

4.6L Oil Filter Relocation Kit, 2003-04 (OC-7)



Read all of the instructions before beginning work. Following the instructions in the proper sequence will ensure the best and easiest installation.

Maximum Motorsports' Modular Engine Oil Filter Relocation Kit moves the oil filter from the OE location to inside the driver side fender, behind the bumper support. This kit is required for all Modular DOHC and SOHC engines with OE oil coolers when installing Maximum Motorsports' tubular K-member. Installation of this kit mandates the use of a FL-1 series oil filter (or equivalent), thus allowing the Motorcraft FL-1HP Racing filter to be used on 4.6L Ford Modular engines.

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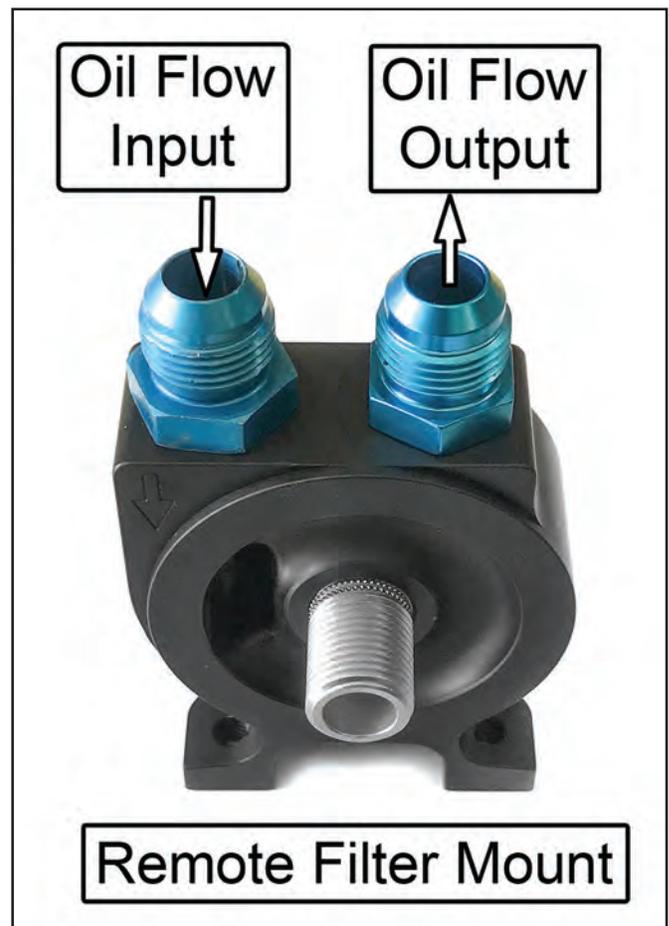
It's **extremely important** to connect the hoses to the correct ports of the Engine Block Adapter and the Remote Filter Mount. Connecting hoses to the incorrect ports will cause **engine failure** because oil will not flow through the filter in the opposite direction of normal. No oil = engine bearing failure.

Study the illustrations carefully, take care when installing the hoses, and then double check your finished installation with the illustrations to confirm proper hose connections. Only this *exact* hose to port orientation provides the proper flow of oil through the filter.

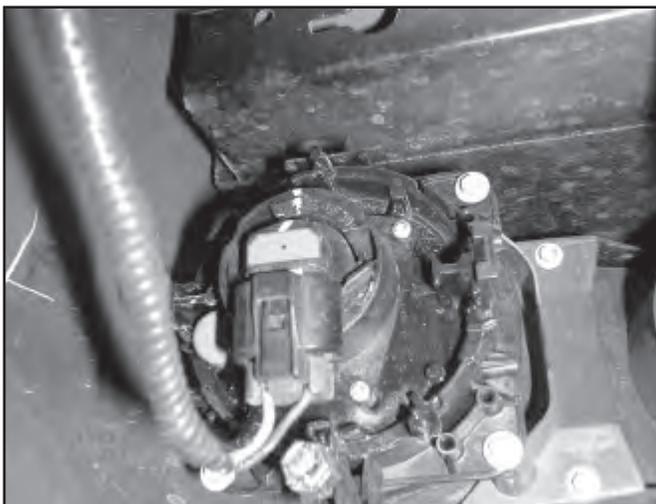
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1. Check the oil level and add oil, if necessary.
2. Jack up the front of the car and support securely on jack stands.
3. Remove the driver side front wheel.

