



TUFF-BAK™

– VALVE COVER GASKETS –

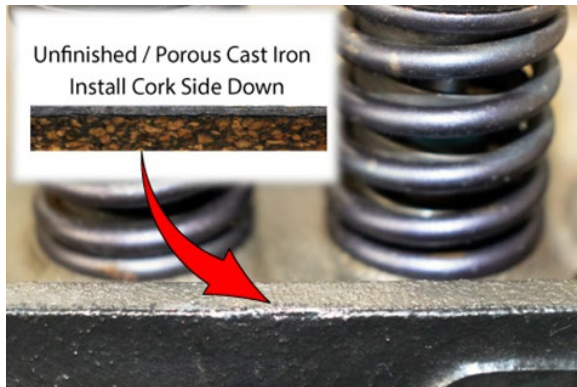


Figure 1

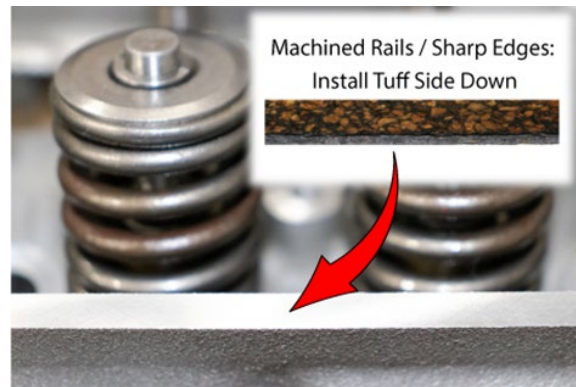


Figure 2

Installation Instructions

Recommended Uses: Racing engines with vacuum pumps, forced induction, high performance.

Steps:

1. Ensure all sealing surfaces are clean and free of adhesives and old gasket residue. Use care when scraping aluminum rails as they can be damaged by sharp blades.
2. If the valve cover design is symmetrical there are two options for installation:
 - a. Porous cast-iron rails seal better with the cork side against the head (see figure 1).
 - b. Machined rails can be narrow and sharp, to prevent cutting the gasket, place the Tuff-Back side against the head (see figure 2).
3. Though not required, valve cover gaskets are commonly affixed to the valve cover with an adhesive. *Silicone sealer is NOT recommended for this purpose.* Use a gasket adhesive such as Gasegacinch (SCE part number G-1614).
4. Valve cover bolts should not be over-tightened as thin metal covers may dimple and aluminum threads may strip ($\frac{1}{4}$ " coarse thread torque value = 6-8 ft lbs).
5. It is recommended to re-check bolt torque after 2 heat cycles.