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It's astounding to consider that MAHLE has only been participating in U.S. Motorsport since early 2000. Because we have built on success in NASCAR, American Le Mans, and other top series, MAHLE continues to demonstrate why we are the first name in high performance racing pistons.

In recent years, MAHLE Motorsport powered vehicles have won multiple championships in everything from NASCAR, IRL, American Le Mans, World of Outlaws, SCORE Offroad, to local circle track and drag strip championships across the country and everything else in between, not to mention capturing world records in the quarter mile, and at the Bonneville Salt Flats.

Whether you're competing professionally, running a street/strip car, time attack, diesel drag or pulling, race on dirt or asphalt, be a part of the winning tradition of MAHLE Motorsport.











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Motorsport Piston Sets

MAHLE's relationship with Porsche dates back to Porsche's beginning. Together we have developed some of the best competition and sports car engines available throughout the last nine decades.

MAHLE Motorsports North America has taken the extensive experience gained from its relationship with Porsche to develop a series of performance and racing piston and cylinder kits. These kits were designed for high performance applications and are modern adaptations of the original or aftermarket kits; therefore there may be visual differences that are intentional and beneficial to the performance, durability and longevity of the components.





The pistons are machined from forgings with narrower and shorter skirts to reduce weight and friction. They are then dual coated, with Phosphate and MAHLE's proprietary GRAFAL® skirt coating. The phosphate is a dry film lubricant designed to help protect the pin bores from galling and ring grooves from microwelding. The GRAFAL® anti-friction skirt coating is designed to reduce drag, wear and noise.

The kits are supplied with modern ring sets made from stronger more durable materials that are dimensionally narrower and shorter to be more conformable providing more consistent contact with the cylinders resulting in increased sealing and oil control.

PORSCHE WATER-COOLED

Bore	Stroke	Rod	Comp	Pin	Crown	_	Compression	Alloy	Clearance Guide	Don't No.
NOTE: All W	ater-cooled C	R calculated	Height I at zero de	Diam. ck cleara	Vol ance and	G I 1mm h	Ratio ead gasket thick	kness	Meas. Min Max	Part No.
	944 TURBO nm Performan			ry alum	inum b	ores o	niy 54cc			
100.5mm	78.9mm	150mm	40.8mm	24mm	-21cc	473	8.6	2618	0.500 0.0020 0.0028	930070756 *
101.0mm						479	8.6			930070776 *
*2618 Alloy 8	& Hard Anodiz	zed Top Ring	Groove Fo	or Extrem	ne Duty A	Applicat	tions			
PORSCHE	968 TURBO	3.0L for us	se in facto	ry alum	inum b	ores o	nly			
1.2, 1.5, 3.0m	nm Performan	ce Ring Set	Included				56cc			
104.5mm		150mm		24mm	-32cc	501		2618	0.400 0.0020 0.0028	930130214 *
"2618 Alloy 6	& Hard Anodiz	zea Top King	Groove Fo	or Extrem	ie Duty A	Арриса	lions			
	Cayman 3.4			ement o	cast iro	n cylin	der liner			
	nm Performan	•	-			I	39cc	1 4000 1	0.500 0.000 0.000	10=010000 +
96.0mm	78mm ed Top Ring G	144.98mm	32.35mm	22mm	-9.6cc	405	11.1	4032	0.500 0.0008 0.0016	197848980 *
	Cayman 3.4			ement l	Nikasil	cylinde				
1.2, 1.5, 2.0 m 96.0mm	nm Performan 78mm	144.98mm		22mm	0.600	405	39cc 11.1	I 4032 I	0.500 0.0008 0.0016	197849080 *
	ed Top Ring G	l.	32.3311111	22111111	-3.000	400	11.1	4002	0.500 0.0000 0.0010	137043000
							_			
	996 3.6L for nm Performan			nt cast	iron cyl	inder I	iner 38cc			
	82.8mm	141.99mm		22mm	-13.3cc	407		4032	0.500 0.0008 0.0016	197849180 *
	ed Top Ring G		•							
DODSCHE	996 3.6L for	ueo with r	onlacomo	nt Nikas	sil cylin	dor lin	or			
	າm Performan		•	III INIKAS	sii Cyiiii	uei iiii	еі 38cc			
96.0mm	82.8mm	141.99mm	-	22mm	-13.3cc	407	11.3	4032	0.500 0.0008 0.0016	197849280 *
*Hard Anodiz	ed Top Ring G	Groove								
PORSCHE	997 3.8L for	use with r	eplaceme	nt cast	iron cyl	inder I	iner			
1.0, 1.0, 2.0m	nm Performan	ce Ring Set	Included		-		38cc			
99.0mm	82.8mm	141.99mm	32.95mm	22mm	-13.2cc		11.8	4032	0.500 0.0008 0.0016	197837098 *
100.0mm *Hard Anodiz	ed Top Ring G	eroove				423	12.0	1 1		197837037 *
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	997 3.8L for		•	nt Nikas	sil cylin	der lin				
1.0, 1.0, 2.0 m 99.0mm	nm Performan 82.8mm	141.99mm	-	22mm	-12 200	416 I	38cc 11.8	4032	0.500 0.0008 0.0016	197846098 *
100.0mm	02.011111	141.9911111	32.9311111	2211111	-13.200	423	12.0	4032	0.500 0.0008 0.0018	197846037 *
	ed Top Ring G	Groove	•							
Porsche 90	1 3.8L Turb	o (2014-201	19) Box in	Box						
	nm Performan	•	•	DUX			63cc			
102mm	77.5mm	138mm	33.95mm	23mm	-7.6cc	485	9.0	2618	0.550 0.0046 0.0054	197976416 *
*Hard Anodiz	ed Top Ring G	Groove								

