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Model: **33165** | Brand: **Wix**

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The WIX 33165 Heavy Duty Cartridge Fuel Metal Canister is designed to provide superior fuel cleansing performance for various vehicle applications. This filter is engineered for durability and reliability, featuring built-in gaskets to simplify installation and reduce the potential for mis-installation.

Key features include:

- Built-in gaskets for secure sealing.
- Unmatched fuel cleansing performance.
- Designed for quick and easy replacement.
- Highly durable and reliable construction.
- Reduces mis-installation of gaskets.

SETUP AND INSTALLATION

Proper installation of the WIX 33165 fuel filter is crucial for optimal performance and longevity. Always refer to your vehicle's service manual for specific instructions and safety precautions before beginning any maintenance.



Image: WIX 33165 Heavy Duty Cartridge Fuel Filter. This image displays two views of the filter: one showing the end with the central opening and surrounding gasket, and the other showing the side with the WIX logo and model number 33165 Fuel Filter.

1. **Safety First:** Ensure the vehicle's engine is off and cool. Disconnect the battery's negative terminal to prevent accidental starting.
2. **Locate Fuel Filter:** Identify the current fuel filter's location in your vehicle. This can vary by make and model.
3. **Prepare for Removal:** Place a drain pan beneath the filter to catch any spilled fuel. Have rags ready.
4. **Relieve Fuel Pressure:** Consult your vehicle's manual for the correct procedure to relieve fuel system pressure. This is a critical safety step.
5. **Remove Old Filter:** Carefully disconnect the fuel lines from the old filter. Be aware that some fuel may still escape. Remove the old filter from its housing or mounting bracket.
6. **Install New Filter:** Ensure the new WIX 33165 filter is oriented correctly according to flow direction arrows, if present. The built-in gaskets are designed to facilitate a proper seal. Connect the fuel lines securely to the new filter.
7. **Check for Leaks:** Reconnect the battery. Turn the ignition to the "ON" position (without starting the engine) for a few seconds to allow the fuel pump to prime the system. Check for any fuel leaks around the newly installed filter.
8. **Start Engine:** If no leaks are detected, start the engine and allow it to run for a few minutes, checking again for any signs of leaks.

Note: The WIX 33165 filter is designed with built-in gaskets to minimize the chance of mis-installation and ensure a proper seal. Always ensure these gaskets are seated correctly during installation.

OPERATION

Once installed, the WIX 33165 fuel filter operates passively as an integral part of your vehicle's fuel system. Its primary function is to remove contaminants, such as dirt, rust, and debris, from the fuel before it reaches the engine's fuel injectors or carburetor. This ensures a clean fuel supply, which is essential for efficient engine performance and protection of sensitive fuel system components.

The filter's design allows for consistent fuel flow while effectively trapping harmful particles, contributing to the longevity and reliability of your vehicle's engine.

MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance of your fuel filter is vital for maintaining optimal engine performance and preventing fuel system

issues. The WIX 33165 fuel filter is a consumable component that requires periodic replacement.

- **Replacement Interval:** Consult your vehicle's owner's manual for the recommended fuel filter replacement interval. This typically varies based on vehicle type, driving conditions, and manufacturer specifications.
- **Signs of a Clogged Filter:** Symptoms of a clogged fuel filter may include reduced engine power, difficulty starting, rough idling, or engine stalling. If these symptoms occur, inspect and replace the fuel filter as necessary, even if it's before the recommended interval.
- **Replacement Procedure:** Follow the "Setup and Installation" steps in reverse for removal, and then proceed with the installation of a new WIX 33165 filter. The design facilitates quick and easy replacement.

TROUBLESHOOTING

While the WIX 33165 fuel filter is designed for reliability, issues can sometimes arise, often related to installation or the filter's lifespan. Here are common issues and their potential solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Fuel Leakage after Installation	Improperly seated gaskets or loose fuel line connections.	Ensure fuel lines are securely tightened. Verify that the built-in gaskets are correctly positioned and not pinched. Re-tighten connections if necessary.
Reduced Engine Performance / Stalling	Clogged fuel filter due to excessive contaminants.	Replace the fuel filter. This indicates the filter has reached its capacity for trapping contaminants.
Difficulty Starting Engine	Restricted fuel flow due to a partially clogged filter.	Replace the fuel filter.

If troubleshooting steps do not resolve the issue, it is recommended to consult a qualified automotive technician.

SPECIFICATIONS

Attribute	Detail
Brand	Wix
Model Number	33165
Product Grade	New / High
Outer Material	Metal
Style	Cartridge
Item Weight	7 ounces
Product Dimensions	4.2 x 4.2 x 3.9 inches
UPC	765809331655
Manufacturer Part Number	33165

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For information regarding product warranty, returns, or technical support, please refer to the official Wix Filters website or contact their customer service directly. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase.
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