

System 70 72 999 00

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generator/electronic ignition

for MV AGUSTA (1954) Turismo Rapido Extra 125 TRE



Magnet based generator with integrated solid state ignition. Output at 12V/100W DC. Replaces old dynamo and all ignition parts. There is no need for any changes on the engine housing. You may [drive without battery](#), if you want.



**Please verify** that this system corresponds to your MV. There have been [more than one type of MV 125](#).

The system is made for [this engine](#).

This is how the [stock magneto flywheel looks](#).

This is the [stock 6V magneto stator](#) fixed with 3 screws.

**Advantage over original system:**

- [the original stator](#) (3 fastening holes)
- [the original flywheel](#)

- all parts are new
- more light output
- very stable ignition with solid spark
- better starting, better fuel burning
- no more wear on points
- no more trouble on the governor

**Documentation:**

- [assembly instruction](#)
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- [mounted stator on a MV 125](#)
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## You should have received those parts:



- preassembled stator plate
- rotor
- regulator/rectifier
- electronic ignition coil
- advance unit (black box)
- high tension (ignition-) cable
- wires: red, brown, blue
- cable binders
- 3 screws M4



To pull the new rotor again, you need a puller M27x1,25 (part-no.: 99 99 799 00 -**Not provided!**-).

**Note:** Never use a claw puller, a hammer or any other device, that will shake the magnets off.

Make sure your motorcycle rests securely, preferably on an elevated work bench and that you have good access to the dynamo side of the engine.

Disconnect your battery and take it out of the motorcycle. Note that you will install a 12 volts system, so you will either need a 12 volt battery or you use the option of [driving without battery](#). If you want to skip the battery but have direction indicators (flashers) on your bike, you have to install a [electrolyt capacitor](#) (min. 20.000 $\mu$ F/16V) for smoothing the pulsing voltage. Sure, you will still have to replace all lightbulbs to 12 volt ones. The horn may stay at 6 volts.

It might be that your local road traffic regulations demand the existence of a parking light facility (and hence a battery).

Take the old magneto and the ignition coil off.

Remove the woodruff key from the crank. You will not need it any more. Please do not forget to do so, otherwise you will have trouble later on in the assembly.

**(Remark:** This woodruff key does not actually hold your rotor on the shaft, this is done by the taper. It simply guides to the correct setting which will now be otherwise achieved.)



Place the new stator unit onto the engine and fasten it there with the 3 screws provided. The wire will have to show towards the wire exit.

You will notice in the 10 o'clock direction a small red marking on the stator base (a little obscured by the coils (here in the picture an older version looking a little different)).

This is an ignition marking. As it will be obscured by the flywheel, you have to transpose it to the engine with a marker pen.



Have a look at the new rotor. You will find on its circumference a small pressed in line. That is an ignition marking as well. It is durable, but not well visible, so better highlighten it with some marker pen.



Take the spark plug out and bring the piston into top dead center position (TDC), that is the highest point the piston can reach. As this is difficult to do with the kick lever, place the new rotor onto the crankshaft (do not screw it down) and use it as a handle to turn the crank.

Once TDC has been found, carefully disengage the rotor again without moving the crank shaft's position from TDC. Then place it back in such a way, that the marking on the rotor aligns with the marking on the ground plate, as shown here.

Fasten the rotor carefully with the stock nut. Make sure not to modify the crank shaft position during the operation, otherwise you have to redo the whole procedure.

Put the spark plug back.



Fasten the new ignition coil at the frame (say same place, as the original). Leave one screw loose, you have to connect a ground cable here.

(Photo shows different motorcycle!)

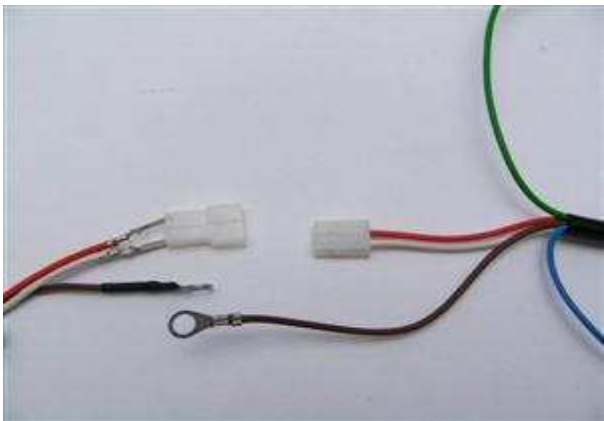
Fasten the advance unit at an convenient place, maybe under the seat or at the rear mud guard. During the installation take a look at the little blue switch block at the upper narrow side. Here are 4 little switches (presettet by us), for choosing different advance curves.