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PORSCHE 356 AIR-COOLED

Bore	Stroke	Rod	Comp	Pin	Crown	Wght	Compression	Alloy	Cle	arance G	uide		
			Height	Diam.	Vol	G	Ratio		Meas.	Min	Max	Part No.	
PORSCHE 1.2, 1.2, 2.8r 86.0mm	ir-cooled CR of 356 - Slip-inm Performan 74mm s sold through	cylinder cance Ring Set I	ase registon Included 27.05mm	er (30° 22mm	15.8cc	301	57.5cc 60.5cc	2618	0.250	0.0004	0.0012	PP86-003N LN 102-86 * PS86-003N *	
1 .2, 1.2, 2.8 r 86.0mm	: 356 - Slip-ir nm Performan 74mm s sold through l	ce Ring Set I 135.95mm	ncluded 27.05mm	22mm	18.7cc	305	60.5cc 63.5cc	2618	0.250	0.0004	0.0012	PP86-004N LN 102-86 * PS86-004N *	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea
1 .2, 1.2, 2.8 r 86.0mm	356 - Slip-ir mm Performan 74mm s sold through	ce Ring Set I 135.95mm	ncluded 27.05mm	22mm	21.8cc	307	s) 63.5cc 66.5cc 10.0 9.5	2618	0.250	0.0004	0.0012 	PP86-005N LN 102-86 * PS86-005N *	
1 .2, 1.2, 2.8 r 91.0mm	nm Performan	ce Ring Set I 135.95mm	ncluded 27.05mm	22mm	10.6cc	321	57.5cc 60.5cc 10.0 9.5	•	0.250	0.0006	0.0014	PP91-001N LN 102-91 * PS91-001N *	,
1.2, 1.2, 2.8 r 91.0mm	nm Performan	ce Ring Set I 135.95mm	ncluded 27.05mm	22mm	13.6cc	324	cylinder heads 60.5cc 63.5cc 10.0 9.5	•	0.250	0.0006	0.0014 	PP91-002N LN 102-91 * PS91-002N *	- ,
1.2, 1.2, 2.8 r 91.0mm	356 - Machi mm Performan 74mm s sold through	ce Ring Set I 135.95mm	ncluded 27.05mm	22mm	16.6cc	332	cylinder heads 63.5cc 66.5cc 10.0 9.5	•	0.250	0.0006	0.0014 	PP91-003N LN 102-91 *	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea

Motorsport Air-Cooled Cylinders

The cylinders included in Motorsports air-cooled kits are produced and machined to original equipment tolerances, designed to provide increased performance, durability and longevity. Some applications are available as either a slip-in or machine-in design. The slip-in cylinders are simply a larger internal bore replacement. The machine-in cylinders require the engine cases be machined to a larger bore diameter to accept their larger spigot diameter. The larger spigot diameter is preferable for extreme applications as with highly boosted turbo or competition use engines.

