

# **1966-77 Ford Bronco** Gen 5 Evaporator Kit (751701)



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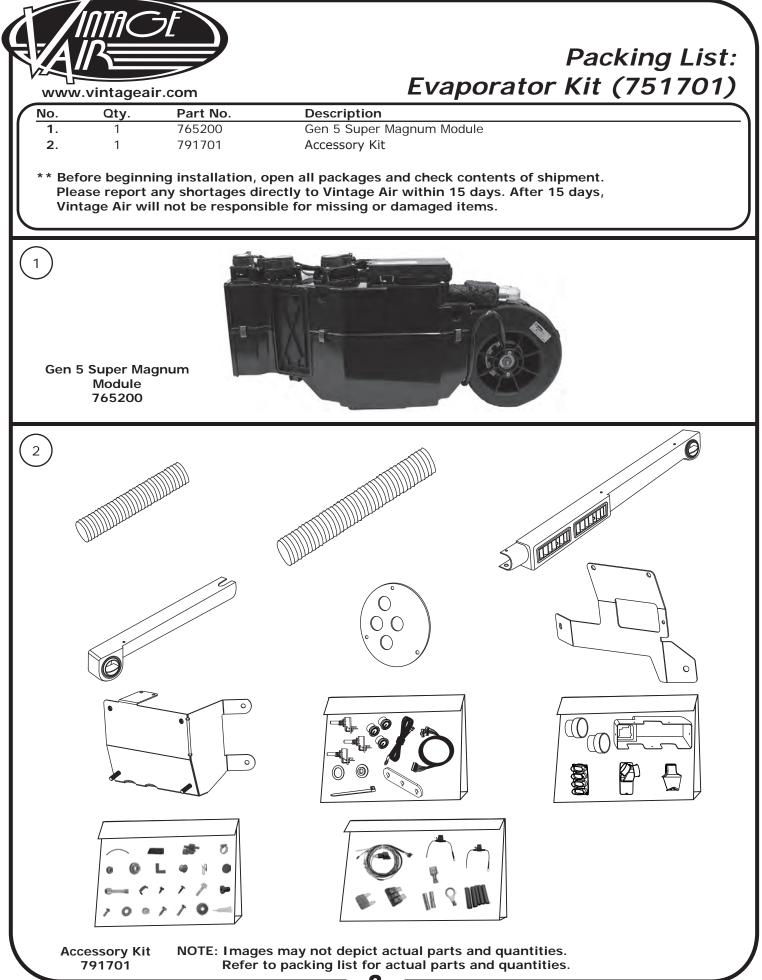
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# Additional Info: Please Read Before Beginning

The following parts (not included with this kit) may be required for some installations:

**Fan Shroud:** Vintage Air Part # 32067-LFF **Fan Blade:** Vintage Air Part # 32917-VUF **Upper Radiator Hose:** Gates Hose Part # 22628

NOTE: Many customers are replacing the OEM panels with new aftermarket parts such as dash, firewall, transmission tunnel and floor pans. Proper mounting and leveling of the evaporator unit onto these aftermarket parts is the customer's responsibility. OEM transmission tunnels have a shelf built into them at the firewall, the evaporator's driver side floor vents sits just above this OEM transmission tunnel shelf. Aftermarket transmission tunnel panels do not have this shelf and can interfere with the proper installation and leveling of the evaporator unit. Modifying the aftermarket transmission tunnel to fit the driver side floor vent is the customer's responsibility. Also, with aftermarket panels, customers may have to modify the evaporator's front mounting bracket (648361) for proper installation and leveling of the evaporator unit.





# Important Notice—Please Read

For Maximum System Performance, Vintage Air Recommends the Following:

NOTE: Vintage Air systems are designed to operate with R134a refrigerant only. Use of any other refrigerant could damage your A/C system and/or vehicle, and possibly cause a fire, in addition to potentially voiding the warranties of the A/C system and its components.

### Refrigerant Capacities:

Vintage Air System: 1.8 lbs. (28.8 oz.) or 816 grams of **R134a**, charged by weight with a quality charging station or scale. **NOTE: Use of the proper type and amount of refrigerant is critical to system operation and performance.** 

Other Systems: Consult manufacturer's guidelines.

### Lubricant Capacities:

**New Vintage Air-Supplied Sanden Compressor:** No additional oil needed (Compressor is shipped with proper oil charge).

**All Other Compressors:** Consult manufacturer (Some compressors are shipped dry and will need oil added).

### Safety Switches

Your Vintage Air system is equipped with a binary pressure safety switch. A binary switch disengages the compressor clutch in cases of extreme low pressure conditions (refrigerant loss) or excessively high head pressure (406 PSI) to prevent compressor damage or hose rupture. A trinary switch combines Hi/Lo pressure protection with an electric fan operation signal at 254 PSI, and should be substituted for use with electric fans. Compressor safety switches are extremely important since an A/C system relies on refrigerant to circulate lubricant.

### Service Info:

**Protect Your Investment:** Prior to assembly, it is critical that the compressor, evaporator, A/C hoses and fittings, hardlines, condenser and receiver/drier remain capped. Removing caps prior to assembly will allow moisture, insects and debris into the components, possibly leading to reduced performance and/or premature failure of your A/C system. This is especially important with the receiver/drier.

Additionally, when caps are removed for assembly, **BE CAREFUL!** Some components are shipped under pressure with dry nitrogen.

**Evacuate the System for 35-45 Minutes:** Ensure that system components (Drier, compressor, evaporator and condenser) are at a temperature of at least 85°F. On a cool day, the components can be heated with a heat gun *or* by running the engine with the heater on before evacuating. Leak check and charge to specifications.

## Bolts Passing Through Cowl and/or Firewall:

To ensure a watertight seal between the passenger compartment and the vehicle exterior, for all bolts passing through the cowl and/or firewall, Vintage Air recommends coating the threads with silicone prior to installation.

## Heater Hose (not included with this kit):

Heater hose may be purchased from Vintage Air (Part#31800-VUD) or your local parts retailer. Routing and required length will vary based on installer preference.



# **Important Wiring Notice—Please Read**

Some vehicles may have had some or all of their radio interference capacitors removed. There should be a capacitor found at each of the following locations:

- 1. On the positive terminal of the ignition coil.
- 2. If there is a generator, on the armature terminal of the generator.
- 3. If there is a generator, on the battery terminal of the voltage regulator.

Most alternators have a capacitor installed internally to eliminate what is called "whining" as the engine is revved. If whining is heard in the radio, or just to be extra cautious, a radio interference capacitor can be added to the battery terminal of the alternator.

It is also important that the battery lead is in good shape and that the ground leads are not compromised. There should be a heavy ground from the battery to the engine block, and additional grounds to the body and chassis.

If these precautions are not observed, it is possible for voltage spikes to be present on the battery leads. These spikes come from ignition systems and charging systems, and from switching some of the vehicle's other systems on and off. Modern computer-operated equipment can be sensitive to voltage spikes on the power leads, which can cause unexpected resets, strange behavior and/or permanent damage.