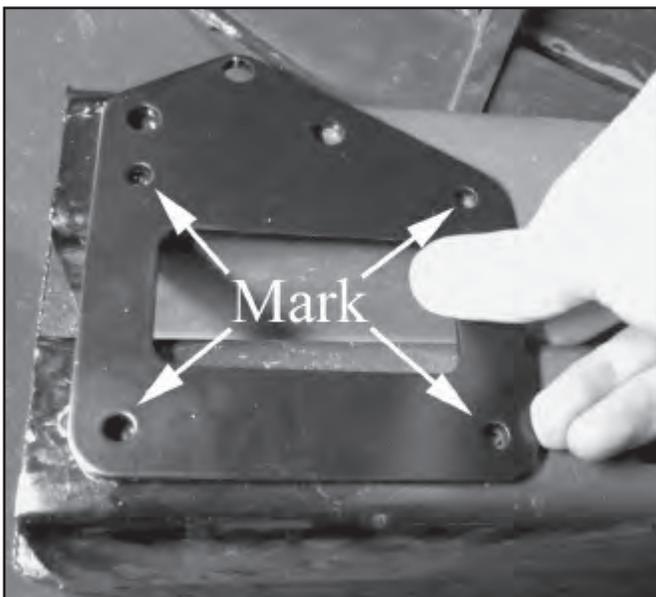
Remote Filter Mount Installation



4. Remove the driver side driving light connector from the driving light. Position the connector up and out of the way.

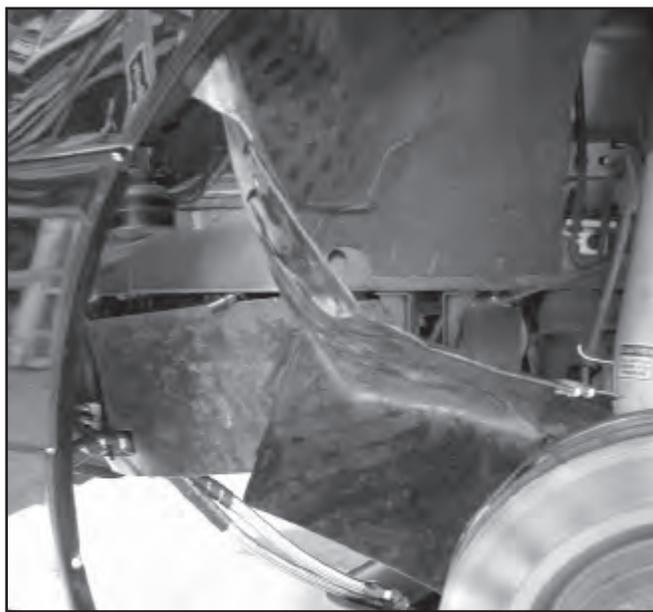


5. Position the Adapter Plate on the bumper support, and use it as a template to locate the position of the required four new mounting holes on the bumper support. Make sure that the top of the plate is lower than any protrusions from the overhead plastic panel, and that each new hole location has at least 1/8" of metal between it and any OEM holes in the bumper support.



6. Mark the location of each new mounting hole on the bumper support. Use of a clamp to hold the adapter plate to the support while marking can aid the accuracy of this step.
7. Remove the Adapter Plate from the bumper support.

8. Drill a 1/4" hole at the locations marked in step 7. The bumper support is made of a steel alloy that is difficult to drill. Use high-quality, sharp drill bits. Start by drilling a 1/8" pilot hole. Then enlarge using a 3/16" drill bit, followed by a 1/4" drill bit. The use of multiple drill bit sizes simplifies this step greatly. When drilling, the front portion of the plastic fender liner can be pulled back towards the wheel to greatly increase the room available for drill access.