MAHLE Motorsport has partnered with LN Engineering to broaden the range of available Porsche applications. The LN "Nickies" cyinders are manufactured from a different aluminum alloy than MAHLE cylinders. The MAHLE Motorsport pistons designed to work with LN liners are manufactured from the compatible alloy and designed specifically for use with LN liners, offering the same performance, durability and longevity.

PORSCHE 2.0L / 2.2L / 2.4L / 2.7L AIR-COOLED

Bore	Stroke	Rod	Comp	Pin	Crown	Waht	Compression	Alloy	Clearance Guide		-
Dole	Stroke	Rou	Height	Diam.	Vol	G	Ratio	Alloy	Meas. Min Max	Part No.	
NOTE: All Air	-cooled CR	calculated at	1mm belo	w deck							
PORSCHE	911 and 91	11S 2.0L (196	64-1969)								
		nce Ring Set	•			_	70.5cc				
80.0mm	66mm	130mm	34mm	22mm	38.8cc	334	10.0	4032	0.250 0.0010 0.0018	PP80-001 PC80-001 PS80-001	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
PORSCHE 1.2, 1.2, 2.0m 80.0mm		up Ince Ring Set 130mm	included 34mm	22mm	40cc	337	70.5cc 10.3	4032	0.250 0.0010 0.0018	PP80-002 PC80-001 PS80-002	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
		11S 2.2L (197 Ince Ring Set 130mm		22mm	27.2cc	371	70.5cc 8.5	4032	0.250 0.0010 0.0018	PP84-001 PC84-001 PS84-001	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
	m Performa	11 S 2.4L (197 Ince Ring Set 130mm	Included	22mm	27.2cc	371	70.5cc 9.0	4032	0.250 0.0010 0.0018	PP84-001 PC84-001 PS84-001	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
	m Performa	Long Stroke Ince Ring Set 127.8mm	Included	22mm	25.9cc	401 	70.5cc 9.3	4032	0.250 0.0010 0.0018	PP86-002 PC86-002 PS86-002	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
1.2, 1.5, 3.0 m 89.0mm	m Performa 66mm	Short Stroke ince Ring Set 130mm n LN distributors	included 33.9mm		30.2cc eference		68cc 10.2	2618	0.250 0.0009 0.0017	PP89-002N LN 103-89 * PS89-002N *	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
1.2, 1.5, 3.0 m 90.0mm	m Performa 70.4mm	1973-1977) Cance Ring Set 127.8mm In LN distributors	included 34mm	22mm	26.1cc	402	68cc 10.3	2618	0.500 0.0009 0.0017	PP90-003N LN 103-90 * PS90-003N *	Cymraci (ca)
1.2, 1.5, 3.0 m 92.0mm	m Performa 70.4mm	2.8L (1973- ince Ring Set 127.8mm 1 LN distributors	Included 33.9mm	22mm	21.5cc	425	68cc 9.8	2618	0.400 0.0009 0.0017	PP92-004N LN 103-92 * PS92-004N *	, ,
1.2, 1.5, 3.0 m 93.0mm	m Performa 70.4mm	2.9L (1973- ince Ring Set 127.8mm in LN distributors	Included 33.9mm	22mm	23.4cc	440	68cc 10.3	2618	0.400 0.0010 0.0018	PP93-004N LN 103-93 * PS93-004N *	





