

# SACE TECHNICAL PANEL

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## Update on Engine Paint

I'm not sure if you got a copy of the data on the '53-'55 6-cylinder engine paint.

I have a 16 May 1989 letter from DuPont Automotive Products in Troy, Michigan, stating the color was 73119 Deluxe, Engine Enamel Blue. Mr. Brian Dotterer of G.M. confirmed it was the only blue used on '53-'54 Corvette engines (I assume on '55 6-cylinder also).

Here is the formula for 1 quart:

1	White	457 gr.
15	Blue	741 gr.
2	Black	880 gr.
14	H. Red	892 gr.
VD	5450 Dryer	928 gr.

Now, the only problem I have with this is that the formula card has "Released: February 28, 1955" on it. So I'm writing to DuPont again to see if they have an explanation. The color number is correct. My DuPont jobber's formula for 73119 still matches the 1955 formula. My only concern is of the possibility that between '53 and '55, the formula was changed but they kept the same formula number. This seems unlikely, but who knows.

Note that there is no yellow in the formula. For the paint to appear greenish there would have to be yellow mixed with the blue. The theory is that as the blue ages with heat, it turns green. If so, a factory fresh or restoration paint job should not be green! (Is Rhoner green).

I'll let you know what I find out from DuPont.

We all know the Chevy engine blue in rattle cans is not correct. I suspected, however, that G.M. blue might be this 73119. I bought a can of G.M. Blue to compare it with 73119 and found G.M. Blue is still too dark. It looks like 73119 is closer to the Chrysler Blue which is a light blue. Or, half-way between G.M. and Chrysler..

Here's an odd one for you. The window bag twist fasteners in my trunk were painted black. I stripped the paint off and found they were made of brass. The screw stud and core is steel, but the metal casing is brass, not chrome or stainless.

P.S. Here is a list of some parts still in the Chevy system. Publishing a complete list for the club would be a great project.

NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	
1358938	U JOINT "U" BOLTS	.86	EA
3834956	WHEELS 15 X 5 RIVETED	48.35	
3985944	FRONT BRAKE DRUM	49.67	
3985947	REAR BRAKE DRUM	49.67	
3829376	LUG BOLTS	.96	
358501	LUG NUTS	.44	
459023	LOWER A-ARM BUMPERS	1.95	
471162	FRONT WHEEL GREASE CAPS	1.75	
6264903	STEERING "O" RING	.18	
5660233	UPPER COLUMN BEARING W/CABLE	11.88	
599430	STABILIZER SHAFT BUSHINGS	.96	
6270752	STABILIZER SHAFT LINK & SHOCK BUSHINGS	.34	
3192095	FRONT SHOCKS	16.10	
3192962	REAR SHOCKS	16.10	
3756540	FRONT SPRINGS	45.05	
1427894	REAR SPRING FRONT EYE BUSHINGS	1.39	
1234984	1.5" I.D. AIR OUTLET HOSE	10.42	
3918672	TACH & SPEEDO CABLE GROMMET	.63	
377449	REAR AXLE REBOUND STRAPS	6.60	EA
3733355	WIPER BLADES	6.34	EA
3839808	OUTSIDE MIRROR TO BRACKET SCREW	.76	EA
3846934	DOOR LOCK HANDLE KNOB	14.12	EA

I've no idea which of these other than the shocks and rebound straps are not exact replacements. I believe Noland said the wheels are '55 passenger style, not '53-'54 'Vette. Do you know if the defroster hose (air outlet hose) is correct?

You've advised about weatherstripping. Do you know of other dealer stock parts which will work for my '54?