

# EXHAUST GAS TEMPERATURE GAUGE INSTRUCTIONS



The following instructions are for the installation of your Exhaust Gas Temperature Gauge into your 3RD Generation Ram Truck. Before you begin, lay out all items and ensure there are no missing parts. If any items are missing, please STOP immediately and contact MaxTow Gauges.

## What's Included

- Exhaust Gas Temperature Gauge
- 1/8-27 NPT K-Type Exhaust Temperature Probe w/ 3ft wire
- Power & Sensor Harnesses
- Mounting Bracket
- Gauge Visor

## Wire Schematic

**Yellow:** 12v Constant Source (+)

**Red:** 12v Ignition Switched Source (+)

**Orange:** 12v Headlight Switched Source (+)

**Black:** Vehicle/Engine Ground (-)

## ⚠ WARNING

**DISCONNECT NEGATIVE BATTERY TERMINALS BEFORE STARTING ANY WORK ON THE VEHICLE.**

**Warning:** Make sure the exhaust is cooled off during this process.

1. We are going to install the EGT probe in a pre-turbo location on the manifold to ensure the most accurate readings. Installing the EGT probe further downstream can display a lower temperature reading on the gauge. To install the EGT probe, we are going to use MaxTow's Drill and Tap Kit.

2. Locate the exhaust manifold on the passenger side of the engine bay, where the collector is also positioned. Using a center punch, mark the location where you are going to drill a hole for the EGT probe on the manifold on the left side of the collector to prepare the drilling and tapping process.

**Note:** There is a divider in the middle, so you will need to drill on either side of the divider to ensure the hole is unobstructed.

3. Starting with a 1/8" drill bit, drill a pilot hole into the exhaust manifold. Continue increasing the size of the pilot hole using various drill bits until you reach size R.
4. Using cutting oil, tap the hole to 1/8-27 NPT.
5. Ensure all shavings are out of the manifold by periodically using a vacuum and a pen magnet to remove them.

**Warning:** Failure to remove metal shavings can result in possible engine damage.

6. Apply anti-seize to the threads of the EGT ferrule fitting and thread the fitting into the exhaust manifold. Tighten the fitting with a 14mm wrench.
7. Install the gauge's EGT Probe into the Ferrule Fitting Adapter, ensuring the sensor is positioned approximately halfway into the manifold. Tighten using a 14mm wrench.

**Note:** Do not overtighten the ferrule fitting.



8. Plug the EGT Sensor Harness into the EGT Sensor.
9. Route the EGT Sensor Harness to an opening on the firewall on the driver's side of the engine bay and use Zip Ties to secure. Make sure there is no contact with any direct heat source or moving parts.

## Factory Matched 3RD Gen Gauge Wiring

Reconnect the negative terminals of the two batteries to prepare power for the gauges and to test the fuses for power with a Test Light.

1. Run the power wires through the firewall and into the engine bay of the truck.

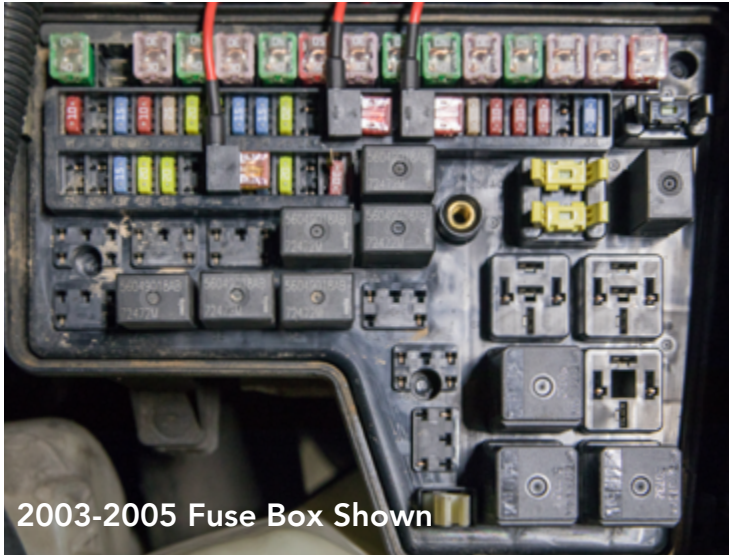
**Note:** You may need to drill a hole in the firewall if there isn't one present. It is important to use a Grommet on the hole to ensure the wires are not sliced or cut on the firewall.

