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Electronic Tach Conversion Instructions

- 1. Set the dip switches to the type of ignition system you have. It is for a 4 cylinder or 8 cylinder. Please note if you are using a LS engine platform with a GM PCM it you need to set the tach for 4 cylinder.
- 2. Install tach on back of gauge
- 3. Temporarily hook up the red (positive) and black (ground) to a 12v source. Do not hook up the green(signal) wire at this point. This will put voltage on the new tack and 0 it. With power hooked up, install the tach needle on 0 RPM.
- 4. If you have a signal generator use this formula to calculate correct RPM. 8 cylinder is HZ(Frequency)*60/4 and 4 cylinder is HZ(Frequency)*60/2. You can plug that into a calculator and it will give the RPM at any signal frequency. Example if you are showing 200 as a frequency your tach should be reading 3000 RPM's on a 8 cylinder. If your needle does not read this then you can turn the blue and yellow calibration pot screw so that the needle lines up to 3000 RPMs.
- 5. If you do not have a signal generator, I would recommend using a timing light with a RPM setting on it. You can install the timing light to show actual RPM and then adjust the gauge so that it is the same. You will have to hold a steady RPM while doing this. This will have to be done before final assembly of the tach, once it is in the dash it is not adjustable.

Wiring:

Red= 12v Keyed positive. This need to be only hot with the key in the run position. Do not connect straight to full hot 12v.

Black=Ground, this is the chassis ground, you can connect this to the windshield pillar ground where the wiring harness grounds are located.

Green= This is your signal wire, on a distributor 8 cylinder this will go the negative side of the coil. On a LS engine or a MSD ignition it will connect to the Tach output wire from the corresponding box.

Dip Switch settings:

8 Cylinder Settings 4 Cylinder Settings or LS

Dip switch 1 on Dip switch 1 off
Dip switch 2 off Dip switch 2 on