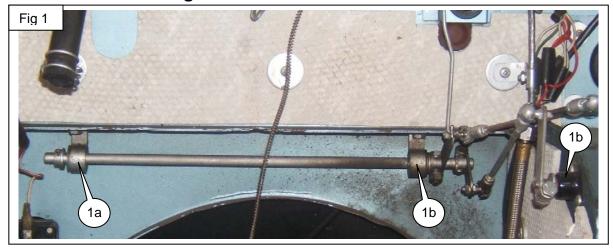
Supplemental Information & Instructions for

021-822 Teflon Throttle Shaft Bushing SetAustin Healey BN4, BN6, BN7, BT7 Dual & Tri-Carb, BJ7, BJ8

About these bushings...





The throttle shaft linkage on these cars uses four bushings, two of which are secured in "cups" in brackets mounted on the firewall (1A, 1B), and one secured in a "cup" mounted on the foot box (1C). The fourth bushing is inside the cockpit on the driver's side (1d).

Throttle shaft bushings in the early cars were felt. Later cars came with bushing that had a rubber sleeve vulcanized to a brass insert with a shoulder. The rubber eventually falls apart, leaving a loose brass bushing rattling around in the cup. The remnants of the rubber sleeve generally fuse to the inside of the cup, and that has to be scraped out with an Exacto knife or a screwdriver. Regardless of which original bushings you have, when they age, the linkage gets loose. Eventually they need to be replaced. We have the original type felt bushings (021-922), and we have sold them for years to restorers and enthusiasts all over the world, and we still sell them to anyone that wants then.

Eric Grunden, Healey restorer and owner of **Absolutely British**, came up with an upgrade to the stock bushings and began fitting Teflon throttle linkage bushings to Healeys in his shop. After several adjustments to the design (mostly fine-tuning dimensions), Eric had a batch made, and he has been using them ever since. I was in his shop sorting out a problem with an exhaust system and he suggested the Moss should make these bushings. He provided some samples, and we went to work on the engineering drawings. We found a manufacturer willing to produce these in moderate quantity (always a challenge!)

Eric approved our pre-production samples in October of 2007 and fitted them to a car he was working on. Almost more important than the bushings themselves is the information he shared about fitting them, which we are happy to provide here. We are grateful to Eric for his assistance in developing this product.



Fitting Instructions

 These instructions supplement, but do not replace the factory workshop manual. Take digital photos before you begin to assist in the re-assembly process.

Removing & Re-fitting the Gas Pedal

There are two bushings on the LHD gas pedal. One is inside the cockpit (3c) and the other is on the outside of the foot box (4c). To remove the pedal, unscrew the large Phillips screws that secure the bracket (3a).

Remove the linkage (Fig 4, 4a) from the end of the shaft. Remove the screws securing the housing or cup (4b) from the side of the foot box. Slide the housing (4b), the bushing (4c), and the washer (4d) off the end of the shaft.

Remove the gas pedal (3d) from the vehicle. Remove the cotter pin (3e) from the shaft. Slide the washer (3f), collar (3g), and pedal return spring (3h) off the shaft. Slide the bracket (3a) with the cup (3b) and the bushing (3c) off the shaft.

Remove the old felt or rubber/bronze bushing. Take the time to carefully clean out the cup (3b), making sure that every bit of the old bushing is gone. If you had the rubber/bronze bushings, you will find that an Exacto knife or small screwdriver will be needed to scrape the cup clean. If you don't get it clean, the Teflon bushing will not fit properly and the bushing may bind on the shaft. Clean up the housing and the bracket, re-painting them black if needed.

Remove the old felt or rubber/bronze bushing from the housing removed from the side of the foot box (4b). Clean it out as described above, and repaint it black if needed.

