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Model: 33727

1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Wix Filter Corp. 33727 Fuel Filter is designed to protect your vehicle's engine by removing contaminants from the fuel. This filter ensures clean fuel delivery to the engine, which is crucial for optimal performance and longevity of fuel system components.

This manual provides essential information regarding the installation, operation, and maintenance of your Wix 33727 Fuel Filter.

2. SAFETY INFORMATION

WARNING:

- Fuel is highly flammable. Always work in a well-ventilated area away from open flames, sparks, or other ignition sources.
- Fuel systems may be under pressure. Relieve fuel system pressure according to your vehicle's service manual before attempting any work.
- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment, including safety glasses and chemical-resistant gloves.
- Dispose of old fuel filters and any spilled fuel according to local environmental regulations.
- If you are not experienced with automotive repairs, it is highly recommended to seek professional assistance for fuel filter replacement.

3. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Verify that all components are present before beginning installation:

- 1 x Wix 33727 Fuel Filter
- 2 x O-rings (typically included for sealing)



This image displays the Wix 33727 Fuel Filter. One filter is shown upright, and another is lying horizontally, revealing its pleated filtration media. Two black O-rings are also visible, typically used for sealing during installation.

4. SPECIFICATIONS

Brand	Wix
Model Number	33727
Manufacturer	Wix Filter Corp.
Outer Material	Metal
Vehicle Service Type	Passenger Car
Automotive Fit Type	Universal Fit
Item Weight	14.1 ounces (0.4 Kilograms)
Country of Origin	United States

5. INSTALLATION (SETUP)

The installation process for a fuel filter can vary significantly depending on the vehicle make and model. Always consult your vehicle's specific service manual for detailed instructions and torque specifications. The following are general steps and precautions:

1. **Prepare the Vehicle:** Park the vehicle on a level surface and engage the parking brake. Allow the engine to cool completely. Disconnect the negative terminal of the battery.
2. **Relieve Fuel System Pressure:** This is a critical safety step. Refer to your vehicle's service manual for the correct procedure, which often involves removing a fuel pump fuse or relay and running the engine until it stalls.
3. **Locate the Fuel Filter:** Fuel filters are typically located along the fuel line, either under the vehicle, in the engine bay, or near the fuel tank.
4. **Prepare for Fuel Spillage:** Place a drain pan or absorbent rags beneath the fuel filter to catch any residual fuel that will leak out when the lines are disconnected.
5. **Disconnect Fuel Lines:** Carefully disconnect the fuel lines from the old filter. Use appropriate tools to avoid damaging the lines or fittings. Be prepared for some fuel to escape.
6. **Remove Old Filter:** Unmount the old fuel filter from its bracket or housing.
7. **Install New Filter:** Ensure the new Wix 33727 Fuel Filter is oriented correctly (most filters have an arrow indicating fuel flow direction). Install new O-rings if provided. Connect the fuel lines securely to the new filter.
8. **Secure Filter:** Mount the new filter firmly in its bracket or housing.
9. **Reconnect Battery and Prime System:** Reconnect the negative battery terminal. Turn the ignition key to the "ON" position (without starting the engine) for a few seconds, then turn it off. Repeat this several times to allow the fuel pump to prime the system and build pressure. Check for leaks.
10. **Start Engine and Check for Leaks:** Start the engine and carefully inspect the fuel filter connections for any signs of leaks.

If you encounter any difficulties or are unsure about any step, consult a qualified mechanic.

6. OPERATION

Once installed, the Wix 33727 Fuel Filter operates continuously as part of your vehicle's fuel system. It filters out impurities such as dirt, rust, and debris from the fuel before it reaches sensitive engine components like the fuel injectors and carburetor. This ensures a clean fuel supply, which is essential for efficient combustion and preventing damage to the engine.

7. MAINTENANCE

Regular replacement of the fuel filter is a critical part of vehicle maintenance. A clogged fuel filter can restrict fuel flow, leading to various performance issues.

- **Replacement Interval:** Refer to your vehicle manufacturer's recommended maintenance schedule for the specific replacement interval for your fuel filter. This can vary widely, typically ranging from every 15,000 to 100,000 miles, or every 1 to 5 years.
- **Signs of a Clogged Filter:** Symptoms that may indicate a clogged fuel filter include:
 - Engine sputtering or stalling
 - Difficulty starting the engine
 - Reduced engine power or acceleration
 - Rough idling
 - Check Engine Light illumination

8. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you experience issues after installing the new fuel filter, consider the following:

- **Engine Not Starting or Stalling:**
 - Ensure fuel lines are securely connected and not leaking.
 - Verify the fuel filter is installed with the correct flow direction.
 - Check if the fuel system was properly primed after installation.
 - Confirm the battery is reconnected and charged.
- **Fuel Leaks:**
 - Tighten all connections to the specified torque (refer to vehicle manual).
 - Ensure O-rings or gaskets are properly seated and not damaged.
- **Reduced Performance:**
 - While unlikely with a new filter, ensure it is the correct part for your vehicle.
 - Recheck all connections.

If troubleshooting steps do not resolve the issue, consult a professional mechanic.

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For information regarding the warranty of your Wix 33727 Fuel Filter, please refer to the official Wix website or contact Wix customer support directly. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase. For technical support or further assistance, please visit the [Wix Filters official website](#) or contact their customer service department.