

# 49154FLT FLOWTECH I® STANDARD HEADERS 49154-1FLT FLOWTECH II® CERAMIC HEADERS

1988-95 1500, 2500, & 3500 Chevrolet/GMC - Two Wheel Drive (5.0/5.7L)

NOTE: Must modify stock exhaust to retain catalytic converters.

NOTE: Not legal for pollution controlled vehicles - only legal for racing vehicles that will never be driven upon a highway.

Applications with oxygen sensors, use 10105FLT for 2 ½" 3-bolt flange or 10110FLT for 3" 3-bolt flange.

**NOTE:** Will not fit angle plug heads.

**NOTE:** Header is equipped with an oxygen sensor fitting.

**NOTE:** Fits with OE factory equipped style automatic transmission only.

WARNING! Breaking in an engine with ceramic-coated headers WILL result in damage to the coating and will VOID all

warranties. Ceramic-coated headers require several heat cycles to fully cure before they will withstand extreme heat. FLOWTECH™ recommends using cast iron exhaust manifolds or old headers to break in new engines to avoid coating damage. Please call tech service at 270-781-9741 for additional information regarding ceramic-

coated exhaust products.

We realize that you had many choices when you chose your headers, and we thank you for choosing ours. At FLOWTECH™ we put many years of performance exhaust experience into every product we build. We feel and know you will agree that FLOWTECH™ Headers are the best you can buy at any price.

As a result of the restricted room available in some engine compartments, you may experience a close fit to some body and chassis components. This is a normal condition. If this is your first time installing a set of headers, it may be time consuming. While not complex, stick with it. As soon as you start your engine, the reward of additional horsepower and performance will be well worth your efforts. Proper installation and periodic maintenance will result in maximum performance and life from your FLOWTECH™ Headers.

#### **READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE STARTING:**

For ease of installation, your vehicle must be raised a minimum of 36". Warning: should you decide to install any exhaust product yourself, be warned that the original equipment jack that came with the vehicle is intended for emergency use only. The use of a frame jack in conjunction with a floor jack as the main support is highly recommended to minimize the accidental dropping of a vehicle while the installation proceeds. Never go under any vehicle that is supported by a bumper jack!

### PREPARE THE VEHICLE FOR INSTALLATION:

- Disconnect the battery to prevent accidental damage to the electrical system
- Remove the starter, flywheel cover shield, spark plugs, shields, and oil dipstick tube.
- Remove the stock exhaust manifolds and disconnect stock headpipe.
- Unbolt the starter wire shield from the bellhousing, and slide it up out of the way.

CHECK CONDITION OF ENGINE MOUNTS: It is recommended that new engine mounts be installed before installing headers.

## **LEFT SIDE HEADER INSTALLATION:**

- Starting from above, work the header through the chassis into position.
- Place the gasket into position and start all mounting bolts (most restricted first).
- If this vehicle has power steering, it is necessary to use the stock bolt and make a spacer in order to mount the power steering bracket.
- Tighten all bolts progressively and evenly until they are tight. 4.

#### **RIGHT SIDE HEADER INSTALLATION:**

- Starting from below, work the header up through the chassis into position.
- Place the gasket into position and start all mounting bolds (most restricted first).
- Reinstall the starter and starter wire shield.
- Reinstall the oil dipstick tube. Bend the tube, as needed, for clearance.
- Tighten all header bolts progressively and evenly, until all are tight.

#### CONNECT THE EXHAUST SYSTEM:

- 1. Bolt the reducers and gaskets to the header collectors.
- 2. Attach the exhaust system by either welding or clamping the exhaust pipes to the reducer adapters.

#### AFTER HEADERS ARE IN PLACE:

- Inspect all points with limited clearance. Relocate any points that have direct contact with the header. Make sure there is
  adequate clearance around all lines (transmission, brake, fuel, and electrical wires). Reroute, as necessary. <u>Before</u>
  installing your exhaust system, replace any fluids that you might have removed or lost.
- 2. Reinstall the oil dipstick tube, spark plugs, spark plug wires, temperature sending unit, air conditioning compressor, and alternator.
- 3. Reconnect the battery cable.

When you have finished installing your headers, take the vehicle for a road test. Listen carefully for any exhaust leaks or other strange noises and make corrections. When the vehicle has been driven for a few days, retighten the header bolts. We find that periodically checking the bolts will prevent the flange from warping and the header gasket from burning out.

How did we do? Your questions and comments are always welcome at FLOWTECH™. Our technical service department is open Monday through Friday, during the hours of 7:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Central Time. We can be reached at:

TECHNICAL SUPPORT
PHONE: 270-781-9741 • FAX: 270-781-9772
For online help, please check the Tech Service section of our website: www.holley.com

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In the connection, retail purchaser, the buyer, the ultimate consumer assumes the burden of the entire cost of any and all necessary service, alterations, or repair.

## THE FOREGOING STATEMENT LIMITS THE LIABILITY OF THE MANUFACTURER.

California vehicle code, sections 27156 and 38391, prohibits the advertising, offering for sale, or installation of any device, which modifies a vehicle's emission control system, unless exempted, unless otherwise noted. FLOWTECH™ Headers that have not received an Executive Order (E.O.) exemption from these code sections are not legal for sale or use in California on vehicles originally equipped with catalytic converters, except for racing vehicles, which may never be driven upon a highway. Check with your local authorities to determine if these headers are legal for use in your particular area.

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