Vintage Air strives to harden our products against these types of electrical noise, but there is a point where a vehicle's electrical system can be degraded so much that nothing can help.

Radio interference capacitors should be available at most auto and truck parts suppliers. They typically are cylindrical in shape, a little over an inch long and a little over a half-inch in diameter, and they have a single lead coming from one end of the cylinder with a terminal on the end of the wire, as well as a mounting clip which is screwed into a good ground on the vehicle. The specific value of the capacitance is not too significant in comparison to ignition capacitors that are matched with the coil to reduce pitting of the points.

- Care must be taken, when installing the compressor lead, not to short it to ground. The compressor lead must not be connected to a condenser fan or to any other auxiliary device. Shorting to ground or connecting to a condenser fan or any other auxiliary device may damage wiring or the compressor relay, and/or cause a malfunction.
- When installing ground leads on Gen 5 systems, the blower control ground and ECU ground must be connected directly to the negative battery post.
- For proper system operation, the heater control valve must be connected to the ECU.



# **Control Panel Information—Please Read**

The supplied control panel kit is shown below, and includes (3) black rubber knobs with labels. For a more customized look, an additional option is available for purchase from Vintage Air.

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### A. Control Panel Knob Upgrade Kit (474159):

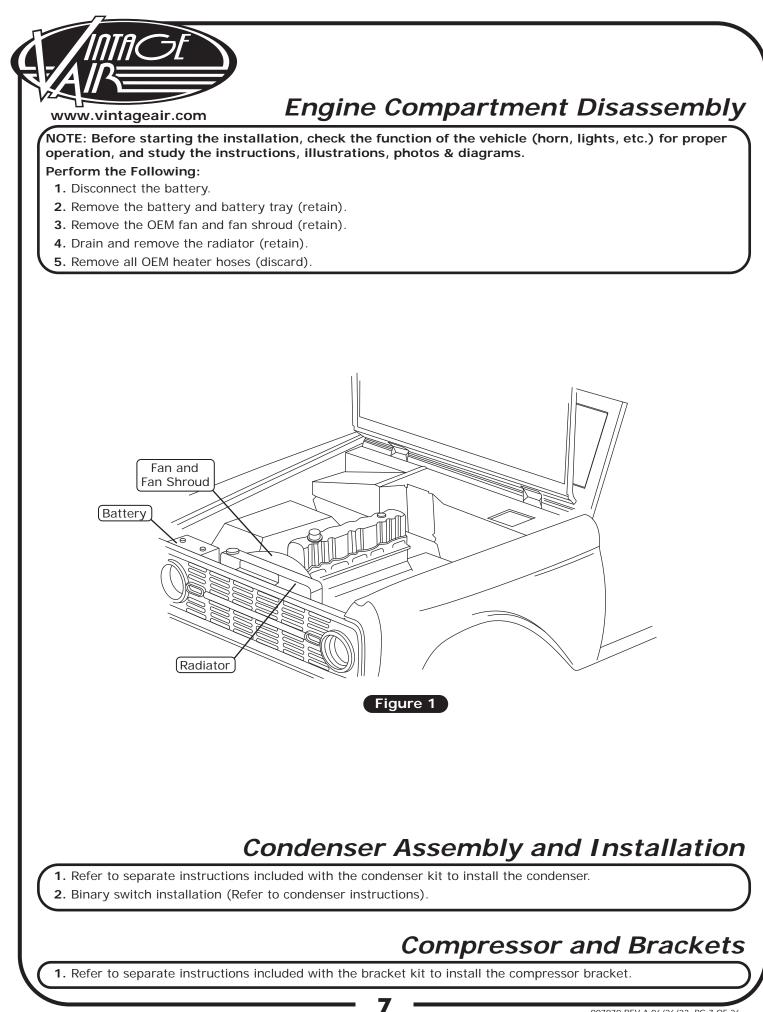
This kit features (3) aluminum knobs and decal bezels with labels as shown below.