2. Drill a hole in the side of the fuse box located under the hood in order to run the wires inside without them being pinched on the fuse box lid. Be careful not to damage anything while drilling.

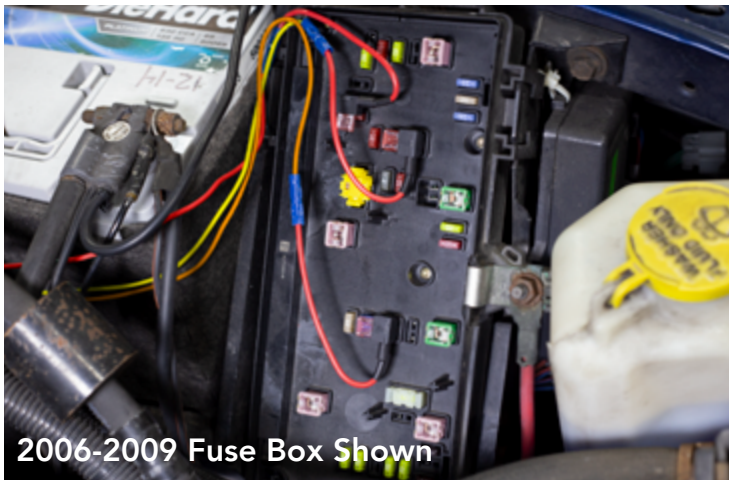
**Note:** Steps 3, 4, and 5 are based on a 2009 vehicle. Please refer to the chart below for the fuse locations for your specific vehicle. Be sure that two fuses are installed in each Expandable Circuit.

3. Locate and remove fuse #31 POWERTRAIN CONTROL MODULE (10A) from the fuse panel. Using the Expandable Circuit, crimp the yellow wires to the Expandable Circuit and insert the circuit into the empty fuse #31 slot.
4. Locate and remove fuse #33 HEATING AND A/C (10A) from the fuse panel. Using the Expandable Circuit, crimp the red wires to the Expandable Circuit and insert the circuit into the empty fuse #33 slot.
5. Locate and remove fuse #16 RIGHT FRONT PARKING / TURN LAMP (15A) from the fuse panel. Using MaxTow's Expandable Circuit (Optional), crimp the orange wires to the Expandable Circuit and insert the circuit into the empty fuse #16 slot.
6. Connect the black wire to any bare metal grounding location. If the black wire is not connected to a bare metal grounding location the gauges will not power on. **Tip:** Remove all rust and paint from the grounding location for a better connection.

7. Secure any excess wiring with Zip Ties.
8. Reinstall the dash side cover and any interior trim that was removed. Check and fill the Transmission Fluid according to manufacturer specifications.
9. Power the truck on to see if the gauges are functioning properly and check for any leaks or loose sensor connections.
10. Test drive your vehicle to ensure all gauges are functioning properly.



2003-2005 Fuse Box Shown



2006-2009 Fuse Box Shown

	Fuse #	Description	Fuse Size	Fuse Type
<b>2003-2005</b>				
Yellow Constant Wire	45	Horn Relay	20 Amp	Mini
Red Switched Wire	27	Heated Mirror	10 Amp	Mini
Orange Headlight Switched Wire	32	Park/Turn Signal Lamp	10 Amp	Mini
<b>2006-2009</b>				
Yellow Constant Wire	31	Powertrain Control Module	10 Amp	Mini
Red Switched Wire	33	Heating and A/C	10 Amp	Mini
Orange Headlight Switched Wire	16	Right Front Park/Turn Lamp	15 Amp	Mini

## Selectable Brightness Levels

The Double Vision Gauge Series features 3 selectable brightness settings for both day and nighttime lighting modes. Below are the instructions on how to program each lighting mode.

