

# **AEROMOTIVE**

**Part** # 18368, 18369, 18374, 18375, 18668 & 18669 Universal Fuel Pump

# **INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS**

This product is not legal for sale or use on emission-controlled vehicles except when used as a direct replacement part matching OEM specification.

# **WARNING!**



Always be aware of flammable situations. Drilling and grinding can be potential ignition sources. Extinguish all open flames, prohibit smoking and eliminate all sources of ignition in the area of the vehicle and workspace before proceeding with the installation. Ensure you are working in a well ventilated area with an approved fire extinguisher nearby.

# **WARNING!**



Installation of this product requires modification to a fuel tank/ the fuel system, failure to satisfy all safety considerations will result in fire, explosion, injury and/or loss of life to yourself and/or others. All fuel system components MUST be located as far from heat sources as possible, like exhaust, engine block,

etc.

### **WARNING!**



Mechanical and hydraulic lifting devices can tip over or lower accidentally due to incorrect maneuvering or technical errors. A falling object can cause injury and/or loss of life to yourself and/or others. When working under the vehicle, always use stands, and ensure that the ground or floor is stable and level. Never crawl under a vehicle which is only supported by a jack.

#### **WARNING!**



The fuel system is under pressure. Do not open the fuel system until the pressure has been relieved. Refer to the appropriate vehicle service manual for the procedure and precautions for relieving the fuel system pressure.

#### **CAUTION!**



When installing this product always wear safety glasses and other appropriate safety apparel. A drilling operation will cause flying metal chips. Flying metal chips can cause eye injury.

## **CAUTION:**



Installation of this product requires detailed knowledge of automotive systems and repair procedures. We recommend that this installation be carried out by a qualified automotive technician. Careless installation of this product can result in damage to the product, injury or loss of life to yourself and/or others.

Compatible Fuels:		
Pump Gas		
Race Gas		
E85		
Alcohol/Ethanol		

#### Parts Included:

1ea BLDC A1000 Pump Assy (18368)	COMMON
-OR-	1ea Aeromotive Fuel Filter and Pickup Assembly
1ea BLDC Eliminator Pump Assy (18369)	1ea ¾" Pickup Tube
-OR- 1ea BLDC 3.5 Spur Gear Pump Assy (18374)	1ea ORB Tube Clamp Fitting
-OR-	1ea Pump Retaining Ring
1ea BLDC 5.0 Spur Gear Pump Assy (18375)	1ea Flange Gasket
-OR-	10ea 10-24 Cap Screws
1ea Traditional A1000 Pump Assy (18668) -OR-	10ea #10 Nylon Washer
1ea Traditional Eliminator Pump Assy (18669)	2ea 10-24 Flat Head Screws

- Maximum continuous operating pressure should not exceed 70 psi for 18368/69 and 18668/69 or 90 psi for 18374/75. Life expectancy may be reduced for continuous operation above the ratings.
- For any street driving or continuous use, Aeromotive recommends maintaining at least ½ tank of fuel.
- The enclosed pump uses ORB ports, they are <u>NOT PIPE THREAD</u> and utilize <u>NO THREAD SEALANT</u>. You must install ORB port fittings with o-rings to seal the fitting into the pump.

The following steps are typical of most installations:

- 1. On the top of the fuel tank find a 4.5" diameter flat area for fuel pump location (towards the rear of the tank is the best location). Mark the center of this location so it can be cut out.
- 2. Use a 3.5" hole saw to cut out the pump hole. Lower the pump into the hole and use a transfer punch to locate the 10 mounting holes. Remove the pump and drill the holes using a .221" drill bit. Drill two more holes for the pump retainer ring 180 degrees apart. Refer to **Figure 1-1** for the placement of these two holes.
- 3. Now take an 82-degree chamfer tool and chamfer the two holes for the pump retainer ring. Once finished it should look as shown in **Figure 1-1**.

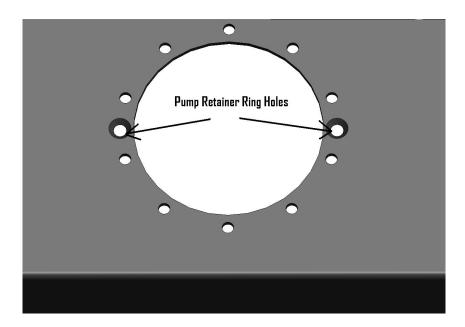


FIGURE 1-1

4. Construct baffling for the filter pick area. This is key for pump performance and longevity. Typical baffling size is 8x8x5 inches. Please see **Figure 1-2** for reference (front wall of sump not shown for clarity).

