

# **QUICK FUEL TECHNOLOGY®**

## Installation Instructions

# OFF ROAD SERIES CARBURETORS

OR-450-VS 450 CFM Vac. Secondary Off Road OR-600-VS 600 CFM Vac. Secondary Off Road OR-680-VS 680 CFM Vac. Secondary Off Road ORQ-650 Q Carb 650 CFM Off Road ORQ-750 Q Carb 750 CFM Off Road

Please STOP and read these instructions before proceeding. If you do not fully understand the installation and tuning instructions, you should seek professional help with this install. Failure to follow the proper installation and tuning may result in damage or injury.

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Quick Fuel Technology would like to congratulate and thank you for purchasing this carburetor. We feel you have purchased the finest off road performance carburetor currently on the market. If you need assistance, please call the QFT Sales and Tech Support staff @ 270-781-9741, Monday through Friday 8AM – 5PM central time.

This QFT<sup>TM</sup> carburetor has been run on an engine to ensure all components are functional. The calibration should be very close for all adjustments. Different engine combinations could require adjustment of idle mixture, idle speed, and main jets. The fuel level was set with 6  $\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. of fuel pressure. The recommended fuel pressure for this carburetor is 6  $\frac{1}{2}$  PSI.

NOTE: This QFT™ carburetor has not been submitted for emission testing, therefore it is not C.A.R.B. (California Air Resources Board) legal in all 50 states - please check with local authorities regarding the use of this carburetor.

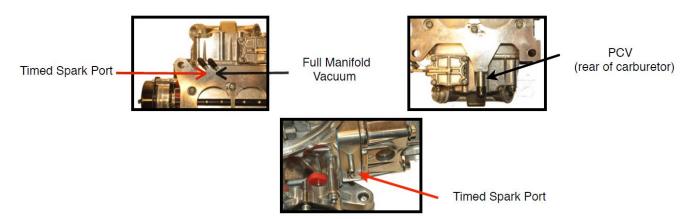
Warning: There are several manufacturers that produce quality components to facilitate the use of kickdown on the Off Road Series Carburetors with an overdrive transmission. Please ensure you have the proper hardware before using this carburetor and that it is installed per the manufacturer's specifications.

#### Removal of Old Carburetor:

- 1. Disconnect negative battery terminal to prevent any accidental arcing in the presence of fuel.
- 2. Remove air cleaner, PCV hose, and any other vacuum lines connected to the carburetor. For future reference, identify the vacuum lines to ensure proper re-connection.
- 3. Remove fuel line(s). Be careful not to twist fuel line(s) when removing fuel inlet fitting(s). Use penetrating oil or a similar chemical to assist in breaking the fuel inlet fitting nut loose. Protect the open ends of the fuel lines, so no foreign particles can enter.
- 4. Disconnect electric choke wires if equipped (identify if necessary).
- 5. Disconnect all linkage and return springs.
- 6. Remove the 4 hold down nuts and washers (if used).
- 7. Remove carburetor from intake manifold.
- 8. Cover intake manifold carburetor flange with a clean rag or towel to prevent any foreign objects from falling into the engine.

#### **Installation of New Carburetor**

- 1. Place old carburetor and new carburetor side-by-side on work bench.
- 2. Examine linkage connection (throttle cable [rod] and kickdown cable [if applicable]). Transfer to new carburetor in same location if possible.
- 3. Install flange gasket over intake manifold studs on intake manifold, then install your new carburetor. Install throttle cable bracket on driver's side rear stud if applicable.
- 4. Install hold down nuts and washers (if used) and tighten in a criss-cross pattern. <u>DO NOT TIGHTEN HOLD</u> DOWN NUTS COMPLETELY.
- 5. Attach throttle and kickdown linkage. Operate from inside the vehicle to be certain there is no interference of throttle plates, throttle linkage, accelerator pump arms, or fast idle cam lever.
- 6. If there is no interference or resistance in throttle operation, then you can tighten the hold down nuts to their final torque value, 100 in./lbs. (8 ft./lbs.). Most intake manifold studs are a fine thread and therefore tightening the hold down nuts must be tightened in a criss-cross pattern and in a number of steps before arriving at the final torque value. Rapidly tightening the hold down nuts to the final torque spec or over-tightening will cause performance problems as this process can warp or potentially break the throttle body.
- 7. Install vacuum hoses. The PCV hose is installed on the rear 3/8" tube at the rear of the throttle body. This tube can also accommodate power brake hose connection as well if PCV is either not used or is routed to a different location on the engine. It is not advisable to "T" the PCV and power brake hose together. These two lines should be separated. If the PCV was originally attached to the carburetor it should be installed the same way on your new carburetor. The power brake hose must be attached and then routed to another vacuum connection in the intake manifold. This connection should be to the plenum of the intake manifold, not an individual intake runner. Vacuum connections to the new carburetor as shown below:



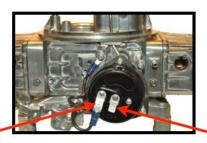
Distributor vacuum advance may also be connected to the tube in the primary metering block.

Manifold vacuum is typically used for transmission modular or any accessory that requires a full manifold vacuum signal, i.e. heat and/or A/C control, vacuum actuated fresh air induction, etc. The ported or timed vacuum is typically used for the vacuum advance canister on the distributor if applicable.

NOTE: Some distributor vacuum advance canisters require full manifold vacuum, not ported or timed vacuum.

Check the specifications for your distributor.

- 8. Install fuel inlet fittings **DO NOT USE PTFE® TAPE ON INVERTED FLARE FUEL INLET FITTINGS.** Clean threads and flare of any dirt and debris before installation. Check to be certain the fuel inlet fittings in the fuel bowl are tight, then install the fuel line nuts. Tighten sufficiently to prevent fuel leakage.
- 9. Connect positive (+) wire for electric choke to a key on a 12V voltage source. DO NOT CONNECT TO THE BATTERY SIDE OF THE IGNITION COIL. Preferably check voltage with a volt meter to determine the correct voltage. NOTE: Battery voltage will be 12V or greater. You need to recheck the voltage reading when the engine is running to be certain the voltage does not drop below 12.6 volts. (Some engines use a field wire from the alternator that only produces 9.5 volts, which does not allow the choke to operate properly.



(-) Grounded to carburetor

(+) Ignition activated 12V source

### Starting the Engine

- 1. Reattach the negative battery cable. You are ready to start the engine.
- 2. Before attempting to start, the fuel bowls need to be filled with fuel. Whether you have an electric fuel pump or a mechanical pump, it is necessary to operate the fuel pump for 15 seconds or so (a couple of 10 second cranks for mechanical pumps) to enable the bowls to fill with fuel.
- 3. Before starting the engine, make an initial check of the float level. This carburetor was pre-set at the factory to be in the middle of the sight glass at 6.5 P.S.I. Fuel pressure greater than 6.5 P.S.I. will cause the float level to be too high. Conversely, if the fuel pressure is significantly below 6.5 P.S.I., the float level will be too low. For the carburetor to operate correctly, the float levels must be in the middle of the sight glass. The most accurate way to establish the correct float level is to check it while the engine is running. If the initial float level is not visible in the sight glass, it might be necessary to readjust the float level before starting the engine.
- 4. With the float level verified and correct, rotate the throttle to wide open twice. If the temperature is below 72°, the choke will be closed and the accelerator pump nozzles should discharge fuel. You can now start the engine.
- 5. It should be necessary to continue operating the throttle while attempting to start the engine. If it does not start on the first attempt, rotate the throttle a couple of additional times, then try starting the engine again.
- 6. If the engine still will not start, try holding the throttle open slightly while starting in the event too much fuel entered the engine while operating the throttle or the idle speed might be too low for your application.
- 7. Once the engine has started, the fast idle cam should raise the idle speed. However, if the fast idle is still too low then you can adjust the idle speed screw behind the primary throttle lever. The engine should idle between 1,600 and 2,000 RPM. Let it idle at this speed for approximately 5 minutes. The choke should open on its own during this time and be fully open (vertical position) after approximately 3 minutes (will vary with outside temperature).
- 8. After the engine has reached operating temperature and the choke has reached the open vertical position, rotate the throttle open slightly. The idle speed should drop down between 700 and 1,000 RPM. If you had to adjust the idle speed screw then turn it counter-clockwise to reduce the idle speed to the desired RPM.
- 9. If possible, using a manifold vacuum gauge, set the idle mixture screws to attain the highest manifold vacuum reading at idle. It is not necessary to keep all four mixture screws at exactly the same number of turns from seated, but they should be close to the same number of turns. Make adjustments in small increments of ¼ turn per adjustment. See how the engine responds then adjust the mixture screws to smooth out the idle. Turning in one mixture screw could not have any noticeable effect, if the other three mixture screws are out too far. The mixture screws should be adjusted in conjunction with each other to achieve the proper mixture. When the engine's RPM increases during the adjustment process, adjust it back down to the desired RPM and continue mixture screw adjustment until the engine RPM or vacuum drops. When the engine RPM or vacuum drops, the idle mixture is too lean and the mixture screws will need to be backed out to the highest vacuum or RPM.
- 10. Turning the mixture screws in (clockwise) leans the mixture, turning the mixture screws out (counter-clockwise) richens the mixture.
- 11. After you have attained the highest manifold vacuum (or best idle quality), with an automatic transmission, apply the brake and shift the transmission into gear. This will create a load on the engine and may change the idle characteristics. With performance camshafts with longer duration, it is often necessary to add a little more fuel because the engine is not as efficient. Therefore, it must be over fueled slightly to keep the engine from laboring when a load is placed on the engine such as shifting the transmission into gear.
- 12. You are now ready to drive the vehicle. It may require some minor adjustments with the mixture screws and idle speed but the engine should drive smoothly and have good throttle response.
- 13. Once you are satisfied with the general drivability, take the car out on the highway to determine how well the