PORSCHE 3.0L / 3.2L / 3.3L AIR-COOLED

Bore	Stroke	Rod	Comp Height	Pin Diam.	Crown Vol	Wght G	Compression Ratio	Alloy	Clearance Guide Meas. Min Max	Part No.	
NOTE: All Ai	ir-cooled CR	calculated at	1mm belo	w deck							
PORSCHE	930 TURBO	3.3L to 3.4	L (1978-1	992)							
	nm Performar	_					90cc	1			
98.0mm	74.4mm	127mm	32.8mm	23mm	14.2cc	432	7.7	4032	0.250 0.0010 0.0018	PP98-012 PC98-001 PS98-009	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
PORSCHE	911 CARRE	RA 3.2L to	3.4L (198	4-1989) I	Motroni	c Inj					
1.2, 1.2, 3.0n	nm Performar	_					90cc				
98.0mm	74.4mm	127mm	32.8mm	23mm	35.8cc	507	10.1	2618	0.250 0.0006 0.0014	PP98-013 PC98-001 PS98-010	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
PORSCHE	911 3.0L to	3.2L (1976-	1983) Car	b or Me	chanica	l Inject	ion				
	nm Performar					•	90cc				
98.0mm	70.4mm	127.8mm	33.7mm	22mm	40cc	500	10.2	2618	0.250 0.0006 0.0014	PP98-014 PC98-001 PS98-014	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
PORSCHE	911 3.0L to	3.2L (1976-	1983) Mo	tronic In	j.						
· · · · ·	nm Performar	•	-				90cc				
98.0mm	70.4mm	127.8mm	34mm	22mm	38.5cc	494	10.0	2618	0.250 0.0006 0.0014	PP98-015 PC98-001 PS98-015	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
PORSCHE	930 TURBO	3.0L to 3.2	L (1975-1	977)							
	nm Performar	_	-				90cc				
98.0mm	70.4mm	127.8mm	33.7mm	22mm	15.8cc	419	7.5	4032	0.250 0.0010 0.0018	PP98-016 PC98-001 PS98-016	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
PORSCHE	911 CARRE	RA 3.2L to	3.4L (198	4-1989)							
	nm Performar		•	,							
	with dual plug			-	•		92cc	1			
98.00mm	74.4mm	127mm	32.8mm	23mm	43.2cc	457	11.0	2618	0.250 0.0006 0.0014	PP98-017 PC98-001 PS98-017	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
		•	•	achine-i	n 105mr	n cylin	der case regis	ster			
	nm Performar	-	-				90cc	1			5
100.0mm *LN cylinders	74.4mm sold through		32.8mm	23mm nown for r	35cc eference	473 only	10.3	2618		PP100-009N 103-100/105 * PS100-009N *	, ,
		,		2) - Macl	nine-in Ø	ð105m	m cylinder ca	se registe	er		
1.2, 1.5, 3.0n 100.0mm	nm Performar I 74 4mm	-	Included 32.8mm	23mm	0.500	428	90cc 7.0	2618	0.250 0.0010 0.0018 F	PP100-010N *	* Piston (set)
*LN cylinders	sold through lized Top Ring	LN distributor	s; Kit PN sh	nown for re	eference		7.0	7 2010	LN		Cylinder (ea)
				983) - Ma	achine-ii	n Ø105	omm cylinder	case regi	ster		
1.2, 1.5, 3.0n 100.0mm	nm Performar	nce Ring Set 127.8mm		22mm	35cc	474	90cc 9.8	2619	0.250 0.0010 0.0018 6	DD100-011N	Piston (set)
	sold through						9.0	2010	LN		Cylinder (ea)

