## INSTRUCTIONS

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## **GEAR DRIVE TIMING SET**FOR FORD ENGINES 289/302/351W

- Clean and remove all preserve. Apply grease on bronze ring and place it on the back of cam gear.
- Turn number one piston to TDC position and install crank and cam gears. Line up timing marks and face each other.
- Ford 302-351W are available to advance or retard cam timing 4.5 degrees each way. Line "A" mark on cam gear to crank gear timing mark is for advance, Line "R" mark to crank gear is for retard.
- Slide idle gear half way between both gears with the larger gear on the passenger side and the longer axle toward to engine block.
- Put timing cover and gasket in place. Make sure the idle gear is all the way in. Remove cover and make sure to have a 0.015-0.060" clearance between axle and block. The idle gear is riding on the timing cover in normal operation. Grind off end of axle for increasing clearance or install a bolt on cover reducing clearance.
- Install cam gear bolts with proper torque. Make sure locking plate is installed.
- Hand crank the engine to ensure the gear set is running smoothly. When the larger idle gear
  is in hard mesh, the small idle gear must have 0.005-0.070" clearance for freely up down
  movement.
- Place timing cover with seal compound on both sides of gasket.
- Run engine at slow speed to ensure no abnormal sound from timing set.



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