

## FIND YOUR BUILD SHEET

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When a Ford product is assembled, a "build sheet" or specification sheet is used in order to install compatible options. If a customer orders a High-Performance V-8, certain suspension components, dual exhausts, and other options have to be installed when the car goes down the assembly line. The build sheet is originated by the material department to make sure the proper equipment is installed in the proper vehicle on the assembly line.

If you are asking "Where do I find my Mustang's build sheet?", there are a number of locations you can check:

1. Under any of the seats, usually the passenger seat, between the springs and seat cushion. (Also check under the rear seat, especially in fastbacks.)
2. On top of the glove compartment box. (Reach up under the dash and feel on top of the box.)
3. Glued to the underside of the dash, near the defroster vents.
4. Wrapped and taped around the wiring harness, in the vicinity of the instrument panel.
5. Under the front carpet.
6. Inside the headliner. (Don't try to remove the headliner unless you are replacing the original.)
7. Under the rear carpeted panel in fastbacks.

Most Ford built cars have at least two build sheets, so unless your Mustang was stripped and restored you should be able to find at least one.

Once you find your build sheet, what does it tell you? Many times part numbers are included which will give you clues as to what equipment or options your Mustang started out with. Some of the sheets have code numbers which indicate standard or heavy duty suspension, etc.

The only other way to determine original equipment on your classic Mustang is with the original window sticker. Since you are not likely to find the original sticker with most Mustangs, find your "Build Sheet." MT



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