Included



Option A

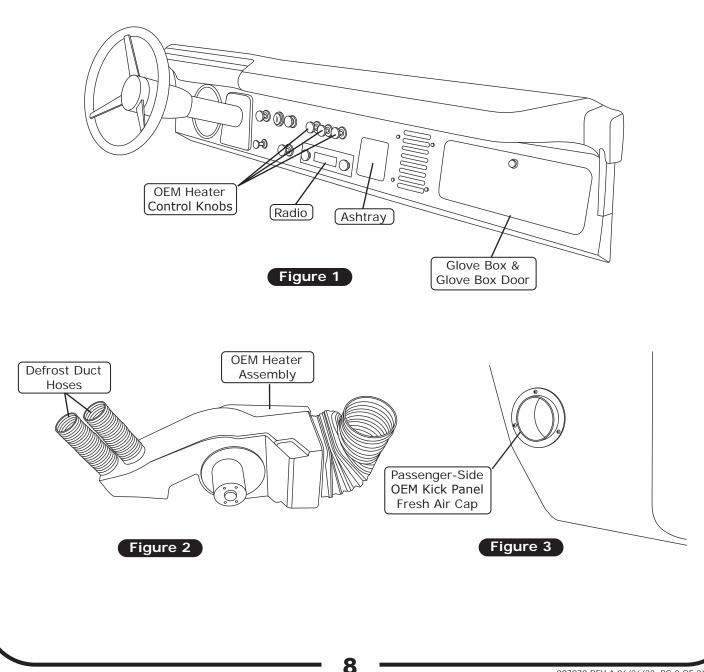


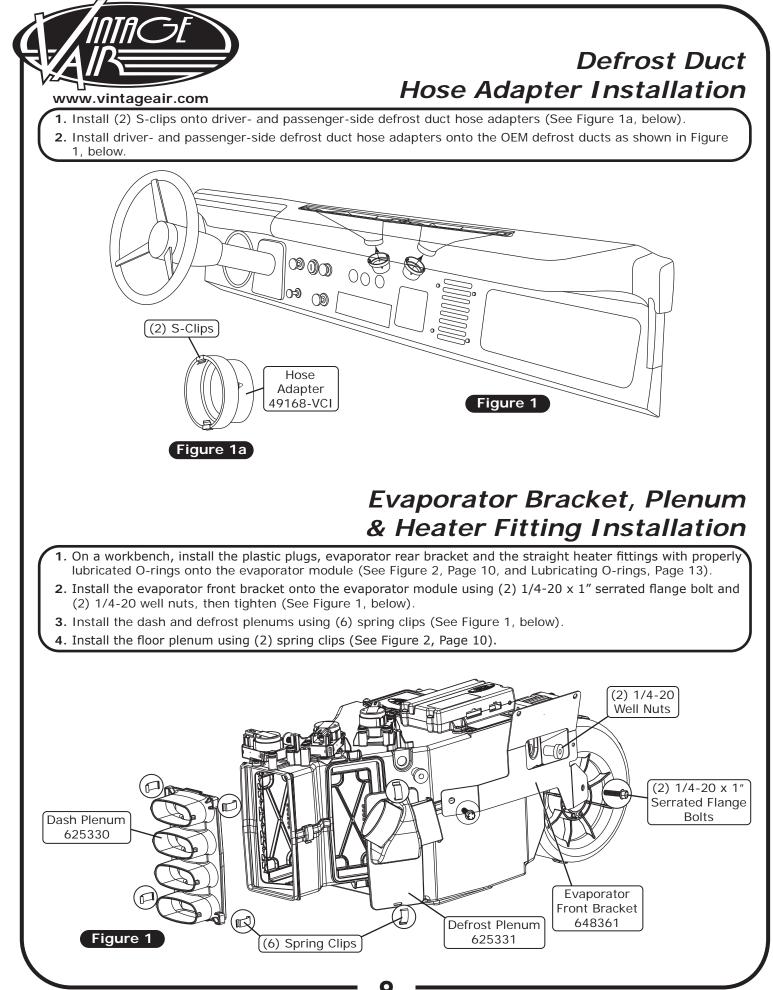


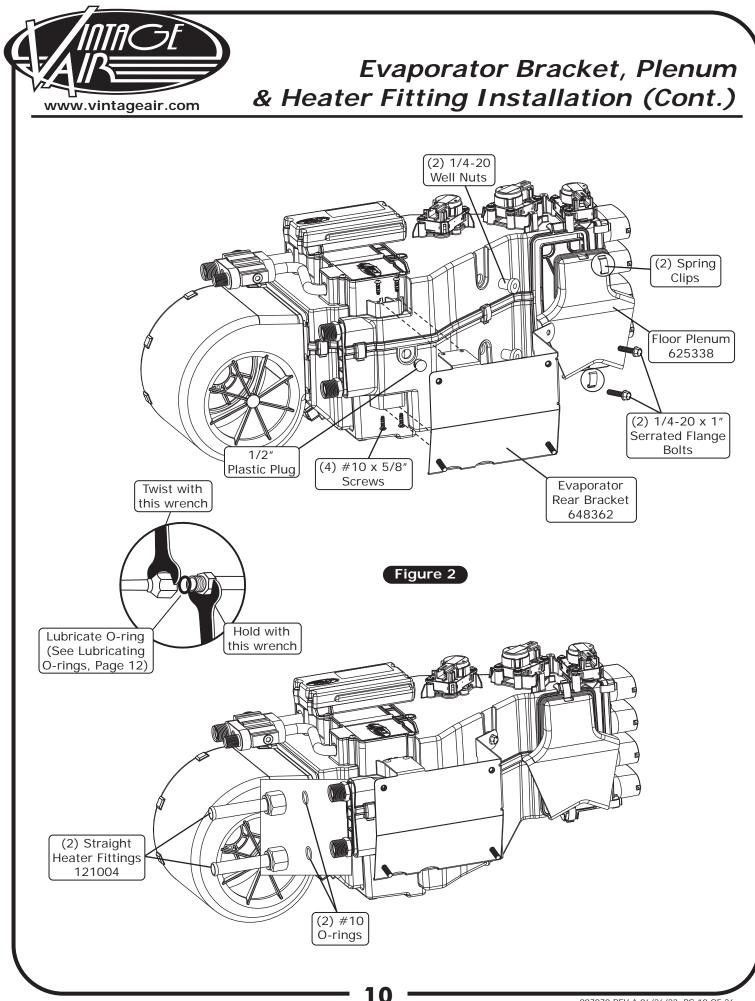
# Passenger Compartment Disassembly

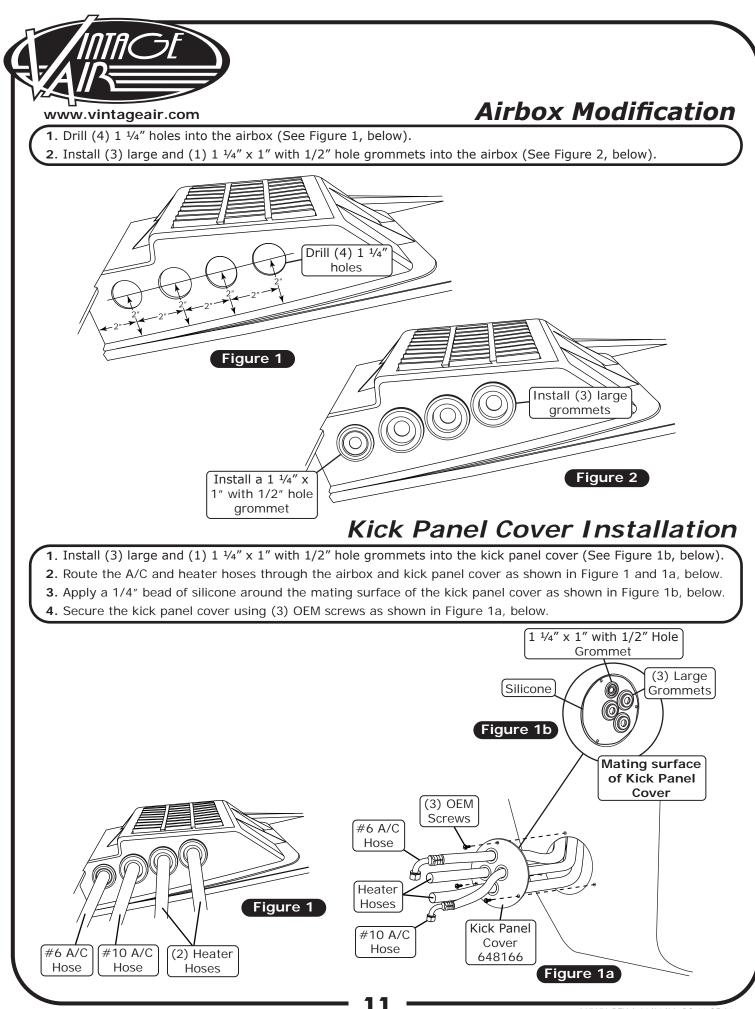
### Perform the Following:

- 1. Remove the glove box door (retain) and the glove box (discard) (See Figure 1, below).
- 2. Disconnect all the wires and cables from the OEM heater control knobs.
- 3. Remove the OEM heater control knobs (See Figure 1, below).
- 4. Remove the OEM heater assembly (discard) (See Figure 2, below).
- 5. Remove the OEM duct hoses from the defrost ducts (discard) (See Figure 2, below).
- 6. Remove the passenger-side kick panel fresh air cap (discard cap, retain mounting hardware) (See Figure 3, below).