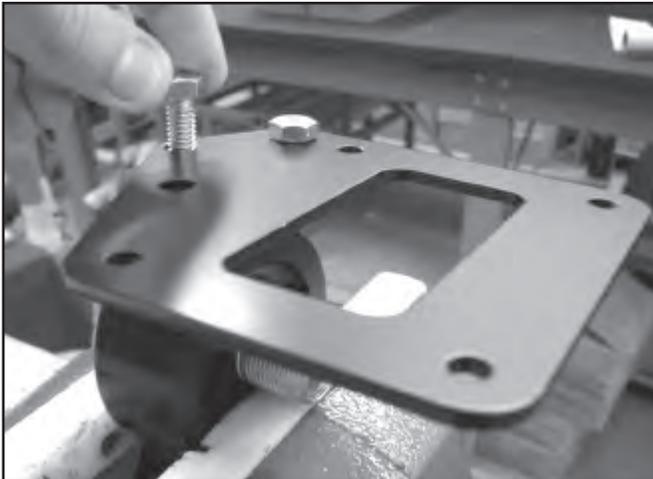
9. Apply a light coat of motor oil to the O-ring of the two Straight Thread O-ring to -10AN fittings.



10. Place the Remote Filter Mount into a vise with “soft jaws” and install each of the two Straight Thread O-ring to -10AN fittings into the two ports of the filter adapter. Tighten the adapter nipples to 35 ft-lbs.

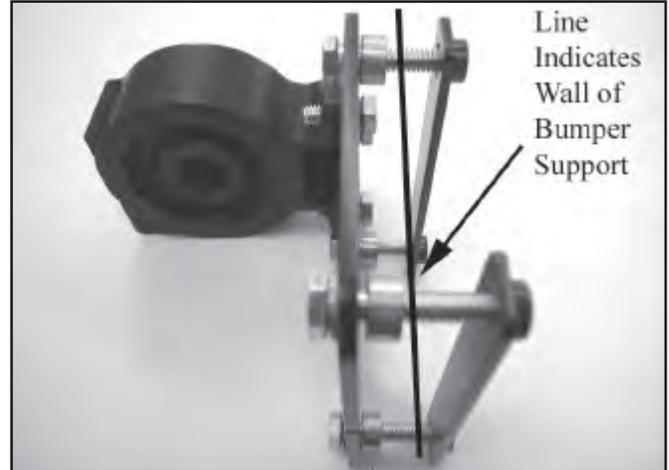


11. Attach the Adapter Plate to the Remote Filter Mount using the three supplied 5/16” bolts. Tighten the three bolts to 19 ft-lb.

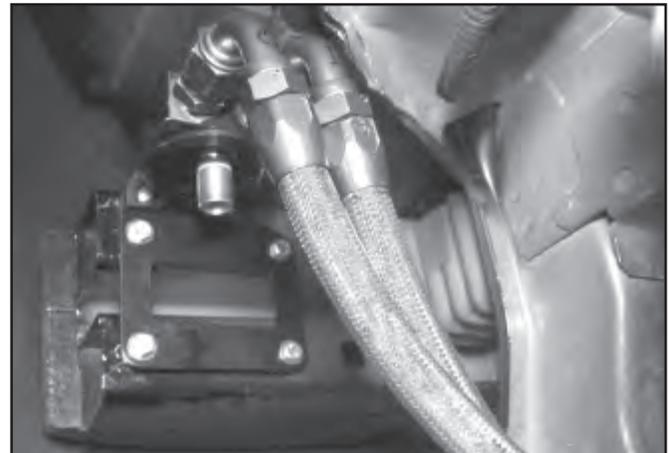


12. Place the four thin 1/4” washers over the 1/4”-20 bolts, and insert them through the mounting holes in the adapter plate from the Filter Mount side of the plate.
13. Place the thick 1/4” washers on each of the 1/4”-20 bolts on the bumper side of the Adapter Plate. The washers space the Adapter Plate away from the bumper support, providing clearance for the bolt heads installed in Step 11. Use of a sticky substance between the Adapter Plate and the spacers, such as a light coating of the sealant used in Step 9, can help prevent the washers from falling off during attachment to the bumper support.