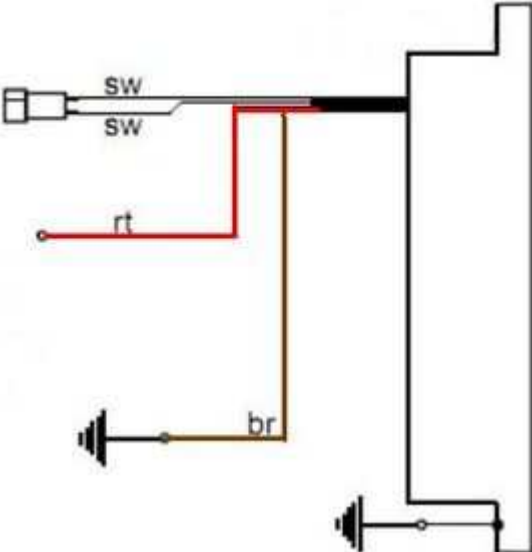
With all switches set to "OFF" the engine reach full advance of 38° at 3.000rpm, as it should be.

Connect the parts as shown in the [wiring diagram 91ik\\_102!](#)

\* To facilitate wire exit through the often small openings in the engine casing, the plastic plug of the generator's wiring that leads to the advance unit has not been put onto the wire terminal. You should place the plug there only once all has been properly installed on the engine side.

	<p>Look for the advance unit with its female plug and the two wires (red and white).</p> <p>Put the provided 2-position plug housing onto this plug and insert the two wires (red and white) from the generator. Make sure that the terminals engage securely in the housing and that you connect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• white to white</li> <li>• red to red</li> </ul>
<p>Should you need (or want) to get the terminals out of the plug housing again, enter a paper clip from front next to the terminals and push the little barb aside. Than pull the wire out.</p>	
<p>* The brown wires <b>from the new generator and the advance unit</b> with the round eye terminals ...</p>	<p>... have to be screwed to the holder frame of the ignition coil (ground). This connection is very important. Please do not rely on the frame as <i>the</i> earth-connection. Paint, oil and dirt prevent often a good contact!</p>
<p>* The green (older systems grey) cable of the advance unit ...</p>	<p>... is the output of the to the ignition coil and gets connected to the single male terminal there.</p>
<p><b>Important!</b> Avoid prolongation of the green wire between advance unit and ignition coil. <a href="#">This may lead to ignition trouble.</a></p> <p>* Never run the high tension cable and the cables from the generator to the advance and/or the grey wire from the advance to the ignition coil closely in parallel (say in one shielding). This will trigger back coupling that disturbs ignition and might even damage the advance unit.</p>	
<p>The blue/white wire at the advance unit. This is the kill (cut-off) wire.</p> <p>* <b>Note:</b> Should you experience ignition failures, disconnect as a first measure this blue wire. In many cases that will permit you to get mobile again (particulars see: <a href="#">technical help</a>)!</p>	<p><b>Connected to ground - it will stop ignition!</b></p> <p>This type of wiring is used in motorcycles which originally already had magneto ignition and therefore switch off by shortcircuiting against ground.</p> <p>Those vehicles have by design a main lock (or some kill switch) that connects a pin to ground when in OFF position (German bikes: pin 2). The blue/white wire of the ignition coil will be connected here. In that way the cut-off works as before.</p>



* <b>Connecting VAPE alternator to lighting circuit (via regulator):</b>	
	<p>The 2 black wires running from the stator coil carry the voltage for lights, horn, flashers etc. They have nothing to do with ignition.</p> <p>This voltage (something between 10 and 50 volts AC depending on engine speed) has however to be stabilized (regulated) and rectified into direct current (DC).</p>
 <b>Attention:</b> Any confusion between plus and minus leads to immediate destruction of the regulator. This will not constitute a warranty case as it is negligence! One can recognize a burnt regulator in most cases by its sharp burnt smell.	
* <b>The regulator of this system:</b> <a href="#">has a inbuilt smooting condenser which enables full function of flashers and horn with or without a battery present:</a>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the 2 black (sw) wires are the AC input from the alternator (as it is AC it does not matter which black to which black)</li> <li>the red (rt) wire is the positive (plus) 12V DC output</li> <li>the brown (br) wire is the negative (minus) ground, internally connected to the regulator housing</li> </ul>
<p>Screw the high tension (ignition) cable ...</p> <p>Please <b>do not use</b> any spark amplifying cables, such as "Nology supercables" or "hot wire". This will disturb the system and possibly damage it.</p>	<p>... into the ignition coil and pull over the rubber seal before mounting the coil (it will be easier).</p> <p>Please do use the cable arriving with the pack and not any old cable.</p>
<p>You will do yourself a favour to treat your bike to a new spark plug and spark plug socket (preferably some between 0-2kOhm). Plenty of problems are to be traced back to "apparently good" (even completely "brand-new") sparks plugs, terminals and cables.</p> <p><b>Do not use</b> resistor containing caps AND spark plugs with an internal suppression resistor. NGK (e.g.) offered such spark plugs coded with an "R" (for resistor).</p>	

