

#### ELECTRONIC FUEL INJECTED GEN-V 5.3L PLATE SYSTEM INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Congratulations on the purchase of your Nitrous Express Gen-V 5.3L Plate system. Nitrous Express utilizes only the highest quality components designed for the use of liquid nitrous oxide. To properly utilize these specially designed components and obtain the trouble-free operation that this system is capable of producing, it is extremely important that you read all instructions carefully. Pay special attention to the important notes at the end of the installation steps and the tuning tips listed at the back of this instruction sheet. The NX Gen-V 5.3L Plate System is designed to operate with stock fuel pumps and no timing retards up to the 100 horsepower setting.

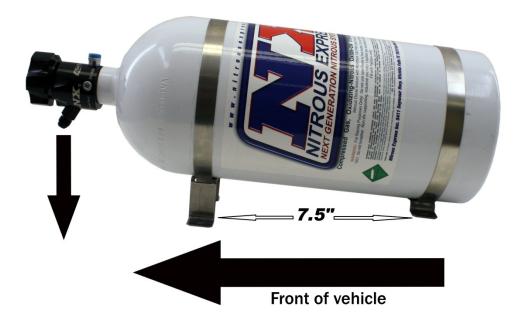
On all settings above 100 horsepower the following precautions should be observed:

- A. An extra capacity aftermarket fuel/lift pump must be used.
- B. High octane race type fuel, and/or timing retard must be used to prevent detonation.
- C. Increased strength internal engine components and high performance head gaskets may be required.
- D. Depending on compression and fuel quality timing retard may be necessary to prevent detonation. If you have an aftermarket ECU tuner that advances the stock timing, detonation could be a problem. These aftermarket tuners can potentially be compatible if higher octane fuel or NX Power Booster (PN # 16003) fuel additive is used. To insure proper system assembly and operation, carefully read the following installation procedures thoroughly before beginning. DO NOT use any sealer on flare connections, hose, or bottle connections. Use no other sealing compounds or Teflon tape. Excessive tightening of parts is not necessary, snug is tight enough. If it is necessary to remove a fitting installed with the red NX sealer heat must be applied to release the sealing agent. NOTE: Due to shipping restrictions all NX nitrous bottles arrive empty. Before beginning the installation the N2O bottle should be filled by a NX accredited filling station. For filling station locations log on to <a href="https://www.nitrousexpress.com">www.nitrousexpress.com</a>. Before starting any installation procedures carefully disconnect the vehicle negative battery cable. If there is any question about this operation, consult the vehicle owner's manual!

## MOUNTING THE BOTTLE

Slide bottle into bottle brackets. Use illustration A as a guide for proper alignment. Locate bottle assembly in a mounting area that will provide easy access to bottle valve for hose connection and bottle removal. Using the bottle unit as a pattern, mark and drill four 3/8" holes. Note: Before drilling holes be sure to check beneath the area being drilled for obstructions, fuel lines or fuel tank. Then secure unit to mounting surface. (Recommended minimum of four 5/16" grade five bolts). Align the bottle in the brackets so that the valve outlet is pointing downward to the mounting surface (see illustration A) and tighten the bottle bracket bolts. NOTE: This is VERY IMPORTANT so that internal siphon tube will pick up liquid nitrous.

## **ILLUSTRATION A**



## ROUTING THE NITROUS FEED LINE:

NOTE: Place a piece of tape over the end of the feed line to prevent debris from entering the feed line during the routing process.

The 18-foot S.H.O. nitrous feed line may be routed to the engine compartment either through the passenger compartment or under the vehicle. Route the line carefully to prevent the possibility of restricting nitrous flow. If routed under vehicle, locate and drill a 3/4 inch diameter hole in a suitable area near the bottle valve for the main line. Starting at the bottle nipple (Do not attach line to the bottle nipple yet) route the line to the engine compartment. Following the factory fuel lines is usually the best path. Note: Keep maximum clearance between all moving parts, suspension components and hot engine components, securing the supply line where possible ("Zip Ties" are the best for securing the feed line). Be especially careful of the feed line being near any "HOT" electrical leads, one small spark will destroy the Teflon liner causing a nitrous leak.