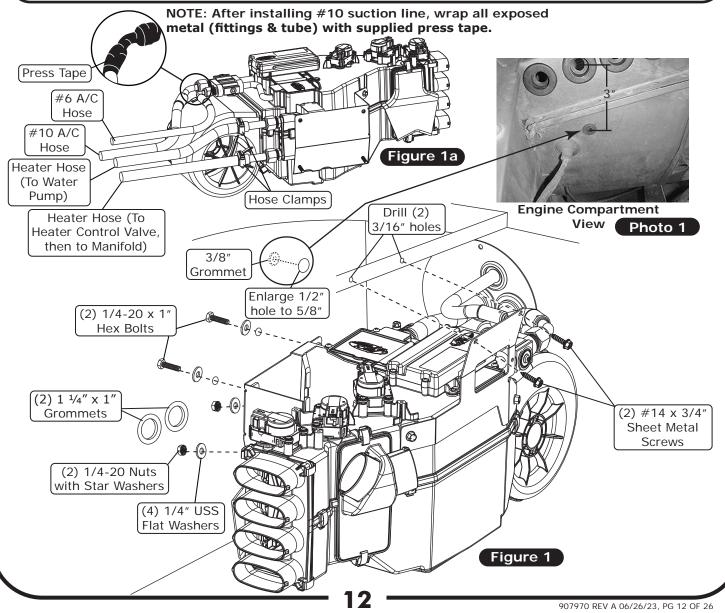


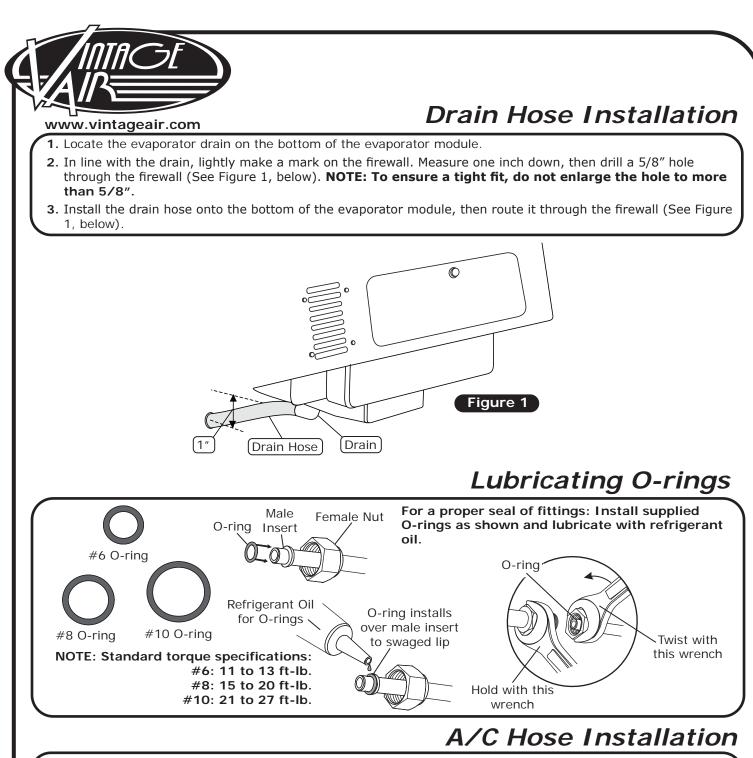
NOTE: To ensure a watertight seal between the passenger compartment and the vehicle exterior, for all bolts passing through the firewall, Vintage Air recommends coating the threads with silicone prior to installation.

- 1. Install (2) 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" x 1" grommets into the firewall (See Figure 1, below).
- Enlarge the 1/2" hole on the firewall to 5/8" and install the 7/8" OD x 3/8" ID grommet as shown in Figure 1 and Photo 1, below. NOTE: If hole is not present, drill a 5/8" hole 3" below the second grommet from the left (See Photo 1, below).
- **3.** Install the A/C and heater hoses as shown in Figure 1a, below.

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- 4. Lift evaporator unit up under the dashboard. Secure it loosely to the firewall using (2) 1/4-20 x 1" hex bolts, (4) 1/4" USS flat washers and (2) 1/4-20 nuts with star washers (See Figure 1, below). NOTE: To ensure proper drainage, it is very important that the evaporator is level, both left-right and fore-aft. Check for level on the flat portions of the case around the drain.
- 5. Using front evaporator bracket as a guide, mark and drill (2) 3/16" holes into the cowl (See Figure 1, below).
- Using (2) #14 x 3/4" sheet metal screws, secure the front evaporator mounting bracket to the inner cowl (See Figure 1, below).
- 7. Verify that evaporator unit is level and square to the dash; then tighten all mounting bolts. NOTE: Tighten the bolt on the firewall first. Then tighten the front mounting bracket.