PORSCHE 3.6L AIR-COOLED

Bore	Stroke	Rod	Comp	Pin		_	Compression	Alloy	Clearance Guide	D- (N)	
NOTE: All Ai	r-cooled CR	calculated at	Height t 1mm belov	Diam. w deck	Vol	G	Ratio		Meas. Min Max	Part No.	
	964 NA 3.6L ım Performaı			3) (1989-	-1998) -	Slip-in	Ø107mm cyli 90cc	nder case	eregister		
102.0mm			31.5mm	23mm	44.5cc	474		4032	0.450 0.0010 0.0018	PP102-011	Piston (set)
			•			•		•	''''	PC102-002 PS102-017	Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
PORSCHE	964 NA 3.6L	_ to 3.8L (al	so fits 993	3) (1989-	-1998) -	Machi	ne-in Ø109mn	n cylinder	case register		
· · ·	ım Performaı						90cc	1			
102.0mm	76.4mm	127mm	31.5mm	23mm	44.5cc	474	12.6	4032	0.450 0.0010 0.0018	PP102-011 PC102-001 PS102-018	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
PORSCHE	993 TURBO	3.6L to 3.8	BL - Machii	ne-in Ø1	109mm (cylinde	er case registe	er, shorter	114.5mm tall cylinder		
	ım Performaı	_	•				90cc				
102.0mm	76.4mm	127mm	31.8mm	23mm	9.7cc	437	8.1	4032	0.590 0.0010 0.0018	PP102-012 PC102-003 PS102-019	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
PORSCHE	964 TURBO	(& 993 Ca	rerra to Tu	rbo cor	version) 3.6L	to 3.8L - Slip-	in Ø107m	m cylinder case registe	r	
	m Performai					1	90cc	1			
102.0mm	76.4mm	127mm	31.8mm	23mm	22.6cc	453	9.3	4032	0.470 0.0010 0.0018	PP102-013 PC102-002 PS102-020	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
PORSCHE	964 TURBO	(& 993 Ca	rrera to Tu	rbo cor	version) 3.6L	to 3.8L - Macl	nine-in Ø1	09mm cylinder case re	aister	
	ım Performai	•				, 0.0_	90cc		-	_	
102.0mm			31.8mm	23mm	22.6cc	453	9.3	4032	0.470 0.0010 0.0018	PP102-013 PC102-001 PS102-021	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
PORSCHE	993 RSR st	tvle 3.6L to	3.81 (also	fits 964	l) <i>(</i> 1989-	1998) -	- Slin-in Ø107	mm cylina	ler case register		
	m Performa	-			, (,	90cc		.o. odoo rogioto.		
102.0mm	76.4mm	127mm	31.5mm	23mm	38.1cc	489	11.4	4032	0.315 0.0010 0.0018	PP102-014 PC102-002 PS102-022	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
PORSCHE	993 RSR st	vle 3.6L to :	3.8L (also	fits 964) (1989- ⁻	1998) -	Machine-in Ø	109mm c	ylinder case register		
	ım Performai				, (1000	,	90cc		,ao: 0000 10g.010.		
102.0mm	76.4mm	127mm	31.5mm	23mm	38.1cc	489	11.4	4032	0.315 0.0010 0.0018	PP102-014 PC102-001 PS102-023	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
PORSCHE	964 / 993 S	troker 3 6l	to 3.91 - 5	Slin-in Ø	107mm	cylind	ler case regis	er			
							90cc				
102.0mm			29.5mm		35.0cc	480	11.4	4032	0.500 0.0010 0.0018	PP102-015 PC102-002 PS102-024	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
PORSCHE	964 / 993 S	troker 3.6L	to 3.9L - N	/lachine	-in Ø10	9mm c	ylinder case r	eaister			
	m Performa					• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	90cc	-g			
102.0mm	80.4mm	127mm	29.5mm	23mm	35.0cc	480	11.4	4032	0.500 0.0010 0.0018	PP102-015 PC102-001 PS102-025	Piston (set) Cylinder (ea) Kit (set)
POBSCHE (064 / 002 2	6l to 3 0l /	1080-1000) - Mack	nina-in (7100m	m cylinder ca	sa ragista	r		
1.2, 1.5, 3.0m) - IVIACI	iiiie-iii x	9 109111	90cc	se registe	·I		
104.0mm *LN cylinders	76.4mm	127mm	31.8mm					2618	0.500 0.0011 0.0019		Piston (set) * Cylinder (ea) * Kit (set)
		1000	-					1			V/
								The second second			



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Porsche Ring Sets, Pins, & Clips

