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Model: GV11

1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Standard Motor Products GV11 PCV Valve Grommet is a critical component in your vehicle's Positive Crankcase Ventilation (PCV) system. This grommet provides a secure seal for the PCV valve where it connects to the engine's valve cover or intake manifold. Its primary function is to prevent vacuum leaks and ensure proper operation of the PCV system, which helps to remove harmful blow-by gases from the crankcase, promoting engine longevity and efficient emissions control.



Figure 1.1: The Standard Motor Products GV11 PCV Valve Grommet. This image displays the overall shape and material of the grommet, designed for a secure fit.

2. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

Proper installation of the PCV valve grommet is essential for its effective operation. Always ensure the engine is cool before beginning any work. Refer to your vehicle's specific service manual for detailed instructions and safety precautions.

2.1 Safety Precautions

- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment, including safety glasses and gloves.
- Ensure the vehicle is parked on a level surface with the engine off and cool.
- Disconnect the negative battery terminal to prevent accidental electrical shorts.

2.2 Tools Required (General)

- Flathead screwdriver or pry tool (for old grommet removal)
- Clean rags
- New PCV valve (if replacing simultaneously)

2.3 Installation Steps

1. **Locate the PCV Valve:** Identify the PCV valve on your engine, typically found on the valve cover or intake manifold. It will be connected to a vacuum hose.
2. **Remove PCV Valve:** Gently pull the PCV valve out of the old grommet. If the valve is stuck, twist it slightly while pulling.
3. **Remove Old Grommet:** Carefully pry out the old, worn-out grommet from its opening. Be cautious not to drop any pieces into the engine. Clean the opening thoroughly.

4. **Install New Grommet:** Insert the new Standard Motor Products GV11 PCV Valve Grommet into the opening. Ensure it is fully seated and forms a tight seal. You may apply a small amount of silicone grease to the grommet's outer edge to aid installation, but avoid petroleum-based lubricants.
5. **Install PCV Valve:** Insert the PCV valve firmly into the new grommet. Ensure it is seated correctly and creates a snug fit.
6. **Reconnect Hose:** Reattach the vacuum hose to the PCV valve.
7. **Final Checks:** Reconnect the battery, start the engine, and check for any vacuum leaks around the newly installed grommet.



Figure 2.1: The GV11 grommet, showing its robust construction and the Standard Motor Products branding. This view highlights the quality of the material.

3. OPERATING PRINCIPLE

The PCV valve grommet functions as a seal for the PCV valve, which is a one-way valve that regulates the flow of crankcase gases into the engine's intake manifold. During engine operation, combustion gases can leak past the piston rings into the crankcase (blow-by). The PCV system draws these gases out of the crankcase and reintroduces them into the combustion process, preventing their release into the atmosphere and maintaining proper crankcase pressure. The grommet ensures an airtight seal, preventing unmetered air from entering the intake system, which could lead to an incorrect air-fuel mixture and engine performance issues.



Figure 3.1: A close-up view of the GV11 grommet's opening, illustrating the precise design for a secure fit with the PCV valve.

4. MAINTENANCE

The PCV valve grommet is a wear item and should be inspected periodically as part of routine engine maintenance. Over time, exposure to engine heat and oil vapors can cause the rubber material to harden, crack, or become brittle, leading to a compromised seal.

4.1 Inspection

- Visually inspect the grommet for any signs of cracking, hardening, or deterioration.
- Check for oil residue around the grommet, which may indicate a leak.
- Ensure the PCV valve is securely seated in the grommet and that the grommet is tight in its opening.

4.2 Replacement Interval

While there isn't a universal replacement schedule, it is generally recommended to inspect and consider replacing the PCV valve grommet whenever the PCV valve itself is replaced, or if any signs of wear are observed during routine maintenance. Consult your vehicle's service manual for specific recommendations.

5. TROUBLESHOOTING

A failing PCV valve grommet can lead to several engine performance issues. Recognizing these symptoms can help in timely diagnosis and replacement.

5.1 Common Symptoms of a Faulty Grommet

- **Vacuum Leaks:** A cracked or hardened grommet can create a vacuum leak, leading to rough idle, engine misfires, or a lean air-fuel mixture.
- **Oil Leaks:** Deteriorated grommets can allow oil to seep out around the PCV valve, leading to visible oil stains on the engine.
- **Check Engine Light:** A significant vacuum leak caused by a faulty grommet can trigger the Check Engine Light (CEL) with associated diagnostic trouble codes (DTCs) related to system lean conditions.
- **Increased Oil Consumption:** While less common for just the grommet, a compromised PCV system can contribute to

increased oil consumption.

6. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Specification
Brand	Standard Motor Products
Model Number	GV11
Product Type	PCV Grommet
Item Weight	1 pounds
Product Dimensions	1.5 x 1.2 x 2.9 inches
Manufacturer Part Number	GV11

7. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For specific warranty information regarding the Standard Motor Products GV11 PCV Valve Grommet, please refer to the documentation provided with your purchase or contact Standard Motor Products directly through their official website. Support for installation or troubleshooting beyond this manual's scope can also be obtained from certified automotive technicians or the manufacturer's customer service.

Manufacturer Website: www.smpcorp.com

