



**AEROMOTIVE**  
**Part # 18601**  
**83-93 Mustang Sumped Fuel Tank**  
**INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS**

**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.

Installation of this product requires handling of gasoline. Ensure you are working in a well ventilated area with an approved fire extinguisher nearby. Extinguish all open flames, prohibit smoking and eliminate all sources of ignition in the area of the vehicle before proceeding with the installation.

When installing this product, wear eye goggles and other safety apparel as needed to protect yourself from debris and sprayed gasoline.

**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.

Aeromotive system components are not legal for sale or use on emission controlled motor vehicles.

**This kit contains the following parts:**

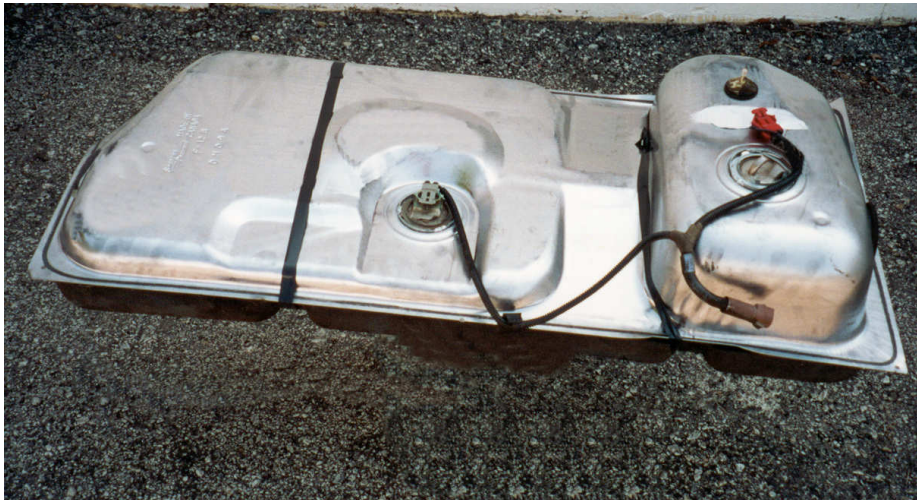
- 1 ea fuel tank kit
  - 1 ea fuel tank w/sump
  - 1 ea Block-off plate

**The following steps are typical of most installations:**

- 1-1. Once the engine has been allowed to cool, disconnect the negative battery cable and relieve the fuel system pressure.
- 1-2. Raise the vehicle and support it with jack stands.
- 1-3. Referring to the appropriate vehicle service manual for instructions, drain, disconnect any electrical and fuel component connections and remove the OEM fuel tank. The removal of the vehicles exhaust system may be necessary for fuel tank removal.
- 1-4. Once the OEM fuel tank has been removed, remove the plastic fuel tank shield from the bottom of the tank.
- 1-5. Measure the position of the sump on the supplied Aeromotive fuel tank and mark the plastic fuel tank shield accordingly. Using an 1/2" drill bit, drill the four corners of the sump cutout in the plastic fuel tank shield. Using a small hand saw or reciprocating saw, cut out the remaining area from the plastic fuel tank shield.
- 1-6. Inspect the inside of the plastic fuel tank shield for any sharp edges that could puncture the fuel tank. If any sharp edges are found, correct before proceeding.
- 1-7. Position the plastic fuel tank shield on the Aeromotive fuel tank.

**Note: It is recommended that a fuel shut off valve be installed between the fuel tank outlet and the fuel pump, these valves are available from most popular racing fitting manufactures; Aeroquip, Earl's, Goodridge, Russell, etc.**

