

Installation of a Fun Projects ammeter - By Tony Cimorelli

A couple years ago I asked John why he didn't create a decent ammeter. At the time, it was really hard to find a workable large ammeter. Most short out or the needle gets bent. As a last resort, you can use the erratic 26-27 repro currently available at all Model T vendors but You need to use a bezel ring to adapt it to the pre-26 Model T ignition switch plate. Fun Projects came out with an accurate ammeter with added functionality - it has an LED light in it to allow nighttime operation. Wow - this looks like just what I need.

Here is what I received in the mail. The Fun Projects ammeter and fuse kit. I describe the fuse kit installation in another article. A beautiful ammeter, a resistor and shrink tubing for 12v operation if 6v is not used, and a detailed set of instructions are included.



OK - disconnect the battery and read the instructions. Below is the front of the ammeter.



This is the reverse. The ammeter body is formed aluminum. Beautiful. A rubber grommet exists where the LED power wire and ground wire exit.



Below is the current ignition plate on my 23 Touring with the 26-27 repro ammeter.



Now we take the ignition plate off the dash.



The white goo is silicon seal holding the 26-27 ammeter to the bezel ring. Disconnect the wires from the old ammeter.

Now, unscrew the 3 screws holding the bezel ring to the switch plate.



This is what the reverse of the ammeters look like. The 26/27 looks like a cheap import against the new formed aluminum large ammeter that Fun Projects supplied.



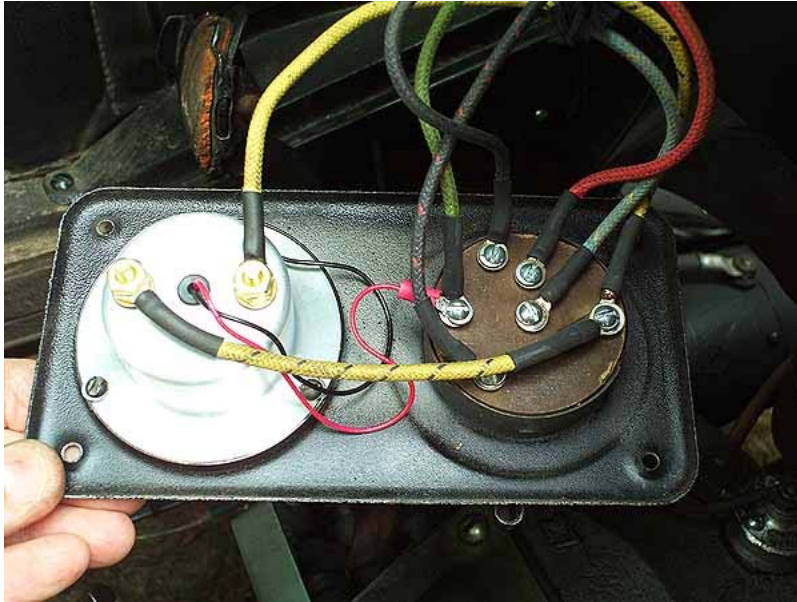
Below are the fronts of the ammeters.



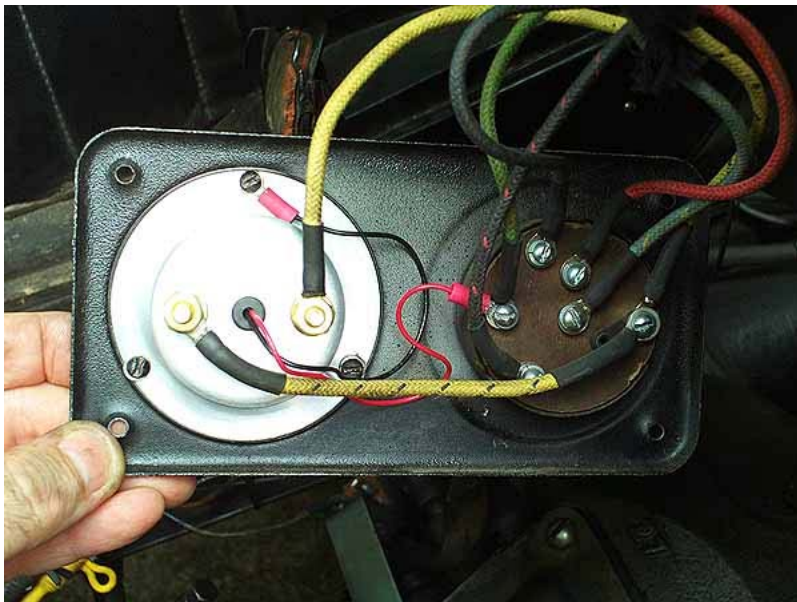
I added connectors to the LED wires. John, these should be included in the kit.



Connect the red LED wire to the tail light connector.



Now, connect the black ground wire to one of the ammeter screws.



Put the ignition plate back on and reconnect the battery. Start the car and check the meter.



Now, test the LED light by turning the light switch on.



Check the DIM as well.



That's it - install any remaining screws and take it for a ride. The needle doesn't bounce around and is a steady progression in movement. Thanks John for another sorely needed product.

This item is available at www.funprojects.com or the direct link to the product is

<http://www.funprojects.com/products/5016.cfm> Cost is appx \$55.00.