that a cast iron manifold or old set of headers be used for this process.

Notice: The coating of these headers can be marred or scratched during installation. If the header needs to be returned and is damaged, you will be charged for recoat.

JBA uses sealing beads on all its headers. We have found that when installed correctly, the raised bead around each port increases the pressure exerted on the gasket directly adjacent to the port and effectively prevents leaking gaskets. It is normal for the flange to be raised off the cylinder head the thickness of the sealing bead. It is important when installing the header, to install all bolts loosely, then tighten evenly to ensure the flat installation of the flange. The torque sequence from one flange to another will vary, but generally every bolt on a header should be first fit snug, starting from the inside of the flange working out, alternating from top to bottom so that the bolt connects the flange to the manifold to the point where they barely touch. Second, using the same inside-out pattern, tighten each bolt until finished. This method will help prevent leakage and will give the user the best possible performance out of their pair of headers.

NOTE: • .64 1/2 -.65 Cars must update frame bracket to a .66 and later frame bracket

- Lakewood bell housings will require clearancing for tubes
- Head flange will need clearance grinding when used with head studs or head bolts with hardened washers.
- It is recommended that a C5ZZ16A052E "Export Brace "be installed, especially if the shock mounts center to center dimension is less than 33-3/4"
- We recommend using JBA PowerCables™ Ignition Wires part# 06209

1. Place vehicle in a location where the floor is solid and flat, with adequate lighting. Do not attempt to work on a hot engine. Heat causes metal to expand and makes removal of fasteners difficult at best. Disconnect the battery cables from the battery. Raise the front of the vehicle and remove the front tires to obtain adequate access to the bottom exhaust manifold flanges. Use large-base jack stands to support the vehicle. Do not rely on the jack! Block the tires to prevent the vehicle from rolling off the jack stands.

2. Disconnect the spark plug wires by grasping and gently twisting the spark plug wire boots. Do not pull on the wires! Brush or blow any debris, which may have collected around the manifolds or spark plugs. This will help prevent foreign matter from entering the combustion chamber when the manifolds are removed. Spray WD-40 or some type of penetrating oil on all accessible fasteners and fittings before attempting to remove them.

3. Typically the exhaust pipes in these early Vehicles are long gone. These instructions contemplate the removal of old components and the installation of a new exhaust system by a competent exhaust shop. Most cast iron factory manifolds mate to the exhaust pipes in approximately the same location as the Shorty Headers. Thus, if you are replacing the factory manifolds and your exhaust pipes are in good shape, the modifications to be performed by a exhaust shop will be relatively minor. If you are replacing conventional headers (which typically exit under the belly near the transmission) with the JBA Shorties, more extensive exhaust work will be required. These instructions cover only the installation of the Shorty headers. The necessary exhaust system modifications should be left to a competent exhaust shop.

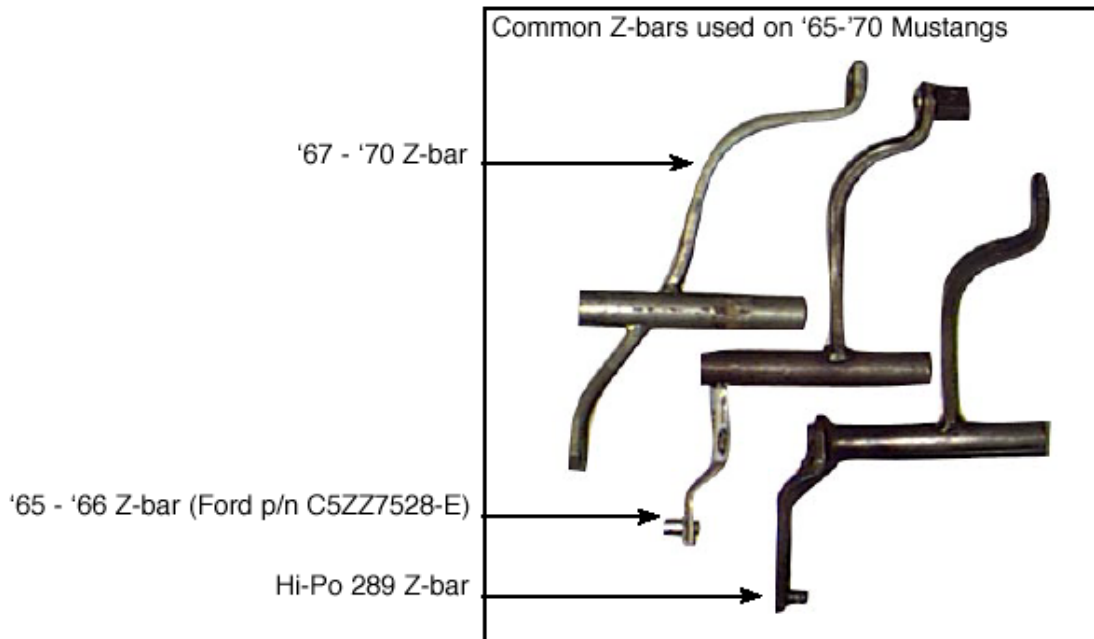
4. Remove the Clutch equalizer bar "Z-bar "and lower rod