14. Attach the Adapter Plate to the bumper support by inserting the 1/4”-20 bolts of the plate assembly through the mounting holes drilled in Step 8. The two supplied nut plates must be positioned inside the bumper support to receive the bolts. Clamping the Adapter Plate to the bumper support while positioning the first nut plate can also aid this step.



15. Tighten all four adapter plate bolts to 10 ft-lb. Note: While the photo below shows the oil lines already installed, they should not be installed until Step 35.



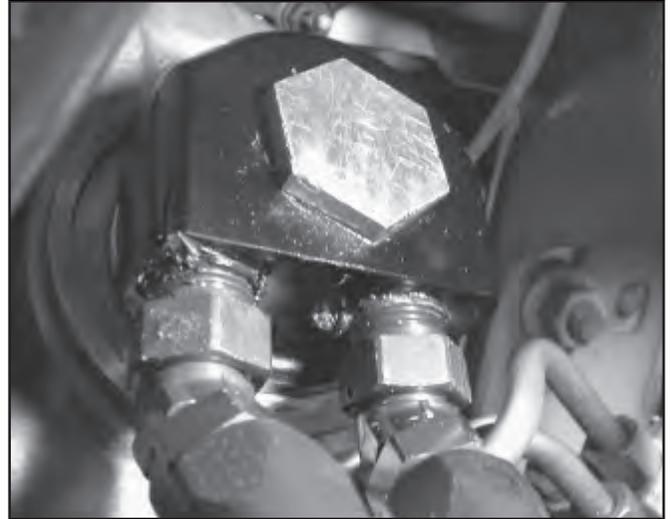
Engine Block Adapter Installation



16. Coat the tapered pipe threads of the two AN to pipe swivel fittings with the supplied Loctite Thread Sealant. Do not coat the leading thread. Place the Engine Block Adapter into a vise with “soft jaws” and install each of the two adapters into one of the ports of the Engine Block Adapter. Tighten the adapters. Orient them so that they end up facing outwards, away from the engine block mating surface. See the photo in Step 18. Do not over-tighten.



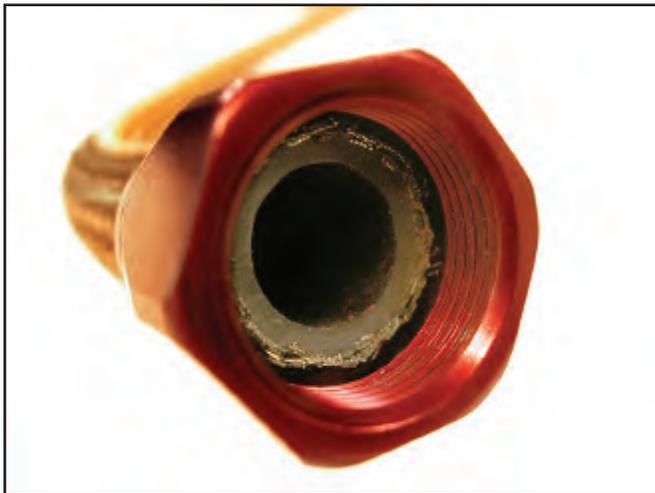
17. Place a drain pan under the oil filter and remove the oil filter. Be sure the rubber filter gasket is removed with the filter.
18. Loosely attach the Engine Block Adapter at the OE filter location on the block. Rotate the adapter such that the NPT swivel adapters point down towards the ground.



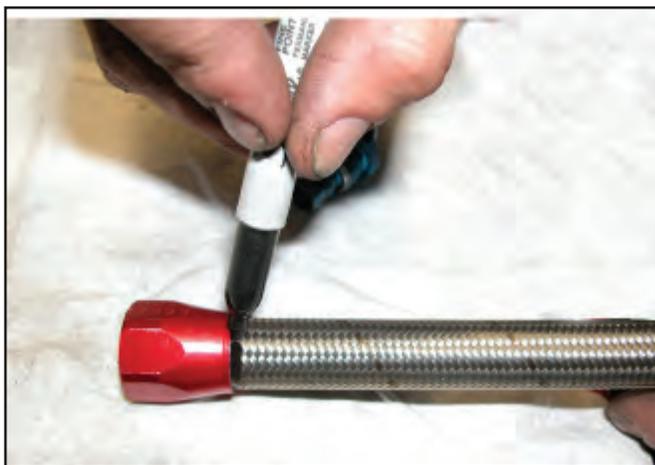
Oil Line Fabrication And Installation.