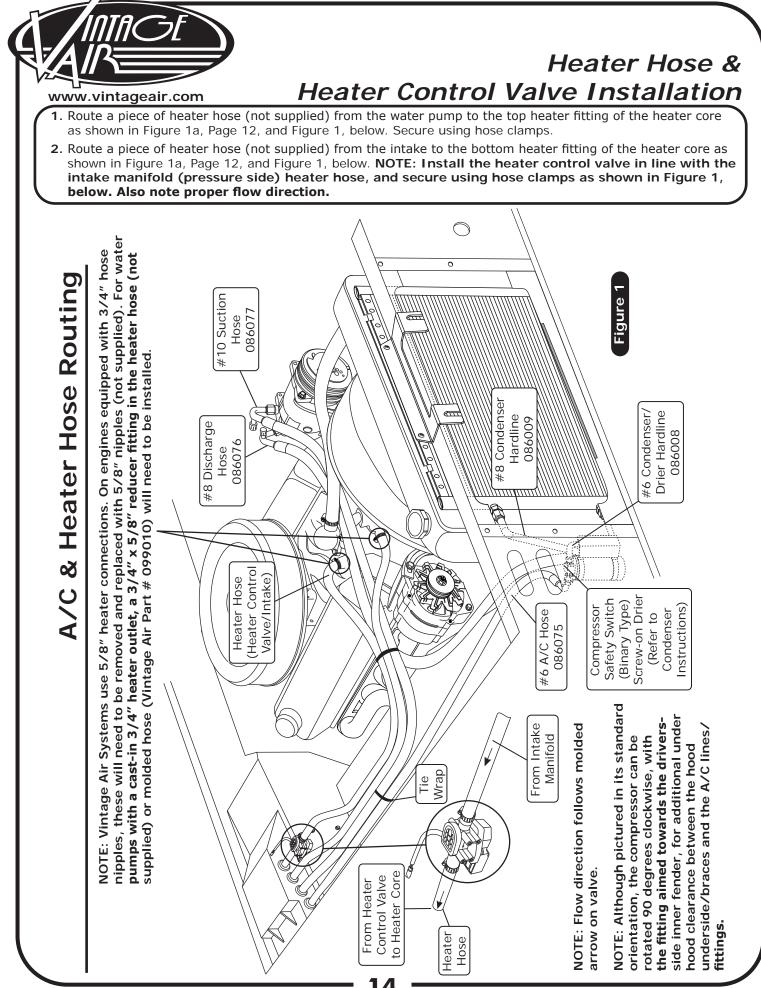


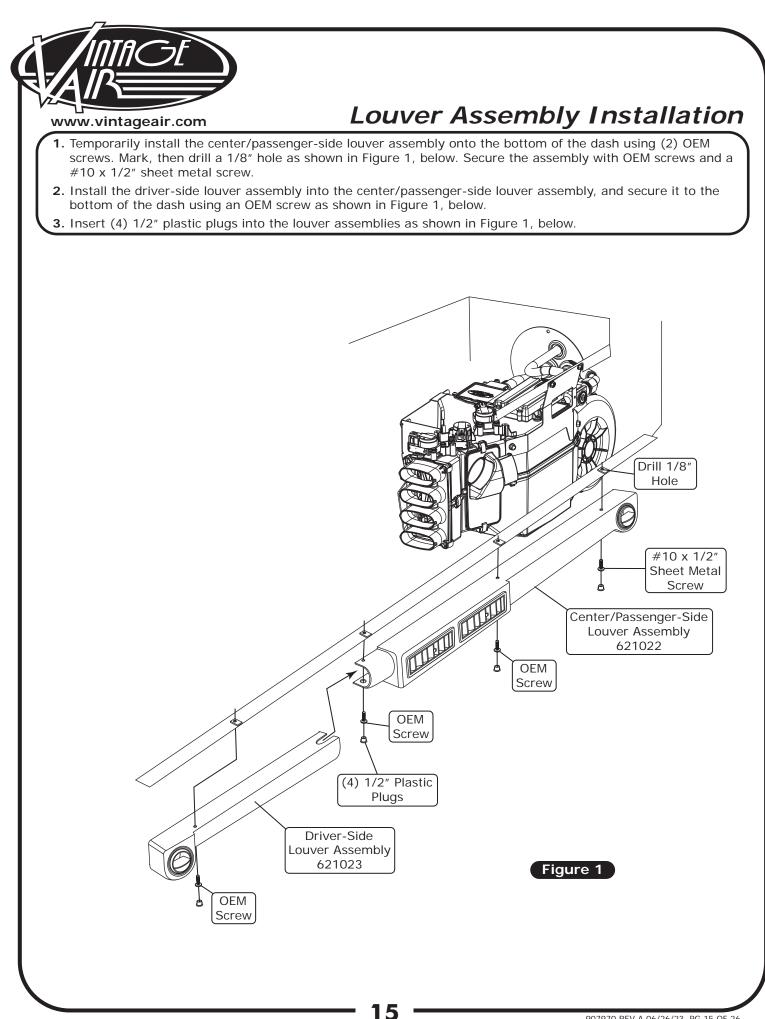
### Standard Hose Kit:

- Locate the #8 compressor A/C hose. Lubricate (2) #8 O-rings (See Lubricating O-rings, above) and connect the 135° female fitting with service port to the #8 discharge port on the compressor. Then, route the 90° female fitting to the #8 condenser hardline (See Figure 1, Page 14). Tighten each fitting connection as shown in Lubricating O-rings, above.
- 2. Locate the #10 compressor A/C hose. Lubricate (2) #10 O-rings (See Lubricating O-rings, above) and connect the #10 135° female fitting with service port to the #10 suction port on the compressor. Then, route the 45° female fitting to the #10 fitting on the evaporator (See Figure 1a, Page 12, and Figure 1, Page 14). Tighten each fitting connection as shown in Lubricating O-rings, above.
- 3. Locate the #6 evaporator A/C hose. Lubricate (2) #6 O-rings (See Lubricating O-rings, above) and connect the 90° female fitting to the drier. Then, route the 90° female fitting to the #6 fitting on the evaporator (See Figure 1a, Page 12, and Figure 1, Page 14). Tighten each fitting connection as shown in Lubricating O-rings, above.

### Modified Hose Kit:

1. Refer to separate instructions included with modified hose kit.



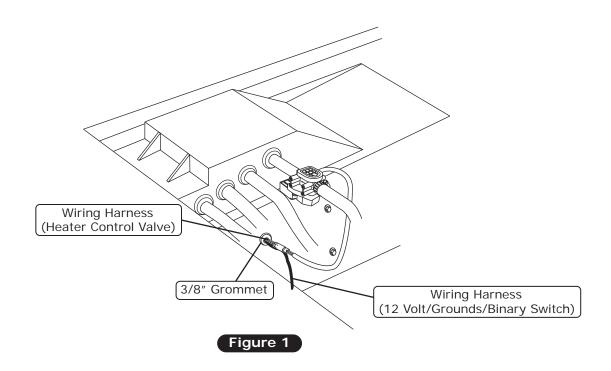


# Final Steps: Completing the Install

1. Install the duct hoses as shown in Figure 1, Page 18.

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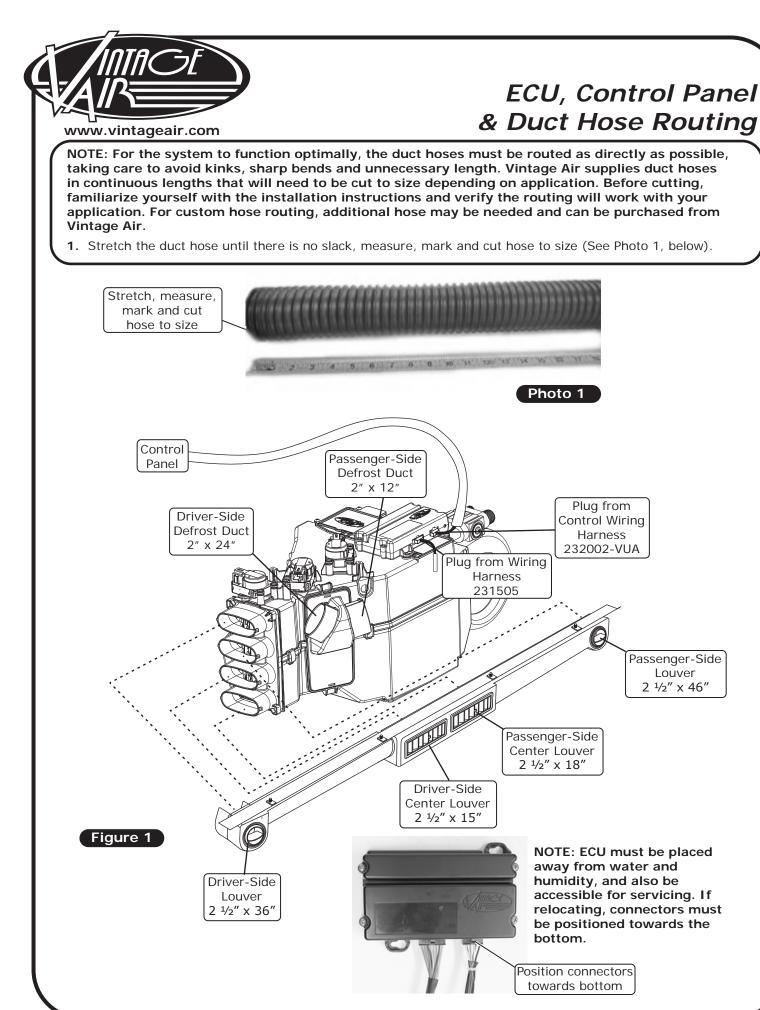
- Route the A/C wires (12 volt/grounds/binary switch/heater valve) through 3/8" grommet as shown in Figure 1, below.
- 3. Install the control panel assembly. Refer to the control panel instructions.
- **4.** Plug the wiring harnesses into the ECU module on the sub case as shown in Figure 1, Page 18. Wire according to wiring diagrams on Pages 19 and 20.
- 5. Fill radiator with at least a 50/50 mixture of approved antifreeze and distilled water. It is the owner's responsibility to keep the freeze protection at the proper level for the climate in which the vehicle is operated. Failure to follow antifreeze recommendations will cause heater core to corrode prematurely and possibly burst in A/C mode and/or freezing weather, voiding your warranty.
- 6. Double check all fittings, brackets and belts for tightness.
- 7. Vintage Air recommends that all A/C systems be serviced by a licensed automotive A/C technician.
- **8.** Evacuate the system for a minimum of 45 minutes prior to charging, and perform a leak check prior to servicing.
- 9. Charge the system to the capacities stated on Page 4 of this instruction manual.