*Note there were several different Z-bars used on the Mustang.

You may need to modify the bar for proper fit. See explanation on next page.

Z-Bar usage

There are multiple Z-bars from Ford and other reproduction Z-bars found on the early Mustangs. The three most common styles are shown below.



In '65-'66 model cars both of the early style Z-bars pictured should have adequate clearance for the new JBA Headers. If the tolerance of the host car and or wear and tear on the Z-bar allow header interference you may need to purchase a new Z-bar built to Ford specifications like the one used to design the JBA Headers you have purchased. In '67-'70 model cars, the upper lever of the Z-bar may need to be relocated slightly to allow for header clearance. To do this, cut off the existing lever and weld it back on for adequate clearance. If the upper lever is excessive, JBA offers new upper levers for \$75.00. JBA also offers spec. built '67-'70 Z-bars for \$165.00. '68-'70 models with rag-joint two-piece steering columns have the tightest fitment. The slightest motor mount or chassis wear can cause interference.

5. Unbolt the Driver's side exhaust manifold and remove. Using a small wire brush or similar instrument, clean any carbon deposits left on the head.
6. Bolt the header to the head using the supplied gaskets and hardware. Apply anti-seize to the header bolts if installing on aluminum heads. Torque to 30 lbs./in on iron heads, 23 lbs./in on alum. Don't forget to use the lock washers.
7. Unbolt the passenger side manifold and remove. Clean the head surface and bolt the new header to the engine using the supplied gaskets and hardware. Torque to 30 lbs./in on iron heads, 23 lbs./ft on alum.
8. Reinstall the spark plug wires and looms taking care not to let any wires rest against the header tubes. Reinstall the battery cable. Make sure all rubber hoses and wires are kept away from the headers. Otherwise, the heat will damage these components.
9. The installation of the headers is now complete. The adaptation of the headers to the exhaust system should be left to an exhaust shop unless you have access to tube bending and welding equipment.
10. After the exhaust modification have been made to adapt the headers to your exhaust system, recheck everything! Make sure all bolts are tight.
11. Start the engine and let it warm up. Check for leaks. Shut engine off and let it cool down. Check to make sure all fasteners are tight.
12. All Tubular Headers require maintenance including periodically check and retighten the header bolts.

Parts List:

- (1) Driver's Side Header Assembly**
- (1) Passenger's Side Header Assembly**
- (16) 3/8" x 1" header bolts & lock washers**
(Torque to 30 lbs./in on iron heads, 23 lbs./in on alum. heads)
- (2) Header gaskets (Header to Head flange)**
- (4) Collector Bolts & Nuts.**

LIMITED ONE YEAR WARRANTY

All JBA HEADERS and exhaust products are guaranteed, to the original purchaser, to be free of defects in materials and workmanship for one year. This warranty covers the replacement or repair of the product only and does not cover the cost of removal and installation, customer applied aftermarket coatings or any discoloration or corrosion of finished surfaces.

Damage or product failure resulting from collision, improper installation, off-road use, road hazards, the use of exhaust insulating wrap or like products or rust occurring after installation, is not covered by the warranty. The warranty extends only to the original purchaser.

Should a part become defective it should be returned to the original selling retailer and must be accompanied with the sales receipt. If there is no retailer in your area, call the factory for a return authorization and return your part prepaid to the factory for inspection. PerTronix reserves the rights to replace or repair the alleged defective part and return the part freight collect.

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