NOTE: The nitrous feedline has a -4AN nut for the bottle and a -3AN nut for the plate end, makes sure you DO NOT install backwards

## MOUNTING THE NITROUS PLATE

Before any modifications are made under the hood, we suggest that you make a diagram of all hoses wiring and linkages.

1. Pre-assemble the nitrous plate before you begin. Select the horsepower setting that you want to start with, insert the proper nitrous jet in the fitting marked "N2O" (CAUTION: You must always use a back-up wrench when tightening the nitrous or fuel fittings, otherwise the jet fitting may break. Failure to use a back-up wrench will void the system warranty!!!!!) Connect the blue stainless main feed line to the plate fitting. The nitrous fitting can be identified by the "N2O" marked on the top of the plate. Repeat this procedure for the fuel solenoid (the fuel fitting will be marked "FUEL"). NOTE: Always check each jet for obstructions before using.

- 2. Remove the throttle body.
- 3. The nitrous plate should be installed as shown. (See Illustration B) Fuel and nitrous fittings are to the rear. Using supplied O-ring gasket reinstall the throttle body in front of the nitrous plate and torque to factory specs using the provided hardware.

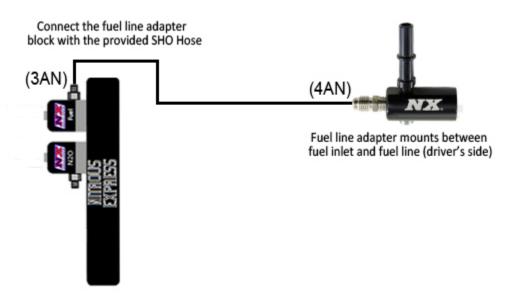




## **FUEL SUPPLY CONNECTION**

WARNING: THE FUEL RAIL AND/OR FUEL LINES ARE UNDER HIGH PRESSURE. USE EXTREME CAUTION WHEN DISCONNECTING ANY FUEL LINE. QUICKLY COLLECT AND PROPERLY DISPOSE OF ANY EXCESS FUEL SPILLAGE.

## **ILLUSTRATION C**



- 1. Install the supplied Fuel Line Adapter on the driver's side fuel rail.
- 2. The Fuel Rail Adapter has 2-1/8npt holes. Install the 1/8NPTx4AN Fitting in one, and the 1/8NPT hex plug in the other. NX Thread Sealer must be used on the pipe threads. DO NOT USE THREAD SEALER ON AN FITTINGS.
- 3. Install the desired jet in the Fuel fitting in the Plate and connect the fuel line to the fuel fitting. .

## **ELECTRICAL HOOK-UP**

- 1. Mount the Master Arming Switch in a location that is within easy reach of and in plain sight of the driver.
- 2. Using 18-ga. wire and connectors supplied in the switch kit, connect a key switched HOT lead (12 VDC POSITIVE) to the "Power" terminal of the Master Arming Switch (this is the terminal on the opposite side of the gold terminal). (Use 5 amp inline fuse if desired). This power source must be controlled by the ignition switch.
- 3. Connect an 18-ga, grounded wire to the Ground terminal of the Master Arming Switch (this is the gold terminal on the master arming switch).
- 4. Connect an 18-ga. Grounded wire to the black wire of the TPS Wide Open Throttle Module.
- 5. Connect the white wire of the TPS Wide Open Throttle Module to the Yellow wire with a white stripe on the accelerator pedal.
- 6. Connect an 18-ga. wire from the center terminal "ACC" of the Master Arming Switch to the red wire of the TPS Wide Open Throttle Module