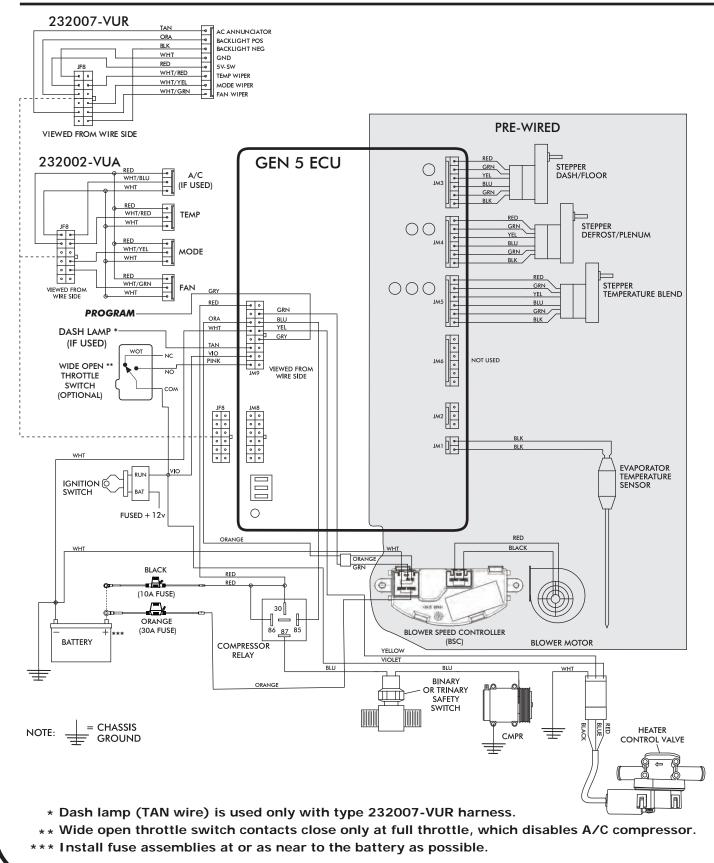
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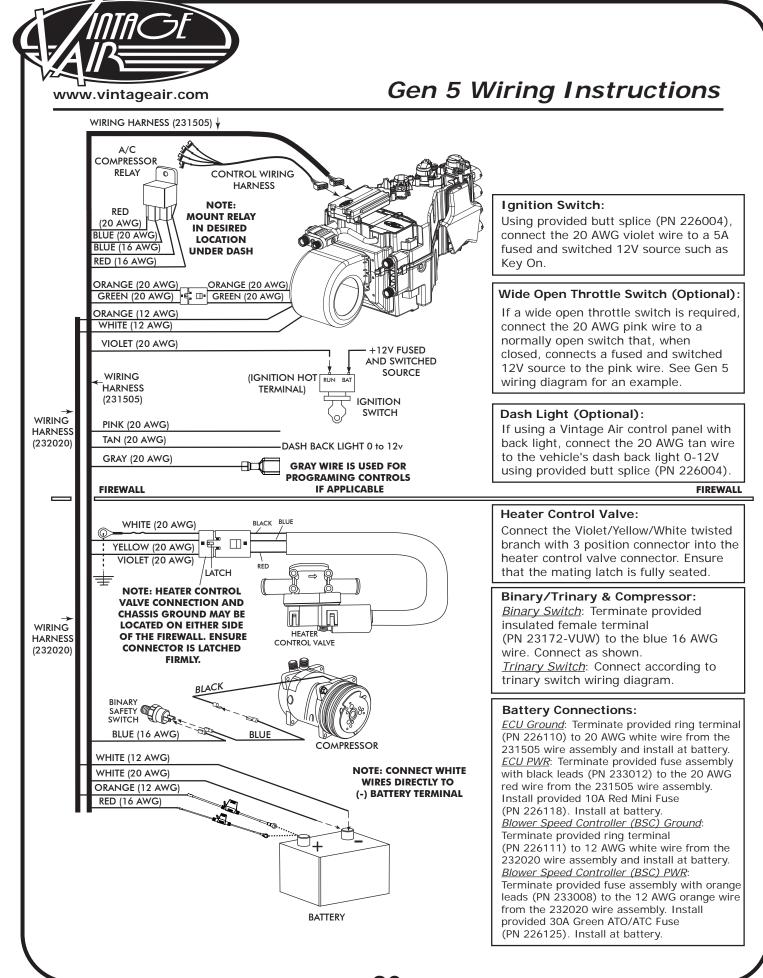
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ITI	ITEM TO CHECK	Procedure
	ECU	If no blinking is observed after 1 minute of turning the ignition on, go to the next check. If repetetive blinking is observed, go to the <u>Advanced Diagnostics</u> Section to diagnose.
	Blower speed control	Set the blower speed control to OFF, <i>confirm that the blower is off.</i> Blower speed control Position the blower speed control to LOW then MEDIUM and then HIGH. <u>At each setting confirm that the blower speed increases</u> , do this by feeling for the amount of air coming from the unit and hearing the blower speed increase.
	Mode control	Set the MODE control to the DASH position. <i>Confirm that air is being blown at the dash vents.</i> Set the MODE control to the FLOOR position. <i>Confirm that air is being blown at the floor vents.</i> Set the MODE control to the DEFROST position. <i>Confirm that all air is being blown from the defrost vents</i>
	Temperature control	If system is charged: Set the TEMP control to the MAX COOL position. <i>Confirm that <u>COLD</u> air is coming from the dash vents.</i>
		Also confirm that the compressor "clicks" on when adjusting the <b>TEMP</b> control from the <b>MAX HEAT</b> position to the <b>MAX COOL</b> position.
	AC Indicator (If applicable)	While the <b>MODE</b> control is set to the <b>DASH</b> position, and the <b>TEMP</b> control is set to the <b>MAX COOL/MIN HEAT</b> position, <i>confirm that the blue AC Indicator light is on</i> .
	Backlight (If applicable)	lf your control panel has backlight capabilities and has been wired, turn the dash lamp on and <u>co<i>nfirm that the AC</i> panel's legend is lit</u> .
	Fittings	Verify AC and Heater fittings are all tight.