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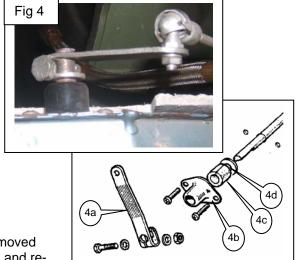
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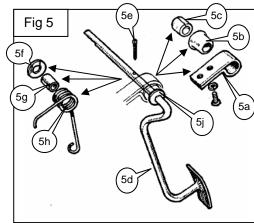
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If the gas pedal shaft is rusty, clean it up with steel wool down to bare metal. The shafts are generally found to have an OD of 0.371", and the Teflon bushings are made with an ID of 0.385". When pressed into the cups (3b, 4b), the ID is squeezed down, usually to about 0.375". This makes the fit snug, but the bushings will still rotate freely.

Pick one Teflon bushing (they are all the same) and test fit it by sliding it over the gas pedal shaft. It should slide on without any trouble. Tap the Teflon bushing into the inner cup (5b). The bushing will stick out past the end of the cup- they are made longer than necessary, which allows them to be sized to match the cup you have. Slide the cup with the bushing into the bracket (5a), and slide the three-piece assembly onto the gas pedal shaft until it rests up against the brazed-on washer (5j). Now slide the spring (5h), collar (5g), and extra thick washer (5f) onto the shaft and see if the cotter pin (5e) can be inserted through the hole in the shaft. If it can't, you need to gauge how much material you need to remove from the Teflon bushing in order for the hole to be exposed. Place a piece of 40 grit sand paper on a flat surface. Hold the cup, pressing the protruding bushing against the sand paper and sand down the bushing until the cotter pin will go through the hole in the shaft. Take care to keep the end surface flat and perpendicular to the sides of the bushing. You are looking for 5-10 thou clearance between the washer and the cotter pin. The Teflon sands easily and this will not take long. Use a new cotter pin when you are done.



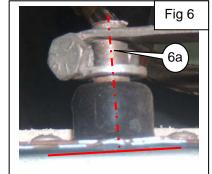
Reassemble the pieces (5a-f) on the gas pedal shaft. Install the pedal back in the foot box, securing the bracket (5a) that holds the cup and bushing.

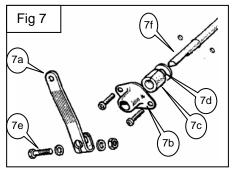
Check and make sure that the end of the throttle shaft (6a) is perpendicular to the sheetmetal of the foot box. If it is not, you must make it so or the outer bushing will bind.

Pick one Teflon bushing (they are all the same) and test fit it by sliding it over the end of the gas pedal shaft. It should slide on without any trouble. Tap the Teflon bushing (7c) into the outer cup (7b). The bushing will stick out past the end of the cup- they are made longer than necessary, which allows them to be sized to match the cup you have. Place a piece of 40 grit sand paper on a flat surface. Hold the cup, pressing the protruding bushing against the sand paper and sand down the bushing until it is just flush with the base of the cup. The Teflon sands easily and this will not take long.

Test fit the bushing/cup assembly by sliding it over the shaft coming through the side of the foot box. You may find that the bushing, which fit fine earlier, is now tight on the shaft. This is not all that unusual because the cups vary, and some tend to be narrower at the outer end than others. Some cups will actually squeeze the Teflon bushing to the point where the ID is too small for the shaft. Carefully dress the hole in the bushing with a round file or a piece of rolled up sandpaper. Test the fit frequently so you do not enlarge the ID too much. Once you have the fit corrected, re-install the cup and bushing on the side of the foot box.

Re-fit the linkage arm (7a) to the end of the gas pedal shaft (7f). When you tighten the pinch bolt (7e), you may find that the two sides of the linkage will touch before the bolt clamps the linkage tight on the shaft (Fig 8). Take off the linkage arm, remove the pinch bolt and carefully enlarge the slot. If you can tighten the pinch bolt and have a 1/16th to 1/8th inch gap, you will be fine.





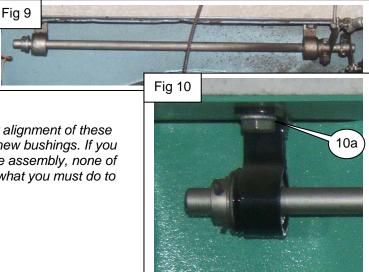


Bushings on the Firewall

 First, we need to remove the linkage from the firewall. (Fig 9)

Remove the bolts (10a) securing the brackets to the lip of the firewall, and remove the linkage as an assembly.

