

HT502 Engine (88890534 Base) Long Block Specifications

Specifications Part Number 12366612

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The information below is divided into the following sections: package contents, engine fastener torque specifications, component information, start-up and break-in procedures, HT502 engine specifications, additional parts that you may need to purchase, and a service parts list.

The HT502 base engine is a fully assembled long block. This engine is assembled using brand new, premium quality components. The HT502 engine is manufactured on current production tooling; consequently you may encounter dissimilarities between the HT502 engine assembly and previous versions of the big block V8. In general, items such as motor mounts, accessory drives, exhaust manifolds, etc. can be transferred to an HT502 engine when installed in a vehicle originally equipped with a big block V8 engine. However, as noted in the following sections, there may be significant differences in the water pump, torsional damper, etc., between an HT502 engine and an older big block V8 engine. These differences may require modifications or additional components not included with the HT502 engine. When installing the HT502 engine in a vehicle not originally equipped with a big block V8, it may be necessary to adapt or fabricate various components for the cooling, fuel, electrical, and exhaust systems. Due to the wide variety of vehicles in which an HT502 engine can be installed, some procedures and recommendations may not apply to specific applications.

It is not the intent of these specifications to replace the comprehensive and detailed service practices explained in the GM service manuals.

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Observe all safety precautions and warnings in the service manuals when installing an HT502 engine in any vehicle. Wear eye protection and appropriate protective clothing. Support the vehicle securely with jackstands when working under or around it. Use only the proper tools. Exercise extreme caution when working with flammable, corrosive, and hazardous liquids and materials. Some procedures require special equipment and skills. If you do not have the appropriate training, expertise, and tools to perform any part of this conversion safely, this work should be done by a professional.

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This publication is intended to provide information about the HT502 engine and related components. This manual also describes procedures and modifications that may be useful during the installation of an HT502 engine. It is not intended to replace the comprehensive service manuals and parts catalogs which cover General Motors engines and components. Rather, it is designed to provide supplemental information in areas of interest to "do-it-yourself" enthusiasts and mechanics.

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Package contents:

<u>ltem</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	Part Number
1	Base Engine Assembly	1	88890534
2	Short Block Instructions	1	19171883
3	Long Block Instructions	1	12366612
4	Notice Label (carb only)	1	12366613

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HT502 Engine Torque Specifications:

Cylinder head bolt /screw	Long / Short Bolts
First pass	25/20 ftlbs. / 34/27 N·m
Second pass	50/40 ftlbs. / 68/54 N·m
Final pass	75/65 ftlbs. / 102/88 N·m
Distributor bolt/screw	18 ftlbs. / 25 N·m
Engine block oil gallery plug	15 ftlbs. / 20 N·m
Engine front cover bolt screw	106 inlbs. / 12 N·m
Flywheel bolt/screw	65 ftlbs. / 90 N·m
Intake manifold bolt/screw	
First pass	10 ftlbs. / 14 N·m
Second pass	25 ftIbs. / 34 N·m
Oil filter adapter bolt/screw	18 ftlbs. / 25 N·m
Oil level indicator tube bolt/screw	106 inlbs. / 12 N·m
Oil pan assembly bolt/screw	18 ftlbs. / 25 N·m
Oil baffle nut	30 ftlbs. / 40 N·m
Oil pan drain plug	15 ftlbs. / 20 N·m
Oil pump bolt/screw to rear crankshaft bearing cap	66 ftIbs. / 90 N·m
Oil pump cover bolt/screw	106 inlbs. / 12 N·m
Spark plug	22 ftlbs. / 30 N·m
Starter motor bolt/screw	35 ftIbs. / 48 N·m
Valve lifter guide retainer bolt/screw	18 ftlbs. / 25 N·m
Water pump bolt/screw	30 ftlbs. / 40 N·m
Rocker arm bolt	45 ftlbs. / 61 N·m

Note: These torque values are in addition to those documented within the short block instructions.