- 7. Connect the pink wire of the TPS Wide Open Throttle Module to the "Red" wire on the supplied heavy duty relay. (See wiring diagram).
- 8. Attach the white wire of the relay to ground. If using an optional fuel safety switch connect the switch between the white wire.
- 9. Using 12-ga. Wire, connect the "Black" wire of the heavy duty relay to the positive + post on the vehicle battery. (If desired a 40 amp fuse may be installed near the battery)
- 10. Using 12-ga. Wire, attach one wire from each of the solenoids to the "Green" wire on the relay. Note: These coils are direct current and it does not matter which wire is positive or negative. Now attach the two remaining solenoid wires to a good ground.
- 11. Reconnect the battery cable.
- 12. For TPS Wide Open Throttle Module programming instructions reference the instructions below. There are two versions of TPS Wide Open Throttle Module available. If your TPS Wide Open Throttle Module has two LEDs follow the programming instructions below. If your TPS Wide Open Throttle Module has only one LED skip to the section labeled TPS Wide Open Throttle Module with one LED.

## PROGRAMMING A TPS Wide Open Throttle Module with two LEDs.

The NX TPAS is designed to trigger a relay, 1 amp maximum current draw, at or near wide open throttle and automatically calibrates itself to work with rising or falling signal.

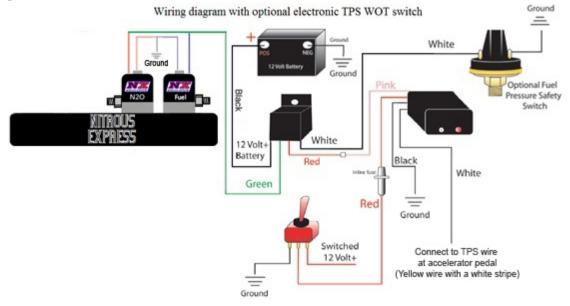
- 1. The NX TPS Wide Open Throttle Module may be installed inside or under the hood. Mount the unit in a place that it will be easy to access the learn button and view the LEDs. Make sure the unit is located away from any heat source, i.e. exhaust manifold, header, or EGR.
- 2. Following the wiring diagram, route all wires but make no connections.
- 3. You must determine which wire on your vehicle's TPS is the output signal to the vehicles computer. For Coyote mustangs, this is the brown wire at the throttle body.
- 4. Connect all wires per NX Self- Programming Throttle Position Activation Switch wiring diagram using a 1 to 3 amp fuse in series with the red wire.
- 5. On initial power up, press and hold the button while turning on switched +12 volts. The green LED should begin flashing indicating that the unit is not programmed.
- 6. Release the button.
- 7. With the throttle at pedal at idle position, press and hold the button until the red LED comes on (approximately 4 seconds). The green LED will continue to flash. Release the button and leave the throttle at Idle. The unit is now calibrating the idle position and making sure that the idle signal is stable. Wait for both LED's to turn off.
- 8. Now move throttle to wide open and hold for 1 second, then release back to idle (Red LED should come on to indicate that its working and waiting to check the calibration).
- 9. To check the calibration, move throttle to wide open again and then release to idle a second time. Once the check is complete, the Red LED will turn off and the Green LED will turn on indicating that the unit is calibrated and armed.
- 10. Once calibrated, the unit will activate the relay when the throttle opens to 90% or more and it will remain on as long as the throttle is between 90% and 100%. (When the relay is activated, both the red and green LEDs will be on). When the throttle closes to less than 90%, the unit will turn the relay and the red LED off. The green LED will remain on indicating that the unit is re-armed and ready for the next run.
- 11. If at any time during the calibration process the green and red LED's flash rapidly in an alternating pattern that means the calibration was not completed correctly. This can be the result of one of two things. Either the throttle was moved while it was calibrating the idle position or the TPS signal is not stable. Check wiring and recalibrate.

## PROGRAMMING A TPS Wide Open Throttle Module with one LED

The TPAS is designed to trigger a relay, 1 amp maximum current draw, at or near wide open throttle and automatically calibrates itself to work with rising or falling signal.

