

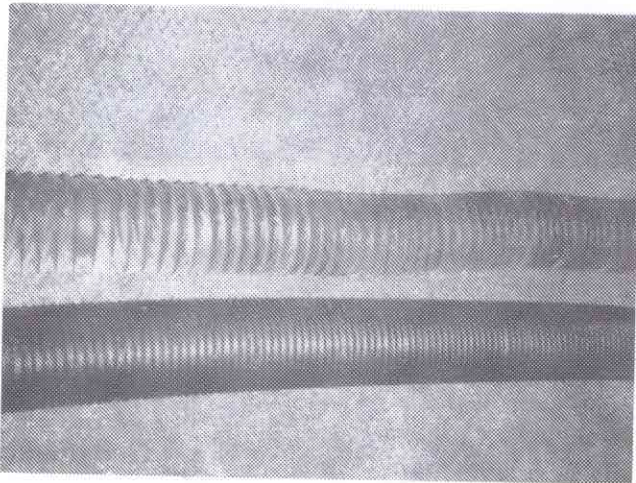
FRESH AIR HOSES

All of our early Corvettes with a heater have a 4" fresh air hose under the hood. I have recently had the opportunity to observe several of the original hoses, especially on 1956 and 1957 in comparing with the reproductions and the reproductions are different in many ways.

When the original hose is stretched and in place there is approximately 11/16 of an inch spread between the spring coils; the fabric is basically an oil cloth type of fabric that was wound around the springs. If you will look very closely at the original you can see threads and fabric within that wrapping. It is wound with the springs with each wrap being overlapped on the prior spring. With the reproductions you will notice the fabric type is a little bit different, but the main problem is that the springs and the wrap are on a 3/8 inch center to center.

When the hose is installed it is stretched reasonably tight and it held in with two bands that have a special filister head screw. I had the opportunity to observe a reproduction of the band, which is now available very close to the original bands.

Larry Richter
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SOFTWARE FOR CORVETTES

In July of this year, I had a chance to talk to you on the phone to get information on a car show in your area.

I had explained how we wrote computer software for Corvettes 1958 and up.

You said that you were interested in seeing what we had and would possibly review one if we sent you one.

So I am sending you our newest program, *Electric Animation Corvette, 1961-1962*.

Being this is a new program during testing we found we needed some enhancements to make the program easier to use, so we reworked the programs and put them in, unfortunately this took more time than expected.

The programs have been thoroughly tested with no problems. Technical Output products is committed to putting out the best in Corvette software, so your comments and suggestions are very important to us.

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Sincerely,
Eric Johnson, President

IMPERIAL FITTING COMPANY

For 54 car owners, the Imperial Fitting Company is still in business. The 90 degree male elbow used in the fuel lines at 2 of the YH carbs are made, but do not resemble the originals. However, the flex sleeve (rubber type gasket) is still made. It is still used in the aviation industry where vibrations occur, it will not leak. So check at the airport or drop me a note for 2 (\$1.00 each).

After waiting 5 years for the repro guys to reproduce the rear license cover bubble, I went ahead and had the tooling made myself. I ran 50 units. They are just like the originals. They are available to car owners only (53-55). Include vin # with order. Price is \$55 each (includes gasket). When they're gone, there will be no more.

Sincerely,
Steve Sokoloff