Component Information:

Cylinder heads:

The HT502 base engine comes with fully assembled cylinder heads, GM Part Number 12562917. These cylinder heads are cast iron, oval port heads with 118cc combustion chambers, 2.07" intake valves, and 1.72" exhaust valves.

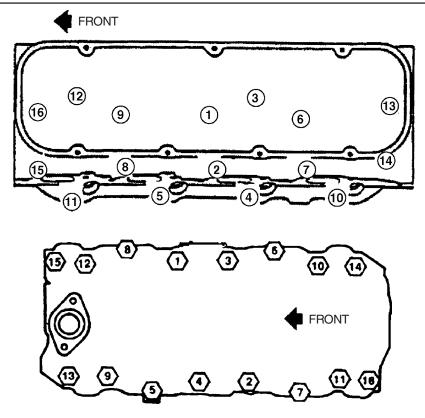
Cylinder Head Installation:

Installation is the same as for original equipment cylinder heads. Be sure to thoroughly clean the surface of the block and the surface of the cylinder head prior to installing. Apply liquid Teflon to all head bolts that protrude into coolant passages. Tighten the bolts alternately per the sequence and pattern shown below. Apply torque in 25 ft.lb. increments over two repetitions with the third repetition to the final tightening specification. A re-torque of the cylinder head bolts is recommended after heat cycling the engine.

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Caution

This engine assembly needs to be filled with oil and primed. You should add the specified oil (see start-up instructions) to your new engine. Check the engine oil level on the dipstick and add accordingly.

Start-up and Break-in Procedures

- 1. After installing the engine, ensure the crankcase has been filled with 5W30 motor oil (non-synthetic) to the recommended oil fill level on the dipstick. Also check and fill as required any other necessary fluids such as coolant, power steering fluid, etc.
- 2. The engine should be primed with oil prior to starting. Follow the instructions enclosed with the tool. To prime the engine, first remove the distributor to allow access to the oil pump drive shaft. Note the position of the distributor before removal. Install the oil priming tool, GM part number 12368084. Using a 1/2" dill motor, rotate the engine oil priming tool clockwise for three minutes. While you are priming the engine, have someone else rotate the crankshaft clockwise to supply oil throughout the engine and to all the bearing surfaces before the engine is initially started. This is the sure way to get oil to the bearings before you start the engine for the first time. Also, prime the engine if it sits for extended periods of time. Reinstall the distributor in the same orientation as it was removed.
- 3. Safety first. If the vehicle is on the ground, be sure the emergency brake is set, the wheels are chocked and the car cannot fall into gear. Verify everything is installed properly and nothing was missed.
- 4. Start the engine and adjust the initial timing. If using the HEI distributor P/N 93440806, set the ignition timing to 4º before top dead center (BTDC) at 650 rpm with the vacuum advance line to the distributor disconnected and plugged. This setting will produce 26º of total advance at wide-open throttle (WOT) when using the HEI distributor P/N 93440806. The HEI vacuum advance canister should remain disconnected. This engine is designed to operate using only the internal centrifugal advance to achieve the correct timing curve. Rotate the distributor counterclockwise to advance the timing. Rotate the distributor clockwise to retard the timing.

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- 5. When possible, you should always allow the engine to warm up prior to driving. It is a good practice to allow the oil sump and water temperature to reach 180°F before towing heavy loads or performing hard acceleration runs.
- 6. Once the engine is warm, Double check the total advance timing is 26° at 4000 RPM.
- 7. The engine should be driven at varying loads and conditions for the first 30 miles or one hour without wide open throttle (WOT) or sustained high RPM accelerations.
- 8. Run five or six medium throttle (50%) accelerations to about 4000 RPM and back to idle (0% throttle) in gear.
- 9. Run two or three hard throttle (WOT 100%) accelerations to about 4000 RPM and back to idle (0% throttle) in gear.
- 10. Change the oil and filter. Replace with 5W30 motor oil (not synthetic) and a PF454 AC Delco oil filter. Inspect the oil and the oil filter for any foreign particles to ensure that the engine is functioning properly.
- 11. Drive the next 500 miles under normal conditions or 12 to 15 engine hours. Do not run the engine at its maximum rated engine speed. Also, do not expose the engine to extended periods of high load.
- 12. Change the oil and filter. Again, inspect the oil and oil filter for any foreign particles to ensure that the engine is functioning properly.
- 13. Do not use synthetic oil for break-in. It would be suitable to use synthetic motor oil after the second recommended oil change and mileage accumulation. In colder regions, a lower viscosity oil may be required for better flow characteristics.