engine runs while holding a steady RPM. Generally, with any RPM above 2,000 RPM, the carburetor is operating off the main metering system. The air/fuel ratio in this system is usually controlled by the main metering jets. If the engine surges while driving at a steady RPM on flat ground, the mixture is probably too lean and the main jets need to be increased in size. If the engine labors and has difficulty holding a steady speed without opening the throttle more, the mixture is probably too rich. Ultimately, you should look at the spark plug color after 75 to 100 miles to help determine the general air/fuel mixture the carburetor is delivering and the engine is operating. White plug color indicates a lean mixture, dark gray or black indicates a rich mixture.

This carburetor has been calibrated to operate on a broad cross-section of engine combinations. While it is not possible for a single calibration to work with virtually every conceivable application, it should work on most engines and it will not be necessary to make any additional adjustments and/or tuning. Should it be necessary to alter the fuel curve in our Off Road Series, there is plenty of tuning capability available with changeable air bleeds, power valve channel restrictions, and idle feed restrictions.

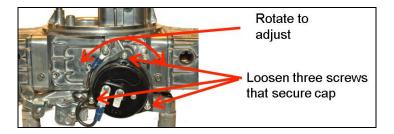
### **Adjustments & Tuning**

## Choke Adjustments - Choke Indexing

The electric choke cap is adjustable for varying conditions and personal preference should you desire. The normal choke setting is for the choke plate to just barely close at 72°F. Loosening the three screws securing the electric choke spring will allow the choke cap to rotate. Rotating the choke cap clockwise reduces the choke effect (lean), whereas rotating the choke cap counter-clockwise increases the choke effect (rich).

### Clockwise Rotation Leans Choke (closes higher temperature, opens faster)

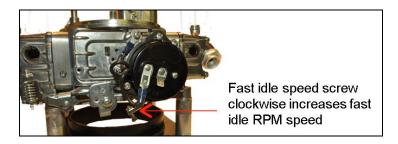
Clockwise rotation reduces temperature for choke to close and shortens the time for the choke plate to completely open. Full clockwise rotation the choke will never close. Counter-clockwise rotation raises the temperature for the choke to close and lengthen the time the choke plate is closed, so it will take longer for the choke plate to open to full vertical position.



# **Fast Idle Speed**

The fast idle fast idle speed can be altered by adjust the fast idle speed screw (shown below). Easiest access is at wide open throttle with the engine off. Ordinarily, a good fast idle speed is approximately 1,600 RPM with the engine at normal operating temperature. The correct procedure to check the fast idle is to manually open the throttle, close the choke plate with your finger, release the throttle lever, and then release the choke plate. This sets the fast idle cam. Start the engine without touching the throttle lever or accelerator pedal. When the engine starts, it will be at fast idle and you can adjust accordingly.

The fast idle screw has a 5/16" hex head. However, there is also a slot cut in the head so it can also be adjusted with a screw driver. Access is somewhat limited especially with vacuum secondary carburetors, so often times the easiest access is by holding the throttle wide open (with the engine off of course) and either turn the screw clockwise to increase the fast idle speed or counter-clockwise to lower the speed. Having an assistant hold the throttle wide open makes this procedure much easier.



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