19. Remove any tape and inspect the ends of the supplied oil line hose. Choose the end of the hose that is in best condition. Install a 90-degree fitting onto this end of the hose. Start by disassembling the red socket from the blue nipple on one of the provided 90-degree fittings. Install the red socket onto the end of the hose by twisting the socket COUNTER-CLOCKWISE over the hose. Butt the end of the hose up to the base of the threads of the red socket.





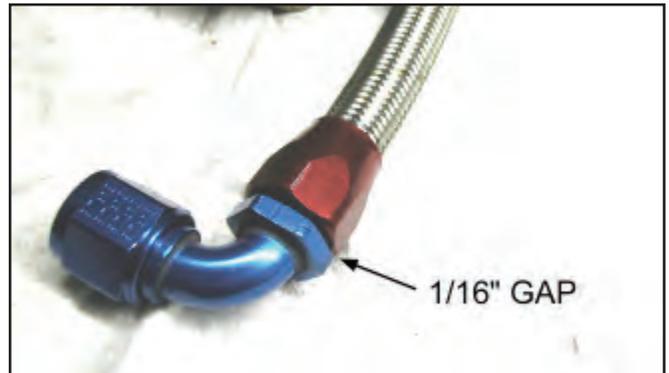
20. Use a felt-tip pen to mark the hose at the base of the socket, so that you can tell if the hose is getting pushed out during the remaining steps of the fitting installation.



21. Use motor oil to lubricate the threads and the tip of the blue nipple that will be inserted into the hose. Use motor oil to lubricate the inside and cut end of the hose. Place the blue nipple in a vise. Hold the HOSE (not the red socket), and push the hose onto the blue nipple far enough to engage the threads of the red socket. Turn the HOSE to thread the red socket onto the blue nipple. Tighten as far as possible by hand.

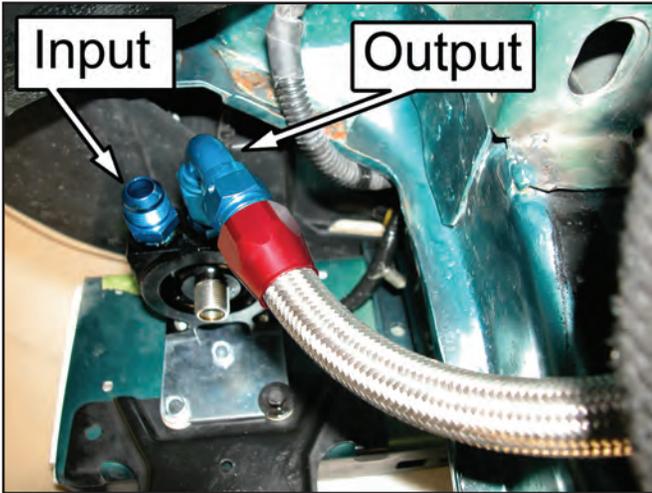


22. When you can no longer tighten the fitting by hand, use appropriate size wrenches to tighten the fitting. Tighten the fitting until the red socket is within 1/16" from bottoming on the blue nipple. DO NOT use adjustable or oversize wrenches, or you will damage the fitting.



23. Make sure the mark made on the hose at the base of the socket at step 21 has not moved relative to the socket by more than 1/16". If it has, remove the fitting and return to Step 19.

- Hand tighten the attached 90-degree fitting onto the adapter nipple of the inboard port "Output" of the Remote Filter Mount (the adapter nipple closest to the radiator support).