Finish		Set		Set
Bore	Description	Part Number	Description	Part Number
	Porsche Ring Sets		Piston Pins	
80.00 mm	1.2, 1.2, 2.0mm File Fit (6cyl)	PR80MS-12	22 x 12/15.7 x 52mm Taper CH 101g	9894428
84.00 mm	1.2, 1.2, 2.0mm File Fit (6cyl)	PR84MS-12	22 x 13 x 58.11mm CH 112g	9900106
86.70 mm	1.2, 1.2, 2.0mm File Fit (6cyl)	PR86MS-12	23 x 13 x 50mm Taper R 98g	4394409
89.00 mm	1.2, 1.5, 3.0mm File Fit (6cyl)	PR89MS	22 x 13 x 52mm CH 101g	1979122
90.00 mm	1.2, 1.5, 3.0mm File Fit (6cyl)	PR90MS	23 x 13.5 x 55.6mm CH 119g	9299621
92.00 mm	1.2, 1.5, 3.0mm File Fit (6cyl)	PR92MS	23 x 13.5 x 57.404mm R 124g	9298392
93.00 mm	1.2, 1.5, 3.0mm File Fit (6cyl)	PR93MS	23 x 13.9 x 63.5mm CH 131g	9301712
95.00 mm	1.2, 1.5, 3.0mm File Fit (6cyl)	PR95MS	24 x 15 x 58.1mm CH 125g	9900079
98.00 mm	1.2, 1.5, 3.0mm File Fit (6cyl)	PR98MS		
98.00 mm	1.2, 1.2, 3.0mm File Fit (6cyl)	PR98MS-12	Clips (each) w/o tang	
100.00 mm	1.2, 1.5, 3.0mm File Fit (6cyl)	PR100MS	22mm x 1.6mm Round Wire Lock	2042968
102.00 mm	1.2, 1.2, 3.0mm File Fit (6cyl)	PR102MS-12	23mm x 1.6mm Round Wire Lock	9315805
102.00 mm	1.46, 1.46, 2.99mm File Fit (6cyl)	PR102MS-15	24mm x 1.6mm Round Wire Lock	9900539
104.00 mm	1.2, 1.5, 3.0mm File Fit (6cyl)	PR104MS		
86.00 mm	1.2, 1.2, 2.8mm Drop In (4cyl)	8600MS-12		
91.00 mm	1.2, 1.2, 2.8mm File Fit (4cyl)	1978643		
96.00 mm	1.2, 1.5, 2.0mm File Fit (6cyl) NIKASIL	1978504		
96.00 mm	1.2, 1.5, 2.0mm File Fit (6cyl)	1978505		
99.00 mm	1.0, 1.0, 2.0mm File Fit (1cyl)	3903MS-112-1		
100.00 mm	1.0, 1.0, 2.0mm File Fit (1cyl)	3942MS-112-1		
101.00 mm	1.2, 1.5, 3.0mm File Fit (4cyl)	9300402		
100.50 mm	1.2, 1.5, 3.0mm File Fit (1cyl) ALUSIL	1977212		
104.50 mm	1.2, 1.5, 3.0mm File Fit (4cyl)	9300400		

Final Assembly Tech Tips

Compression Ratio

The compression ratio shown in the application guide is calculated at 1mm (0.040") deck clearance for Air-Cooled applications. For Water-Cooled at zero deck clearance and a 1mm head gasket thickness. The compression ratio of your specific application will vary depending on the deck clearance that the engine is built with.

Piston Ring Gaps

The rings should be checked in the cylinder to ensure that the end gaps are sufficient. Recommendations and additional information is provided in the ring instructions located on page 7. Should you require additional ring end gap, the rings should be gapped before installation on the piston.

Piston Orientation In Engine

For pistons that have an arrow laser etched on the crown, the pistons are installed so that the arrow points toward the flywheel. For pistons with slanted dome and symmetric valve pockets, the pistons are installed so that the short end of the dome is located under the spark plug.

Piston to Valve Clearance

Valve to piston clearance depends on many factors; including the piston crown configuration, valve train and camshaft characteristics, and cylinder head design. The camshaft manufacturer can supply the minimum recommended valve to piston clearance for your specific camshaft/valve train combination. After the camshaft is "degreed" correctly you may check the valve clearance using either modeling clay or light spring method. Minimum recommended clearance for valve face to valve pocket floor of the piston is 0.080" for the intake valve, and 0.100" for the exhaust valve. Minimum radial clearance is 0.050" radially for all valves.

NOTICE: Be sure to check the clearances of MAHLE pistons in relation to other engine com¬ponents such as valves, connecting rods, and oil squirters BEFORE running the engine. These components may need adjustment in order to function properly with MAHLE pistons.

Piston to Cylinder Wall Clearance

MAHLE machines the proper piston to cylinder wall clearance into every piston and cylinder kit.

The recommended piston to cylinder wall measurement and location is listed on the outside label of the box. The piston measurement location is measured up from the bottom of the piston skirt. For the cylinder, the measurement location is measured down from the top of the cylinder. The cylinder should be measured in the same axis as the pistons (thrust / anti-thrust). It is worth noting that the piston to wall clearance value specified is measured over the Grafal® skirt coating.

