

# ENGINE DRIVEN COMPRESSOR --- GM 4.3, 5.0, 5.7 ENGINES

# (90-95 GM full-size trucks and S10's)

**NOTE:** Determine your proper belt length on **Step 14** before beginning the installation.





Rotate the tensioner pulley counterclockwise to remove the belt. Then remove the factory alternator bolt.

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The new bracket can be installed using the supplied M10 bolt. Be careful to keep the bracket in line as it threads through both ears of the bracket. Leave the nut off temporarily. If you have factory manifolds, the lower tab will be fastened over the stock manifold stud and alternator brace and retained with the factory nut. If you have headers (as shown), the supplied spacer is to be used along with the 3.0" length 3/8 bolt and lock washer.



The M12 nut can be installed, and the upper bolt tightened at this time. Tighten the bolt first until it bottoms out, then hold it with a wrench while tightening the nut

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**Standard and SLM compressors:** Verify the new compressor has the half-moon shaped woodruff key installed in the crankshaft. **Standard Compressors only:** The compressors are shipped pre-filled with AC refrigerant oil, but it is recommended to run 12oz of SAE 30 non-detergent engine oil. Remove the bolts from each side of the compressor fill ports and drain the oil.



**Standard compressors only:** Put one bolt back in and fill with new oil (SAE 30 non-detergent) through the opposite port. It is recommended to use **Valvoline non-detergent SAE 30** (PN 822382). **SLM compressors**: These are prepackaged with the proper synthetic compressor oil and should only require an oil level check using the supplied dipstick, however you should always confirm before installation. It is recommended to add **Amsoil PCK** or **Royal Purple Synfilm Recip 100** (PN 01513) as needed. Your oil level can be checked, and oil can be added using the side port. Refer to SLM compressor owner's manual for more information.

#### **IMPORTANT:**

Check the oil level with your compressor on a level surface with the supplied dipstick touching the bottom "floor" of the compressor. Each mark on the dipstick represents 1oz of oil (sometimes it may be necessary to rotate the shaft on the compressor if the position of the crank assembly obstructs the path of the dipstick). You should keep a maximum of 12oz and minimum of 8oz of oil in the compressor at all times. Once the compressor is installed, the oil level should be checked frequently to monitor consumption. This amount will depend on usage, and type of compressor. It should NEVER drop below 8oz. For standard compressors, check every week until you find your average use. For SLM compressors, check every month until you find your average use.



Install and tighten the 4 screws that attach the clutch. You can choose if you want the clutch wire oriented to the top or bottom. Install the 5/16 clutch retainer bolt and torque to **20-25ft lbs**. Never hammer the center bolt onto the snout. Let the screw pull it up until it seats.

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Four 3/8 bolts and lock washers are provided for mounting the compressor to the bracket. They should be tight but be careful not to strip the aluminum compressor body.

Your specific belt length will depend on your stock belt length and is based off the chart below. Route the belt per the diagram below. The factory tensioner arm has 2 tension marks to indicate the high and low range of the factory belt. Ideally, you will want a new belt to fit close to the tight tension mark. However, it can run at the lower mark without adverse effects. **Note:** Continental Elite series belts are preferred. Please let us know if your application varies from the chart below. <u>CONTACT US</u> with your year/make/model and factory belt length/new belt length.

Stock Length	New Length	<b>Continental Part Number</b>	Gates Part Number
		(Preferred)	
93.985	111.11	4061105	K061105
94.7	111.825	4061112	K061115
95.585	112.710	4061112	K061123
95.75	112.875	4061125	K061123
96.081	113.206	4061125	K061130
97.175	114.300	4061140	K061140
97.582	114.707	4061140	K061141
98.11	115.235	4061145	K061145
98.64	115.765		K061145
98.95	116.075		K061145



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With the belt installed, take special note to ensure the power steering hoses have adequate clearance. They can be bent gently by hand to make clearance, if necessary. **NOTE:** Some S10's and later model CK1500's with ABS may require clearance to be made around the compressor. Make room as necessary to clear the compressor.

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**Standard compressors:** Two 3/8 NPT head fittings are provided with the kit for direct connection to the intake filter and leader hose. Use a thread sealant such as Loctite 545 or Teflon tape to seal the connections to the filter and leader hose. Do not use sealant on the O-ring compressor threads. **SLM compressors:** Thread the provided 90-degree fittings into the head of the compressor using the provided nipples with Loctite 545 or Teflon on both sides of the nipples.



**Standard compressors:** Verify the O-rings are present in the bottom of each of the head fittings and install on the compressor. The filter/silencer will go on the port labeled "Suction". **SLM compressors**: Install the filter/silencer into the suction port side, labeled with an "S". Make sure to hold the 90 fitting with a wrench so as not to break the fitting or compressor head while tightening.



Now is a good time to start the engine and verify there are no problems with the serpentine drive, and that the compressor is not visually out of line. **Note:** The alternator mounts on these engines are not identical from truck to truck. If yours locates the bracket too far forward or backwards then it may be necessary to sand the alternator housing surface and add a shim under the opposite side in order to shift the compressor forwards or backwards. The single bolt hole at the exhaust would need to be modified the corresponding amount with a reamer.

## **Additional Information and Recommendations**

Since everyone has different goals for their system, we cannot make exact recommendations for other parts you wish to use along with the EDC. However, here are some parts that are used in most installations:

- Check valve like the 3/8 SMC (SMCNAK4000-N03) or ½ SMC (SMCNAK4000-N04) should be used just before a
  moisture/oil/water trap and keeps tank pressure from leaking back through the compressor. We offer both sizes on our
  website <u>HERE</u>.
- Moisture/oil/water trap like the 3/8 SMC (SMCAF30-N03-2Z) or ½ SMC (SMCAF40-N04-2Z) should be used to catch
  residual oil and moisture before it enters the tank. Mount this as far away from the compressor as possible. Then mount
  a second unit on the outgoing port of the system before it enters a valve assembly (if using for air ride). We offer a 3/8
  version on our website <u>HERE</u>, and a ½ version <u>HERE</u>.
- Blow-off safety valve like the 225PSI version we have on our website <u>HERE</u>. This will act as a safety backup in the event that the system becomes over pressurized.

## Additional Information and Recommendations (continued)

- Pressure switch/relay we typically use a pressure switch to trigger the compressor on and off. It is preferred to use the lowest range which will still get the job done so that it will build up less heat and extend compressor life. DO NOT exceed 200 psi or damage to the compressor can occur. We offer a 110-145PSI and 145-175PSI pressure switch on our website HERE.
- Aluminum air tank in a size suitable for your needs and space requirements. We typically use a 7–10-gallon tank which keeps up with most common air tools. We have 5–12-gallon tanks available on our website <u>HERE</u>.
- CHECK THE OIL OFTEN until you become accustomed to the average consumption of the compressor. If the compressor is maintained properly, it should easily outlive your ownership of the vehicle. But, if the oil level is run regularly under 8oz, then just like any piston driven engine, internal failure will likely occur. Our commitment to the customer is that this bracket system fits well and works properly. IN NO WAY do we warranty the life of the pump itself. They have been used successfully as on-board air compressors on semis and autos for decades so if there are problems, it is very likely that it was improperly maintained.

## Wiring Diagram for EDC Systems Using a Pressure Switch

Below is an example of a wiring diagram that can be used if you're integrating a pressure switch into your onboard air setup. The pressure switch listed in the diagram is available on our website using the link above in our "Additional Information and Recommendations" section.



For any questions or suggestions please **<u>CONTACT US</u>** 