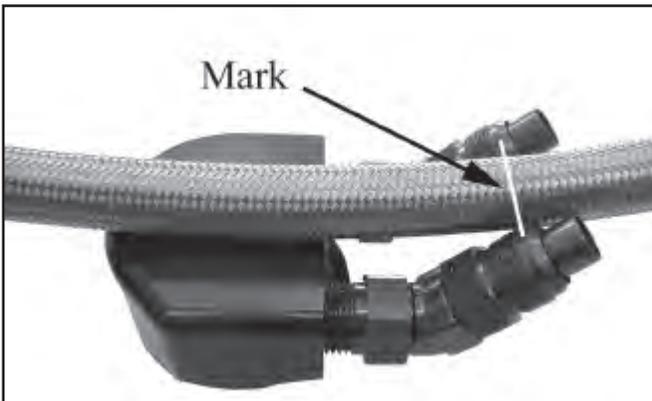


- Route the hose under the frame rail, under the anti-sway bar, and up to the Engine Block Adapter. The specific routing should be based on your personal preference and vehicle configuration.

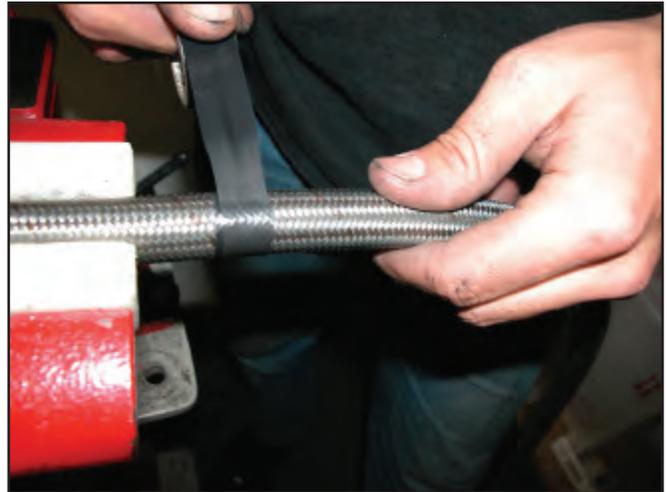
NOTE: On some cars it may be possible to route the oil lines upwards between the sway bar and engine.

NOTE: It is important to understand that each one of the Remote Filter Mount ports must be connected to the correct port of the Engine Block Adapter. Specifically, the inboard port "Output" of the filter mount must be attached to the rearward port "Input" of the Engine Block Adapter. The outboard port "Input" of the filter mount must be attached to the frontward port "Output" of the Engine Block Adapter. This port orientation provides proper flow of oil through the filter.

- Leaving a slight amount of slack for engine movement, hold the hose against the rearward adapter fitting on the Engine Block Adapter and make a mark on the hose with a felt-tip pen.

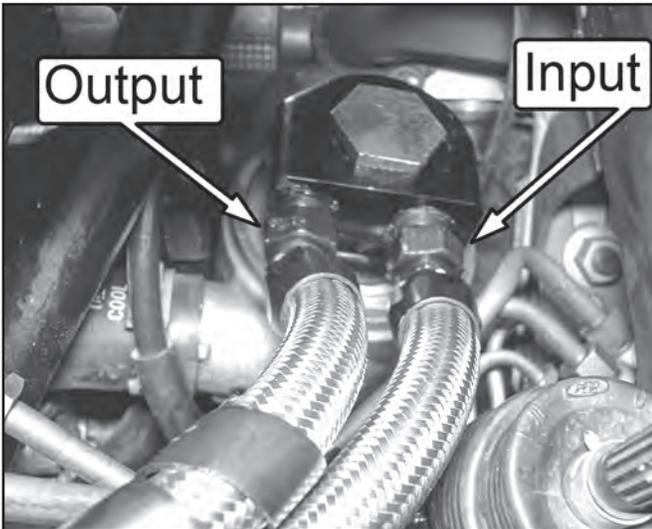


- Remove the Engine Block Adapter from the engine block. Place the adapter block back into a vice with "soft jaws".
- Remove the hose from the Remote Filter Mount and remove the hose from the car.
- Very tightly wrap tape around the hose centered over the mark made at Step 26. Use a sharp 32 teeth per inch hacksaw and cut the hose through the center of the tape at the mark. Do not be tempted to use a hacksaw blade with fewer than 32 teeth per inch! Trim frayed ends of the hose with a sharp pair of diagonal cutters.

