PLEASE READ BEFORE INSTALLING

Thanks for purchasing this 1963 Comet Recreation AM FM radio from Poorfam Collectibles. We hope the unit gives you years of pleasure.

The radio must be grounded to the car's frame to work. We recommend adjusting before the radio is mounted, so read on before putting it in the dash. Please connect the temporary green wire supplied with your radio to the car's frame. The blue wire is plus 12 for the radio light. The black wire is plus 12 to run the radio. If your radio does not power up, turn on your headlights and if it works, the wires are switched.

These radios are designed for 8-ohm speakers. Most new speakers are either 8 ohms, 4 or 3.2. Please use 8-ohm speakers with your radio if you can, however a 4 ohm will work if you cannot locate an 8 ohm easily. We also recommend lower wattage speakers like when the car was new. Speakers rated for 200 or more watts and have a large magnet are really intended for high-powered modern amps. These speakers will work, but need you to crank the radio higher and sound may suffer.

If you are looking for an 8 ohm original style speaker, you might check www.turnswitch.com. We have never dealt with them and do not know if the speakers are good, but it is a source. Let us know if you like them should you purchase a speaker from them. Crutchfield.com is a good source for modern speakers at a reasonably cost.

You will need to alter or make a new strap to support the radio under the dash. Do not drive without the rear support strap. If you have the radio mounted in the dash, the strap should lift the radio about 1/8". We want to make sure the radio is supported in the rear and is not hanging off the front two nuts.

The first three push buttons select FM. The two right most push buttons select AM. Please pull the push buttons out slowly to adjust the presets since they are plastic. Also, the instructions say to hold the tuning knob stationary when pushing in the pushbuttons during the presetting procedure. Occasionally the station will move slightly when the presets are engaging.

If you radio, does not power up, turn on your headlights and see if the radio turns on then. It is quite easy to get the blue wire for the radio light and the radio power wire switched when installing. Both connectors for power are males, so you can have it easily reversed. Also, if there are any problems getting the radio to play, switch it from AM to FM and back again. Sometimes during shipping, the AM/FM switch moves in between the two settings. Switching from FM to AM and back, will clear this problem.

Set your antennae to 29- 30 inches in length before adjusting the radio. We recommend you hook the radio up on the carpet and adjust the FM and AM trim controls while they are easily accessible. If possible, have the car outside when making these adjustments, or at very least, have the garage door up. The two trim controls will get maximum reception from the radio. They can make a huge improvement. Once the radio is mounted in the dash, you cannot get to these controls. Hook up the green good ground wire from the radio case to the car's frame, the speaker to the male- female connector, antenna, and power. Then proceed as follows:

If reception outside is not as good as a new car on FM with the car outside, you might have a bad antenna or rust-oxidized ground connection under the fender. If you suspect an antenna problem, try a new \$10 antenna from the auto store. Make sure it is about 30" long (not 10") and do not touch the antenna mast or let the mast touch the car.

There are two adjustments you can make to maximize reception for your car. While you can still gain access to the radio before it is installed, turn the radio to a weak AM station on the higher portion of the dial. Adjust the screwdriver adjustment on the top marked AM. It should only need a small 1/4 turn at most. If no improvement is noted, return it to its original position. Do the same for FM. The FM adjustment is also on top. Caution, do not over tighten the front nut.

Please email is you have any questions or problems. Please leave positive feedback after she is up and running. We strive to have 100 percent positive feedback and will correct any issues.

Thanks again for your purchase.

Best regards,

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