





VDO[®] **Programmable Speedometer** *Calibration Instructions*

Mph Models 12 Volt *	Catalog Part Number	
85 mph/130 Km/h	437 001, 437 301, 437 501 and 502	
120 mph/200 Km/h	437 002, 437 302, 437 701	
 160 mph	437 003, 437 303	

Km/h Models 12 Volt*

130 Km/h/85 mph	437 081, 437 381, 437 581 and 582
200 Km/h/120 niph	437 082, 437 382, 437 781
260 Km/h	437 083, 437 383

24 Volt Models *

85 mph/130Km/h	437 004, 437 503 and 504	
130 Km/h/85 mph	437 085, 437 583 and 584	

*(Some models may not be in production at the time of printing of these installation and calibration instructions).

Please read these instructions completely before attempting to install or calibrate this instrument!

The VDO Programmable Speedometer is an electronic unit which indicates the speed that the vehicle is travelling and records cumulative miles with a million mile odometer. A resettable tripodometer displays up to 999.9 miles to monitor short distances.

This unit is designed to be used in conjunction with an electrical speed sensor which generates a signal impulse range of 4000 to 103,000 pulses per mile. Note: there must be a minimum signal voltage of at least 1 volt (peak to peak).

The signal pulses can be generated by magnetic pickups, pulse generators, frequency generators. Reed-Contact sensors or Hall-Effect sensors. Other electronic modules which generate pulses proportional to the speed can be used (as long as the pulses are within the specified ranges described above). A cruise control sender should not be used due to low signal strength between 0 30 MPH. This could cause annoying pointer oscillation. VDO senders, P/Nos. 340 001, 340 011, 340 020 and 021 are best suited for use with the VDO Programmable Speedometer.

2. Installation

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General

Diameter of the panel hole should be no more than 85 mm or 3³/₈" dia. Installation depth is 100mm or 3⁷/₈" deep.



3. Wiring Connections

Red: +12 volts (+24 volts where applicable) Yellow: Negative Ground Brown: Sensor + White: Sensor –



4. Calibration

Warning:

Do not program speedometer with battery connected or the key switch in the "ON" position. If an erratic reading occurs, go back and retrace the calibration process to be sure that the sensor is providing enough pulses per mile to give an accurate sensor signal to the speecometer as described in Section 1.

The speedometer comes with a 10 position DIP-switch on the back of the unit. All switches are preset to "ON" (ON=1; OFF=0). If you already know how many pulses your vehicle or sender will generate, please see the Calibration Table. Using the binary code (ones and zeros), set the DIP-switches and mount the speedometer in the dash panel. Test drive to verify accuracy.

If you have all the physical data about your vehicle, such as pulses per revolution that the sender produces, axle ratio, tire size, and the tire slip, you may be able to compute the pulses per mile and consult the Calibration Table for the programming code. If you don't know how many pulses will be generated, two additional methods of measuring pulses per mile are listed below.

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If you have access to a mobile frequency counter, drive the vehicle behind another and measure the signal frequency at a predetermined speed. Multiply the signal frequency indicated on the meter by 3600 and divide by the speed at which the frequency was noted. The result is the pulses per mile. Consult the Calibration Table for the DIP-switch settings and to program the instrument with the prescribed binary code.

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Finally, there is a method which uses the speedometer's trip odometer as a pulse counter.

- 1. Set all DIP-switches to the "ON" (#1) position. Install and wire the speedometer as shown earlier.
- 2. Drive a known course with a distance of up to 10 miles. Be sure the speedometer pointer DOES NOT exceed the maximum speed of the speedometer while traveling the course. Reducing your speed may be necessary to prevent damage to the speedometer.
- 3. As you pass the start point, reset the trip odometer to "000.0". Note the exact trip odometer mileage at the end of the course. Using the following formula, compute the pulses per mile and consult the Calibration Table to determine the appropriate DIP-switch settings: Trip Odometer Reading (TR)

Trip Odometer Reading (TR)

True Distance Driven (TDD)

16.8 Miles (TR) 10 Miles (TDD) × 3921 = 6,587 (P/M)

Calibration

Example

Consult the Calibration Table on the next few pages to locate 6,587 pulses/mile. You will see that the table indicates that the DIP-switch position code is 1110110101. The illustration shows where the DIP-switches are located. Switches should be set from left to right, with the "UP" or "TOP" position being the "ON" or "1" position. The bottom position is "OFF" or "0" [zero].