- 1. The NX TPAS may be installed inside or under the hood. Mount the unit in a place so access the learn button and view the LEDs. Make sure the unit is located away from any heat source, i.e. exhaust manifold, header, or EGR.
- 2. Following the wiring diagram, route all wires but make no connections.
- 3. You must determine which wire on your vehicle's TPS is the output signal to the vehicles computer. Refer to your vehicle's service manual to determine which is the output wire. Connect all the wires as shown in the diagram. When the switch is wired you will need to turn the key to the on position, it is not necessary to start the vehicle. Now if the switch has never been programmed the GREEN LED will blink fast. If it has been programmed it will be ON. Either way the switch needs to put in learn mode.
- 4. This switch works with rising or falling TPS signal as long as it has at least a 1v deviation between idle & wide open throttle. When in learn mode, the unit first does a 5 second idle signal analysis. If too much signal noise is found, it flashes an error (this is to catch a bad TPS or when connected to wrong wire).
- 5. Once the switch is wired according to the schematic, you will need to put it in learn mode. Learn mode is achieved by pushing and holding the button for 3 seconds, at which point the GREEN LED on the switch will blink slow. This tells you it is checking the TPS idle voltage.

This takes approx. 4 seconds. DO NOT change the throttle position during this time. Once the GREEN LED turns off you can proceed. 6. Now take the vehicle to full throttle and back to idle two times. If the GREEN LED is ON solid, then your TPS is set. If the GREEN LED is flashing, the TPS Switch detected a variation between the 1st and 2nd full throttle position and as a a precaution, did not learn that setting. You will need to turn off the switch and start the learn procedure again. If the GREEN LED is still OFF, the TPS signal range may be too small or you have the switch connected to the wrong wire. NOTE: Once the switch has learned your full throttle position, the GREEN LED will be ON whenever the switch has power and the RED LED will be on when the switch sees full throttle



**TPS Wire Location** 



## **TESTING THE SYSTEM**

At this point both solenoids should be tested for proper operation. Note: (Be sure the nitrous bottle is off and there is no pressure in the N2O supply line). If you are using a fuel safety pressure switch you must use a jumper wire between the NO and C terminals when testing the solenoids. To test, turn on the vehicles key but do not start the engine. Turn the "arming" toggle switch to the ON position and push the accelerator pedal to the floor. A clicking sound from the solenoids should be heard as the gas pedal is pushed on and off past 80% throttle. IMPORTANT: Make sure that both of the solenoids are clicking! If no sound is heard or only one of the solenoids is working, check all wire connections and the wiring schematic for proper connections. Note: The nitrous and fuel solenoids are rated only for intermittent duty. Do not engage either solenoid for more than 20 continuous seconds. Solenoids that have "burned or scorched" electro-magnets will not be replaced under warranty.

Once proper operation is verified, connect the nitrous supply line to the bottle and FULLY open the bottle valve and carefully check connections on the nitrous side of the system for leaks and retighten fittings if necessary. With no leaks detected, start the engine and thoroughly check the fuel connections for leaks. Do not attempt to start engine if nitrous has been accidently injected into the intake manifold. Disconnect all of the coil wires and crank the engine several revolutions with the throttle wide open to clear the engine of all nitrous before attempting to start engine.

## **USING THE SYSTEM**

All NX systems are designed for off road usage. Use extreme caution and observe all safety precautions (see your vehicles owner's manual). Select a suitable test area; your local racetrack is best. Arm the system with the cockpit N2O arming switch. Gently launch the vehicle, gradually accelerating to wide-open throttle. When WOT is achieved a noticeable surge of power should be produced. If not stop and

recheck all installation procedures. Call the factory tech line if the problem cannot be located. NOTE: All vehicles equipped with factory rev-limiters should take extreme care not to over-rev the engine. If the rev-limiter is engaged with the N2O system on, serious engine damage could result. An aftermarket RPM window switch should be used to disengage the N2O system 200 RPM's before the rev-limiter activates.

## **SAFETY TIPS**

Do not attempt to start engine if nitrous has been accidentally injected while the engine was not running. Disconnect coil wire and turn motor with throttle wide open for several revolutions before attempting to restart. If it is not possible to disable the ignition then the spark plugs must be removed and the engine cleared of all nitrous before attempting to start engine.