Tech Note

Prior to final engine assembly, the top, bottom, and face of each ring plus the cylinder bore should be lightly coated with clean, light-weight, conventional motor oil. DO NOT dip the entire piston as this may lead to improper seating of the rings.

Additional tech information and informative technical videos covering the above points are located on our website as well as the MAHLE Motorsport YouTube channel.

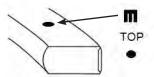
Ring Gap Instructions

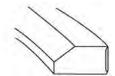
	Top Ring	Second Ring		4.000 Bore Example
Application	(minimum)	(minimum)	Oil Ring Rail	Top, 2nd, Oil Rails
High Performance Street - NA	Bore x 0.0045"	Bore x 0.0050"	Min 0.015"	0.018", 0.020", Min 0.015"
Circle Track, Drag Racing - NA	Bore x 0.0050"	Bore x 0.0060"	Min 0.015"	0.020", 0.024", Min 0.015"
Nitrous up to 200hp (25HP/cyl)	Bore x 0.0060"	Bore x 0.0060"	Min 0.015"	0.024", 0.024", Min 0.015"
Nitrous Race 200hp+ (25HP/cyl)	Bore x 0.0070"	Bore x 0.0070"	Min 0.015"	0.028", 0.028", Min 0.015"
Turbo / Supercharger	Bore x 0.0060"	Bore x 0.0060"	Min 0.015"	0.024", 0.024", Min 0.015"
Turbo / Supercharger Race	Bore x 0.0070"	Bore x 0.0070"	Min 0.015"	0.028", 0.028", Min 0.015"

NOTE: The second ring gap recommendations have continued to change over the years. Current recommendations are such that the 2nd ring gap is larger than the top rings for most applications. Testing has proven that a larger second ring gap increases the top ring's stability allowing for a better seal. This larger "escape" path prevents inter-ring pressure from building up and lifting the top ring off the piston allowing combustion to get by. Many engine builders have reported lower blow-by and horsepower gains at the upper RPM ranges with the wider second ring gaps. Also, almost every new car made is using this inter-ring pressure reduction method to lower blow-by and emissions and to increase engine output. Additionally, and for these reasons, these ring gap recommendations are to be considered minimums, and some kits will come with larger gaps than the minimum listed in the table directly out of the box.

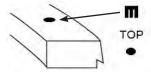
PROPER RING INSTALLATION

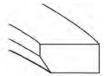
Top ring: If there is a dot (pip mark) or a laser etching (commonly etched as "TOP" or the MAHLE logo, or a number designator) on one of the flats of the top ring, this marking is indicating the top of the ring. Typically, if there is a bevel on the ID of the top ring, the bevel should be facing up toward the top of the piston.

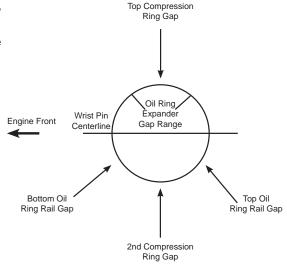




2nd Ring: I If there is a dot (pip mark) or a laser etching (commonly etched as "TOP" or the MAHLE logo, or a number designator) on one of the flats of the top ring, this marking is indicating the top of the ring. Typically, if there is a bevel on the ID of the 2nd ring, the bevel should be facing down toward the bottom of the piston. Any marking indicating the top of the piston ring supersedes the location of the ID bevel of the ring.







Oil Ring - may be either 2 piece or 3 piece design:

2 Piece Instructions: Remove the coil spring from the oil ring and place the coil spring in the groove, noting the location of the coil spring joint. Install the oil ring in the ring groove; the oil ring gap must be assembled opposite (180 degrees) to coil spring joint.

3 Piece Instructions: Place the expander in the groove, ensure the ends are butted against each other. Position the expander ends in the desired orientation on the piston, an image of the recommended installation location is provided in the Proper Ring Alignment section. Install the lower steel ring, the ring end gap must be approximately 90° to 120° left from the expander edges. Install the upper steel ring observing the same distance for the right side. After ring installation, check if oil ring set can move freely without binding. Important: expander ends must not overlap.