One of the challenges you will face is the proper alignment of these brackets with the holes once we have fitted the new bushings. If you just install the new bushings and try and re-fit the assembly, none of the holes will line up. The next section explains what you must do to avoid this problem.



Place the linkage assembly on a piece of paper as shown in Fig 11.

A piece of 8 ½" x 11" will work if you place the linkage on the diagonal.



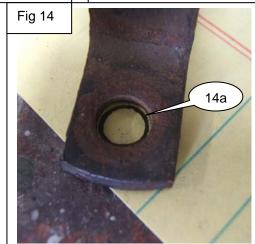
Slide the brackets (with the original bushings still in place) on both ends all the way to the outside so they are tight up against the stops as shown in Fig 8, as opposed to Fig 7, which shows the bracket pulled in from the stop.





With the bracket and bushing assemblies slid out to the stops on both ends, carefully trace all four holes on the paper (14a).

This will give us the reference points we need to reassemble this linkage with the same hole spacing, which in turn means we will not have a problem when we go to bolt this assembly back in place.



Take the linkage assembly apart, paying attention to how the pieces relate to one another.

Referring to Fig 15, which shows the linkage fitted to the Twin Carb BN4, BN6, BN7 & BT7, you can see the components.

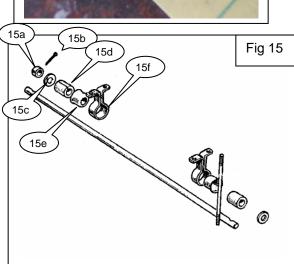
- 15a End Cap, goes on the end of the shaft.
- 15b Cotter pin
- 15c Flat washer
- 207 15d Bushing
 - 15e Cup for the bushing
 - 15f Bracket, holds the cup

If you are missing pieces, please refer to our catalog or website to determine which parts you need for your car.

Do not assume everything is available!

Clean up the components, and organize the pieces so you can reassemble the linkage properly.

Test fit the Teflon bushings on the shaft. They should spin freely. If the shaft is bent, it will need to be straightened carefully before you proceed.



217 Press the Teflon bushings into the cups. You can tap them lightly with a mallet if necessary.

Test fit the bushing/cup assembly by sliding it over the shaft. You may find that the bushing, which fit fine earlier, is now tight on the shaft. Carefully dress the hole in the bushing with a round file or a piece of rolled up sandpaper. Test the fit frequently so you do not enlarge the ID too much.

When the fit is correct, assemble the shaft.

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258 259 260 Place the linkage assembly back on the paper, and see if the holes in the feet of the brackets line up with the circles on the paper. Do not be alarmed if they don't.

Think about how much the bushing will have to be trimmed in order for the holes to line up.

Pull the bushing/cup assembly off the shaft.

Place a piece of 40 grit sand paper on a flat surface.

Hold the cup with the bushing against the sand paper and sand down the bushing.

Refit the cup and bushing assembly, and place the linkage assembly back on the paper, See if the holes in the feet of the brackets line up with the circles on the paper. Repeat the process until they do.

This process must be repeated for both bushing/cup assemblies until everything lines up.

When you are done, the bushings will be snug up against the washers, which are snug up against the end caps, and the holes in the feet of the brackets will line up with the holes in the firewall.

Take your time, do it right.

Bolt the linkage assembly back into place.

Make sure the shaft still rotates freely.

If it does not, the shaft may be bent, and you will need to correct that before you can proceed.

Once everything is reassembled, the linkage should move freely, but with very little free play.

Although every effort has been made to make these instructions complete, clear and error free, it is almost inevitable that you will discover something we missed, got wrong, or could have done better. We welcome any suggestion that will improve the product or these instructions. You may send us your comments by using the simple email form on the **Contact Us** page on our website: http://www.mossmotors.com/AboutMoss/ContactUs.aspx.

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