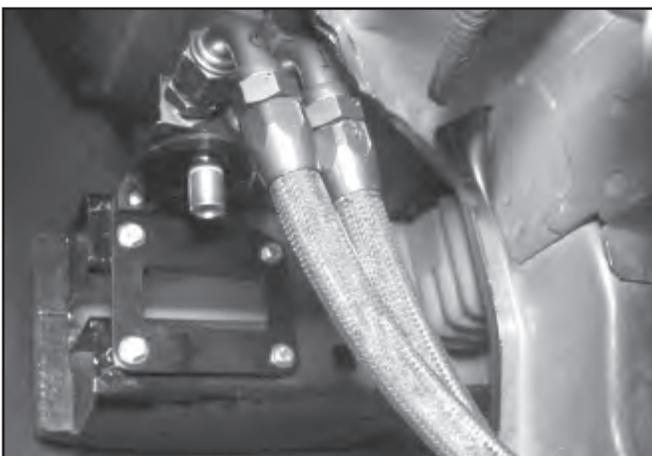


- Remove the tape and refer to Steps 19-23 for attaching the hose onto the rearward swivel fitting already installed in the Engine Block Adapter.
- For reference, apply a piece of tape on this oil line. The tape will designate that this "Return Line" should be attached between the inboard port "Output" of the remote filter mount and the rearward port "Input" of the Engine Block Adapter.

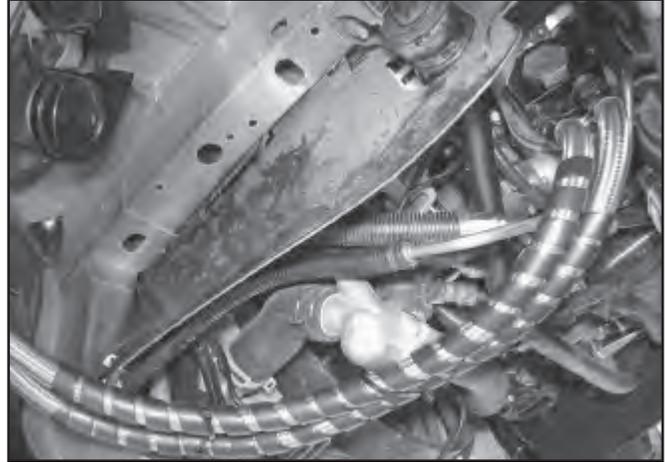
32. Repeat Steps 19-31 to make a "Feed Line" to attach between the outboard port "Input" of the remote filter mount and the frontward "Output" swivel fitting mounted on the Engine Block Adapter.
33. Use a solvent such as brake cleaner to clean the assembled hose ends and fittings.
34. Loosely reattach the Engine Block Adapter back onto the engine block, oriented such that the fittings & oil lines point down towards the ground.



35. Attach the 90-degree fitting of the Return Line to the inboard "Output" adapter nipple of the Remote Filter Mount and tighten to 15 ft-lb. If possible, use a crow-foot socket and a small torque wrench. If you have trouble locating a crow-foot socket, or your torque wrench is too big to fit in the required space, do your best to estimate 15 ft-lb.
36. Attach the 90-degree fitting of the Feed Line onto the outboard "Input" adapter nipple of the Remote Filter Mount and tighten to 15 ft-lb. Double-check that the lines are hooked up to the correct ports as outlined in the second note in Step 25.



37. Fine tune the orientation of the Engine Block Adapter in order to give the best oil line routing. The block should be oriented such that the oil lines are positioned as far away from the sway bar as possible without interfering with the steering rack boot, similar to the OEM power steering line routing. Tighten the Engine Block Adapter to the engine.



WARNING: Braided steel line is very abrasive. Normal engine and driving vibrations will cause it to wear through other items near it if it is not properly insulated.

38. Wrap each braided steel line *separately* with the supplied spiral wrap material as shown in the photo from Step 37. DO NOT wrap them together, or the lines will wear through each other, with disastrous results.
39. Use the supplied zip ties to secure the oil lines as needed.