4. Remove the speedometer from the dash panel. Use the tip of a ball point pen or similar object to move the switches into the indicated position for your vehicle. When you are finished programming, travel the course again to verify the trip odometer reading and time the distance to verify the speed reading. When you are finished, place the protective label over the DIP-switch opening and replace the speedometer in the dash panel according to the instructions.

NOTE: The Calibration Table begins on the next page.

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Pulses/Miles	Switch	1 = ON position
3906 - 3927	111111111	0 - OFE position
3928 - 3949	111111110	
3972 - 3993	111111100	
3994 - 4015	1111111011	
4016 - 4038	111111010	
4062 - 4084	111111001	
4085 - 4107	1111110111	
4108 - 4131	1111110110	
4132 - 4155 4154 - 4170	1111110101	
4180 - 4204	111110011	
4205 - 4228	1111110010	
4229 - 4254	1111110001	
4233 - 4279 4280 - 4304	1111110000	
4306 - 4331	1111101110	
4332 - 4357	1111101101	
4358 - 4384	1111101100	
5612 - 6611 6612 - 6618		
4439 - 4466	1111101001	
4467 - 4494	1111101000	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
4495 - 4522	1111100111	
4552 - 4580	111110010	
4581 - 4609	1111100100	
4610 - 4639	1111100011	
4640 - 4669	1111100010	
4701 - 4731	1111100000	
4732 - 4762	1111011111	
4703 - 4794 4795 - 4876	1111011110	
4827 - 4859	1111011100	
4860 - 4892	1111011011	
4893 - 4926	1111011010	
4961 - 4995	1111011000	
4996 - 5030	1111010111	
5031 - 5065	1111010110	
5102 - 5138	1111010100	
5139 - 5175	1111010011	
5176 - 5213	1111010010	
5252 - 5290	1111010000	
5291 - 5329	1111001111	
5330 - 5369	1111001110	
5410 - 5409	1111001101	
5451 - 5492	1111001011	
5493 - 5535	1111001010	
5570 - 5578	1111001001	
5055 - 2006	1111000111	
5667 - 5711	1111000110	
5712 - 5757	1111000101	
2120 - 2006	1111000100	

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Pulses/Miles	Switch	1 ON position	Pulses/Miles	Switch
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24025 - 24505 0110000011 I= ON POSITION	51630 - 51895	
24 506 24 932 0110000010 0=OFF position 24 7715 25 373 0110000000 0 25 7715 25 3747 0010110111 0 25 947 0010110110 0 0 25 947 0010110101 0 0 25 947 0010110101 0 0 25 947 001011010 0 0 26 822 26 01010101 0 0 26 822 26 01010100 0 0 27703 27972 001010000 0 27703 27972 001010100 0 28249 001010101 0 0 28249 001010100 0 0 2817 29108 001010010 0 28040 29711 001010001 0 0 30024 29711 0010100010 0 0 3097 0010100010 0 0 0 30941 30646 001000111 0 0 30945 32357 0010010001 0 0	51896 - 52348 52369 - 52351 52852 - 53343 53344 - 53844 53845 - 54354 54355 - 54874 54875 - 55404 54875 - 55404 54875 - 55404 54875 - 55404 55946 - 56496 56497 - 57058 57059 - 57632 57633 - 58217 58218 - 58814 58815 - 59423 59424 - 60046 60047 - 60681 60682 - 61330 61331 - 51993 61994 - 62671 62672 - 63363 63364 - 64071 64072 - 64795 64796 - 65536 65537 - 66293 66294 - 67069 67070 - 67862 67863 - 68675 68676 - 59507 69508 - 70360 70361 - 71234 71235 - 72130 72131 - 73049 73050 - 73992 73993 - 74959 74960 - 75952 75953 - 76971 76972 - 78019 74960 - 75952 75953 - 76971 76974 - 82509 81340 - 82509 81340 - 82509 82510 - 83713 83714 - 84954 84955 - 86231 86232 - 87548 87549 - 88905 88906 - 90305 90306 - 91750 91751 - 93242 93243 - 94783 94784 - 96376	