

# Pro-Drag4 250mJ S3

## ELECTRICAL WIRING & OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Applicable S/No's 35xxxx

FAILURE TO FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS
WILL VOID WARRANTY

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### **INSTALLATION NOTES**

(Pro-Drag 250mJ Series 3 systems)

#### **MOUNTING**

Mount the unit in a dry location away from intense heat and ensure bottom condensation slots are unobstructed and oriented to permit gravity drain. Ensure a source of cooling air is available.

Failure to use supplied rubber mounts will void warranty!

#### **IGNITION LEADS**

Use inductively suppressed spiral wound metal conductor ignition leads. The use of unsuppressed metal leads may cause electrical interference with ecu and/or ignition system.

Do not use carbon core leads!

#### SPARK PLUGS

Non resistor spark plugs will greatly enhance ignition performance <u>however</u> some installations will require the use of resistor spark plugs for correct ECU operation.

When using resistor spark plugs test internal resistance as part of regular maintenance!

Fixed gap surface discharge and semi surface discharge spark plugs are only suitable for naturally aspirated applications.

Keep spark plug gap <= 0.025" (0.6mm) for boosted motors!

#### **INSULATION PRECAUTIONS**

Regularly degrease sparkplug insulators, sparkplug boots, ignition coil boots and installation tooling.

Use dielectric grease on sparkplug insulators and inside sparkplug and ignition coil boots.

#### **POWER SUPPLY**

Do not use voltage boosters, if the vehicle contains a PDM <u>use it only to control CDI switch wire</u>.

Connect ignition supply wires directly to battery!

When using a total loss electrical system install a 16V battery to ensure adequate running voltage. Isolate when charging.

#### WIRING

If required power/ground wire length exceeds recommendations use paired battery cable (power and ground) to make up distance. Do not rely on vehicle chassis to provide ground path.

Use twisted pair wire for all power and coil connections. For improved noise suppression use twisted shielded wire similar to aerospace/mil-spec M27500 series.

Common coil negative wires must be joined at or in the cdi connector.

Keep coil primary wires well separated from HT leads, coil HV outlet, coil body and any ECU wiring!

#### **TRIGGERING**

For correct operation trigger voltage relative to CDI ground must rise above 3.2V and fall below 1.6V.

Single box: Ignition channels may be triggered in any sequence.

Two box: Firing sequence must alternate between boxes.

Trigger input & coil output letters (or numbers) indicate correct CDI firing sequence not cylinder number.

When provided with a trigger edge selection input the unit will default to falling (negative) edge trigger. To select rising edge (positive) trigger ground 'Trigger Edge' pin.

If uncertain lock Ecu timing and monitor engine with timing light while changing RPM. Timing should appear stationary with correct trigger edge.

#### POWER LEVEL SWITCH

To reduce ignition energy under low engine load conditions some M&W 250mJ S3 units include a power level switch.

For drag only use the input may be permanently grounded.

For street/drag use install an adjustable 'Hobbs' style manifold pressure switch or use a programmable output from the ECU to ground the input when increased ignition energy is required.

#### **TUNING**

CDI performance is not affected by changes in dwell settings!

M&W CDI systems typically reduce combustion delay requiring a reduction in timing. The resulting changes in combustion characteristics may also require alterations to fuel flow.

Always set ECU ignition delay to zero and re-tune both fuel and timing curves after installation!

#### TACHO OUTPUT

Tacho output provides a 50% duty cycle square wave signal approximately 1V below supply voltage.

#### **LED INDICATOR**

After applying power to input switch wire the LED will illuminate for approximately 1 second then extinguish. It will then flash briefly with each consecutive trigger event received.

A repeated double flash of the LED may indicate a possible faulty ignition coil, faulty wiring, low supply voltage or damage to the CDI.

#### **TESTING**

The CDI may be tested by momentarily grounding the trigger inputs which will cause the LED to flash and corresponding ignition coil to spark.

Do not conduct this test without grounded spark plugs installed otherwise damage to the cdi and coil will occurr!

#### **COIL SELECTION**

Use of inductive ignition coils with cdi ignition will limit output energy, for ultimate performance use coils specifically designed for CDI use such as the M&W #COI006.

Wire inductive coils reverse polarity when used with M&W CDI's.

The use of COP/Pencil coils of any brand or type will void warranty!

#### FERRITE CDI COILS

Ferrite core cdi coils such as those from Mercury and MSD emit high levels of EMI requiring additional shielding practices. In addition these coils exhibit extremely short arc duration which may compel a narrow tuning window also making them unsuitable for alcohol based fuels.

Do not use ferrite coils wired in parallel pairs!

Do not use Prufex brand coils under any circumstances!



#### **VIEWED FROM BACK OF CONNECTOR**



1 +12V (Battery)	Ground (Battery)	13 Trigger D
2 +12V (Battery)	8 Ground (Battery)	14 Trigger B
3 Trigger C	Trigger edge	15 Trigger A
4 Tacho (T)	10 Edge ground	16 Ignition switch
5 Coil C +	11 Coil B +	17 Coil C & D -
6 Coil A +	12 Coil D +	18 Coil A & B -

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

Operating voltage	. 12.5V> 18V DC
Polarity	Negative ground
Startup voltage	. >= 8V
Maximum supply current	. 18A
Power off current	
Maximum ignition frequency	1,000Hz
Coil primary voltage:	. 500V
Spark energy	. 250mJ
Trigger:	
Current	10mA
Edge	Adjustable
Voltage rsisng	•
Voltage falling	
Tacho output:	
Voltage	Supply - 1.2V
Output current	
Shape	
Operating temperature	
Dimensions	
Weight	750am

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