



EXECUTIVE ORDER D-660-111

Relating to Exemptions Under Section 27156
of the California Vehicle Code

Cobb Tuning
Hard Pipe Kit, Upper Hard Pipe Kit, Lower Hard Pipe Kit

Pursuant to the authority vested in the California Air Resources Board by Section 27156 of the Vehicle Code; and

Pursuant to the authority vested in the undersigned by Section 39515 and Section 39516 of the Health and Safety Code and Executive Order G-19-095;

IT IS ORDERED AND RESOLVED: That installation of the Hard Pipe Kit, Upper Hard Pipe Kit, and Lower Hard Pipe Kit, manufactured and marketed by Cobb Tuning of 2311 West Rundberg Lane, Suite 500 Austin, Texas 78758, have been found not to reduce the effectiveness of the applicable vehicle pollution control systems and, therefore, is exempt from the prohibitions of Section 27156 of the Vehicle Code for the following vehicles listed.

Part Number	Part Name	Vehicle Fitment
752550-BK	Hard Pipe Kit (includes both 752530-BK and 752540-BK)	2008-2015 2.0L TC Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution X vehicles
752530-BK	Upper Hard Pipe Kit	2008-2015 2.0L TC Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution X vehicles
752540-BK	Lower Hard Pipe Kit	2008-2015 2.0L TC Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution X vehicles

*TC = Turbocharged

The Hard Pipe Kit (part number 752550) is a set of pipes and associated mounting hardware that leads air into and out of the intercooler. It replaces manufacturer stock piping with the intent of reducing airflow restrictions, while maintaining stock connections and calibrations. No ECU modifications are included with these parts. This kit is split into two parts which may be sold separately, the Upper Hard Pipe Kit (part number 752530) and the Lower Hard pipe Kit (part number 752540), composed of pipes installed before and after the intercooler. The Upper hard pipe kit also includes piping for the bypass valve, replacing the stock piping.

This Executive Order is valid provided that the installation instructions for the Hard Pipe Kit will not recommend tuning the vehicle to specifications different from those specified by the vehicle manufacturer.

Changes made to the design or operating conditions of the Hard Pipe Kit, Upper Hard Pipe Kit, or Lower Hard Pipe Kit, as exempted by the California Air Resources Board, that adversely affect the performance of the vehicle's emission control system shall invalidate this Executive Order.

This Executive Order shall not apply to any Hard Pipe Kit, Upper Hard Pipe Kit, or Lower Hard Pipe Kit advertised, offered for sale, sold with, or installed on a new motor vehicle prior to or concurrent with transfer to an ultimate purchaser.

Marketing of the Hard Pipe Kit, Upper Hard Pipe Kit, or Lower Hard Pipe Kit using any identification other than those shown in this Executive Order or marketing of these modifications for an application other than those listed in this Executive Order shall be prohibited unless prior approval is obtained from the California Air Resources Board.

This Executive Order does not constitute any opinion as to the effect the use of the Hard Pipe Kit, Upper Hard Pipe Kit, or Lower Hard Pipe Kit may have on any warranty, either expressed or implied by the vehicle manufacturer; or compliance with any other state, federal, or local law, such as safety equipment requirements or noise limitations.

Exemption of the Hard Pipe Kit, Upper Hard Pipe Kit, or Lower Hard Pipe Kit shall not be construed as an exemption to sell, offer for sale, or advertise any component of the assemblies as individual devices.

This Executive Order is granted based on information submitted by Cobb Tuning, including emissions test data.


The California Air Resources Board reserves the right in the future to review this Executive Order and the exemption provided herein to assure that the exempted add-on or modified part continues to meet the standards and procedures of Title 13, California Code of Regulations, Section 2222, et seq. Further, if test results or other evidence provides the California Air Resources Board with reason to suspect that the Hard Pipe Kit, Upper Hard Pipe Kit, or Lower Hard Pipe Kit will affect the durability of emission control systems, Cobb Tuning shall be required to submit durability data to show that the durability of vehicle emission control systems are not, in fact, affected and/or that the add-on or modified part demonstrates adequate durability.

THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CERTIFICATION, ACCREDITATION, APPROVAL, OR ANY OTHER TYPE OF ENDORSEMENT BY THE CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD OF ANY CLAIMS OF THE APPLICANT CONCERNING ANTI-POLLUTION BENEFITS OR ANY ALLEGED BENEFITS OF THE HARD PIPE KIT, UPPER HARD PIPE KIT, OR LOWER HARD PIPE KIT.

No claim of any kind, such as "Approved by the California Air Resources Board", may be made with respect to the action taken herein in any advertising or other oral or written communication.

Violation of any of the above conditions shall be grounds for revocation of this order. The order may be revoked only after a ten-day written notice of intention to revoke the order, in which period the holder of the order may request in writing a hearing to contest the proposed revocation. If a hearing is requested, it shall be held within ten days of receipt of the request and the order may not be revoked until a determination is made after the hearing that grounds for revocation exist.

Executed on this 16th day of September 2022.


Robin U. Lang, Chief
Emissions Certification and Compliance Division