

Cummins Diesel Engine Serial Number

How to Find a Cummins Engine Serial Number

You can find Cummins ESNs on the data plate. The data plate might be hard to find, as it will be in different locations based on the model of the engine. The location of the data plate for your engine will be in your owner's manual. If you don't have a physical copy of your owner's manual but can access [Cummins Quickserve](#), you can see a digital copy of the owner's manual there.

If you don't have access to either, here are the locations for the data plate on some of the more popular engine models.

Data Plate Locations on Popular Cummins Engine Models	
Cummins ISB	Either rocker cover or side of the gear housing
Cummins ISC and ISL	Top side of the gear housing
Cummins ISM	Rocker housing, toward the fuel pump side of the engine
Cummins ISX	Top of the rocker lever cover
Cummins QSK45 and QSK60	Rear of the engine block

Unable to find the data plate or don't see your engine model listed above? Cummins also stamps engine serial numbers onto the passenger side of the engine block.

Cummins Engine Serial Number Format

Cummins engine serial numbers look like a classic serial number. They are eight digits long and are composed only of numbers. They go in a numerical sequence, based on which engine came first off the assembly line. There is no special designation for particular engine models.

CPLs

Cummins Engines do have something a little unique, called a CPL, which stands for "Critical Parts List." This is a list of the critical parts of the engine. There are fewer CPLs than ESNs because multiple engines can have the same CPLs. When ordering most major parts of an engine, providing a CPL will work just as well as supplying an ESN.

We know that finding and identifying your ESN can be a hassle, but knowing your ESN can be crucial when ordering parts for your diesel engine. Giving us part numbers will usually work if you are looking for a single part or two, but we absolutely need an ESN if you are looking for any kind of rebuild kit. If we know an ESN, we can look up all of the exact parts that your engine was built with, and know that we're getting you the right stuff!

