

RV8 heater control fascia panel



Heating and Ventilation – RV8 Owner's Handbook AKM7144ENG shown on page 31. From the left clockwise the settings are Demist & Defrost (airflow to the windscreen only), Screen & Car (airflow to the foot level vents and windscreen) and Car (airflow from foot level vents only) – shown on page 29.



John van den Boorn posted a query on the V8 Bulletin Board – “Does anybody know a source for a new RV8 heater control fascia panel? Brown and Gammons’ part number is ZKC5114 but it is no longer available. In the archive I found that this part is also used on several Rover cars (for example Rover 200) and the Austin Rover part number is CDP 5116.

Peter Benns responded saying “I had to replace my heater panel a few years ago because the markings had worn off. Strangely it is the same panel on a Sherpa van. Absolutely identical and only a few pounds from a scrap yard!” Peter Woods then added “since it looks exactly the same (except that the footwell symbol is where the windshield is and vice versa) and all the connections are the same, I guess it’s a panel from a later model Sherpa van. Why British Leyland/Freight Rover, or whoever, decided to reverse the positions of these connections who knows. If I get a moment tomorrow I will send you a picture so you can see whether the difference is acceptable. I will do an RV8NOTE when I get time.”



Left: the two heater control panels compared. Top is the Sherpa van panel. Bottom is the original RV8 panel.

Above and below: the Sherpa van replacement heater control panel fitted to an RV8.

