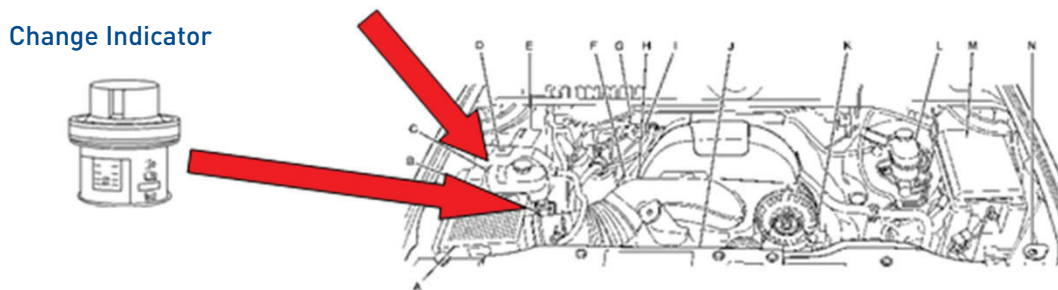




Air Cleaner Filter: Does My Engine Air Cleaner Filter Need to Be Replaced?

Common Location of Engine Air Cleaner/Filter



WHEN TO INSPECT THE ENGINE AIR CLEANER/FILTER

If your vehicle has an air filter restriction indicator, it lets you know when the engine air cleaner/filter needs to be replaced. On a vehicle with a restriction indicator, you should inspect the air filter restriction indicator at every oil change and replace the engine air cleaner/filter when the indicator tells you to.

On a vehicle without an air filter restriction indicator, inspect the air cleaner/filter at Maintenance II intervals and replace it at the first oil change after each 50,000-mile¹ (80,000 km) interval. If you are driving in dusty/dirty conditions, inspect the filter at each engine oil change.

HOW TO INSPECT THE ENGINE AIR CLEANER/FILTER:

Vehicle with an Air Filter Restriction Indicator

Locate the air filter restriction indicator on the engine air cleaner/filter cover. When the indicator turns black or is in the red/orange "change" zone, replace the filter and reset the indicator. See "Air Filter Restriction Indicator" in your Owner's Manual. Reset and follow air cleaner/filter replacement procedures.

Vehicle without an Air Filter Restriction Indicator

To inspect the air cleaner/filter, remove the engine air cleaner/filter from the vehicle and lightly shake it to release loose dust and dirt. If the engine air cleaner/filter remains caked with dirt, a new filter is required. When a replacement is necessary as indicated above, we recommend GM/ACDelco Filters (reference your Owner's Manual for correct replacement), or equivalent dry filter elements. We do not recommend oil laminated or oil bathed, extended life filter replacements.

¹Check your Owner's Manual to verify specific air cleaner maintenance requirements for your vehicle.