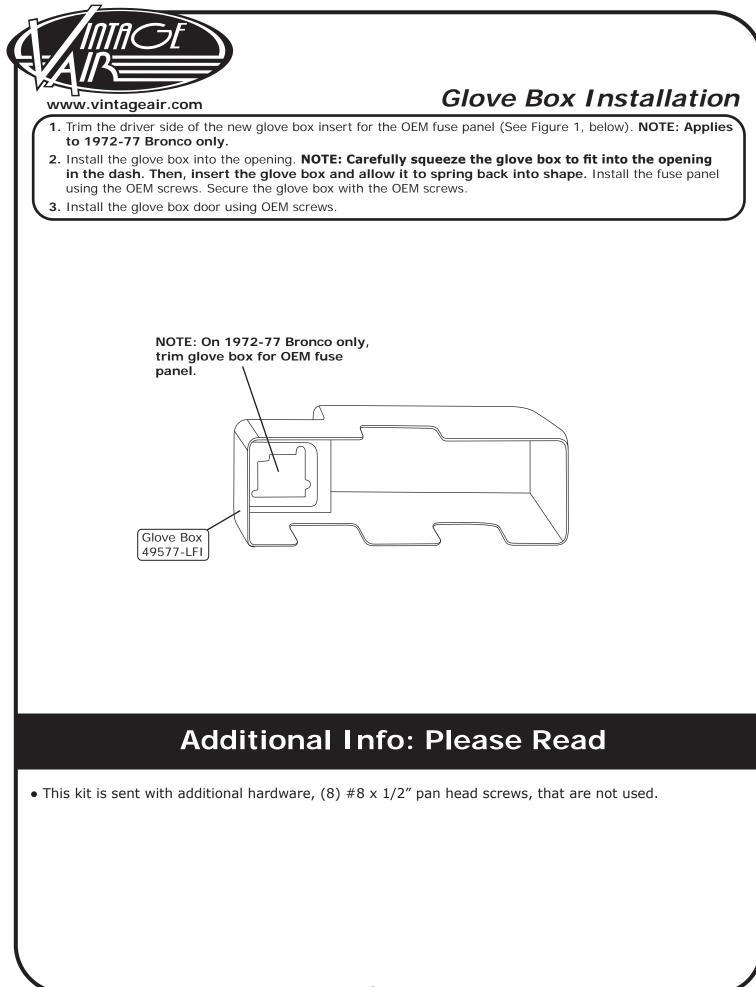


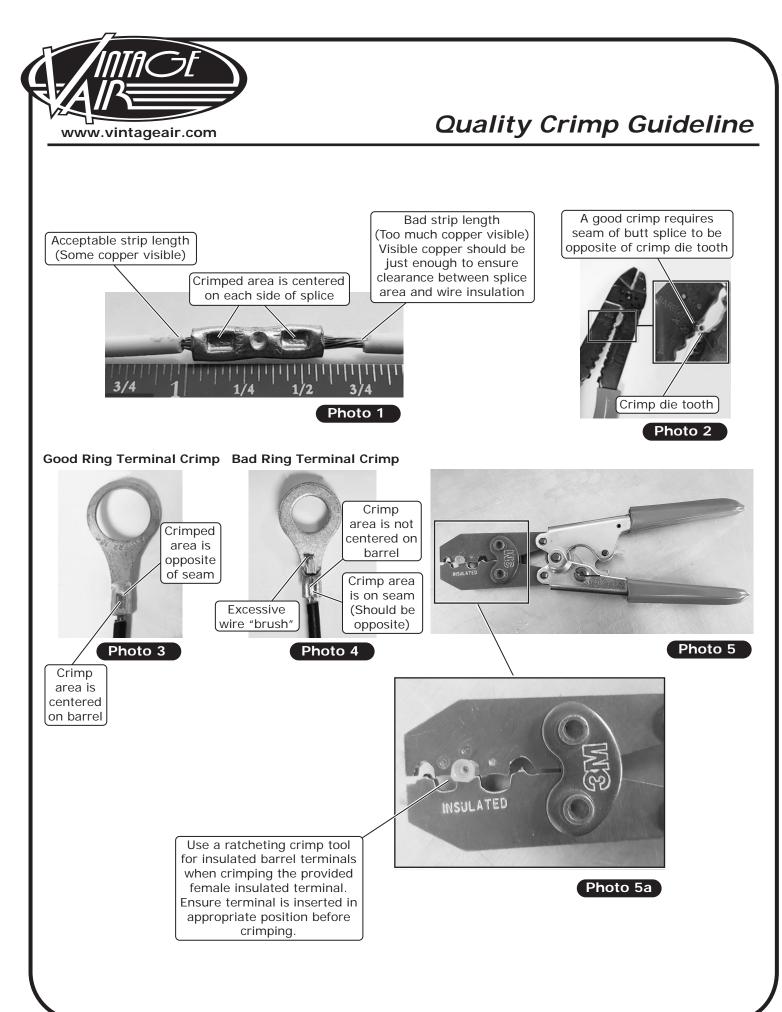


# Gen 5 Wiring Diagram





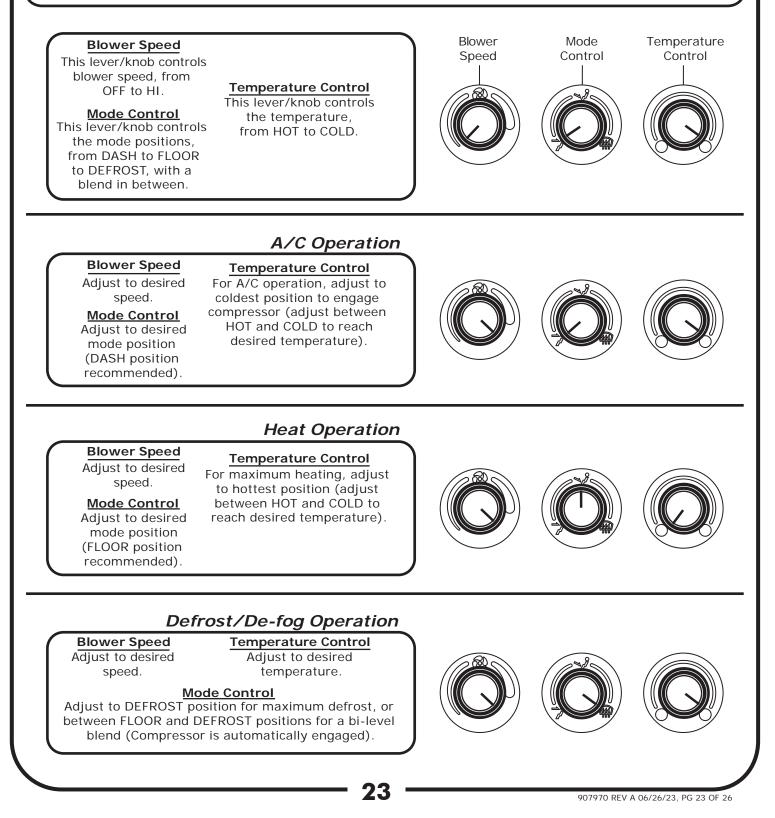






# **Operation of Controls**

On Gen IV or Gen 5 systems with three lever/knob controls, the temperature control toggles between heat and A/C operations. To activate A/C, move the temperature lever/knob all the way to cold and then back it off to the desired vent temperature. For heat operation, move the temperature lever/knob all the way to hot and then adjust to the desired vent temperature. The blower will momentarily change speed, each time you toggle in and out of heat and A/C operations, to indicate the change.



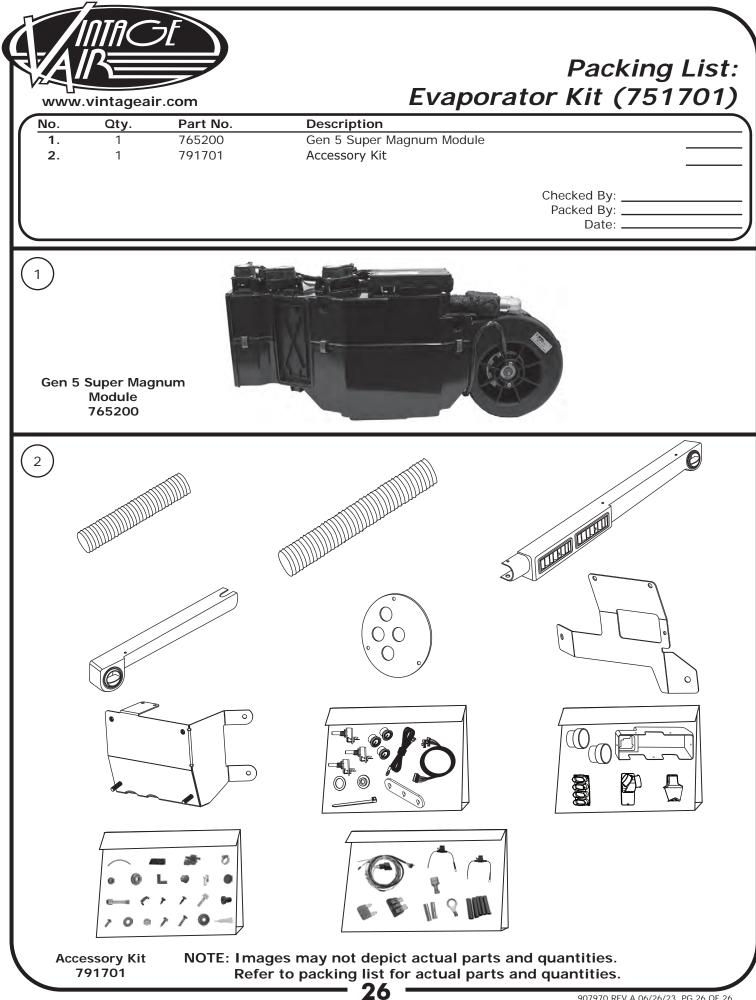
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**Troubleshooting Guide** 

This printed troubleshooting guide is our basic guide that covers common installation problems. To see our advanced diagnostics and troubleshooting guide, please refer to the following page for instructions on how to download the complete guide.

Symptom	Condition	Checks	Actions	Notes
<del></del>	No other functions work.	Check for damaged pins or wires in the control panel wire assembly and mating header	If found damaged, replace wire assembly or ECU.	
Blower stays on high speed with ignition on.				
	All other functions work.	<ul> <li>Check for damaged pins or wires in the control panel wire assembly and mating header</li> </ul>	If found damaged, replace wire assembly or ECU.	If fuse continues to blow,
		If Blower power fuse is	→ Replace fuse.	there is a serious problem in the wiring. Check all wiring and ensure the wire is not
	-	for a bad ECU GND.	→ Repair connection.	◆ damaged and shorting out along its route.
5	System is not charged.	System must be charged for compressor to engage.	→ Charge system.	Danger: Never bypass safety switch with engine running. Serious injury can result.
Compressor will not turn on (All other functions work).		Check for faulty A/C potentiometer or associated wiring (not applicable to 3-pot controls).	Check continuity to ground on white control head wire.	To check for proper pot function, check voltage at white/red wire. Voltage should be between 0V and 5V, and will varv with pot
	System is charged.	Check for disconnected or faulty thermistor.	→ Check 2-pin connector at ECU housing.	Disconnected or faulty thermistor will cause compressor to be disabled.