Finishing The Installation

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40. Fill the provided oil filter with oil. Lubricate the rubber filter seal with a small amount of oil, and hand tighten the filter on the Remote Filter Mount until the seal contacts the Remote Filter Mount. Tighten the oil filter 1/2 turn further.

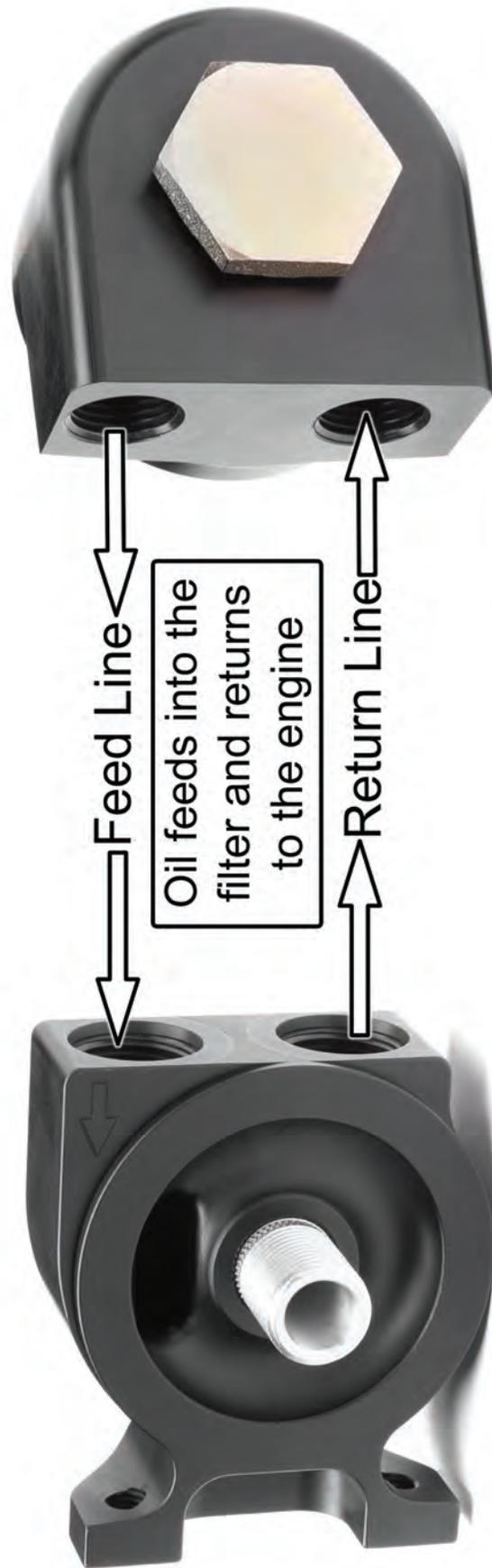
41. Re-attach the driving light connector to the driving light.



This kit includes the following:

- 1 Engine Block Adapter
- 1 Remote Filter Mount
- 1 Filter Adapter Mounting Plate
- 1 78" Braided Stainless Oil Line Hose
- 1 78" Spiral Wrap
- 2 90-Degree Hose Fittings
- 2 1/2" NPT to -10AN Swivel Hose Fittings
- 2 Straight Thread O-ring to -10 AN Adapter Nipples
- 1 Motorcraft FL-1HP Oil Filter
- 3 5/16-18 Bolts
- 4 1/4-20 Bolts
- 4 1/4" G8 Washers
- 4 1/4" ID Aluminum Spacers
- 4 14" Black Zip Ties
- 1 Loctite Thread Sealant

42. Start the engine and examine all of the oil lines and oil line connections carefully to ensure that everything is tight and that there are no leaks. Turn off the engine after examining the oil lines and oil line connections.
43. Re-attach the driver side wheel. Torque the lug nuts to the appropriate wheel or vehicle manufacturer's specification.
44. Lower the front of the car.
45. After letting the engine sit for an appropriate period of time, recheck the oil level. Add oil, if necessary.



Feed Line

Oil feeds into the filter and returns to the engine

Return Line

Engine Block Adapter

Remote Filter Mount