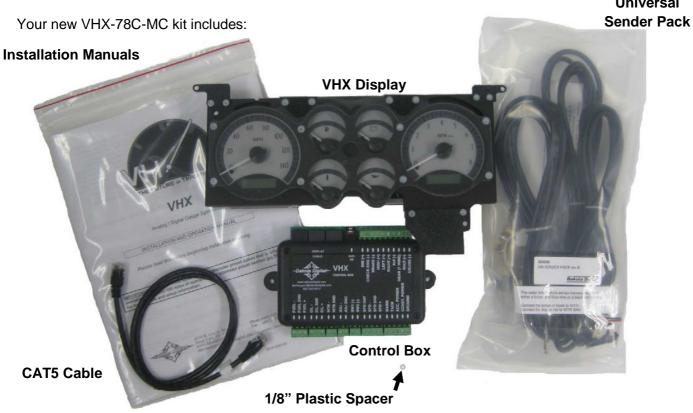


VHX-78C-MC

Dakota Digital VHX Instrument Installation for: 1978-'88 Chevy Monte Carlo

1978-'88 Chevy El Camino/GMC Caballero (will not fit clusters with sweep-style speedometer)
1978-'83 Chevy Malibu (will not fit clusters with sweep-style speedometer)
Universal



Installation

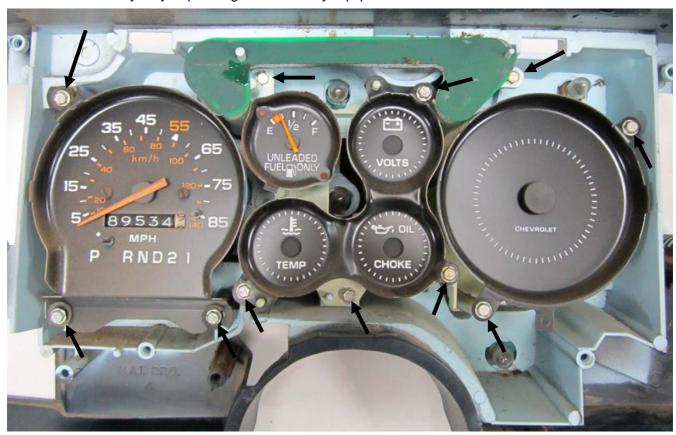
1. Remove the seven screws securing the bezel. Retain these screws.



2. Remove the six screws securing the blackout plate and lens to expose the factory gauges. These screws will be reused.



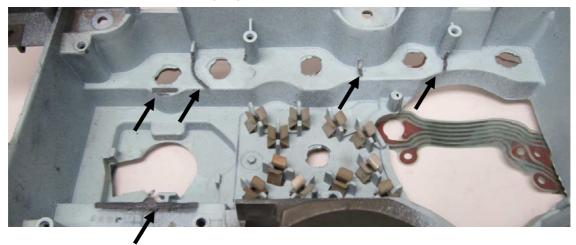
3. Remove the factory gauges by removing the screws shown in the picture below. Your cluster may vary depending on the factory equipment.



4. You should be left with a bare housing. Remove all light bulbs and electrical contacts, as they are not needed for the VHX system.



5. Using a die grinder, Dremel tool, or cut-off wheel, carefully trim the plastic bosses as shown. This is necessary to mount the new gauge system.



6. With the modifications complete, plug the CAT5 cable in to the display, and feed the cable through the opening on the right-hand side of the housing. Place the Dakota Digital gauge cluster into the dash, taking care to align the mounting holes with those in the stock dash. Remove the protective tape from the lens



7. Separate the stock lens from the blackout plate; the original lens is not needed. Place the blackout plate over the Dakota Digital gauges while aligning the mounting holes. Attach the VHX system using the five factory screws. Place the included 1/8" white plastic spacer beneath the blackout plate at the lower-most mounting hole before installing the screw (white arrow).



8. If the instrument housing was removed from the dashboard, reinstall, then attach the bezel to the housing with the seven factory screws removed in Step One. Refer to the main manual for wiring instructions to complete the VHX installation.



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