3. Compressor will not turn off (All other functions		Check for faulty A/C potentiometer or associated wiring.	◆ Repair or replace pot/control wiring.	Red wire at A/C pot should have approximately 5V with ignition on. White wire will have continuity to chassis ground. White/
work).		Check for faulty A/C relay.	▲ Replace relay.	between OV and 5V when between OV and 5V when lever is moved up or down

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4	Works when engine is not running; shuts off when engine is started	Noise interference from either ignition or alternator.	Install capacitors on ignition coil and alternator. Ensure good ground at all points. Relocate coil and associated viring away from ECU and ECU wiring. Check for burned or loose plug wires.	Ignition noise (radia conducted) will caus system to shut dowr high voltage spikes. is suspected, check
System will not turn on, or runs intermittently.		Verify connections on power lead, ignition lead, and both white ground wires.	Check for power at ECU, and confirm ignition is being applied to ECU properly.	quality oscilloscope. Spikes greater than 16V will shut down the ECU. Install a radio capacitor at the positive post of the ignition
	Will not turn on under any conditions.	Verify battery voltage is becater than 10 volts and less than 16 while engine is running.	Verify proper meter function by checking the condition of a known good battery.	coil (see radio capacitor installation bulletin). A faulty alternator or worn out battery can also result in this condition.
<b>5.</b> Loss of mode door function.	No mode change at all.	Check for damaged mode switch or potentiometer and associated wiring.		
<b>6.</b> Blower turns on and off rapidly.	Battery voltage is at least 12V. Battery voltage is less than 12V.	Check for at least 12V at circuit breaker. Check for faulty battery or alternator.	<ul> <li>Ensure all system grounds and power connections are clean and tight.</li> <li>Charge battery.</li> </ul>	System shuts off blower at 10V. Poor connections or weak battery can cause shutdown at up to 11V.
<ol> <li>Erratic functions of blower, mode, temp, etc.</li> </ol>	s of	Check for damaged switch or pot and associated wiring.	r →Repair or replace.	
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