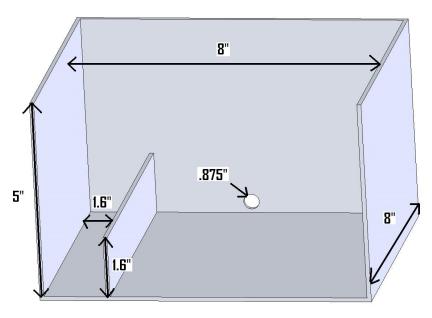


FIGURE 1-2

5. Drill two .875" holes near the bottom of the baffling running from the front to rear of the vehicle. Also construct an 8" x 1.6" x 1.6" wall along the bottom of the baffle box as shown in **Figure 1-2** for the return to feed into as shown in **Figure 1-3** (tank not shown for clarity). This will keep the fuel calm at the pickup point and reduce the chance of cavitation.

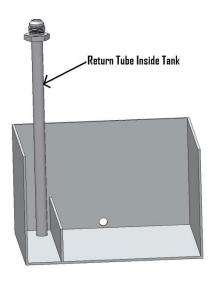


FIGURE 1-3

6. Typical position for the baffle box is below the fuel pump cut out although they can be mounted apart. For this illustration we will use the most common. Position the baffle box below the fuel pump cut out and secure it to the floor of the tank. When finished it should look as shown in **Figure 1-4**.

NOTE: The pump does not need to be mounted directly above the baffle box. It can be mounted anywhere on the top of the tank as long as you can get a tube from the pickup filter assembly to the inlet of the pump.

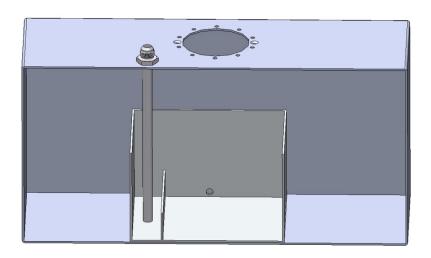


FIGURE 1-4

7. Install the fuel pump retainer ring into the tank and secure it as shown in **Figure 1-5** with the two tapered screws provided using thread sealant on the threads to prevent leaks.

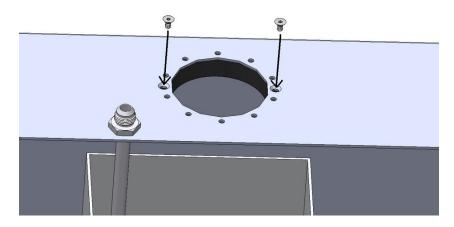


FIGURE 1-5

8. Measure the depth of the tank to determine the pump assembly length requirement. Subtract .125-.250" off of the depth measurement so that the pickup isn't resting on the bottom of the baffle. Cut the supplied tube to the length required for the pump assembly to have the desired length. Deburr the inside of the pipe and chamfer the outside edge so that it doesn't cut the o-rings when the tube is inserted into the clamps (use light grease or oil to aid in assembly). Assemble the pump and filter as shown in **Figure 1-6** (the assembly shown in the figure has the shortest possible configuration of 9.75" length).



FIGURE 1-6

9. Insert the pump with gasket into the tank as shown in Figure 1-7.

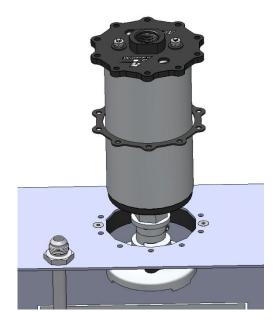


FIGURE 1-7

10. Attach the pump to the tank using the supplied socket head cap screws and washers. Do not over tighten them as it will break or damage the washers. The finished product should look as shown in **Figure 1-8**.

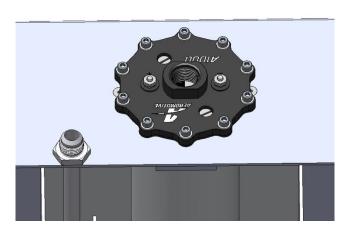
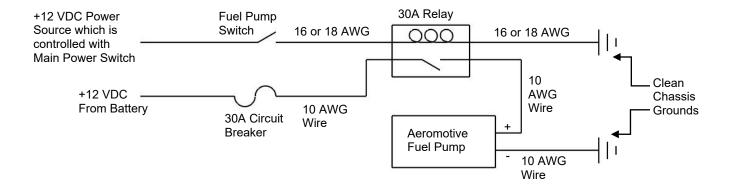


FIGURE 1-8

11.Connect the fuel pump as shown in the following diagram, +12VDC to the red lead, Ground to the black lead. To make installation easier, a kit is available, Aeromotive fuel pump wiring kit, part # 16307. **NOTE: POWER TO THE 183XX PUMPS MUST BE FLAT DC, NOT PULSE WIDTH MODULATED!** 

**CAUTION:** DO NOT REVERSE THE POLARITY-CONNECT AS STATED ABOVE FOR THE 183XX PUMPS. Reversing the polarity will render the controller inoperable and will void all warranties for these products!



Ensure that any spilled fuel and any fuel-soaked shop towels are cleaned up and removed from the vicinity of the vehicle.

CAUTION: If any fuel leaks are detected, immediately turn the fuel pump OFF, remove any spilled fuel and repair the leak(s) before proceeding!

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