HT502 Engine Specifications:

Compression	8.75:1
Cylinder Head:	Cast iron, oval port
Valve Diameter (Intake/Exhaust):	2.07"/1.72"
Chamber Volume:	118cc
Camshaft:	Hydraulic roller tappet
Lift:	480" intake, .483" exhaust
Duration:	204 intake, 209 exhaust @ .050" tappet lift
Centerline:	118 ATDC intake, 118 (BTDC exhaust)
Rocker Arm Ratio:	1.7:1, stamped steel
Oil Pressure (Minimum):	6 psig @ 1000 RPM
	18 psig @ 2000 RPM
	24 psig @ 4000 RPM
Recommended Oil:	5w30 synthetic motor oil (after break-in)
Oil Filter:	AC Delco part # - PF 1218
Valve Lash	Torque bolt to 45 ft. lbs.
Fuel:	Premium unleaded - 92 (R+M/2)
Maximum Engine Speed:	5200 RPM
Spark Plugs:	AC Delco R43T
Spark plug gap	040"
Firing Order:	1-8-4-3-6-5-7-2

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Information may vary with application. All specifications listed are based on the latest production information available at the time of printing.

Additional parts that may be needed:

Flywheel / Flexplate:

Like all big block V8 engines, the HT502 engine has 3.58" diameter flywheel flange bolt pattern. This engine comes equipped with a 14" diameter flexplate with a 168 tooth ring gear, GM Part Number 10185034. If your application requires a flywheel, GM Part Number 14096987, should be used. This flywheel is 14" diameter, 168 tooth ring gear, and is a for 11" diameter clutch. Use flywheel bolt GM Part Number 12337973 (6 required).

Pilot Bearing:

You must install a pilot bearing in the rear of the crankshaft if the engine will be used with a manual transmission. The pilot bearing aligns the transmission input shaft with the crankshaft centerline. A worn or misaligned pilot bearing can cause shifting problems and rapid clutch wear. A roller pilot bearing, GM Part Number 14061685, is recommended for this engine. This heavy-duty bearing adds an extra margin of reliability to a high performance drivetrain.

Oil Pan

The HT502 engine includes oil pan, GM Part Number 10240721. This six-quart pan was originally designed for marine and truck usage and may cause interference problems when installed in certain applications. Check for clearance before installation of the engine. If the six-quart pan will not fit into your application, GM Part Number 12495360 is recommended as a substitute. This is a four-quart, right-hand dipstick oil pan, which comes with the gasket, four main cap bolts, oil pump screen, dipstick and tube.

Headers:

An HT502 engine should be equipped with a header exhaust system for maximum performance in applications where a non-production exhaust system is legal. For street performance and limited competition applications, the recommended header configuration is 2" diameter primary pipes, 36 inches long, with 3 1/2" diameter collectors. Use 3" diameter tailpipes with a balance tube ("H" pipe) and low restriction mufflers.

Rocker Covers:

The HT502 engine comes equipped with die cast rocker covers, GM Part Numbers 12553666 and 12553667. Additional tall and short valve covers are available. Please see the website at www.GMPerformanceparts.com or your local GM Performance Parts dealer. When using either the cast aluminum or the tall, chrome rocker covers; ensure that enough clearance exists between the cover and the brake booster.