- 1. Never permit oil, grease, or any other readily combustible substances to come into contact with nitrous cylinders, valves, solenoids, hoses and fittings. Oil and certain gases (such as oxygen and nitrous oxide) may combine to produce a flammable condition.
- 2. Never interchange solenoids or other appliances used for one compressed gas with those used for another.
- 3. Identify the gas content by the label on the bottle before using. If the bottle is not identified to show the gas contained, return the bottle to the supplier.
- 4. Do not deface or remove any markings, which are used for content identification.
- 5. Cylinder valves should be closed except when nitrous is actually being used.
- 6. Notify supplier of any condition, which might have permitted any foreign matter to enter the valve or bottle.
- 7. Never drop or violently strike the bottle
- 8. Keep valves closed on all empty bottles to prevent accidental contamination.

## **POWER TUNING TIPS:**

Nitrous oxide works well with all applications; 4 cycle, 2 cycle, diesel, and rotary engines. Each one has individual tuning characteristics, and these tips apply generally to each one. Nitrous oxide is referred to as "Liquid Supercharging" because it, in effect, does the same thing as a mechanical supercharger, forcing more fuel and oxygen into each cylinder, thus producing more power. The biggest enemy of all supercharged, turbo charged and nitrous injected engines is "DETONATION". The use of higher-octane fuel, and or a combination of better fuel and timing retard can control this. Remember detonation is a spark plug, head gasket and engine "KILLER".

- 1. Your engine should be tuned to its maximum power prior to nitrous usage.
- 2. The ignition is an integral part of the nitrous system and must be able to ignite the mixture under very high cylinder pressures. The hotter the spark the better!
- 3. In stock engine applications and street usage the spark plugs should be at least 2 steps colder than stock. Do not use platinum tip, extended tip or any plug with multiple ground straps or split ground straps. When in doubt about heat range always go one step colder. A spark plug that is to "Hot" will cause detonation, burned plugs, poor performance, and engine damage. In competition engines always use the coldest plug available. Never use an extended tip plug in a racing engine.
- 4. The NX nitrous system is so advanced, (technology, engineering, and workmanship) that huge amounts of timing retard is not required. You may run as much timing as you normally would, if you have the octane required to prevent detonation. We recommend 1 degree timing retard for each 50 horsepower boost as a starting point. Your engine may need more or less depending on your combination.
- 5. Your fuel system is also an integral part of the nitrous system, be sure it is in top shape and all filters are clean.
- 6. Engine operating temperature should be between 160 and 200 degrees prior to nitrous usage.

- 7. Never "lug" your engine and hit the nitrous system, use the system at wide-open throttle only, nitrous should not be used below 3000 rpm's. If you do any of the above a serious "Back Fire" could result in engine damage.
- 8. The better the exhaust system the better the nitrous system will work.
- 9. Do not attempt to drill or alter the jets, solenoids, or the tubes in the nitrous plate. These items are engineered to their maximum capability. Any modification you can make will decrease power and destroy engine parts.
- 10. Do not mix or attempt to match any other brand solenoids with this system. Do not attempt to mix or match any other brand plate or nozzle with this system. Do not attempt to use any other brand kit as a second stage with this system. Our nitrous technology is far superior to any of our competitors. Any attempt at this could lead to serious engine damage.
- 11. All of our systems are designed to operate at 1050 PSI bottle pressure. This is extremely important and cannot be stressed enough. If your bottle pressure is below 1050 PSI the system will run rich and will not produce the advertised horsepower. If the bottle pressure is above 1050 PSI the system will run lean, possibly damaging engine parts. This pressure is easily monitored by using a NX liquid filled pressure gauge (PN 15509). Note: When the ambient temperature is below 97 degrees a bottle warmer is required (PN 15940 or 15941). An NX bottle jacket (PN15945 or 15946) will help stabilize bottle pressure in the winter and summer.

# CAUTION: NEVER USE AN OPEN FLAME TO HEAT A NITROUS BOTTLE. THIS IS A VERY DANGEROUS AND POTENTIALLY FATAL PRACTICE!!!!!!!!!!