### Daytime

- Press and hold the button located on the gauge face until a “d1” appears in the digital display.
- Press the button again to cycle through the 3 dimming modes.
- Press the button until you have selected your desired setting. Do not touch the button for 5 seconds and the gauge will save your selection.

### Nighttime

- This mode is only available if the orange dimmer wire is connected and your headlights are powered.
- Press and hold the button located on the gauge face until an “n1” appears in the digital display.
- Press the button again to cycle through the 3 dimming modes.
- Press the button until you have selected your desired setting. Do not touch the button for 5 seconds and the gauge will save your selection.

## Universal Gauge Wiring

1. Using a test light, locate a constant 12-Volt Power Source in the vehicle’s fuse panel that receives 12-Volt Power when the ignition is turned off. You can splice into the circuit or use an optional Expandable Circuit. Connect the **Yellow Wire** of the gauge to the Constant 12-Volt Power Source.

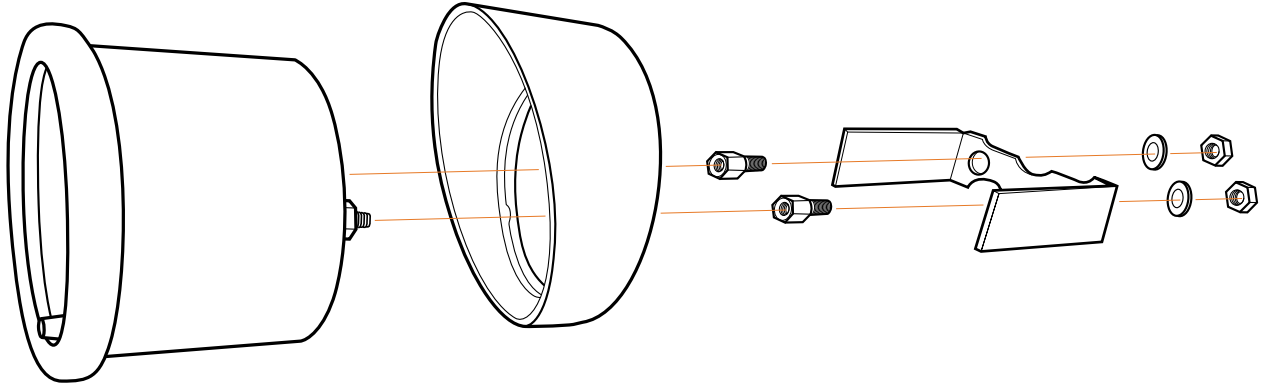
**Note:** It is required to use an automotive grade 18-20 gauge wire and proper splice connectors when extending any of the power wires.

2. Repeat the same step for the **Red Wire** of the gauge to locate an Ignition Switched 12-Volt Power Source. This source should not have any power with the key turned off and have 12-Volts with the key turned on.
3. Connect the **Orange Wire** of the gauge to the positive Headlight Switch Power Source using a Splice Connector at the headlight switch. You can also use an Expandable Circuit and install into the fuse box if you have a fuse available. This will allow the gauge face to dim 30% when the headlights are turned on.

**Note:** Make sure that the connection source does not dim. If the voltage is reduced when you lower the Dimmer Wheel it will cause the gauge to flash from not having enough voltage.

4. Locate a clean, reliable grounding source and connect the **Black Wire** from the gauge.

## Additional Information



The supplied optional gauge visor is intended to be placed on the gauge so that the thickest part is at the top, creating a cover over the gauge to help keep sun glare off of the gauge face.

The included mounting bracket is designed to be used on a universal-style mount in order to keep the gauge secure. In some cases one or both legs of the bracket may need to be modified to fit the thickness and contour of the mount. Our A-pillar gauge pods do not require the use of the mounting bracket but can be used if you desire, and there is enough space to fit it between the gauge and the gauge pod. When installing the bracket onto the gauge, make sure not to over-tighten as it could pull the rear studs on the back of the gauge and damage it.

MaxTow Gauges Installation Instructions: Installation documents are solely to provide a guide for individuals that are mechanically and electronically able to install products. If you are unsure about the correct procedure of installation for a product, you should consult a licensed professional.





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