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HT502 Service Parts List:

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Part # 10237292	<u>Quantity</u> 1	Name Block Asm, Eng	Part # 3727207	<u>Quantity</u> 6	Name Bolt/Screw, Flywhl
6264902	1	Seal, Rr Brg Cap (O Ring)	10198922	8	Rod, Conn
10181306	1	Bearing, Cr/Shf Upr	3963571	1	Cap, Conn Rod
12529885	3	Bearing, Cr/Shf Upr	14096148	2	Bolt/Screw, Conn Rod
12529885	3	Bearing, Cr/Shf Lwr	3942410	2	Nut, Conn Rod
10181306	1	Bearing, Cr/Shf Lwr	12533507		Piston Kit (W/Pin & Rings) (Std)
10181307	1	Bearing, Cr/Shf Thr Upr	12524293		Ring Kit, Pstn (Std)
10181307	1	Bearing, Cr/Shf Thr Lwr	10181277	16	Bearing, Conn Rod
10106460	10	Bolt/Screw, Cr/Shf Brg	10240721	1	Pan Asm, Oil
10106461	6	Bolt/Screw, Cr/Shf Brg	24100042	1	Plug Asm, Oil Pan Drn
10224104	4	Stud, Cr/Shf Brg Cap	3536966	1	Seal, Oil Pan Drn Plug
12508996	1	Bearing, Cm/Shf	10106407	1	Gasket, Oil Pan
12508997	2	Bearing, Cm/Shf	12555167	1	Pump Asm, Oil (W/ Scrn)
12508998	2	Bearing, Cm/Shf	10230954	1	Cover Asm, Eng Frt (W/ Tmg Ind)
12562917	2	Head Asm, Cyl (W/ Vlv)	10191640	1	Seal Asm, Cr/Shf Frt Oil
12562923	1	Head Asm, Cyl	10198910	1	Gasket, Eng Frt Cvr
10240894	4	Valve, Int (STD)	12552296	1	Camshaft Asm
14081040	4	Valve, Exh (STD)	12560176	1	Sprocket, Cm/Shf
12559084	AR	Valve, Exh .003" O.S	9424877	3	Bolt/Screw, Cm/Shf Spkt
12559085	AR	Valve, Exh .015" O.S	12560177	1	Sprocket, Cr/Shf
12559086	AR	Valve, Exh .030" O.S	10114177	1	Chain Asm, Tmg
10213464	8	Cap, VIv Spr	10227762	8	Rod Asm, VIv Push
10240899	8	Rotator Asm, VIv	10227763	8	Rod, Exh VIv Push
10240898	8	Spring, VIv	17120061	16	Lifter Asm, VIv
3947880	16	Key, VIv Stem	12551397	8	Guide, VIv Lftr
10114119	8	Seal, VIv Stem Oil	12562369	8	Guide, VIv Lftr Push Rod
14097001	2	Gasket, Cyl Hd	12553666	1	Cover Asm, VIv Rkr Arm
10141204	24	Bolt/Screw, Cyl Hd (Long)	10126727	1	Gasket, VIv Rkr Arm Cvr
10141205	8	Bolt/Screw, Cyl Hd (Short)	12553667	1	Cover Asm, VIv Rkr Arm
10183723	1	Crankshaft Asm	12523976	16	Arm, VIv Rkr
10101164	1	Seal Asm, Cr/Shf Rr Oil	10213466	16	Ball, VIv Rkr Arm
14097040	1	Deflector, Cr/Shf Oil	10114123	16	Bolt/Screw, VIv Rkr Arm
10216339	1	Balancer Asm, Cr/Shf	10198929	1	Stud, Vlv Rkr Arm Piv
10114166	1	Key, Torsional Dpnr	10198930	1	Nut, VIv Rkr Arm
10126796	1	Bolt/Screw, Cr/Shf Balr	5613438	8	Spark Plug Asm
3864814	1	Washer, Cr/Shf Balr	10181398	1	Gasket Kit - Inl Manif (Foa)
10185034	1	Flywheel Asm, Eng			

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