- 12. A purge valve (PN15600-15601) is recommended on all NX systems. When the weather begins to get hot a purge valve is worth up to a tenth of a second on a 1/4 mile pass. Note: The correct purging procedure for drag racing is: 1. Complete the burnout. 2. Light the pre-stage bulb. 3. Push the purge button three times, one second each. 4. Stage immediately, GO FAST.
- 13. If there is a question about the purity of your nitrous supply, a filter (PN15610 or 15607) should be used when refilling your bottle. Just attach the filter to your bottle when you take it to be refilled. Contaminated nitrous will cause serious damage to the nitrous solenoids and possibly to your engine. This is a lifetime renewable filter.
- 14. If you have questions about the suitability of your torque converter or gear ratios, call the factory tech line for the inside scoop.
- 15. Your nitrous bottle should be turned off when not in use (even between runs). An NX remote bottle opener (PN 11107) will make this task much easier.
- 16. Start with the lowest power setting in your system. Don't try to be the track "Hero" on your first pass. Remember start out small and work your way up, NX systems produce more real horsepower than any other brand on the market today.
- 17. If the solenoids must be disassembled for cleaning or rebuilding always use the proper wrench (PN 15921). Do not use any clamping devise on the solenoid tower, instant non-warranty, damage will result.
- 18. If you run an NX system of 150+ horsepower you must use a high octane racing type fuel. These are some tips to help you choose and maintain the correct fuel for your application:
  - A. The most important statistic you should look for in the fuel specifications is the "MON" or motor octane number. In most cases the higher the number the more timing you can run and detonation will not be a problem
  - B. Most V-8 or V-12 engines with stock compression will run on "93" unleaded pump gas with up to 150 horsepower boost, most 4 or 6 cylinders with stock compression can use up to 75 horsepower.
  - C. Racing engines with 10-1 compression or higher must run racing fuel. The higher the compression, and the higher the boost, the higher the "MON" must be.
  - D. With nitrous usage usually the highest "MON" available is the one that should be used.
  - E. All NX systems are calibrated to use fuel with .730 specific gravity or "SG". If you use a fuel with a lower "SG" you must use a larger fuel jet to compensate for the lighter fuel. If you use a fuel with a higher "SG", a smaller fuel jet will be required. Most unleaded pump gas is .730 SG or above.

- F. Racing fuel should be stored in an airtight, dark container. Exposure to atmosphere allows very important elements to evaporate, lowering the octane of the fuel. Sunlight oxidizes the lead contained in racing fuel, since this is the most important ingredient used to raise octane it must be protected.
- G. Never leave the fuel in your car between race days. This allows evaporation of the very important "High end" hydrocarbons and lowers the octane of the fuel.
- H. Never buy racing fuel from an underground or vented storage tank. Always demand to see where and how the fuel is stored, a sealed drum is the only correct way.
- I. AV gas or aviation fuel is not compatible with nitrous usage, don't be tempted by the cheap price, instant engine damage will result!
- J. For a fuel recommendation, contact your NX dealer.
- 19. All vehicles, including full competition race cars, must have an alternator to provide adequate amperage required by today's racing accessories. Add up all the amps required by your car, you'll be surprised!
- 20. If you notice some of the N2O-fuel orifices are not perfectly aligned in your NX plate system, do not be concerned. This misalignment has been engineered into the system to direct fuel to specific cylinders.
- 21. If you have trouble with your NX system or any related parts, call your dealer first. If you still need help call the factory tech line 940-767-7694 9:00 AM 4:00 PM Mon-Fri. We are the nitrous experts and will give straight answers to your questions.

In conclusion.....

This instruction sheet and power tuning tips are valid only for a NX system. If you have a kit from another manufacturer this information will not help you! A tune up from any other brand of nitrous kit will not work with the NX "Next Generation" technology.

DO NOT LISTEN TO:

A. YOUR BUDDY!

B. YOUR BUDDY'S FRIEND!

C. THE LOCAL NITROUS GURU!

D. ANY ARTICLE IN ANY MAGAZINE

If you follow the foregoing suggestions, your NX system will operate trouble free and provide years of thrills. ABOVE ALL REMEMBER TO RACE SAFE AND HAVE FUN!