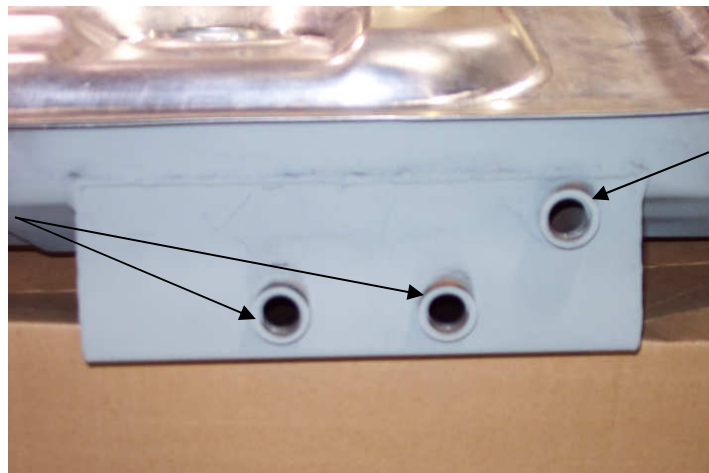
- 1-8. Using any type of household tape, secure the plastic fuel tank shield to the Aeromotive fuel tank along each of the fuel tank strap indentations.
- 1-9. Carefully flip the fuel tank / plastic fuel tank shield assembly over.
- 1-10. From the old OEM fuel tank, remove the filler neck rubber grommet, fuel level sender, vent and vent grommet, and wiring harness. Reinstall each of these components in the new Aeromotive fuel tank while inspecting them for any damage. If any of the OEM components are damaged replacement parts are available through your local Ford dealer or auto parts store. See figure 1-1.
- 1-11. Remove the OEM fuel pick up from the OEM fuel tank, inspect the gasket for any damage. Using the OEM gasket install the Aeromotive provided return pick up block off plate in the new Aeromotive fuel tank. The return line will be relocated to the upper most AN-10 port on the new Aeromotive sump.



**Figure 1-1**

- 1-12. Position the fuel tank under the vehicle, insuring that the retaining rings on the block off plate and fuel level sender are secure. Apply a light weight oil to the filler neck grommet to ease installation.
- 1-13. As the Aeromotive fuel tank is lifted into position reattach the vent line to the top of the fuel tank and work the filler neck in to the grommet on the side of the fuel tank. Once the Aeromotive fuel tank is in position, rotate tank in straps such that the sump is as low as possible, align tank straps, ensure that there are not any hoses or wiring pinched and tighten the strap bolts.
- 1-14. Make any line or electrical adjustments necessary to clear the vehicles exhaust, suspension, and drivetrain components.

**AN-10 Outlet Ports.**  
We recommend using Aeromotive P/N 15608 for AN-10 supply lines and P/N 15617 AN-10 Port plug for any unused ports in conjunction with AN-10 O-rings P/N 15623.



**AN-10 Return Line Port.**  
We recommend using the following Aeromotive fittings: P/N15609 for AN-06 return lines, P/N 15610 for AN-08 return lines or P/N 15608 for AN-10 return lines in conjunction with AN-10 O-rings, P/N 15623.

## Final Checks and System Start-up

- 2-1. **Ensure that any spilled gasoline and any gasoline soaked shop towels are cleaned up and removed from the vicinity of the vehicle!**
- 2-2. Carefully lower the car onto the ground.
- 2-3. Fill the fuel tank with gasoline and check for any leaks in the system, if any leaks are found repair immediately.
- 2-4. **CAUTION: While performing the following steps, if any fuel leaks are detected, immediately turn the ignition of OFF, remove any spilled fuel and repair the leak(s) before proceeding!**
- 2-5. Reconnect the battery and turn the ignition to the ON position **WITHOUT** starting the car. After several seconds, check the fuel pressure. If there is no fuel pressure, turn the ignition key to the OFF position, wait one minute, return the ignition to the ON position, and recheck the fuel pressure. Repeat this ignition OFF and ON procedure until the fuel pressure gauge registers fuel pressure.
- 2-6. **With the fuel pressure gauge registering fuel system pressure, check for fuel leaks throughout the entire fuel system! If any fuel leaks are found, turn the ignition key to the OFF position, remove any spilled fuel and repair the leak before proceeding!**
- 2-7. Test drive the car to insure proper operation and re-check the fuel system for leaks. **If any leaks are found, immediately discontinue use of the vehicle and repair the leak(s)!**



**WARNING:** This product can expose you to chemicals, including chromium, which is known to the State of California to cause cancer or birth defects or other reproductive harm. For more information, visit: [www.p65Warnings.ca.gov](http://www.p65Warnings.ca.gov)

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