*	<p>Finally - <b>and before installing the battery and before the first kickstart</b> - please re-check carefully all connections and fitments against the wiring diagram. Do check battery and light bulbs for correct voltage (12V).</p>
	<p>Should something not work, please consult our <a href="#">trouble-shooting guide</a> on our homepage. As a first step disconnect the blue wire from the coil and re-test.</p>
*	<p><b>IMPORTANT:</b> During <b>crank shaft repair</b> the dynamo shaft is often machined and gets shorter. The result is a rotor sitting lower, possibly touching now the stator coil. The result is a destroyed stator and ignition failure. For <a href="#">more detail and how to check see (online) here</a>.</p>
<b>Important safety and operating information</b>	
	<p>Safety first! Please observe the <a href="#">general health and safety regulations motor vehicle repair (MVR)</a> as well as the safety information and obligations indicated by the manufacturer of your motorcycle.</p>
#	<p>The timing marks on the material are for general guidance only during first installation. Please check after assembly by suitable means (stroboscope) that settings are correct to prevent damage to the engine or possibly even your health. You alone are responsible for the installation and the correctness of settings.</p>
#	<p><u>Ignition systems generate high tension!</u> With our material right up to 40,000 Volts! This may, if handled carelessly, not only be painful, but outrightly <u>dangerous</u>. Please do keep a safe distance to the electrode of your spark plug and open high tension cables. Should you need to test spark firing, hold the spark plug socket securely with some well insulating material and push it firmly to solid ground of the engine block. Never pull sparkplug caps when engine is running. Wash your vehicle only with engine at standstill and ignition off.</p>
#	<p>Should you have received in the kit HT cables with a fixed rubber boot(which does not contain a resistor) you might have to use spark plugs with an inbuilt resistor (or replace the cap with one containing a resistor) to comply with your local laws.</p>
#	<p>After installation, please <u>check tightness of all screws, even those preinstalled</u>. If parts get loose during run, there will be inevitably damage to the material. We pre-assemble screws only loosely.</p>
#	<p>Give the newly installed system a chance to work, <a href="#">before you start to check and test values</a>, or what is worse apply changes to it. Our parts have been checked before delivery to you. You will not be able to check much anyway. <b>At any rate do refrain from measuring the electronic components (such as ignition coil, regulator and advance unit). You risk severe damage to the inner electronics there. You will not get any tangible results from the operation anyway.</b> Bear in mind that also your carburetor, your spark plugs and spark plug sockets (even if completely new) might be the reason for malfunction. The general experience with our systems is that the carburetor will have to be re-adjusted to lower settings. Should the system not start after assembly, first disconnect the blue (or blue/white) cut-off wire directly at the ignition coil (or in some cases advance unit) to eliminate any malfunction in the cut-off circuitry. Check ground connections carefully, make sure there is a good electrical connection between frame and engine block. In case of troubles, please consult our <a href="#">Knowledge Base</a> first before you send off the material to us for checking</p>

#	The spark of classic, points based ignition systems has with about 10,000 Volts comparatively little energy and looks therefore yellow and fat (which however makes it highly visible). The spark from our system is a high energy spark with up to 40,000 Volts and therefore is needle thin focused in form, and blue in colour, which makes it not so visible. Furthermore you get spark only at kick-start operated speeds and not by pushing the kick-lever down slowly with your hand (as you might get with battery based ignitions).
#	Systems using a <a href="#">twin outlet ignition coils</a> have a few peculiarities. Please observe that during tests on one side, the other has either to be connected to an fitted spark plug or securely earthed/grounded. Otherwise there will be no spark on either side. Also with such open exits long and dangerous sparks may fly all over the coil.
#	Never do electric arc welding on the bike without completely disconnecting all parts containing semiconductors (ignition coil, regulator, advance) stator and rotor need not be taken off. The same is true for soldering. Before touching electronics disconnect the soldering iron from mains! <a href="#">Never use copper putty on spark plugs.</a>
#	Electronics are very sensitive to wrong polarity. After work on the system, do check correct polarity of the battery and the regulator. Wrong polarity creates short circuits and will destroy the regulator, the ignition coil and the advance unit. As a rule, wiring will always be colour to colour. Instances, where colour jumps between wires are expressly mentioned in our instructions.
#	When you handle the new rotor, take care not to damage its magnets. Refrain from direct blows to the circumference of the rotor. <b>When transporting never put the rotor over the stator.</b> <a href="#">Observe our information relative to transport of the material.</a>
#	Do not use spark plug sockets with a resistance of more than 5kOhm. Better use 1 or 2kOhm ones. Bear in mind that spark plug sockets do age and thereby increase their internal resistance. Should an engine start up only when cold, a defective spark plug socket and/or spark plug is very probably the cause. In case of problems check high tension cables too. Never use carbon fibre HT-cables, never use so called "hot wires" which promise to increase spark.
#	It is a good idea to cover the rotor in a thin layer of oil to reduce the risk of corrosion.
#	Never use a claw puller or a hammer to disengage the rotor. Its magnets might become loose in the event. We offer a special puller for disengaging the new rotor again (see assembly instruction)!
#	Should the motorcycle not be in use for some longer period, please disconnect the battery (so existing) to prevent current bleeding through the diodes of the regulator. Though, even a disconnected battery will empty itself after a while.
#	Please do observe these remarks, but at the same time, don't be afraid of the installation process. Remember, that before you, thousands of other customers have successfully installed the system. <i>Enjoy driving your bike with its new electric heart!</i>



