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VHX-70C-MAL Dakota Digital VHX Instrument Installation For 1970-'72 Chevelle/Malibu non SS 1970-'72 El Camino non SS



Installation

- 1. Remove the stock gauge housing from the dash.
 - a. Remove the four screws for the lower steering column cover and remove the two nuts to drop the steering column to gain access behind the dash.
 - b. Remove the dash pad to have access from the top. The entire plastic dash is riveted to the metal frame behind the dash; by removing the (6) 7/16" hex bolts you can separate the dash from the car. The locations of these bolts are: (2) on far left driver side (upper and lower), (1) by steering column support, (1) behind left side of glove box, and (2) on far right passenger side. Also remove the front speaker, emergency brake release handle, and the headlight knob (there is a push button to release it on the opposing side of the harness). For automatic transmission cars, remove the gear selector pull wire.
 - c. You can now remove the stock cluster by disconnecting the left and right indicator harnesses, remove the speed cable and the fuel gauge harness. If equipped with a clock, that must be disconnected as well. Manual # 650404

d. The stock gauge cluster is mounted to the dash in six locations as shown below. Remove these screws



2. Remove the stock gauges, separator plate, and lens from the bezel. The only items to be reused are the original front bezel and two of the six original screws.



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4. Peel the protective film from the lens, and pull the dash toward the driver's seat as you gently place the system behind the dash from the top side. Be careful to not scratch the system on the dash frame; use tape or a rag to cover sharp areas that could damage the VHX system.



Slip the provided 8-32 screws through the sheet metal dash and plastic dash flange, then thread into the VHX system

5. Once the system is in place, get all four screws started before tightening anything down. Use two stock screws for the bottom two locations and the two screws provided for the top.

Stock screws



6. Connect the CAT5 cable to the system. As the assembled cluster is installed into the dash, take care when routing this cable to the control box.



7. Re-install the cluster into the dash and refer to the main manual for wiring instructions to complete the VHX installation.





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